



Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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Organist: Patsy Farmer

Chorale Pianist: Judy Grace

Pianists: Janine Shipley, 8:30

Cathy Bero, 10:30



May 4, 2008 –7th Sunday After Easter *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 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Prelude

Shine

Lighting of the Candles

Children's Call to Worship†

Children's chat

Rachel French

(Children 5th grade and younger please come forward when you hear "Peanuts/Jesus Loves the Little Children".)

Prayer of the Congregation/Instrumental Amen

Responsive Reading: Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35

¹Let God rise up, let his enemies be scattered; let those who hate him flee before him. ²As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; as wax melts before the fire, let the wicked perish before God. ³But let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

³²**Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord,**

⁴Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds his name is the LORD be exultant before him.

⁵Father of orphans and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation. ⁶God gives the desolate a home to live in; he leads out the

prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious live in a parched land. ⁷O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,⁸the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

³²**Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord,**

⁹Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad; you restored your heritage when it languished; ¹⁰your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

³²**Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord,**

³³O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice. ³⁴Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies. ³⁵Awesome is God in his sanctuary, the God of Israel; he gives power and strength to his people.

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

- * Gloria Patri Page 622
Sermon and Scripture – “The Passion Journey” High School Youth Group
Praise Song Hosanna
Offering & Offertory
- * Doxology Page 625
- * Pastoral and Silent Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using 'debts')
- * Hymn – Amazing Grace, My Chains Are
Gone
- * Benediction Response - He Lives (Refrain only) Page 220

He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.



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 by the bulletins, and place it in the offering plate or give it to someone. We are glad you are here, and hope you will return soon.

Nursery and Cry Room –We have a staffed nursery available in the Legg Center if you'd like to drop off your young children, or a Cry Room upstairs above the sanctuary where you are able to participate in the service with your children.

Introducing the High School Youth Group! Leading today's worship, under the leadership of Grace Waggoner, (Director of Youth and Family Ministry) and Kyle Campbell are:

Marcus Williams; Holly McKimmins, Alyssa Yee, Stephen Doran, and Taylor Rinehart. All are students of Northridge High School.

Flower Dedication for May – May's altar flowers are donated by Neil and Phyllis Buxton in memory of Dale and Frances Prior, and Ralph and Frances Buxton.

Greeters and Ushers for May- Sid and Rosie Shipley will be greeting us with the love of Christ this month.

Lay Readers for today - 8:30 Kathy Preston 10:30 Tanner MacLachlan

In the Nursery Today † - Mary Jane Burgess *(Nursery staff please plan to be available at 10:15a for those who might arrive early and remain until 10:45a for those that may be running a little late. Thank you :)*

Acolytes for today † - Mitchell and Lareese Marston

This Week at Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ:

Today	Mon.	T.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
8:30a –Worship 9:30a - Adult Sunday School Confirmation Class HS Sunday School 10:00 - Bible Stories in the Nursery 10:30a -Worship 11:45a Care Ministry 6 - 8:30p MS Youth Group 6:00p HS Youth Group	8a - 12p Church office open 12:00p <i>Monday</i> Noon Bible Study 6:45p -Bible Study at Sid and Rosie's house, 8696 Marion Road.		Church office open 7:30p - Choir practice	8a -2p Church office open 4:30p - Membership and Outreach	Church office open	8:00a - Church Clean Up Day!!

Announcements and Information

May 11th - Next Sunday will be a big day at Highwater - Graduation Sunday (if you are graduating or have a child graduating, please let the office know immediately); Pentecost (wear red); and Mother's Day (ahhh!); with a cake and punch reception after both services. We will also be celebrating both sacraments - communion and a baptism (at 10:30a).

May 10th - Everyone welcome to bring a rake, small shovel, edgers, weed wackers, gardening gloves, (or your indoor cleaning supplies) and your helping hands to Highwater's clean-up day. Plan to be here at 8:00 a.m. This is a wonderful way for all ages to enjoy one another. Coffee and donuts provided!

New Young Adult Sunday School - 9:30 - 10:15 for ages 18-?. During this time **open activities for children** are available. This includes playtime, song learning and other activities. We are open for suggestions and could use volunteers to cover the time slots. Please call Grace 366-3654, Tracy 892-7063 or Fred at 892-2525.

New Church Directories - Highwater is getting a new church pictorial directory this year! The photos will be taken May 28 and 29th, from 2:30-9:00p. Please sign up for a sitting date now so we don't have to call you!

WISH Dinners - The Homer Alumni Banquet is just around the corner on Saturday, May 17th. Details and a sign-up sheet available today.

WISH - Will be meeting at Nancy Schmidt's home on Monday, May 12th at 6:30p. Please plan to bring a dish to share and come prepared to enjoy the fellowship, hear from a guest speaker, and see what we can do as Women In Service to Highwater to help out the church.

Membership and Outreach Ministry Meeting - Thursday, May 8th, 4:30p.m.

Care Ministry Meeting - Today at 11:45a.m.

Newsletter - If you returned a survey with e-mail checked for newsletter receipt, please go to www.highwaterchurch.org, put the web page in your favorites and then go in and click on newsletter pages and view it in living color. Please notify Debbie in the office if you wish to continue having the newsletter mailed to you in black and white.

Missions Project for May - June - We will be supporting the Coalition for Care.

Introducing...Landen Isaiah Blackburn Born Monday, April 28, 19", 7lbs, 4 oz.. Congratulations to Wade and Stacy Blackburn and big brother Evan, and grandparents Edsel and Carolyn Blackburn.

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Highwater Congregational UCC Church Family

CSEOA Church Development Committee
New Church Start - en Vision UCC, West Virginia

Our Members:

Mark Hoar
Tom Lake Jr.
Lori Yoakam
Shelly and Grant Ellis
Mae Pound
Amanda Cullison
Andrew Campbell
Betty Nash
Stacy Blackburn

Praise: The birth of Landen Isaiah Blackburn

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)*

Bethany and David Nicole (Melody Hover's niece and nephew)
Earl Layman (Patsy Farmer's dad)
Lucille Ellis (Randy Ellis's grandmother)
Pat Gonworth
Fred Fowler
Mindy McDaniel (Eileen Preston's granddaughter)
Pat Edwards (Kathy Preston's sister)
Dorothy Snyder (Carolyn Blackburn's sister)
Rachel French

John Walton (Cindy Campbell's dad)
Nancy Rundels (Torie Front's mother)
Brenda Snyder (Carolyn Blackburn's niece)

In the Military: All Troops overseas & their families
Jimmy Chen (coming home soon)
Jacob Shipman
Geoff Stewart - in Iraq (Jack Schmidt's nephew)

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