

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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October 13, 2019 - 10:30a

"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



"Perfection, in a Christian sense, means becoming mature enough to give ourselves to others."

*-Kathleen Norris, **Amazing Grace***

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Mae Pound, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Organist: Patsy Farmer
Acolytes: Stella and Quinn Preston
Liturgist - Kathy Preston
Greeters - The Preston Family





October 13, 2019 * = *stand if you are able*

Proclamation of Praise

Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

*** Hymn of Praise**

How Great Thou Art

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Call to worship

Leader: Come, let us praise God together in the company of his gathered people.

People: **The works of our God are unparalleled.**

Leader: Everything God does reveals divine glory and majesty.

People: **Our God is full of grace and mercy, and his righteousness never fails.**

Leader: So come and worship, all you who revere the Lord,

People: **for reverence and awe is the foundation of true wisdom.**

Prayer of Invocation

Children's Message (*Children Dismissed*)

Old Testament Text

Psalm 111 (NRSV)

Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. ²Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. ³Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. ⁴He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful. ⁵He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant. ⁶He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations. ⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy. ⁸They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. ⁹He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name. ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

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

Gospel Text (NRSV)

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.

¹⁷ Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸ Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

Candle Dedication: *In celebration of Beth Schieber and Eileen Preston's Birthdays.*

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: and the CSEOA Council

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**

Old Testament Text

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 (NRSV)

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴ Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶ Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷ But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Sermon

Rev. Scott Schieber

*** Closing Hymn**

A Charge to Keep I Have

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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.

Postlude

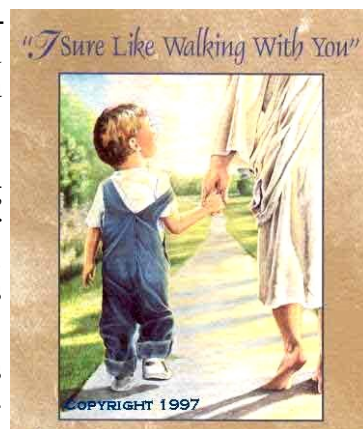


If you have children... Sunday School is Offered during our 10:30a Service

-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 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

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:

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.

HS Youth Group Meeting -TODAY at 6p at Roosters on 21st St.

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

Quilt Retreat - Friday October 18th beginning at 12p and Saturday October 19th beginning at 8:30a.

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

Council Meeting - 6:30p Thursday, October 17th.

Grief Support Group - 4p, Sunday October 20th



**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: and the CSEOA Council


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 14	Tuesday 15	Wednesday 16	Thursday 17	Friday 18	Saturday 19	Sunday 20
Pastor Scott Available Noon Bible Study 6:15 Membership and Outreach Ministry Meeting	Pastor Scott Available	Pastor Scott Available Debbie in Church Office 5-7P Pastor Scott's Office Is Open 7p Bible Study	Pastor Scott Available Debbie in Church Office 6:30p Church Council Meeting	4-9p Quilt Retreat  Happy Birthday Beth Schieber Eileen Preston	8:30a- Quilt Retreat 6p Game Nite	8a - 12p Blood Drive 8:30a Worship Service 10:30a Worship Service 10:30a Sunday School 4p Grief Support Group

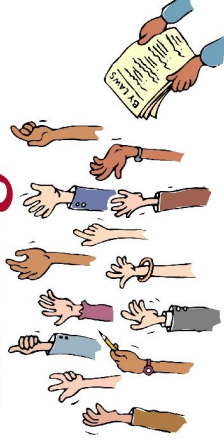
Our new email address is:

highwaterchurch1213@gmail.com

Scripture for Sunday, October 20th

Genesis 32:22-31 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Luke 18:1-8

Congregational Meeting



Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday November 3rd

Following the 10:30a

Service

We will elect Ministry

Chairs

We will vote on

approval of the 2020

budget proposed by

council.

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