

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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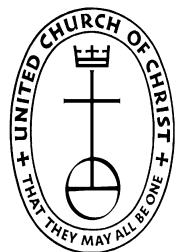
“Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ, will be an active family of faith in North Central Licking County, dedicated to building awareness of God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through meaningful worship, diverse service, and genuine fellowship.” - Mission Statement



“To do its worst, evil needs to look its best. Evil has to spend a lot on makeup...vices have to masquerade as virtues—lust as love, envy as righteous indignation.”

-Cornelius Plantinga Jr, Not the Way It's Supposed to Be

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Joyce Oyler, Licensed Associate Pastor
Mae Pound, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Pianist: Janine Shipley
Acolytes: Drew & Cole Harris



Proclamation of Praise

Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

* **Hymn of Praise**

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

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Call to Worship:

Leader: Even as we enter the wilderness of Lent,

People: We rest in the shelter of the Most High;

Leader: We abide in the shadow of the Almighty;

People: We trust the words of God,

Leader: We trust the people of God

People: We trust that the hands of God will somehow bear us up.

Leader: And so we come to call on God

People: We trust God who has promised to answer.

Prayer of Invocation

Children's Message

Old Testament Text

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (NIV)

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ²I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." ⁹If you say, "The LORD is my refuge," and you make the Most High your dwelling, ¹⁰no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent. ¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; ¹²they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. ¹³You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent. ¹⁴"Because he loves me," says the LORD, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. ¹⁵He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. ¹⁶With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

* **Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel Text

"Snake in the Desert," a creative retelling of Luke 4:1-13 by Bob Hartman, *Engage Worship*

Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer

Candle Dedication: In celebration of David Snyder and Jason Hite's Birthdays.

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Bridges of Grace UCC, Charleston WV

Sharing of our Tithes and Offerings /Offertory

* Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

* Offertory Prayer

* Hymn:

New Testament Text

Romans 10:8b-13 (NRSV)

But what does it say?

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Sermon

Rev. Scott Schieber

* Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

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Sending Prayer

* Sung Benediction -

Let There be Peace on Earth

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.

Postlude

If you have children... Sunday School is Offered during our 10:30a Service

-**Newborn – pre-school** A Cry Room is available for your use during the worship service. It is located above the Sanctuary. You can use the stairs located through the door directly to the left as you exit the main doors of the Sanctuary. You can hear and see the service from this room.

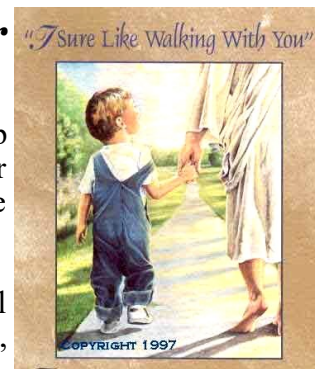
-**Pre-K – K** (pre-K means that your child will start kindergarten in the upcoming school year)...your child is invited to Sunday School with our BUGs (Born Under God's Sun), which meets in the Lower Level Learning Center. To get to the LLLC, exit the sanctuary, go down the steps, and turn left and find the doorway which leads to the steps leading into the LLLC.

-**1st Grade – 6th Grade**...your child is invited to Sunday School with our TIGERs (Trusting In God for Every Reason), which meets in the Lower Level Learning Center. To get to the LLLC, exit the sanctuary, go down the steps, and turn left and find the doorway which leads to the steps leading into the LLLC.

The Sunday School Curriculum is based on Stories in the Bible and involves activities that present the story in a variety of ways.

If you are visiting...

Welcome! We pray that you'll find our worship service meaningful and uplifting, and our congregation welcoming and friendly. We know that coming to a new church can be a little uncomfortable. If we can assist you in any way, please let us know! During the worship service, please be sure to provide contact information on our pew pads so Pastor Scott can reach out and thank you for attending.



If you have been attending

and would like to be more involved in the worship service or other events, we have a number of support roles you could participate in.

When you hear Rev. Scott or Pastor Joyce talk about signing up in the **Binder** or see "**sign up in the binder**" written anywhere, it is the **black notebook** that is being passed around the sanctuary during the service. This notebook has all the available Positions, Mission Outreach Projects and Events that are currently open for volunteers or are happening at our church.

The Acolytes are children 8 years old - about 12 years old. They carry the Light of Christ up to the altar at the beginning of our 10:30a service. If you are interested in having your child be an Acolyte, please let Rev. Scott know. It takes about 10 minutes to go through the process and we have your child with another experienced child for the first time.

Lay Readers - Are the people who read scripture, offer up the Call to Worship and the Prayer of Invocation. All the materials are up on the pulpit, or could be sent to you ahead of time if you would like to preview before hand. Please let Rev. Scott know your preference. No experience is necessary to participate in this support roll. (8:30a Service Lay Readers take up the offering and assist with Communion if necessary).

