

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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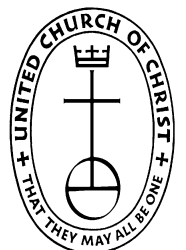
July 7, 2019

“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



“Providence has at all times been my only dependence,
for all other resources seem to have failed us.”
-George Washington, First US President (1732-99)

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Joyce Oyler, Licensed Associate Pastor
Mae Pound, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Pianist: Janine Shipley
Liturgist: Amy Gartner
Greeter/Usher: Amy Gartner
Acolyte: Keegan Andrews-Gartner





July 7, 2019 * = stand if you are able

Proclamation of Praise

Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

* Hymn of Praise

God of Our Fathers

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Call to worship

Leader: Come rejoice, all you who love and serve the Lord!

People: Sing songs and hymns of praise; celebrate together in God's presence!

Leader: Let all the earth stand in awe of our God, for God spoke, and the world came into being; God breathed, and the heavens were born.

People: God shatters the plans of the nations, and frustrates all their schemes.

Leader: The plans of our Creator stand firm forever; God's intentions are unshakeable.

People: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord! Let your unfailing love surround us, O God, for our hope is in you alone.

Prayer of Invocation

Children's Message

Old Testament Text

Psalm 33 (NRSV)

Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright. ² Praise the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings. ³ Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. ⁴ For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. ⁵ He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. ⁶ By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of his mouth. ⁷ He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; he put the deeps in storehouses. ⁸ Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him. ⁹ For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. ¹⁰ The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. ¹¹ The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations. ¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage. ¹³ The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all humankind. ¹⁴ From where he sits enthroned he watches all the inhabitants of the earth—¹⁵ he who fashions the hearts of them all, and observes all their deeds. ¹⁶ A king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength. ¹⁷ The war horse is a vain hope for victory, and by its great might it cannot save. ¹⁸ Truly the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, ¹⁹ to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine. ²⁰ Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and shield. ²¹ Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. ²² Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

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.

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

Candle Dedication: In celebration of Cindy Campbell, Larry Smetts, Fred Grace, Kelsey Keener and Amanda Gartner's Birthdays.

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Mt Carmel UCC, Clearport

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

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

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New Testament Text

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 (NRSV)

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' ¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Homily on Luke

Pastor Joyce Oyler

Holy Communion

Confession:

Loving God, as we prepare to share in the life of Christ at the holy table, grant us the grace to share in his life in the world through faithful witness. Teach us how to be open with others about our faith in him, to speak the truth in love, humbly and without shame. Teach us how to rely upon you, in the power of the Spirit, and not upon ourselves, to bring the harvest of the Kingdom. Forgive us when we have turned our backs on the responsibility to labor for the Kingdom promised to us. Let us seek no other reward than to know that we will receive what is promised to faithful witnesses, the reward of knowing you and being known by you. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance / Passing the Peace

Invitation to the Table / Prayer of Consecration / Words of Remembrance / Distribution

Sending Prayer

* Closing Hymn

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

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* Benediction / Response

Part In Peace vs 3

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Part in peace! Our voices raising, in God's presence always be. This the worship and the praising, bringing peace to you and me.

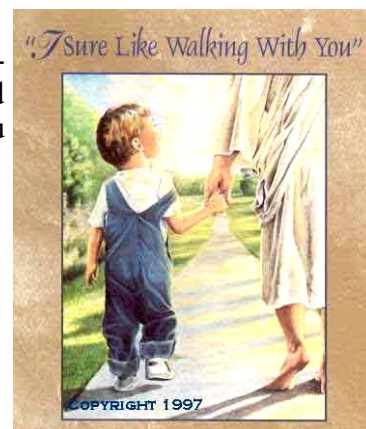
Postlude

During our Summer Worship Schedule Sunday School is on Recess....

If you have children...

-**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.

June 2nd through Rally Day in September, we will have small activity bags for the younger children to use at their seats during Summer Worship Services



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 alter 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

Lunch at Miller's Park - Highwater will serve lunches in the park August 5th - 9th. Sign-up in the binder.

Salvation Army Lunch Packing Mission Opportunity - Tuesdays June 4th - August 6th. Sign-up in the binder.

Utica Food Pantry Needs Volunteers - Thursdays 2:30-5:30p. If you would like to help, even occasionally, please contact Pat Burress directly at 740-507-9862 to get on the schedule .

Blood Drive - Sunday, July 14th 8a - 12p. Reserve your time in the binder.

WISH Meeting - Monday, July 8th at Janet Goodman's home at 6:30p. See the signup sheet outside the Conference Room if you plan to attend. WISH is the Women's Group at Highwater that every woman is a member of by simply attending Highwater Church. WISH has been an active group for many years. This group meets the 2nd Monday every other month at personal homes, the church or some other outside venue. There is also a special Christmas Gathering. We are open to all suggestions of outreach within our church or our community. WISH has contributed to many projects that the church has completed and we give to many charities in the surrounding community. We prepare and serve bereavement luncheons. WISH also sponsors a scholarship fund to help our graduates in furthering their education. This is made possible by preparing and serving meals funded by local groups using our facility for their meetings. WISH is always open to suggestions and ideas for continuing our outreach as well as social activities that would draw our women together in a supportive and nurturing way through faith and fellowship. The Mystery Trip and the Women's Retreat are sponsored by WISH. Once again, if you are a woman attending Highwater, you are a member of WISH. Join us or contact Becky Campbell, WISH President at 740-501-2421 or Janet Goodman, WISH Vice-President at 740-258-2846, with any questions or suggestions.

"She did what she could." Mark 14:8

WISH II Quilt - Wednesday, July 10th at 6:30p at the church.

Membership and Outreach Ministry Meeting - Monday, July 8th at 6:15p

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 Marcie Williams Ed Hoskinson Jane Lake Donna Shipley
Bev & Bob Yoakam

Prayers for our Shut-ins:

Carolyn Claggett, Goldie Campbell





Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Mt Carmel UCC, Clearport

John Stout	Stewart Krulikoski & Family	Pat Cline	Sherry Selfe
Sharon Mummey	Theresa Gonda	Sandy Young	Wanda Chandler
Mark Frick	Sherry Gibson	Donald Woosley	Jennifer Clippinger
Carl Richards	Bill & Carol King	Raye Hufford	Vanessa
Marsha King	Jim Graham	Mitzy Shook	
Judy Schmoll	Shelia Lutz	The Biggs Family	
Pat Toops	Chrissy King	Brandie Wentworth	
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, Tanner MacLachlan, Jared Grace

This Week at Highwater, July 8th - July 14th

Monday 8	Tuesday 9	Wednesday 10	Thursday 11	Friday 12	Saturday 13	Sunday 14
<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>6:15p Membership & Outreach Ministry Meeting</p> <p>6:30p WISH Dinner/ Meeting</p>  <p>Happy Anniversary Dick & Gayle Gibson</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Cindy Campbell Larry Smetts</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>8:30a Meal Packing at Salvation Army</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Fred Grace Kelsey Keener</p>	<p>Debbie In Church Office</p> <p>6:30p WISH II Quilt</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Amanda Gartner</p>	<p>Debbie In Church Office</p>			<p>8a -12p BLOOD DRIVE</p> <p>9:30a Worship Service</p>
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