

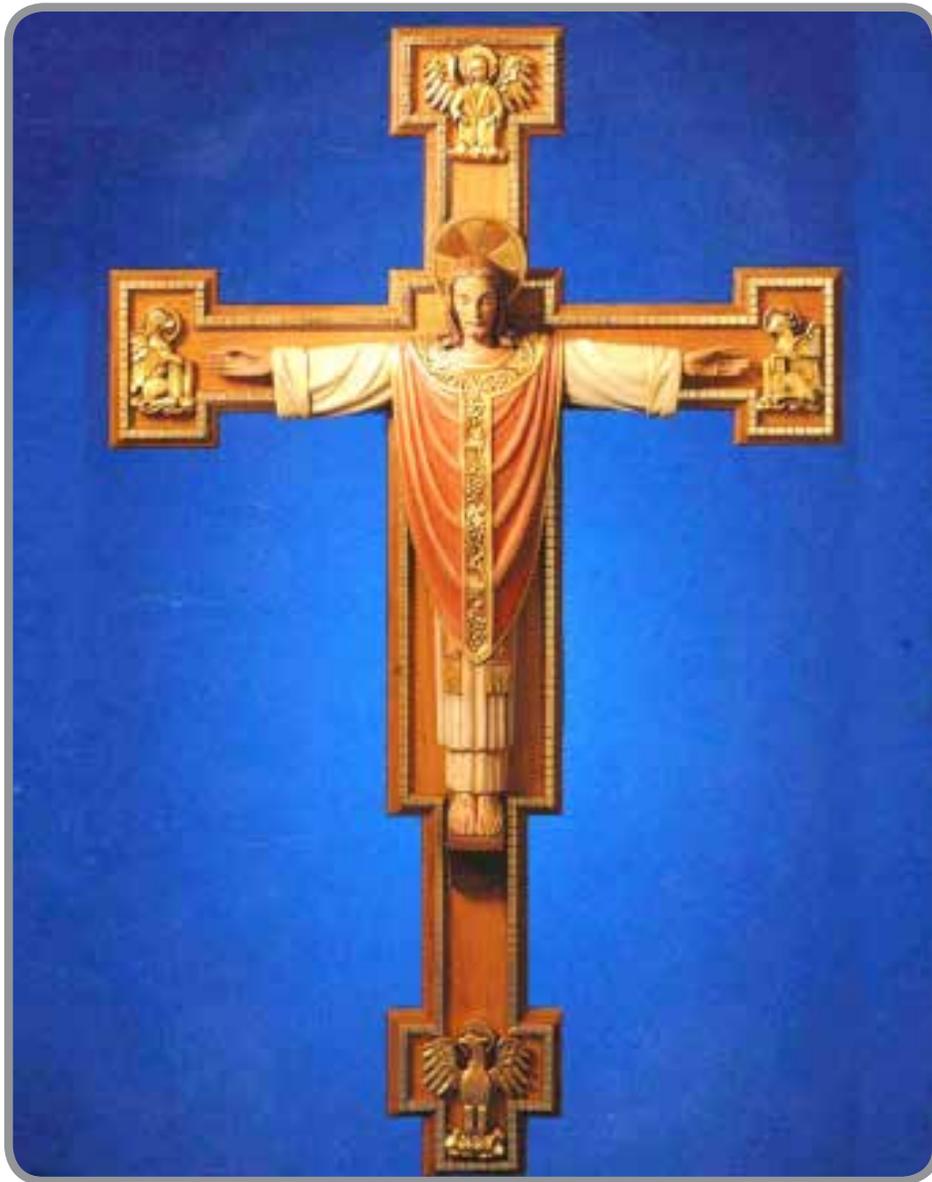


HIGHLANDS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 20, 2016

10:30 A.M. SERVICE



Today we celebrate Christ the King Sunday, which is also the last Sunday of the Christian year. The focus in worship is a celebration of the coming reign of Jesus Christ and the completion of creation. All are invited to participate in Holy Communion, which connects us to God's heavenly banquet table where the grace and love of Christ are served in abundance.



