



# The Heartbeat of Highwater

- Mission Statement

*"Highwater Congregational Church, 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."*

"And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." *Revelation 21:5*

## Making the Tough Calls

"Sing a New Song..." this phrase is used over and over again in the Old Testament. The great prophet Isaiah, the great King David, and the wise King Solomon are among those who call upon those who worship God to do so in a new way. Have you even wondered why the songs had to be new? Was something wrong with the old songs? Those song leaders even 3,000 years ago must have faced some angry worshippers who wanted to stick with the "tried and true."

And that's the challenge with being in a leadership position in a 174-year old church. Our leaders have to work under the premise that as a faithful congregation, we must hold true to core beliefs of our faith and tradition, but we must be flexible and willing to adapt the means in which we worship, serve our community, educate our kids, and enjoy one another in fellowship. Making those decisions to change is often pain-staking and doesn't very often make you a lot of friends in the congregation. Even worse, a lot of times, the decisions fail. So, yes, our work is often pain-staking, unpopular, and doomed to fail. Yet, the surest way to ultimately fail as an organization, especially in a climate where churches all around us are losing not only people, but clout in their communities, is to change nothing.

I find it's helpful to think about change as experimentation. Our children perform experiments at school all the time, and frequently they fail. Yet (hopefully) each failure brings us closer to ultimate success. It is with that spirit of experimentation that we try new things like new worship times this summer and an intergenerational mission trip this summer. Both of these changes invites a Spirit of experimentation to move about our congregation. Whether the change, particularly in our worship times, proves to be successful or not, it is made in the spirit of singing a new song. As with the song leaders in the Old Testament, we hope our new song becomes an instant classic. If not, we will chalk it up as Joyful Noise and continue to praise God.

*Peace*

- Pastor Scott

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## SUMMERTIME SERVICE SCHEDULE

\* = CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE

JUNE 5<sup>th</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 JUNE 12<sup>th</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 JUNE 19<sup>th</sup> - \* 9:30a 7P  
 JUNE 26<sup>th</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 JULY 3<sup>rd</sup> - \* 9:30a ONLY  
 JULY 10<sup>th</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 JULY 17<sup>th</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 JULY 24<sup>th</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 JULY 31<sup>st</sup> - 9:30a \* 7P  
 AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup> - \* 9:30a ONLY  
 AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup> - \* 9:30a ONLY  
 AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup> - 8:30a \* 10:30a  
 AUGUST 28<sup>th</sup> - 8:30a \* 10:30a  
 SEPTEMBER 4<sup>th</sup> - 8:30a \* 10:30a  
 SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> - RALLY DAY

Join us for our Evening Service throughout the summer and enjoy - Faith, Fellowship and Family with: Special Music Outdoor Services Grill Days Sunday Sundaes Drive-In Movies... It all happens before, during and after the 7p service. Details and Dates coming soon!



**Mark Your Calendars!  
 Highwater VBS 2016  
 July 18th - 21st, 5:30-8:00p  
 Fruit of the Spirit**



## 2016 WISH Scholarship

WISH has generously funded the Scholarship for this year. Current funds available are \$2,500. All monies collected through May 2016 will be divided evenly among scholarship recipients. You are eligible if you have been a member of Highwater for at least a year and are graduating from High School or are a recent High School graduate and are currently attending or will be returning to an institution of continuing education and are able to demonstrate active involvement in the life of the church.

There are many scholarships available for excellence in the classroom or in extra-curricular activities; this scholarship is specifically for students who make Highwater a major part of their Christian walk. Students are eligible to receive this scholarship for four years and must maintain a minimum of a 2.5 GPA. Students who attend out-of-state institutions and do not return for summers will be asked to discuss their participation in campus ministries where they attend.

Applications are available from scholarship committee members: Becky Campbell 740-501-2421, Mary Jo Layman 740-892-2217, Pastor Scott Schieber 614-226-1314 or Debbie Smetts 330-714-7216. The Scholarship will continue as long as there is funding. Application Deadline is May 31st.

You can help fund this scholarship through:

- ◆ Personal gifts and memorials.
- ◆ We will have a Scholarship Basket at the hog roast as part of the Basket Bonanza table. W.I.S.H. will donate \$1.00 for each ticket accumulated towards this basket
- ◆ While you are doing spring cleaning and find some treasures you no longer have a use for, Give Becky Campbell a call and she will take these items to Anthony Dr. Antique & Flea Market to be sold. 100% of the sale will benefit the scholarship fund. If you have any items please call Becky Campbell at 740 501 2421.

