

# LENTEN MIDDAY COMMUNION April 5, 2022

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# Order for Holy Communion

Preaching – The Reverend Kevin Higgs Liturgist – The Reverend Mikah Hudson Choirmaster and Organist – Richard Phillips

\*Congregation please stand. Words in bold are spoken or sung by the congregation.

#### Prelude

Chorale Prelude on EVENTIDE Abide with Me | Text, UMH 700 Dale Wood (1934-2003)

Welcome and Introduction of Guest Preacher

\*Нуми 626

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Verses 1, 3, and 4 PICARDY

### \*Lenten Prayer

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*Let us pray*: O God our deliverer, you led your people of old through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

### \*GOSPEL LESSON

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ. The Lesson Mark 11:12-18 The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

\*Doxology 95

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Kevin Higgs

OLD HUNDREDTH

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER 895

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Organ Improvisation on **BETHANY** Nearer, My God, to Thee | Text, UMH 528

CLOSING PRAYERS

\*Blessing and Sending Forth

\*VOLUNTARY Chorale

Chorale Prelude on CONVERSE What a Friend We Have in Jesus | Text, UMH 526 Dale Wood

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for lunch following the service.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 10 – Palm Sunday Procession, 10:15 AM at Brother Bryan Park April 12 – Lenten Midday Communion, NOON The Reverend Elizabeth Goodrich, Presbytery of Sheppards and Lapsley April 14 – Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion, 6:30 рм April 15 – Good Friday Services, Noon and 6:30 рм April 17 – Easter Sunday, 10:30 AM



# WELCOME TO HIGHLANDS!

A RECONCILING CONGREGATION www.highlandsumc.net/rmn



Highlands United Methodist Church is a community of disciples of Christ; a beacon of hope, inviting all to become new persons in Christ to be sent into the world to share the Gospel and to serve our neighbors; and a sanctuary for those in need of God's love and grace.

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# Health & Safety Protocols

- Face masks are encouraged but not required throughout the building.
- Hand sanitizer is available throughout the Sanctuary and church building. Congregants are especially encouraged to sanitize hands prior to receiving Holy Communion.

If you have questions or concerns regarding in-person worship COVID protocols, please contact the church office at 205-933-8751.

# OFFERING

Cash or Check Giving:

• Giving envelopes are available in the pew racks. Checks may be made payable to HUMC.

# Electronic Giving:

- Text GIVE to 205-900-3040. A link will be provided for a simple, quick way to give with one click.
- Visit <u>www.highlandsumc.net/giving</u> to give using a debit/credit card or bank account.

### Sustainable Giving:

• To set up monthly bank drafts, contact financial manager Tyra Johnson-Pirtle at finance@highlandsumc.net.