



## **Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ**

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Organist: Patsy Farmer

Judy Grace, Chorale Pianist

Pianists: Janine Shipley, 8:30

Judy Grace, 10:30



### **January 27, 2008 – Third 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 – Jesus Calls Us Page 375

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles and Ringing of Church Bell

Call to Worship: Open My Eyes, That I May See (v. 2) Page 381

**Open my ears, that I may hear Voices of truth Thou sendest clear; And while the wave notes fall on my ear, Ev'rything false will disappear. Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God Thy will to see; Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine. Amen**

Prayer of the Congregation /Instrumental Amen

Responsive Reading: Psalm 27:1, 4-9

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>4</sup>One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

<sup>8</sup>**‘Come,’ my heart says, ‘seek his face!’ Your face, LORD, do I seek.**

<sup>5</sup>For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock. <sup>6</sup>Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his

tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**‘Come,’ my heart says, ‘seek his face!’ Your face, LORD, do I seek.**

<sup>7</sup>Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

<sup>8</sup>‘Come,’ my heart says, ‘seek his face!’ Your face, LORD, do I seek. <sup>9</sup>Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

<sup>8</sup>**‘Come,’ my heart says, ‘seek his face!’ Your face, LORD, do I seek.**

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

\* Gloria Page 622

New Testament Lesson - 1Corinthians 1:10-18

\* Hymn - They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love Page 284

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 4:12-23

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*)

Sermon "Come and See" Pastor Torie Front

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

Offering & Offertory

\* Doxology Page 625

\* **Offering Prayer: Uniting God, who offers saving light to all, we praise your name. We thank you for your guidance as we strive to come closer into the light of your kingdom. Give us one mind, one purpose, that together we can truly be a glimpse of your kingdom to this community. Accept these gifts of tithes and offerings as a praise to you and let them be a light**

**to all in this congregation and community and beyond. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

- \* Hymn – Living for Jesus Page 372
- \* 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 Melanie Shipley                      10:30 Bob Rowe

**Acolyte for today** - Grant Ellis

## 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 Fred and Judy Grace's 10481 Reynolds Rd			12:00p - <i>Monday</i> Noon Bible Study		
10:00 - Bible Stories in the Nursery						
10:30a –Worship						
Congregational Meeting Following both services						
Ministries to meet following 10:30 service: * Care * Music and Worship * Membership and Outreach						
6:00p - Youth Group						

### 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.

**Congregational Meeting** - Today following both services.

**Fat Tuesday** - Tuesday, Feb 5 at 6:00p.m. Highwater will be having it's first annual Pancake Dinner done with a Mardi Gras flair. This event is open to the community and will feature "Karoke" as entertainment! Donations will be accepted.

**Ash Wednesday** - Mardi Gras marks the end of the festive time of year after Christmas and before Lent. Join us for this year's Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 6, at 7:30pm.

**Ministry Meetings** - The Care (narthex), Music and Worship (FROG Room), and Membership and Outreach (Library) Ministries will meet today following the 10:30a service.

**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 held on Sunday, February 10th, at 6:00pm. It 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**  
Federated Church, Lock

**Our Members :**

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

**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 Fowler's brother)  
Lori Garrabrandt  
Marge Davis (Kathy Preston's mother)  
Don and Marlene Bevier  
Pat Landon  
Betty Eikelberry

Martha Nash (Dave's sister-in-law)  
Marilyn Stephenson  
Hank Kauffman  
Michelle Theodo

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

**Families of:** Amy Axe Robert Cavendish Jonquil Dial Carol Babb

**In the Military:** All Troops overseas & their families

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

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