



Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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Pianists: Judy Grace, 8:30

Janine Shipley, 10:30



August 3, 2008 – 12th 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 – Come, Holy Spirit

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Announcements & Prayer Requests

Prelude - "Let Us Sing"

Sound of Praise Singers

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Lighting of the Candles and Ringing of the Church Bell

Call to Worship: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

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Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord send Your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to Your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

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

Prayer of the Congregation /Instrumental Amen

Responsive Reading: Psalm 17:1-7, 15

¹Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit. ²From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.

⁶I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.

³If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress. ⁴As for what others do, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent. ⁵My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

⁶I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.

⁷Wondrously show your steadfast love, O saviour of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand. ¹⁵As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

⁶I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.

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

* Gloria Patri Page 622

Old Testament Lesson - Genesis 32:22-31

* Hymn - The Old Rugged Cross Page 186

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 14:13-21

Reader - The Word of God for the People of God

Congregation - Thanks be to God.

Sermon - "What is Communion?"

Rev. Torie Front

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

Offering & Offertory "House of Grace"

Sound of Praise

Singers †

* Doxology Page 625

* Offering prayer: **Compassionate Lord, who knows our needs at all times, we praise your name. We thank you for the bread of life that you offer us - yourself, your salvation, and this time of communion. Nourish us always at your table, and fill us with your Spirit so that we may share your love with others. We bring you our First Fruits gifts of tithes and offerings. Accept them, bless them, and let them be multiplied as the loaves and fishes were so that your will is done. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

Service of Holy Communion

(The Communion Table at Highwater is open to all who profess faith in Jesus Christ. Come, all who accept God's Grace and seek God's Joy and Peace.)

Please follow the outline on the Communion card. After the service, please put this card in the bulletin stand on your way out of church. Thank you.

Special Music During Communion -
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Sound of Praise Singers

"Blessed are the Peace Makers" & "Tickets to the Kingdom"

* Hymn-Now Thank We All Our God

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* Benediction

* Benediction Response - God Be with You (vs 1) Page 602

God be with you till we meet again; By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.



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.

Thank You for Our Special Music.... The *Sound of Praise Singers*; Patty Wiley, Cathy Evans, Kris Close, Harry Handwerk, Pete Handwerk, George Bricker, and Tom Thompson. Director; Tom Thompson and Pianist; Martha Evans.

Lay Readers for Today - 8:30a.m. Larry Wright 10:30a.m. Colleen Hansen

Acolyte for today † - Marisa Lake

Greeters and Ushers for August- Pat & Dave Hoar, and Bill & Janet Goodman will be greeting us with the love of Christ this month.

In the Nursery This Month - † 8/3 Rosie Shipley , 8/10 Mary Jo Layman, 8/17 Lenae Marston, 8/24 Mary Jane Burgess, 8/31 B. Payne, E. Burgess, B. Waggoner (*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: † 8/3 Fred Grace, 8/10 Hymn sing, no CC, 8/17 Fred Grace 8/24 Sam & Kathy Preston 8/31 no CC

Flower Dedication for August – This month's altar flowers are donated by Bill and Janet Goodman in memory of Bob and Virginia Goodman, and Pat Drury.

This Week at Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ:

Today	Mon.	Tues	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri	Sat.
8:30a –Worship 9:30a - Various Sunday Schools (Children 5th grade and under meet in Legg Center) 10:30a -Worship 6p HS Youth 6p MS Youth	8:00a-12:00p - Church Office Open Pastor Torie Available 12:00p - Noon Bible Study 6:45 Bible Study @ Sid & Rosie Shipley's 8696 Marion Rd	9a - 11p Church office Open Pastor Torie Available	9a - 11p Church office Open Pastor Torie Available 8:00p - Walking Path	8a -2p Church office open Pastor Torie Available		Highwater Day to Work the MCO Booth at The Fair.

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.

Announcements and Information

Let's Help at the MCO Booth at The Fair - Highwater has been asked to work this Saturday, August 9th, at The Fair (Hartford!). Please sign up to help out if you can. If you'd like a free pass to get into the fair so you can help, please see Rev. Torie.

Liberty Church Offers Breakfast this Saturday - looking for a good breakfast? Head on down Dutch Lane to Liberty UMC for their monthly breakfast!

Next Sunday is Our Hymn Sing - Start picking out your favorite hymns now!

Brainstorming Session on Adding a New Worship Opportunity at Highwater - The Music & Worship, Membership & Outreach, and Christian Education Ministries will be having a brainstorming session to discuss the possibility of adding a Saturday Evening Family Worship Service on Tuesday, August 12 at 7:00p, at the church. All are welcome to attend.

Ice Cream Social - Bring your family, neighbors and friends to Highwater's Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 17 at 6:00p.m. Bring a game to share and plan on an evening of fun and fellowship.

Stories Behind Our Stained Glass Windows - Join us, Monday, August 18 at noon for a luncheon with special guest speaker Elaine Gard as she shares some of the history behind our stained glass windows. A free will offering will be accepted for the luncheon.

Music and Worship Ministry - Meeting next Sunday, August 10 @ 11:45a.m.

Got Produce? - If your garden is full to overflowing, bring in your extras and put them on the table in the narthex. Any produce on the table is free and available to any who would like. Help yourself!

Missions Ministry - In August we will once again be collecting much needed school supplies to give to our local schools. A list of needs is available for you to take on the bulletin board outside the library. Please be generous and fill the Highwater Hope Chest with school supplies.

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

Fall Women's Conference - "Extraordinary Women" conference at Grove City Church of the Nazarene on October 24-25, with an Early Bird registration by September 5. See the poster on the WISH bulletin board for more information and to sign up.

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Highwater Congregational UCC Church Family

CSEOA chaplains serving in hospitals, nursing homes, and the military

Our Members:

Tom Lake Jr.

Mary Dodsworth

Lori Yoakam

Dorothy Bruce

Amanda Cullison

Jim Farmer

Dorothy McGruder

Donna Shipley

Betty Nash

Joann Torrens

Praise for:

Joann Torrens and Dorothy Bruce coming home.

Ron Hall receives and accepts a call.

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)*

Brody Brill

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:

In the Military: All Troops overseas & their families

Jacob Shipman

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

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