



## Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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Pianists: Loren Goodman, 8:30

Cathy Bero, 10:30



**August 24, 2008 – 15th 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 – "Praise Him! Praise Him!" Page 106

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Prelude *Favorite Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

Lighting of the Candles and Ringing of the Church Bell

Call to Worship: "Jesus, Name Above All Names" Page 112

**Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.**

Prayer of the Congregation /Instrumental Amen

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

Responsive Reading: Psalm 138

<sup>1</sup>I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; <sup>2</sup>I bow down towards your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything. <sup>3</sup>On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

**We give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.**

<sup>4</sup>All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth. <sup>5</sup>They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. <sup>6</sup>For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away.

**We give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me. <sup>8</sup>The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures for ever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

**We give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.**

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

\* Gloria Patri Page 622

Old Testament Lesson - Exodus 1:8 - 2:10

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 16:13-20

Reader - The Word of God for the People of God

**Congregation - Thanks be to God.**

\* Hymn - "The Name of Jesus" *A brief Service of Worship and Praise*  
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Sermon - "Who do you say I am?" Rev. Torie Front

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

Reception of New Members

**Congregational Response: We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.**

Offering & Offertory Wes Leath †

\* Doxology Page 625

\* Offering prayer: **Jesus, Name above all names, we praise you. Blessed Redeemer, we give you thanks for your saving gift of love. Lamb of God, we humbly bow before you and your sacrifice for us. You alone are worthy of praise, and we offer up these First Fruits offerings as one way of praising you. Lion of Judah, take them, bless them, and let them be used to build up this family of faith so that we in turn can share your Light to the world. In Christ our Messiah's name we pray, Amen.**

\* Hymn - "How Sweet the Nam of Jesus Sounds"

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\* Benediction

\* Benediction Response - "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (v.1)

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**All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all; bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all!**

**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.

**Special Music Today** - Our thanks to Wes Leath for sharing his vocal talents with us today.

**Lay Readers for Today** - 8:30a.m. Larry Wright 10:30a.m. Bob Rowe

**Acolyte for today** † - Chelsey Hatch

**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:**

| <b>Today</b>  | <b>Mon.</b>  | <b>Tues</b>   | <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Thurs.</b>   | <b>Fri</b> | <b>Sat.</b> |
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| 8:30a –Worship<br><br>9:30a - Various Sunday Schools (Children 5th grade and under meet in Legg Center)<br><br>10:30a -Worship<br><br>6 - 7:30p MS Youth and Parents Meeting<br><br>6p HS Youth | 8:00a-12:00p - Church Office Open<br><br>Pastor Torie Available<br><br>12:00p - Noon Bible Study<br><br>6:30p - Trip to New Testament Stone Garden<br><br>No evening Bible Study | 9a - 11p Church office Open<br><br>Pastor Torie Available | 9a - 11p Church office Open<br><br>Pastor Torie Available<br><br>6:30p - Meeting to discuss possibility of adding 3rd worship service<br><br>8:00p - Walking Path | 8a -2p Church office open<br><br>Pastor Torie Available |            |             |

**Announcements and Information**

**Highwater welcomes Barrett Underwood Waggoner** - Born Tuesday, August 19th. Congratulations to Grace, Brent, Lucy, and Roxy. The rose upon the altar is in his honor today.

**Waggoner's Say Thanks** - Thank you to everyone who came to our baby shower and for all the lovely gifts, support, and prayers while we prepared to welcome Barrett into the world. *-Brent, Grace, Lucy and Roxy Waggoner.*

**August 24 - Today is New Member Sunday** - Immediately following the 10:30a service there is a **Mission Trip Fundraiser Fellowship Lunch** - Donations will be used for this past trip and as seed money for future Mission Trips.

**Middle School Parent Meeting** - 6:00p today, parents of middle schoolers are invited to meet with Rev. Torie to discuss the new middle school Sunday School class. Middle School students can join the regularly scheduled Sunday night youth group. Pizza provided for all!

**Hog Roast** - It's time to begin preparations for our October 18th Hog Roast. Please attend the meeting today, at 11:45 if interested in being a part of this fund raiser event.

**WISH Mystery Trip** - Don't forget to sign up for this year's Mystery Trip. The date is set for Saturday, September 20th. Sign-up sheet and more info on bulletin board outside the library.

**Send in your Fair news** - did you or your kids show at the fair? Use one of our reporting forms and let us know so we can let everyone know in the September newsletter. This is your last chance to get their information in the September newsletter.

**Next Meeting About the Possibility of Adding a Third Worship Service** - Wednesday, August 27, at 6:30pm at the church, all who are interested please join us to take all our good brainstorming ideas and see what comes next.

**Missions Ministry** - In August we will be collecting much needed school supplies to give to our local schools. Please be generous and fill the Highwater Hope Chest with school supplies.

**Monday Evening Road Trip to see a Stone Prayer Garden** - The Monday Evening Bible Study invites everyone to join them tomorrow night, August 25th to go up to Faith Lutheran Church to see their New Testament Stone Garden, enjoy a tour and see something new. Meet at the church at 6:30p to carpool.

**Care Ministry & Membership & Outreach Ministry** - Meet next Sunday, August 31, at 11:45a. (Nancy Schmidt, Lisa McKimmins, and Judy Grace please plan to attend Care meeting)

**Highwater to be a 'Neutral Pulpit'** - next Sunday, August 31st, Highwater will host a ministerial candidate for the Marysville UCC Church. The candidate (as of yet unknown) will preach at both services, and be observed by the Pulpit Committee of the Marysville church.

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

#### **Highwater Congregational UCC Church Family**

St. Paul's UCC, Glenford

#### **Our Members:**

Tom Lake Jr.

Mary Dodsworth

Lori Yoakam

Dorothy Bruce

Amanda Cullison

Jim Farmer

Dorothy McGruder

Donna Shipley

Betty Nash

Joann Torrens

Laura Tucker

**Praise for:** Barrett Underwood Waggoner

**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

Joan Woosley (Rosie Shipley's sister-in-law)

Mindy McDaniel (Eileen Preston's granddaughter)

John Walton (Cindy Campbell's dad)

Daryl Nash

Mark Hoar

Susie Dawson

Joan Woosley

Margaret 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:

Ruth Wilson

Catherine Barber

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

Jacob Shipman

Dennis Loveridge

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

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