Please call someone on the committee with any questions.

All applicants will be interviewed in June.

# Highwater Scholarships to be Announced in June



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May 8th

IF I HAD A FLOWER FOR EACH BLESSING MY MOTHER HAS GIVEN ME, I COULD WALK IN MY GARDEN FOREVER.

## Congratulations Graduates

Graduation Sunday 2016 is Sunday, May 22nd

Please call the church office or fill out the form available in the church binder by Monday, May 16th if you or someone you love would like to be recognized.



## “God is Still Speaking”

About the Strengthen the Church Offering:

Each day, visions and dreams are created in the hearts of many in the United Church of Christ. Through the Strengthen the Church offering, they can become a reality. As God calls our congregations to be church in new ways, your gift will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches, and develop spiritual life in our youth and young adults. Because of this offering on May 15th, many more will hear the good news that “God is still speaking.”

## Celebrations & Concerns

Happy Birthday to:

5/05 Bob Yoakam  
 5/06 John Tulloss  
 5/08 Jake Shipley  
 5/09 Pat Hoar  
 5/12 Quinn Kegler  
 5/13 Tom Baughman  
 5/14 Russell Snyder  
 5/14 Holly McKimmins  
 5/17 Erika Swick  
 5/19 Ed Hoskinson  
 5/19 Jason Ratai  
 5/19 Maggie Gibson  
 5/21 Jenifer Bruce  
 5/24 Pamela Bevier  
 5/24 Mary Perry  
 5/27 Bryan Payne  
 5/29 Larry Green  
 5/29 Jim Hover  
 5/29 Kyle Anderson  
 5/30 Shea Swick  
 5/31 Joann Torren

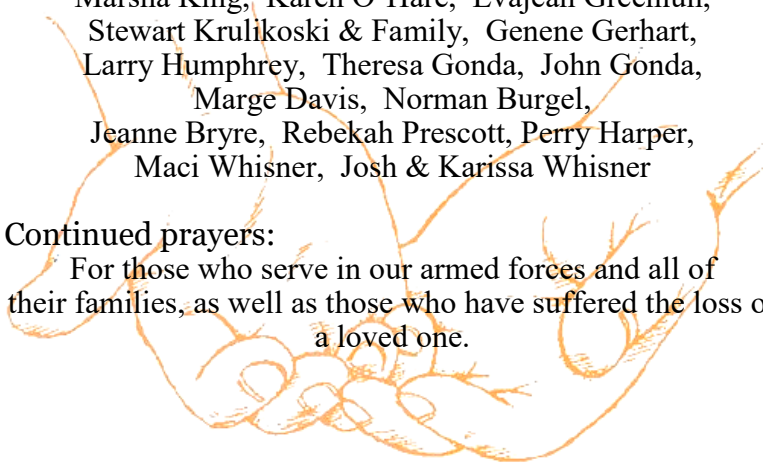
Happy Birthdays

Prayers for those in need of healing:

Betty Nash, Gayle Gibson,  
 Bob Tucker, Jim Farmer, Bruce Claggett,  
 Carolyn Claggett, Dave Nash,  
 JoAnn Gault, Betty Bruce,  
 Jack Green, Jaron Kerr, Ethan Payne, Holly McKimmins,  
 Joy Smith, Donna Shipley, Kaylee Patton, Abby Shipley,  
 Phyllis Buxton, John Stout, Miriam Thayer,  
 Sharon Mummey, Mark Frick, Carl Richards,  
 Marsha King, Karen O'Hare, Evajean Greenlun,  
 Stewart Krulikowski & Family, Genene Gerhart,  
 Larry Humphrey, Theresa Gonda, John Gonda,  
 Marge Davis, Norman BURGEL,  
 Jeanne Bryre, Rebekah Prescott, Perry Harper,  
 Maci Whisner, Josh & Karissa Whisner

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.



