

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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October 6, 2019 - 10:30a World Communion Sunday

"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

"The Table with no Edges" by Andrew King

We will sit down where feet tire from the journey.

We will sit down where grief bends the back.

We will sit down under roofs wrecked by artillery.

We will sit down where cries sound from cracked
walls.

We will sit down where heat beats like hammers.

We will sit down where flesh shivers in cold.

We will sit down where bread bakes on thin char-
coal.

We will sit down where there is no grain in baked
fields.

We will sit down with those who dwell in ashes.

We will sit down in shadow and in light.

We will sit down, making friends out of strangers.

We will sit down, our cup filled with new wine.

We will sit down and let love flow like language.

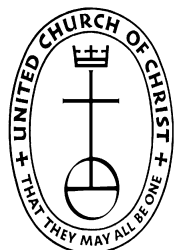
We will sit down where speech needs no words.

We will sit together at the table with no edges.

We will sit to share one loaf, in Christ's name, in one world.



Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Mae Pound, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Pianist: Judy Grace
Acolyte: Keegan Andrews-Gartner
Liturgist - Amy Gartner
Greeters - The Storts Family





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October 6, 2019 * = stand if you are able

Proclamation of Praise

Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

* Hymn of Praise

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

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Call to worship

Leader: From north and south, from east and west, we come:

People: God's people called to the Table where simple grace nourishes us.

Leader: From down the street to across town, from farmhouses to apartment dwellers:

People: God's people are called to community, where we live and serve one another.

Leader: From every class, every race, every status; from little ones with sippy cups to elders with overflowing hearts:

People: God's people are called to witness to God's hope, to offer peace to a shattered world.

Prayer of Invocation

New Testament Text

I Corinthians 11:17-26 (NRSV)

¹⁷Now in the following instructions I do not commend you, because when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse. ¹⁸For, to begin with, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you; and to some extent I believe it. ¹⁹Indeed, there have to be factions among you, for only so will it become clear who among you are genuine. ²⁰When you come together, it is not really to eat the Lord's supper. ²¹For when the time comes to eat, each of you goes ahead with your own supper, and one goes hungry and another becomes drunk. ²²What! Do you not have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you show contempt for the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What should I say to you? Should I commend you? In this matter I do not commend you! ²³For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for^[a] you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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. Amen

Holy Communion

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy,

we confess that we have not loved you with all our being. We have done things which we ought not to have done, and we have left undone things which we ought to have done. We have built walls between neighbors and between countries, and we have ignored the cries of those in need. Forgive us and set us free, that we may live into the hope of your calling, that your reign may come on earth as it is in heaven. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Call and Response...Congregation: "We Give Thanks"

Children's Message (*Children Dismissed*)

* **Hymn**

We Are Not Our Own

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Old Testament Text

Psalm 137 (NRSV)

By the rivers of Babylon—there we sat down and there we wept when we remembered Zion. ²On the willows there we hung up our harps. ³For there our captors asked us for songs, and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!" ⁴How could we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land? ⁵If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! ⁶Let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy. ⁷Remember, O LORD, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem's fall, how they said, "Tear it down! Tear it down! Down to its foundations!" ⁸O daughter Babylon, you devastator! Happy shall they be who pay you back what you have done to us! ⁹Happy shall they be who take your little ones and dash them against the rock!

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

Candle Dedication: *In celebration of Lenae Maerston, Phil Shipley, Jason Douglas, Don Williams, Stella Preston and Dave Hoar's Birthdays.*

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Second Congregational UCC, Marietta

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**

New Testament Text

2 Timothy 1:1-14 (NRSV)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. ³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. ⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Sermon

Rev. Scott Schieber

* **Closing Hymn**

Blessed Assurance

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* **Benediction / Benediction Response**

Irish Blessing

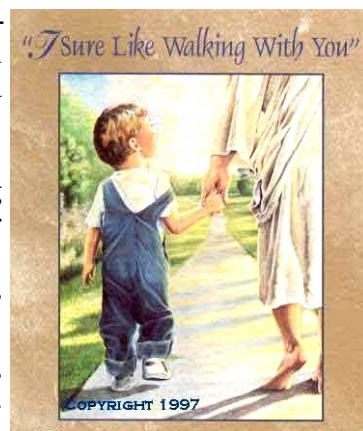
May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your back. The sun shine warm upon your face, The rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

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 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

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 .

Monday Noon and Wednesday 7p Bible Studies - This year we are using *Living Unafraid* by Adam Hamilton as a guide for our study. This is Hamilton's latest book. We will look at a devotion each week and the scripture he addresses. This book is available on Amazon and in electronic formats. Please bring the book and your Bible.

Adam Hamilton "Living Unafraid" Video Series - No reading required, runs on the following dates from 7-8 pm:

Crime, Race, Terrorism, and Politics—October 7

Failure, Disappointing Others, Insignificance, and Loneliness—October 28

Apocalypse, Change, Missing Out, and Finances—November 18

Aging, Illness, Dying, and Fear of the Lord—December 2

Blood Drive - Sunday, October 20th 8a-12p.

MS Youth Group Activity Nite - TODAY 6-7:30p

HS Youth Group Meeting -Moved to Sunday, October 13th at 6p at Roosters on 21st St.

Membership and Outreach Ministry Meeting - 6:15p Monday, October 14th

Quilt Retreat - Friday October 18th beginning at 4p and Saturday October 19th beginning at 8:30a.

Game Nite - October 19th 6p. Bring your favorite game and a snack to share.

World Communion Sunday - TODAY. We will receive our Neighbors in Need Offering.



**Pastor Scott's Office Door
is
Now Open
Wednesdays
5-7p**

For counsel, to talk or to pray. Please contact the church if you have questions or would like to call before you go.

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
Marcia Hoskinson Laurie Garno Marsha Barna Mary Jo Layman

Prayers for our Shut-ins:

Carolyn Claggett, Goldie Campbell

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Second Congregational UCC, Marietta







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

John Stout	Stewart Krulikowski & Family
Sharon Mummey	Theresa Gonda
Mark Frick	Sherry Gibson
Marsha King	Jesse Buchanan
Judy Schmoll	Tim Olson
Pat Toops	Terri Mellor
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, October 7th - October 13th

Monday 7	Tuesday 8	Wednesday 9	Thursday 10	Friday 11	Saturday 12	Sunday 13
Pastor Scott Available Noon Bible Study 7-8p Video Series <i>Living Unafraid</i>  Happy Birthday Lenae Marston	Pastor Scott Available 7p End of Life Care Planning  Happy Anniversary Phil & Donna Shipley	Pastor Scott Available Debbie Is On Vacation	Pastor Scott Available Debbie is On Vacation  Happy Birthday Phil Shipley Jason Douglas Don Williams	 Happy Birthday Stella Preston	 Happy Anniversary Nick & Laurie Garno	8:30a Worship Service 10:30a Worship Service 10:30a Sunday School  Happy Birthday Dave Hor

Our new email address is:
highwaterchurch1213@gmail.com

Scripture for Sunday, October 6th
 Psalm 111 Luke 17:11-19 Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Pastor Scott (c) 614 - 226 -1314

End of Life Discussion on Advance
 Care Planning

October 8th at 7p at Highwater church

Pastor Jeff Smith, the Head Chaplain of LMH will be here to answer questions about Advance Care planning and explain documentation needed to ensure an individual's rights to accept or refuse medical care if they become mentally or physically unable to communicate those wishes.

