



HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

10:30 A.M. SERVICE



We Welcome Our Guests

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.

- † All children are welcome to stay in worship, or a nursery is provided for ages 4 and younger. An usher will be happy to direct you there. Children ages 4 to 2nd grade are encouraged to come to the chancel when called to the Children's Moment and may then attend Children's Church or return to be with their family.
- † Children's bulletins, books, and crayons are available from the ushers for use in worship.
- † Please pick up a guest welcome bag after worship to learn more about Highlands. 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.
- † Parking is free on Sundays at all metered street spaces near the church, at the Hotel Highland Parking Deck on Magnolia Avenue, and in the Highlands Bar and Grill lot on 11th Avenue South.

ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

PREACHING – THE REVEREND MIKAH HUDSON

LITURGIST – THE REVEREND DEB WELSH

CHOIRMASTER AND ORGANIST – RICHARD PHILLIPS

CHILDREN'S MOMENT – REGGIE HOLDER

**Congregation please stand*

Words in bold are spoken or sung by the congregation.

Serving for Altar Guild: Kelly Kitchens, April Sides

Serving as Ushers: Jeff Ferrell, Dinks Gaskin

Serving as Acolytes: Jack Halliday, Elizabeth Hargrove, Maggie Hargrove, Victoria Thompson

Serving as Communion Stewards: Carrie Johnson, Casey Mickelson, Lynn Mickelson

Serving as Verger: Andrew Salser

Serving as Lay Reader: Casey Mickelson

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

Richard Fender, Chimer

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on CRIMOND
The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want
Text, UMH, page 136

Quentin Thomas (b. 1948)

*HYMN IN PROCESSION 166

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

SINE NOMINE

Descant Setting: Amos Hudson

*COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

Let us pray: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LAUDA ANIMA

Descant Setting: Richard Phillips



1. Glo - ry be to God in hea - ven, songs of joy and peace we bring, thank ful hearts and voi - ces
2. Lamb of God, who on your shoul - ders bore the load of this world's sin, on - ly Son of God the
3. You, O Son of God, are Ho - ly, You we praise with one ac - cord; none in heav'n or earth is



rais - ing to cre - a - tion's Lord we sing: Lord, we thank you,
Fa - ther, you have brought us peace with - in: Lord, have mer - cy,
like You, on - ly You are Christ the LORD! with the Fa - ther,



Lord, we bless you, glo - ry be to God our King!
Christ, have mer - cy, now your glo - rious reign be - gins.
and the Spir - it, ev - er wor - shipped and a - dored!

*Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord * and have great delight in his commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * the generation of the upright will be blessed.
Wealth and riches will be in their house, * and their righteousness will last forever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
It is good for them to be generous in lending * and to manage their affairs with justice.
For they will never be shaken; * the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; * their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
Their heart is established and will not shrink, * until they see their desire upon their enemies.
They have given freely to the poor, * and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.
The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; * the desires of the wicked will perish.*

(The people stand at the Gloria Patri, then sit.)

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

1 Corinthians 2:1-16
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Reggie Holder

*SEQUENCE HYMN 451

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE
Organ Improvisation: Gerre Hancock

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

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:13-20
The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Mikah Hudson

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Musical Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

*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

SUMATANGA MOMENT

Mike Byrne, Caroline Penfield

THE OFFERTORY

Lighten Our Darkness

The Choir

*Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee,
O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.*

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

Text, Book of Common Prayer

*DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS 94

*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:



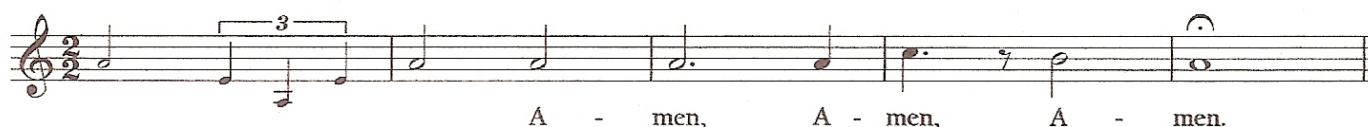
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might. heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est!
Bless - sed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est!

...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.



A - men, A - men, A - men.

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

MOTET

Let Nothing Ever Grieve Thee

The Choir

*Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee; heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee.
Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow, tomorrow will bring thee God's help benign and grace sublime, in mercy.
Be true in all endeavor and ever ply bravely; what God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee. Amen.*

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

English Text, Paul Flemming

ORGAN SOLO

Chorale Prelude on Herzliebster Jesu

Helmut Walcha (1907-1991)

Ah, Holy Jesus

Text, UMH, page 289

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN 57

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing, verses 1, 2, 5, 7

AZMON

*Organ Improvisation: Gerre Hancock
Descant Setting: Charles Webb*

*THE BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Sevenfold Amen

Peter Christian Lutkin (1858-1931)

The Choir

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

*VOLUNTARY IN PROCESSION

Fughette on Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott

Johan Pachelbel (1653-1706)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Text, UMH, page 110

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ... *are given in loving memory of Coke Williams, Sr., by the family of Coke Williams, Jr.*

Highlands *Faith & Film* Series

Sunday, February 12 at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

An Act of Love (2015)

This documentary tells the story of Rev. Frank Schaefer, an advocate in the fight for equal rights within the United Methodist Church whose ministerial credentials were revoked and later reinstated after officiating his son's same-sex wedding, and examines the denomination's almost fifty year struggle over the issue of full inclusion for LGBTQ persons. For more information or to view the trailer, visit AnActofLoveFilm.com.

This Faith and Film Series presentation is sponsored by Highlands Open Table and Woodlawn United Methodist Church. This event is free and open to the public.

www.highlandsumc.net/faithandfilm



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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