



The Heartbeat of Highwater

Jesus said, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come."
Mark 1:38

December 2010 Caroling

Christmas Eve Services at Highwater

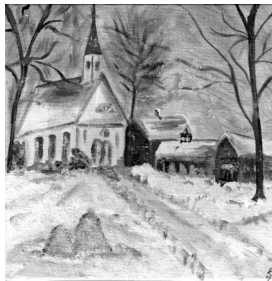
Friday, December 24th 7:00p.m.

We will present a family oriented service in which Rev Ed and Cheryl will share a dialogue sermon entitled "The Christmas Road". We will travel with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem and hear how they may have felt at that time. Rev Ed has a special message and gift for our children and we will end the service with the traditional candle lighting.

11:00p.m.

A service of candle lighting, music, and carols. Debbie Smetts will portray Mary and share the message of Christmas in word and song. Rev Ed and Cheryl will lead us in scripture and carols.

We hope you will come and share in the experience of Christ's birth on this Christmas Eve together with your church family.



Sunday, December 12th
5:30p.m. Beginning at Rosie Shipley's with Pizza

We will then depart and share the Joy of Christmas through song, with some of our church family members and end this evening at

Bruce and Carolyn Clagget's home with some hot cocoa and cookies...and more song!

All welcome...No matter what you think you sound like



Dear Highwater Family, Your generosity will assure 50 children a gift at Christmas. Thank You *see inside for more...*



Highwater 3rd Annual COOKIE WALK

Thursday, December 9th

4:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

(or until the cookies are gone)

ONLY \$4.00 per dozen

So.. Grab a neighbor, grab a friend,
Hop, skip, jump or run..
It'll be fun!.....Just Come!



WISH COOKBOOKS
ONLY \$5.00 each
Buy some now for the Holidays!!!

Pastor Ed's Corner



Dear Friends in Christ,

Advent is once again upon us. It is the first season of the church year, and begins with the Sunday falling upon or nearest St. Andrew's Day, November 30th. The length of the season varies from 22 to 28 days, ending on Christmas Eve. There are always four Sundays in Advent.

Advent, like Lent, is considered a period of penitence in preparation for the coming of God's Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Advent means "coming", generally in at least three senses: 1) the coming of Christ in the flesh, to be commemorated at Christmas; 2) the coming of Christ in Word and Spirit, to be pondered throughout the church year; 3) the coming of Christ in glory at the end time.

The keynote of the season is sounded in the Gospel appointed for the first Sunday in Advent:

*"Tell the daughters of Zion,
Behold, your king is coming to you,
humbled and mounted on an ass,
And on a colt, the foal of an ass."*

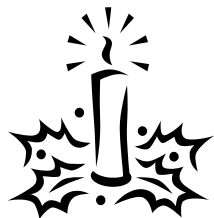
Matthew 21:5

The prayer color for Advent is violet, signifying a period of penitence or royal blue, signifying preparation for the coming of a king.

Advent is the perfect time to recommit ourselves to church worship attendance and to our Lord, Jesus Christ. It is an exciting time and much will be happening within our Church Family. Cheryl and I are pleased that God allows us to serve and be a part of this wonderful Church Family, we call, Highwater.

We will be looking for you next Sunday.

God bless you,
Pastor Ed



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

The Kroger Quarterly Statement for 08/01/2010 to 10/31/2010 shows a contribution amount of \$630.82 with 30 participants. Thanks to all for your continuing support.

If you have not registered your Kroger Plus card, you begin by opening an online Kroger account to enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

The Non-Profit Organization number needed to register your Kroger Plus card to make a contribution to Highwater Church is **81507**.

If you have any questions concerning the registering of your Kroger Plus card, please call 1-800-837-4483, the Columbus Kroger Community Rewards Program office, and they will be able to assist you.

Nancy Schmidt

Christmas WISH Dinner

Monday, December 6th

6:30p.m.

@ Jenifer Bruce's Cozy Christmas Cottage

5319 Loudon St NW

740-587-1224

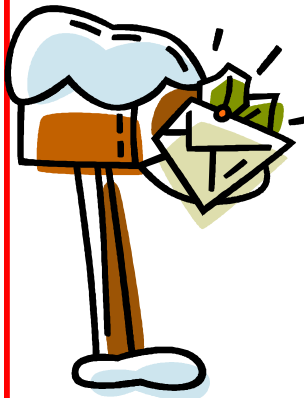
Jenifer invites the women of Highwater to share a meal and some of the JOY of this season.

Please bring a side dish to share.

We will exchange wrapped Christmas ornaments. (\$5 limit please).

Prayer Partners will be revealed for those of you who chose to participate from the Spring Retreat.

You've Got Mail!!!!



The Highwater Christmas Card exchange has begun. There are bins out in the narthex; just place your card in the appropriate space and remember to check for yours in return. It's fun and it saves a stamp! We will have the bins in place through Sunday, December 26th.

