

Today in Worship

Phrases from today’s hymn, *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation, and response.

The flowers on the chancel today are given by David King in honor/memory of Doris Anderson's interment service last Friday and her birthday yesterday. Donations in her honor are suggested to her beloved Highland music program, of which she was a choir member many years past.

Listening Assist Devices are available. Please see our sound technician or an usher for assistance. Large print hymn sheets are also available upon request for visually impaired persons. An usher can provide a copy for you.

Worship care is available for infants, toddlers and preschoolers during worship. Our greeters are available to help you navigate our building. A Worship Cart with activities to engage children in the pew is located in the Commons. Children's Worship is available for K-2nd graders during the sermon.

Nearly 65% of people at Highland use online giving to make financial gifts to the church. We invite you to be one of them! Scan the first QR code in the section below to be directed to our online giving page.

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Notes and News for the Community of Faith

- Wednesday night activities have resumed!** If you’d like to make a dinner reservation for one night or standing reservations for the year, please send an email to Leslie Morris at leslie@hbclouisville.org to let her know. Also consider if you might volunteer for dish drying once each month. To volunteer, contact Kathy Belcher at klbelcher53@gmail.com.
- This Fall at Highland: Rooted. Small Acts. Deep Roots. Shared Life.** Throughout the fall, you will be invited to join us in recognizing how we feast on the faithfulness of past generations, sow seeds for the generations to come, and establish deep connections by participating in small acts of faithfulness together. We are rooted in the love that sustains us and in all that has been given to us. Look for opportunities to connect with our theme in various ways throughout the year.
- Children's Choirs continue!** We've started filling Highland’s second floor with the sounds of children singing! From walking toddlers holding the hand of a parent to the confidence of a fifth grader remembering past music skills, our top floor holds the high energy, movement, noise, and music making from both children and adults each Wednesday, 6:00-7:15 p.m. Come and join in the fun!
- Looking Ahead:**
 - Wednesday, August 19: Cloud of Witness, 6:15 PM, Sanctuary
 - Fri/Sat, August 28-29: Deacon Retreat, General Butler State Park
 - Sunday, August 30: Deacon Ordination Service, 4:00 PM, Sanctuary
Beer and Hymns, 5:30-7:00 PM, Trellis Brewing
 - Sunday, September 13: Installation Service for Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Carol Harston, 4:00 PM
 - October 9-11: Fall Women's Retreat - contact Ginger Miller at 502-599-6569



HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 16, 2026

8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.



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A thinking, feeling, healing community of faith

Our Mission... God’s Love compels us to cultivate a safe, welcoming community of faith where all are challenged to discover, grow, and serve, as together we boldly live out the worship that is our very lives.

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ORGANIST AND MUSIC ASSOCIATE

Renee Purtlebaugh
ASSOCAITE PASTOR TO CHILDREN
AND THEIR FAMILIES

Invitation to Worship		Renee Purtlebaugh		Assurance of Forgiveness		Paul Henderson		
BRING FORTH THE ROYAL DIADEM AND CROWN HIM LORD OF ALL								
Prelude		Ashley Grote		Hymn (41) †		WELLESLEY		
		Prelude on REPTON		There's a Wideness in God's Mercy Children grades K-2 may be dismissed for Children's Worship (11:15)				
Call to Worship		Linda Waller (8:45) Anita Roper (11:15)		TO HIM ALL MAJESTY ASCRIBE AND CROWN HIM LORD OF ALL				
Come, all who seek God's ways. Come, all who long for grace. We come to the God who welcomes all and gathers us as one. Lift your hearts and raise your voices! All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let every people, every nation, every heart join the song. We come to worship the God whose love has room for all!				The Gospel Lesson		Carol Harston		
				Matthew 15: 21-28 (Pew Bible page 17 – NT)				
				Sermon		Where Faith Takes Root: In the Crumbs		
WE'LL JOIN THE EVERLASTING SONG AND CROWN HIM LORD OF ALL								
Hymn of Praise (339) †		CORONATION		Hymn of Response (536) †		LAUDA ANIMA		
		All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name		Lord, You Call Us to Your Service				
Prayer of Praise †		Linda Waller (8:45) Anita Roper (11:15)		Deacon Testimony (11:15) and Offertory Prayer		Rick Finklea (8:45) Cheryl Priddy (11:15)		
Glory to the Creator †		MEINEKE		Offertory		Sarah McDonald		
Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Spirit, One. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.				Prelude on WAREHAM				
Choral Praise		Michael Costello		News for the Community		Renee Purtlebaugh		
		Alleluia, Song of Gladness		In response to your decision, we welcome you! We covenant to be the family of God for you in this place. We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, as we journey in faith together. For the ministries that shape the life of our community, thanks be to God.				
		Alleluia, song of gladness, voice of joy that cannot die; alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high: in the house of God abiding thus they sing eternally. Alleluia! Lead our praises, true Jerusalem and free; alleluia, joyful mother, bring us to your jubilee: but by Babylon's sad waters mourning exiles now are we. Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below; alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forgo; for the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin shall flow, when our tears for sin shall flow. In our hymns we pray with longing: Grant us blessed Trinity, at the last to keep glad Easter with the faithful saints on high; there to you forever singing alleluia joyfully. Alleluia! Amen!		Doxology †				OLD HUNDREDTH
		HAIL HIM WHO SAVES YOU BY HIS GRACE AND CROWN HIM LORD OF ALL		Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One, Amen.				
Pastoral Prayer		Carol Harston		Benediction †		Carol Harston		
The Hebrew Lesson		John Kupar		Postlude		Joseph Parr		
		Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 (Pew Bible pages 672-673 – OT)		Improvisation on LAUDA ANIMA				
Prayer of Confession		Paul Henderson		† For those who are able, we invite you to stand.				
Gracious God, we confess that we too often decide who belongs and who does not. We build walls where you have opened doors. We guard tables where you have made room for all. We measure faith by appearances, and overlook the faith growing in unexpected places. Forgive us for the times we have missed your grace because it came to us in crumbs— through voices we did not expect, through people we did not understand, through love we thought was too small to matter. Teach us to trust your abundance, to widen our welcome, and to recognize your presence wherever faith takes root. (Silence is held.)								