



Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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Special Music Today: RAC Worship Team



September 28, 2008 – 20th 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 Song - "Because of Your Love"

Announcements

Prelude "Hosanna" / Lighting of the Candles

Ringling of the Church Bell

Call to Worship - "More and More"

Prayer of the Congregation /Instrumental Amen

Responsive Reading: Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

¹Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. ²I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, ³things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

⁴**We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.**

¹²In the sight of their ancestors he worked marvels in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan. ¹³He divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap. ¹⁴In the daytime he led them with a cloud, and all night long with a fiery light.

⁴**We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.**

¹⁵He split rocks open in the wilderness, and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep. ¹⁶He made streams come out of the rock, and caused waters to flow down like rivers.

⁴We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

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

* Gloria - "Glorious"

Old Testament Lesson - Exodus 17:1-7

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

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 21:23-32

Reader - The Word of God for the People of God

Congregation - Thanks be to God

* Hymn - "The Love of God"

Sermon - "Prayers of Request"

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Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer *-using 'sins' and 'those who sin against us'*

Offering & Offertory "Here and Now"

* Doxology

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* Offering prayer: **Sovereign Lord, we lift our voices in praise to you. We praise you for your goodness and love, and praise you for all you have done and will do with this Family of Faith. Bless these First Fruits offerings and may they be used to help this church live out your will. Bless our teaching, our fellowship, our service, and bless our budget so that we can end this year on a positive note. Thank you for hearing our prayers, and help us do our part to further your kingdom here at Highwater. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

* Closing Song - "Everlasting God" (free will offering)

* Benediction

* Benediction Response - Refrain from "Everlasting God"

This Week at Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ:

Today	Mon.	Tues	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri	Sat.
8:30a –Worship	Church office open 8a-2p.	9a - 11p Church office	8a - 2p Church office Open	8a -2p Church office open		8:00a - Wood cutting - meet at Dave Nash's
9:30a - Various Sunday Schools (Children 5th grade and under meet in Legg Center)	6:45p Bible Study @ Bruce & Carolyn Claggett's 2659 Lundy's Lane	Open Pastor Torie Available	Pastor Torie Available 7:00p - Walking Path	Pastor Torie Available		
11:45a Membership & Outreach Ministry meeting						
11:45a Care Ministry meeting						
10:30a -Worship						
5:30p MS Youth						
6:00p HS Youth						
GAME NIGHT!						



Thank you to the RAC Worship Team for providing today's music. Thank you to Mark and Lisa McKimmins, who along with the High School Youth Group, bought the hymns for the day at our Spring Hog Roast, and invited the Reynoldsburg Alliance Church to provide the music.

Announcements and Information

Highwater Pictorial Directory - The Membership and Outreach Ministry is *'this'* close to finalizing the directory! If you came in to get your picture taken, or submitted a photo, you will receive a free directory. If you were not able to come in or send in a picture, or if you'd like more than one copy, you'll need to order one today. The cost is \$7 and the money can be put in the offering plate, with a note saying 'Directory' on it.

Care Ministry meeting - Today at 11:45a.m in the sanctuary (Sue, Brenda, Linda, Denise)

Membership & Outreach Ministry meeting - Today at 11:45a.m. in the library

Hog Roast - It's time to start asking for donations, and signing up to help out with this year's Hog Roast - check out the bulletin board outside the library for a listing of the ways in which you can help out to make this Hog Roast a success. Don't forget, 80% of the funds raised will go towards our Finder's projects, which at this time will be either the paving of the parking lot or the remodeling of the sanctuary.

Missions Ministry - In September and October our efforts will go towards S.A.R.A. (Sharing American Resources Abroad). Our next meeting is Tuesday, 10/7, at 5:30p at Adornetto's.

Highwater Game Night & Potluck with Ice Cream- Join us tonight at 6:00pm for an evening of fun, food and fellowship. Bring your favorite game (indoor or outdoor) to share and a covered dish for our potluck (there was not enough interest in a Fish Fry to cover the costs). Free ice cream for dessert provided! All welcome - come for a relaxing dinner and evening of fun and games.

Blessing of the Pets - Sunday, October 12, 5:30p.m. Bring your dogs (sorry cat lovers - let's try to keep the chaos to a minimum this first year) to church for a special service of blessing and celebration of God's creatures.

Pianist(s) Needed - Starting in October, Highwater will need one, two or three volunteers to provide musical accompaniment for the 8:30a.m. service. This would include playing the hymns, doxology, gloria, response to the benediction, call to worship, and a prelude / offertory. If God has given you the gift of music, and you would be willing to volunteer one Sunday a month at the 8:30a service, please see Music and Worship chairs Susan Hatch or Janet Goodman, or Rev. Torie.

Congregational Constitution Q & A Discussion - Plan on staying around after worship on October 5th to discuss the current Highwater Constitution. Any constitutional changes, along with the 2009 budget, will be voted on at the November 16 Congregational meeting.

2nd Annual Hoe-Down and Trunk & Treat -- October 29th at 6 p.m.

Farewell Reception for Grace Waggoner and family -- Sunday morning, October 12th, in the narthex.

If you would like to help with any of our youth programs, please contact Fred or Judy Grace at 892-2525 or bigskye63@embarqmail.com

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Highwater Congregational UCC Church Family

Immanuel UCC, Zanesville

Our Members:

Tom Lake Jr.

Mary Dodsworth
Lori Yoakam
Dave Nash
Amanda Cullison
Jim Farmer
Betty Nash
Dave Keener

Praise for: Dorothy McGruder, Brooke Anderson, Will Holt, Dick Inscho

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)
John Walton (Cindy Campbell's dad)
Daryl Nash (Dave and Betty's son)
Mark Hoar (Dave and Pat's son)
Susie Dawson
Marvin Baker
Tim Dodderer
Frank McKimmins
Dave Schmidt (Jack's brother)
John Bruce Kilakowski of Sacramento, CA

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

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