Celebrations & Concerns

Happy Birthday to:

- 12/01 Emily French
- 12/01 Laura Laughlin
- 12/03 Becky Lloyd
- 12/04 Rachel Vaughan
- 12/06 Hugh Field
- 12/08 Bill Goodman
- 12/08 Kathy Preston
- 12/10 Dennis Cox
- 12/11 Molly Laughlin
- 12/11 Stephen Green
- 12/13 Gene Branstool
- 12/13 Doug Radabaugh
- 12/13 Renae Hoar
- 12/14 Nancy Karam
- 12/16 Storm VanWey
- 12/18 Chad Kegler
- 12/23 Steve Smoke
- 12/24 Judy Grace
- 12/26 Emelia Burgess
- 12/30 Jenna Simon



Prayers for those in need of healing:

Betty Nash, Tom Siegel, Gayle Gibson, Betty Sillik, George Freas, Shelly Ellis, George Myers, Jim Farmer, Judy Grace, Ned Campbell, Bobbi Preston, Carlene Smetts, Olivia Shelley, Linda Keaser, Christine Schmidt, John Stout, Aaron Root, Louise Day, Jolyn McKnight, Frank and Gerry McKimmins

Continued prayers: for those who serve in our armed forces and all of their families, as well as those who have suffered the loss of a loved one.



WISH to Quilt Guild Wednesday December 8th, 7:00p.m. Cookies Welcome

We will wrap up our 2010 beginner class, share some fresh ideas, and some cookies. Anyone who has participated throughout the years is welcome to attend, and please bring a friend. There will not be an informal meeting in December. There will not be a gift exchange, but a free will offering to the Utica Food Pantry is welcome. We look forward to seeing everyone's finished, or almost finished projects and sharing some warm fellowship, and Christmas Cookies.

Questions—call Elaine Tulloss at 740-892-3577.

Mission Project For December -

Are you available to volunteer a little time on 12/20 or 12/21? If so, the **Salvation Army needs you!** Looking for individuals who might be willing to come down between the hours of 9-4 (you can stay for a little while or you can stay all day) to assist individuals through the Secret Santa area. You will be helping people choose gifts for family members who would otherwise not be able to provide Christmas gifts. What a wonderful way to witness the true meaning of Christmas by sharing Christ's love! Please see the sign up sheet. Questions? Check with either Laura or Mike Laughlin.



Happy Anniversary

- 12/03 Bob & Bev Yoakam
- 12/07 John & Nancy Karam
- 12/11 Ned & Cindy Campbell
- 12/14 Tom & Jane Lake
- 12/15 Jim & Patsy Farmer
- 12/17 Andrew & Cathy Bero
- 12/21 Dave & Mary Jo Layman
- 12/27 Mark & Lisa McKimmins
- 12/27 Bryan & Shelley Payne

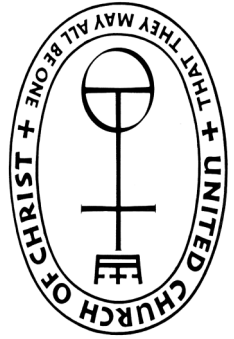
Mittens, Hats, Socks, Scarves

Help us decorate the little tree in the narthex with new mittens, hats, scarves, and socks. All donated items will be distributed between our local school districts for kids in need.



WISH Dinners
Agrarian Club
 Tuesday, December 7th
 7:00p.m.
 Please sign up to help

Sunday Schedule
 Worship - 8:30 & 10:30a.m.
 Faith Formation - 9:30a.m.
 (For all ages)
 Children's Church - 10:30a.m.



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Did You Know?

- ♦ Flowers for the month of **December** are donated by **Kevin and Becky Campbell** In memory of Kevin's grandfather: **James Black** and Becky's mother: **June Argo**.
- ♦ Greeting us with the love of Christ in the month of **December** are **Bob, Daniela, Evan Rowe and Rachel and Sara Vaughan** .
- ♦ Acolytes for **December**: **Tralie Storts & Avery Ellis, Max Crain, Megan Payne & Rebekah Kalas, and Ashley Green**.

Office Hours : **Tuesday 8:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.**
 Thursday 2:00p.m. - 6:00p.m.

Planning an Event? Use the LEGG Center

Call Peggy Green at 740-892-3235 for rates, information and to reserve your date. And, if you want to use Highwater's tables, chairs, or other assets, please be sure to check first, and sign them out with both a departure date and a due-back date.



Peace, Hope, Faith, Love, Joy Through Giving & Attendance



10/31	\$1,690.10	125
11/07	2,086.00	85
11/14	2,076.00	106
11/21	2,386.00	104
11/28	4,013.00	93

Need Weekly for Budget \$2,255.00
 YTD \$ 1,522.98