



Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

1213 Dutch Lane Road NW Newark, OH 43055

Tel: 740-745-1281 Email: highchurch@windstream.net Web: <http://www.highwaterchurch.org>

Rev. Torie Front, Minister & Music Director

Grace Waggoner, Director of Youth and Family Ministries

Organist: Patsy Farmer

Chorale Pianist: Judy Grace

Pianists: Patsy Farmer, 8:30

Loren Goodman, 10:30



July 13, 2008 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost

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 – Standing on the Promises Page 271

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Prelude, Lighting of the Candles and Ringing of the Church Bell

Call to Worship: This Is the Day (*Women first, Men echo*) Page 590

This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made. We will rejoice, we will rejoice, and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord hath made.

Children's Call to Worship† (*please come forward while "Jesus Loves Me" is played*)

Prayer of the Congregation /Instrumental Amen

Responsive Reading: Psalm 119: 105-112

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ¹⁰⁶I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to observe your righteous ordinances. ¹⁰⁷I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

¹⁰⁵**Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.**

¹⁰⁸Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your ordinances. ¹⁰⁹I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law. ¹¹⁰The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts.

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

¹¹¹Your decrees are my heritage for ever; they are the joy of my heart. ¹¹²I incline my heart to perform your statutes for ever, to the end.

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

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

* Gloria Patri Page 622

Old Testament Lesson - Genesis 25:19-34

* Hymn - O Word of God Incarnate Page 269

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Reader - The Word of God for the People of God

Congregation - Thanks be to God.

Sermon - "The Parable of the Sower"

Rev. Torie Front

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer (*using 'debts'*)

Offering & Offertory "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" Choir
Chimes †

* Doxology Page 625

* Offering prayer:

Author of Life, we praise your name. Thank you for revealing yourself to us in your Holy Word, and for planting your seed of love in our hearts. Our First Fruits offerings this morning are given to you as part of the crop that we yield for you. Take these gifts and bless them, multiply them so that your gospel message may flourish in good earth in this church, this community, and beyond. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Blessing of the Mission Trip

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

- * Benediction

- * Benediction Response - Let There be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on Earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother, in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow. To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally, let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.



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 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 with your children.

Lay Readers for Today - 8:30a.m. Melanie Shipley 10:30a.m. Kathy Preston

Acolyte for today † - Austin Campbell

Flower Dedication for July – July's altar flowers are donated by Tom and Nancy Siegel in honor and memory of those who have, and are, serving our country.

Greeters and Ushers for July- George & Ginny Freas, and Becky & Kevin Campbell will be greeting us with the love of Christ this month.

In the Nursery This Month † Becky Campbell, 7/13 Kathy Preston, 7/20 and Shelley Payne, 7/27 (*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 :)*)

Helping with Children's Church This Month: Tracy Storts 7/13, 7/20, Sam and Kathy Preston 7/27

This Week at Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ:

Today	Mon.	Tues	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
8:30a –Worship	8:00a-12:00p Church office open		Pastor Torie Available	8a -2p Church office open		4:00p - Return from the Mission Trip
9:30a - Various Sunday Schools (Children 5th grade and under meet in Legg Center)	11:00 - Carpet samples in sanctuary		8:00p - Walking Path	Pastor Torie Available		7:00p <i>Bound for Glory</i> to perform @ Newark Gazebo
10:30a -Worship	12:00p - Noon Bible Study			5:30p Depart on Mission Trip		
11:45a Grace Baby Shower	6:30p WISH @ Olive Garden (6:05 @ Highwater if you want to carpool)			7:30p Council Meeting		
4:00p Fishin' @ Sid and Rosies's						
6:00 - 8:30p MS Youth						
6p HS Youth						

Announcements and Information

Baby Shower - Today, following the 10:30a service a baby shower will be given for Brent and Grace Waggoner. All are welcome to attend, and a lunch will be provided.

Gone Fishin' - Today at 4:00p.m. - ??? Sid and Rosie Shipley invite everyone to their home at 8696 Marion Rd. for their annual fishing party. All you need to bring is a fishing pole, bait, and a lawn chair. Stop by anytime after 4:00pm and enjoy this month's fellowship opportunity.

Church Pictorial Directory - We need your pictures of recent Highwater Church Events to put in the new directory. Please bring to church office and put in Membership and Outreach box. Thank you

Missions Ministry - July and August our donations will go to the Battered Women's Shelter and The Salvation Army. As we wait for a list of 'items' needed, please remember to use the "Change for a Change" jar, as this money collected here will go to these groups.

Our first ever Mission Trip is here! We will depart Thursday, July 17 around 5:30pm for Wilmington, Ohio. There is still room for a few people, so if you'd like to join us, please see Pastor Torie immediately.

Bound For Glory - To perform in the Gazebo on the Newark Courthouse lawn this Saturday, July 19, at 7:00p. This concert will benefit the Licking County Coalition of Care.

WISH July Meeting - Women in Service to Highwater will meet tomorrow, Monday, July 14, at 6:30pm. Our meeting place will be the Olive Garden in Heath. If you'd like to carpool, please be at the church by 6:05pm.

WISH Retreat Reunion - Saturday, July 26th at 9:00a.m. the ladies who attended the spring retreat will reunite for breakfast, devotions, games, spa treatments, prayer partner gift exchange, and fellowship. Please RSVP to Pastor Torie if you can attend.

Council Meeting - 7:30p Thursday, July 17.

Walking Path is Open! Join us on Wednesday evenings at 8:00pm for a heart and soul-healthy walk in God's beautiful creation around Highwater! All Welcome!

Sanctuary Carpet Samples - if you are interested in looking at possible new carpeting for here in the sanctuary, please join us tomorrow (Monday) morning at 11:00am. No decisions will be made, but options will be explored to bring before Council and the church.

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Highwater Congregational UCC Church Family

St John's UCC, Newark

Our Members:

Tom Lake Jr.
Mary Dodsworth
Lori Yoakam
Dorothy Bruce
Avery Ellis
Amanda Cullison
Dorothy McGruder
Donna Shipley
Betty Nash
Larry Baughman
Gene Branstool
Bob Tucker
Annette Olson

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)*

Nancy Wilson (Patsy Farmer's friend)
Doyle Argo (Becky Campbell's dad)
Susie Harmon (Kathy Preston's cousin)

Nick Zaar (Ruth Zaar's son)
Bill Siegel (Tom Siegel's uncle)
Mindy McDaniel (Eileen Preston's granddaughter)
Daryl Nash (Dave and Betty's son)
Mark Hoar (Dave and Pat's son)
Joy Browning (Lisa McKimmin's aunt)
Steve Browning and family (Lisa McKimmin's cousin)
Rachel French
The Maynard Family
Victims and volunteers of the California fires and other natural disasters around the world

In Memoriam: We join with the families in mourning the passing of the following souls:
Liz Zembsch (Betty Nash's Aunt)

In the Military: All Troops overseas & their families

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

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

1213 Dutch Lane Road NW Newark, OH 43055

Tel: 740-745-1281 Email: highchurch@windstream.net Web: <http://www.highwaterchurch.org>