



Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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Cathy Bero, 10:30



January 20, 2008 – Second Sunday After Epiphany

The Purpose of Worship is to Joyfully Praise Our God

* = stand if you are able † = 10:30 a.m. service only †† = 8:30 a.m. service only

* Opening Hymn – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee Page 1

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles and Ringing of Church Bell

Call to Worship: We Have Come Into His House

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We have come into His house, and gathered in His name to worship Him. We have come into His house and gathered in His name to worship Him. We have come into His house, and gathered in His name to worship Christ the Lord. Worship Him, Christ the Lord.

Prayer of the Congregation /Instrumental Amen

Responsive Reading: Psalm 40:1-11

¹I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry. ²He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. ³He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

⁵You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts towards us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted. ⁶Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

⁴Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

⁷Then I said, 'Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me. ⁸I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart.' ⁹I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

⁴**Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.**

¹⁰I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation. ¹¹Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

⁴**Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.**

Reader: May God's blessing be added to the reading and hearing of the Holy Scripture.

* Gloria Page 622

Gospel Lesson - John 1:29-42

* Hymn - Holy, Holy, Holy Page 262

Old Testament Lesson - Isaiah 49:1-7

Reader – The Word of God for the People of God

Congregation – Thanks be to God.

Children's Chat † (Children 6th grade and younger please come forward when you hear "Jesus Loves Me" played on the piano, and then are dismissed for Children's Church)

Hymn Sing

Pastoral Prayer, Time of Silence, Lord's Prayer (using 'debts')

Offering & Offertory

* Doxology Page 625

* **Offering Prayer: God of all creation, who made all men and women in the holy image, we praise your name. As we give these gifts of tithes and First Fruits offerings to you, we are mindful of how we are called to care for all**

in your creation. Take these gifts and let them bring the light of your love to all in this congregation, this community, and beyond. In the saving name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

- * Hymn – The Solid Rock Page 404
- * Benediction
- * Benediction Response - Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing Page 601

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness. Amen



Visitors Are Always Welcome – If you came as a visitor this morning, we hope you will leave as a friend. Please fill out a visitor's card, which you will find in the pew, and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you are here, and hope you will return soon and often.

Nursery and Cry Room –We have a nursery available in the Legg Center **and** a Cry Room upstairs above the sanctuary where you are able to see and listen to the service.

Flower Dedication for January - January's altar flowers are donated by Edsel and Carolyn Blackburn in memory of Evelyn Petty, Bill Petty, and Okla Blackburn.

Greeters and Ushers for January - Tom and Nancy Siegel will be greeting us with the love of Christ this month.

Lay Readers for today - 8:30 Sue Steele; 10:30 Laura Tucker

Acolyte for today - Tanner MacLachlan

This Week at Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ:

Today	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
8:30a –Worship	8a - 12p Church office open	Church office open	Church office open	8a -2p Church office open		
9:30a - Fellowship Hour	6:45p - Monday evening Bible Study - Pastor Torie Front's house, 8186 Liberty Church Rd.		8:00p - Music and Worship Ministry	12:00p - <i>Monday</i> Noon Bible Study		
10:00 - Bible Stories in the Nursery				7:30p - Council Meeting		
10:30a –Worship						
6:00p - Youth Group to go Ice Skating and Gameworks	8:00p - Fellowship Ministry @ Pastor Torie Front's house					

Announcements and Information

Offering Envelopes - Please remember to pick up your offering envelopes in the narthex. By using one of these offering envelopes, it makes the Stewardship Ministry's job so much easier. Thank you for your help, and for your generous giving to support the different ministries of this church.

Where Do You Live? - Take a moment to stop by the map on the bulletin board in the hallway leading to the office and put up a sticker to indicate where you live! This will help our Membership and Outreach Ministry as they look to do their ministry to this community.

Congregational Meeting - There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, January 27, following both services to approve the budget.

Fat Tuesday - Tuesday, Feb 5 at 6:00p.m. Highwater will be having it's first annual Pancake Dinner done with a Mardi Gra flair. This event is open to the community. Donations will be accepted.

Please consider chairing or being a part of one of our church ministries. We are still in need of a chair person for our Missions Ministry. Remember all ministries are open to members and friends of Highwater, so feel free to join in, wherever God is calling you.

Ministry Meetings - The Care Ministry and Membership and Outreach Ministry will meet next Sunday, January 27th following the 10:30a service.

Council Meeting - This Thursday at 7:30p.m.

Blackwood's Concert - Rescheduled for Sunday, March 2 at 3:00p. See Dave Nash for tickets.

New Opportunity for Women to Retreat - On February 1-2, the First UMC of Newark is hosting a retreat entitled "Woven Tapestries: A "How To" Guide for planning a women's retreat." Nancy Schmidt and Pastor Torie are attending - if you'd like to join them, please contact Nancy Schmidt at 587-2890. Brochures are available in the office

Tickets Available for the 2008 Couples Dinner - This year's Couple's Dinner will be served and prepared by both the Jr. and Sr. High youth groups, with help from Pastor Torie and Grace. Donations are accepted, but tickets must be reserved ahead of time.

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Highwater Congregational UCC Church Family
Association Ecumenical Concerns Committee

Our Members:

Merle and Kay Davis
Mark Hoar
Tom Lake Jr.
Amanda Cullison
Bev and Lori Yoakam
Dave and Betty Nash

Praise:

Our Greater Church Family: *(The list starts over at the beginning of each month unless we know otherwise. Please add anyone continuing to need prayer)*

Mindy McDaniel (Eileen Preston's granddaughter)
Carl Aeby (Mary Fowlers's brother)
Lori Garrabrandt
Marge Davis (Kathy Preston's mother)
Marlene Bevier

In Memoriam: We join with the families in mourning the passing of their family member's:

Family of Amy Axe Family of Robert Cavendish

In the Military: All Troops overseas & their families

Jimmy Chen

Josh Momber - in Iraq (Elaine Tulloss's great nephew)

Geoff Stewart - in Iraq (Jack Schmidt's nephew)

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