



HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

APRIL 7, 2019

10:30 A.M. SERVICE



ALL ARE WELCOME

Highlands United Methodist Church affirms that nothing can separate anyone from the love of God. We invite all to worship, wonder, and discover God's grace as we aspire to create a safe space for all to participate fully in the life of this community of faith. We are called to shine as a beacon of hope, grace, belonging, and respect for all people. Regardless of age, gender identity, ethnicity, sexual orientation, family, financial status, nationality, physical or mental ability, past or future, there is room for you at Highlands.



WELCOME TO HIGHLANDS!

- † All children are welcome to participate fully in worship. Families are encouraged to sit toward the front so that your children can see and hear all that takes place during worship. Children's bulletins, books, and crayons are available at the Sanctuary entrances for use during worship. A nursery is provided for ages 4 and younger; an usher will be happy to direct you.
- † Children of all ages are invited to participate in the Children's Moment. Following Children's Moment, children will be dismissed to Children's Choir rehearsal. After rehearsal, children ages 4 – 2nd grade may attend Children's Church in the Fellowship Hall; older children will return to worship to sit with their families. If this is your child's first time attending Children's Choir and Children's Church at Highlands, a parent is asked to accompany their child to meet staff and provide contact information.
- † Please visit the hospitality table in the Greeting Space after worship for a homemade treat and information about the Highlands family. Feel free to call or email the church with any questions or pastoral care needs. We would love to have the opportunity to visit with you.
- † If you would like to receive updates from Highlands about our upcoming worship services, study opportunities, and events, text HIGHLANDS to 84576, visit www.highlandsumc.net/email, or contact the church office.
- † Parking for visitors and those with limited mobility is available in the lot located directly behind the church building, just off Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. Parking is free on Sundays at all metered street spaces near the church and at the public parking deck on Magnolia Avenue. The Highlands Bar and Grill lot on 11th Avenue South is no longer free on Sundays; if you choose to park there, please be sure to pay with your cell phone to avoid being ticketed or booted.



HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
A RECONCILING CONGREGATION

ORDER FOR CHORAL MORNING WORSHIP

Canticles: *Service in A Minor Opus 17, No. 1 – T. Tertius Noble (1867-1953)*

Preces and Responses: *Philip Radcliffe (1905-1986)*

PREACHING – THE REVEREND MIKAH HUDSON

LITURGIST – THE REVEREND DEB WELSH

CHILDREN'S MOMENT – REGGIE HOLDER

CHOIRMASTER AND ORGANIST – RICHARD PHILLIPS

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

Serving for Altar Guild: Nancy Hill, Donna Sibley

Serving as Ushers: Cynthia Brennan, Will Stowe

Serving as Verger: Brian Bellenger

Serving as Lay Reader: Ryanne Trench

Serving as Acolytes: Harper Boyd, Sam Jones, Madeline Solomon

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

Ellis Landers, chimer

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

Chorale Prelude on ROCKINGHAM
(Text, UMH 299 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross)

*HYMN IN PROCESSION 168

At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

*CHORAL INTROIT

A Prayer of King Henry VI

*Domine, Jesu Christe, qui me creasti, redemisti, et preordinasti ad hoc quod sum,
tu scis quid de me facere vis; fac de me secundum voluntatem tuam cum misericordia. Amen.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, who created, redeemed, and preordained me to be this that I am,
You know what you wish to do with me; do with me in accordance with your will, with mercy. Amen.*

Henry Ley (1887 - 1962)

Text, Traditional Latin

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*PRECES AND RESPONSES

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

Choir: O Lord make haste to help us,

Officiant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Choir: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Officiant: Praise ye the Lord!

Choir: The Lord's name be praised!

*VENITE

Psalm 95: Come, Let Us Sing to God on High

HULSEY



1. Come, let us sing to God on high, The Rock of our sal - va - tion praise;
2. For God is Lord a - bove all gods, The heights and depths are in His hand;
3. Let us bow down and wor - ship Him who is our ma - ker and our Lord;



Come with thanks - giv - ing to His courts and joy - ful psalms be - fore Him raise.
He made the sea and it is His, His hands have mold - ed the dry land.
We are His peo - ple and His sheep; To - day, then, heark - en to His Word.

THE LESSONS

PSALM 126 (Sung by The Choir)

Anglican Chant: George Mursell Garrett (1834-1897)

¹ When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion, then were we like unto them that dream.

² Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with joy.

³ Then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them.

⁴ Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already; whereof we rejoice.

⁵ Turn our captivity, O Lord, as the rivers in the south.

