



HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 4, 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!



A RECONCILING CONGREGATION

www.highlandsumc.net/rmn

- † 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 ages 4 – 2nd grade may 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 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 small gift and some 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.

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

PREACHING – THE REVEREND HENRY GIBSON
LITURGIST & 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: Dinah Hughes

Serving as Ushers: Bart Trench, Anne Buckley

Serving as Communion Stewards: Becky Halliday, Jason Halliday, Emma Halliday

Serving as Acolytes: Sedgie Edmondson, Liam Stowe, Lillie Corinne Welch

Serving as Verger: Brian Bellenger

Serving as Lay Reader: Lynne Trench

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

Savannah Busby, Chimer

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Cantabile

Jacques Lemmens (1823-1881)

*HYMN IN PROCESSION 66

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

*COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.***

*Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.***

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*See pew insert*)

Glory to You

John Rutter (b. 1945)

1. **Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**
2. **Glory to you for the radiance of your holy name; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**
3. **Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**
4. **Glory to you, seated between the cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**
5. **Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**
6. **Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.**

FIRST LESSON

Hosea 11:1-11

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The cantor will sing the Response first, then followed by all. The psalm will be read by half verse.



Give thanks to the Lord for steadfast love, for all God's wonderful works.

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them. R

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress; he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things. Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the LORD. R

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Reggie Holder

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***SEQUENCE HYMN 630**

Become to Us the Living Bread

GELOBT SEI GOTT

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 12:13-21

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Henry Gibson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reggie Holder

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Musical Setting: Elise Eslinger (b. 1943)

***INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

God in Christ breaks down the walls that make us strangers to ourselves and divide us from one another. We are the body of Christ. Around this table, we enact our faith. The Communion Table is open to all who are in love with God and their neighbor and seek forgiveness and healing in this broken world.

***THE PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. And also with you.

GREETING AND PARISH NOTICES

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Divine Redeemer

from La Redemption
Lindsay Dawson, soprano

Ah! Turn me not away, receive me, tho unworthy! Hear thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress!
Answer me from thy throne; haste thee Lord, to mine aid, thy pity show in my deep anguish!
Let not the sword of vengeance smite me, tho righteous thine anger, O Lord!
Shield me in danger, O regard me! On thee, Lord, alone will I call?
O, divine Redeemer! I pray thee, grant me pardon, and remember not my sin!
Forgive me, O divine Redeemer I pray thee. Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to thee;
Come to mine aid, O Lord! Haste thee, Lord, haste to help me!
Hear my cry! Save me, Lord in mercy, hear my cry! Come and save me, O Lord!
O, divine Redeemer! I pray thee, grant me pardon, and remember not, O Lord, my sin!
Save in the day of retribution, from death shield me, O my God!
O, divine Redeemer, have mercy! Help me, my Savior!

Charles François Gounod (1818-1893)

Text, Charles Gounod

*DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*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.

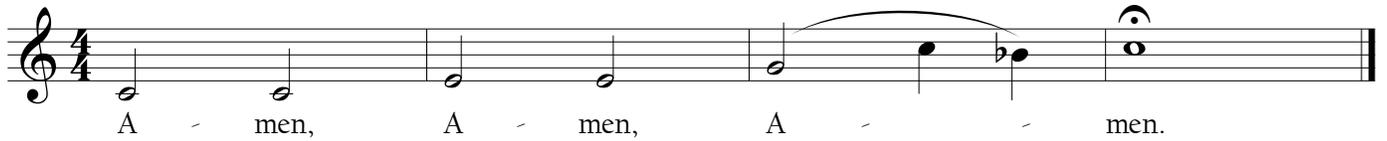
...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is ri - sen, Christ will come a - gain!

...Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER 895

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus Lamb of God

William Mathias (1934-1992)

*Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.*

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

ORGAN SOLO

Communion in E Flat Major

Jacques Lemmens

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

***HYMN 121**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

WELLESLEY

***THE BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

God Be With You

Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958)

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

***RETIRING VOLUNTARY**

Postlude in D Major

Jacques Lemmens

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

Highlands is truly blessed to have such committed people in The Choir to offer their gifts in the worship services, which inspire us and feed our souls each week. During the next few weeks, we are giving the full choir a well-deserved break. We will continue to have a small chamber choir or a soloist to provide special music during worship at this time.



Highlands

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Love God & Serve Your Neighbor



Students of all ages, as well as teachers, school administrators, and support staff are encouraged to bring their backpacks to worship and receive a blessing for the new school year.



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.*

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