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 RICK OWEN

LITURGISTS – THE REVEREND MIKAH HUDSON AND 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: Louise Brasher, Stephanie Braswell

Serving as Ushers: Scott Chramer, Dan Sibley

Serving as Acolytes: Michele Nailen, Haley Rocks, Jason Rocks, Nancy Wells

Serving as Communion Stewards: Carrie Johnson, Lynn Michelson, Gordon Short

Serving as Verger: Brian Bellenger

Serving as Lay Reader: Linda Thacker

PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

Richard Fender, Chimer

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRELUDE

Prelude in C Major
BuxWV 137

Dietrich Buxtehude (1639-1707)

*PROCESSION

Highland Cathedral
Ryan Morrison, *Piper*
Richard Phillips, *Organist*

Irish Melody (1982)
Ulrich Roeber and Michael Korb

*HYMN 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN
Organ Improvisation: T. Tertius Noble
Descant Setting: Richard Proulx

*OPENING PRAYER

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

Let us pray: Almighty God, who gave your Son Jesus Christ a realm where all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; make us loyal followers of our living Lord, that we may always hear his word, follow his teachings, and live in his spirit; and hasten the day when every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that he is Lord; to your eternal glory. 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!

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 (Sung by The Choir)

Anglican Chant: from Martin Luther (1483–1546)

GOD is our hope and strength, * a very present help in trouble.
Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved, * and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;
Though the waters thereof rage and swell, * and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God; * the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.
God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed; * God shall help her, and that right early.
The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved; * but God hath showed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our refuge.
O come hither, and behold the works of the LORD, * what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.
He maketh wars to cease in all the world; * he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder,
and burneth the chariots in the fire.
Be still then, and know that I am God: * I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in the earth.
The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our refuge.

(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.

SECOND LESSON

Colossians 1:11-20
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Reggie Holder

*SEQUENCE HYMN 325

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus, verses 1 & 4

IN BABILONE
Organ Improvisation: T. Tertius Noble

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

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 23:33-43

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Rick Owen,
District Superintendent

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

THE OFFERTORY

Te Deum in B Flat Major

The Choir

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee. The noble army of martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee, the Father, of an infinite majesty, thine adorable, true, and only Son, also the Holy Ghost the Comforter. Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting.

John Ireland (1879-1962)

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.



...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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

ANTHEM

Very Bread

The Choir

*Very bread, good shepherd, tend us, Jesus, with Thy love befriend us;
Thou refresh us, Thou defend us, Thine eternal goodness send us, in the land of life to see;
Thou who all things canst' and knowest, Grant us with The Saints, tho' lowest,
Where the heav'nly feast Thou showest, fellow heirs and guests to be.*

Randolph Currie (b.1945)

Text, St. Thomas Aquinas from Lauda Sion

ORGAN SOLO

Élévation in F Major

Alexandré Guilmant (1837-1911)

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN 157

Jesus Shall Reign, verses 1, 2, & 5

DUKE STREET
Organ Improvisation: T. Tertius Noble

*THE BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Sevenfold Amen
The Choir

Peter Christian Lutkin (1858-1931)

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

*VOLUNTARIES IN PROCESSION

Voluntary on BETHANY
Ryan Morrison, *Piper*

Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Fugue and Chaconne in C Major
BuxWV 137

Dietrich Buxtehude

*PEALING OF THE TOWER BELLS

We welcome today in our worship service guest piper Mr. Ryan Morrison.

THE FLOWERS ON THE SANCTUARY ALTAR ... *are given in memory of Mary Lillian Garr Williams (Mrs. Neal S.) for her birthday, November 15, by her grateful and loving family.*



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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Tuesday

November 22, 2016

12:00 Noon

Highlands United Methodist Church

Sponsored by the
Southside Faith Community