⁶ They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

⁷ He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed,
Shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

(The congregation may remain seated.)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Philippians 3:4b-14

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

Magnificat

The Choir

*My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior,
For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden.
For, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me and holy is his name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and the meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel
As he promised to our fore fathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.*

(The congregation may remain seated.)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.*

SECOND LESSON

John 12:1-8

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis

The Choir

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.*

(The congregation may remain seated.)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.*

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

*SALUTATION

Liturgist: The Lord be with you.

Choir: And with thy spirit.

Liturgist: Let us pray.

(The congregation may be seated.)

Choir: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Choir: *Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

SUFFRAGES

Liturgist: *O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.*
Choir: *And grant us thy salvation.*

Liturgist: *O Lord, save the state.*
Choir: *And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

Liturgist: *Endue thy ministers with righteousness.*
Choir: *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

Liturgist: *O Lord, save thy people.*
Choir: *And bless thine inheritance.*

Liturgist: *Give peace in our time, O Lord.*
Choir: *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

Liturgist: *O God, make clean our hearts within us.*
Choir: *And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Reverend Deb Welsh

GREETING AND PARISH NOTICES

THE OFFERTORY

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross *The Choir*

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.
See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen.*

Arranged by Gilbert Martin (b. 1941)

Text, Isaac Watts

*DOXOLOGY 95

OLD 100TH

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Reggie Holder

Children of all ages are invited to participate. Following the Children's Moment, children will be dismissed to Children's Choir rehearsal. Children ages 4 to 2nd grade may then attend Children's Church in the Fellowship Hall; older children will return to sit with their families. If this is your child's first time attending Children's Choir and Children's Church at Highlands, a parent is asked to accompany their child to meet staff and provide contact information.

SEQUENCE HYMN 189

Fairest Lord Jesus

ST. ELIZABETH
Organ Improvisation: T. Tertius Noble

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 452

My Faith Looks Up to Thee (verses 1 & 2)

OLIVET
Organ Improvisation: Noel Rawsthorne

*BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Psalm 150
The Choir

*O praise God in his holiness, praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet, praise him upon the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances, praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals, praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.*

George Thomas Talbot (d. 1918)

Text, Traditional Coverdale Psalter

After the retiring procession concludes, you are invited to be seated in the Sanctuary until the conclusion of the voluntary.

VOLUNTARY

Elegy

C. Hubert H. Parry

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS



Beginning in June, Rick Phillips will be full time at Highlands as our Choirmaster and Organist. Rick will be retiring in May from his position as the Choirmaster and Organist of Advent Episcopal Day School. His ministry there has been a blessing to so many and the school is celebrating his many years of service. We are blessed to have Rick at Highlands and look forward to many more years of ministry with him. Rick will continue to lead and expand the excellent music ministry at Highlands, and assist the pastoral staff with weekly visitation of our homebound members. This is a wonderful opportunity for our church to grow in meaningful ways.

Holy Week Worship

Palm Sunday – April 14

8:30 AM – Holy Communion in the Chapel
10:15 AM – Palm Sunday Procession from Brother Bryan Park
10:30 AM – Holy Communion in the Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday – April 18

6:30 PM – Holy Communion in the Sanctuary

Good Friday – April 19

NOON – Liturgy for Good Friday in the Sanctuary
6:30 PM – Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday – April 21

8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Service of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary
with members of the Alabama Symphony Orchestra
Bring fresh flowers to decorate the front lawn cross.

Lenten Pilgrimage – April 12

Join Jettie Davis and Reggie Holder on Friday, April 12 in a Lenten tour of the Chapel at St. John's Episcopal Church in Montgomery to experience the Stations of the Cross painted by Camilla Brunschlyer, an Alabama artist and teacher. Her work, which is in private collections throughout the U.S., stays true to her basic need to express meaning through symbolic and iconic imagery. The Stations of the Cross were created for St John's over a two year period. She will meet with us to share her vision behind this moving series. After the Chapel, we will walk the labyrinth in quiet reflection, and then join together for a silent lunch in their great hall, eating together with intention. We will then proceed to The National Memorial for Peace and Justice, and then back to Birmingham. You are encouraged to bring a journal to keep your thoughts, where at a later date we may meet again to share our experiences.

WHERE: St. John's Episcopal Church in Montgomery and The National Memorial for Peace and Justice

WHEN: Friday, April 12; Depart Highlands at 9:30 AM, Depart Montgomery at 3:00 PM

WHAT TO BRING: journal, bag lunch, comfortable shoes, water bottle

To sign up, contact Jettie Davis at jettie@hotmail.com.



Vision Statement

*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.*