Greeters - Greet people as they arrive during our 10:30a service. The request is that you arrive about 20 minutes before the service. You hand out the bulletins and share a smile and some welcoming words and if the person is a visitor, you might make them aware of where the restrooms are located as well as the cry room, nursery and other children's activities depending on our current worship schedule.

Ushers - (The people who take up the offering) 10:30a service. Most times the Ushers and Greeters are the same people. When attendance is light and it is not a Communion Sunday 1 person can do both. On a Communion Sunday it is a 2-person position. If you are interested in ushering, please let Rev. Scott know and we will take a few minutes to go over this simple task so that you are comfortable in what you are doing.

You can sign up to greet and not usher if that is your comfort level or sign up to usher separately from greeting.

Special Music - We are open to any music that lifts God in Praise. If you would like to share...Just Share! Please see Cathy Bero or Debbie Smetts to talk about an idea or schedule a date to share your gift of music.

Thank you for your interest in being a part of our Worship Service

Announcements and Information

Monday Noon Bible Study - March 4th Scripture for study will be 1 Corinthians Chapters 10 and 11.

Join Pastor Joyce for a Book Study - Beginning Wednesday, February 6th at 6:30 using the book "If the Church were Christian: Rediscovering the Values of Jesus" by Philip Gulley. This will be a 10 week study, breaking for Ash Wednesday and taking us through to Palm Sunday.

WISH Meeting - Monday, March 11th at 6:30p at the church. Please see sign-up sheet if you plan to attend.

Game Nite - Saturday, March 16th at 6p. Please see sign-up sheet in binder if you plan to attend.

2018 Annual Report - Is Available in the Narthex

Greeter Training - Interested in being a greeter or are you currently a greeter and looking for helpful guidance in enhancing your skills? **Join us on March 17th at 9:30a**

**Spread The News!
Get Donations Ready!
Hog Roast / Auction
Saturday, April 6th!**

**Posters and Fliers available in the
Narthex**

**Please Take a few and Distribute
throughout Community and Work Place**

Hog Roast / Auction Basket Bonanza

*Start collecting NOW, Tables will
be set up soon!*

Baskets to fill:

- Hole in 1 Golf
 - Easter
 - Teen
- Spring Gardening
- Kids Summer Fun
 - Mystery
 - Ohio State
- "Redneck PikNik"

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Prayer Concerns within our Family of Faith:

Betty Nash Gayle Gibson Bob Tucker Dave Nash Larry Smetts Ned Campbell
Tom Siegel Becky Wright Judy Grace Austin Campbell Steve Barna
Ed Hoskinson Tom Lake Jane Lake Donna Shipley David Keener

Prayers for our Shut-ins:

Carolyn Claggett, Goldie Campbell

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Bridges of Grace UCC, Charleston WV





Prayers for Our Greater Church Family: *(This list to start over every month)*

John Stout	Stewart Krulikowski & Family	Bucky Mowery	Barbara Buyer
Sharon Mummey	Theresa Gonda	Jim Graham	Phyllis Miller
Mark Frick	Sherry Gibson	Jessie Wolford	Nellie Wright
Carl Richards	Nikki Greathouse	Jeff French	Doug Hoar
Marsha King	Ben, Beth Mowry	Judy Schmoll	Rhett Morningstar
Dewey Wilfong	Bill & Carol King	Hannah Oliver	Pam Bevier



Continued prayers for all the troops that protect and serve this country and prayers of comfort for their families as they wait for their safe return. Chase Lasko.

This Week at Highwater, March 11th - March 17th

Monday 11	Tuesday 12	Wednesday 13	Thursday 14	Friday 15	Saturday 16	Sunday 17
<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>Noon Bible Study In the Library</p> <p>6:15p Membership & Outreach Meeting</p> <p>6:30p WISH Meeting</p>  <p>Happy Birthday David Snyder</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>Debbie in Church Office</p> <p>6:30p Pastor Joyce Book Study</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Jason Hite</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>7:30p-12:30p Debbie in Church Office</p>  <p>Happy Anniversary Jim & Melody Hover</p>			<p>8:30a Worship Service</p> <p>10:30a Worship Service Sunday School</p>  <p>Happy Anniversary Greg & Jackie Parrill</p> <p>Kevin & Molly Keller</p>

Scripture for Sunday, March 17th
Philippians 3:17-4:1 Luke 13:31-35

Internet Access In Sanctuary:

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Pastor Scott (c) 614 - 226 -1314
Pastor Joyce (c) 614 - 595-4771

**Immerse yourself in a new
worship experience...Led by Pastor Joyce**
Connections and Conversations
Beginning March 10th at 6p

And Continuing the second Sunday evening of each month. We will gather in the sanctuary. Our worship will include contemporary music, community reading of scripture, conversation with one another, interactive prayer, and communion. Join Us!