Happy Anniversary

5/06 Tom & Connie Baughman  
 5/06 Mark & Tammi Gibson  
 5/11 Larry & Susan Steele  
 5/13 Luke & Jenna Simon  
 5/20 Nathan & Rita Kerr  
 5/22 Scott & Beth Schieber



### 2016 Hog Roast

Meals \$ 3,363.00  
 Baskets \$ 471.00  
 Auction \$ 10,468.50  
**Gross Total - \$14,302.50**  
*WISH Quilt went for \$875.00*  
*\$200 was added to scholarship fund from Basket Bonanza scholarship Basket*

**Thank You Everyone !!**

We Remember...May 30th



*No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.*

John 15:13

*Peace is not the absence of conflict  
 But the presence of God no matter what  
 the conflict.*



## Highwater Welcomes New Members:

Nick & Laurie Garno  
 Don & Marcie Williams  
 Ginger Williams-Carr & David Carr (Not Pictured)



### Sunday School

#### Teaching the BUGS in May

5/1 Jennifer & Brandon Piper, 5/8 Janine & Ashley Shipley  
 5/15 Josie Snyder, 5/22 Kathy Preston & Josie Snyder

#### Teaching the TIGERS in May

5/1 Lisa McKimmins & Bekah Kalas,  
 5/8 Debbie Smetts & Peggy Green  
 5/15 Allyson & Brad Patton, 5/22 Youth Sunday, No SS

5/29 Children will remain with parents during worship services.

#### Bible Lessons:

5/1 *New Heaven and Earth*—Revelation 21:1-6 5/8 *Promise of the Holy Spirit* - John 14:23-29  
 5/15 *Filled with the Holy Spirit* - Acts 2:1-21, 5/22 **Youth Sunday**

The Net SS with Mr Zach May 8th & 29th TIGERS Activity Nite 6-7:30p - May 1st

The Net Activity Nite 6-7:30p - May 15th

Confirmation Class 6-7:30p May 8th & Confirmation May 15th

### Highwater Youth to be Confirmed

Alli Burgess  
 Jimmy Gibson  
 Will Holt  
 James Kalas  
 Shelby Kerr  
 Emma Piper  
 Cate Schieber

Pentecost  
 Confirmation  
 Sunday  
 May 15th!

## Who to call with ideas and questions

### Moderator

Mark McKimmins 614-565-3509

### Care Ministry

Mary Jo Layman 740-892-2217

### Christian Education

Allyson Patton 740-348-6894

### Fellowship Ministry

Beth Schieber 740-920-4002

Jackie Parrill 740-817-0295

### Membership & Outreach Ministry

Kathy Preston 740-745-1043

### Missions Ministry

Joy & Allen Smith 740-321-3369

### Music and Worship Ministry

Debbie Smetts 330-714-7216

Cathy Bero 740-745-5787

### Stewardship Ministry

Jennifer Piper 740-745-2393

### Treasurer

Jack Schmidt 740-587-2890

### Trustees

Peggy Green 740-892-3235

### WISH

Becky Campbell 740-501-2421

### WISH II Quilt

Janine Shipley 740-892-2722

**Council Meeting**  
Thursday,  
May 19th

**WISH II Quilt**  
Wednesday,  
May 11th  
7p.m.



The Prayer Path is available for your use daily!



## Bible Studies

Mondays at Noon in the church library.

During May we will finish up Psalms and continue with Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Solomon. May 23rd will be our last gathering until September 12th and we will have lunch together.

# GREASE

**WISH to LaComedia—**  
**Thursday, June 2nd**

WISH has booked a bus to see *Grease* at LaComedia located in the Cincinnati area. We are going to the matinee showing and a buffet lunch is part of the show. The bus will depart around 8:00a and return around 6p. Total cost for show lunch and bus transportation is \$80 payable to WISH by May 29th. We have reserved 20 tickets to the show. Please feel free to invite family and friends. The May meeting will be held on the bus. Sign-up sheet posted outside the Library. Please call Debbie Smetts with any questions or to reserve a seat. 330-714-7216.

## Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, May 7th

See you at the Lighthouse on the Hill on Rte 62 across from Branstool's Orchard at 8:00a.m.

## Thank You Highwater!

Our Little Red Wagon will be collecting again on Sunday, May 29th. Please have your non-perishables ready. Monetary donations are always welcome.



## WISH to Host

Saturday, May 21st 7p- Homer Alumni  
Please sign up to help.

## WISH Dinner Meeting

Thursday June 2nd

On the bus to see *Grease* at LaComedia

## Nursery Schedule

5/01 Dave & Jen Snyder  
5/8 Kristi Burgess  
5/15 Alicia Preston  
5/22 Sheri Webb  
5/29 ?

Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early, and grab a friend or another family member to help you!

Please see the bulletin for an updated list.



**Wee Kids Nursery**

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**Men's Mystery Trip**

**Packard Museum**

**Welcome Aboard! What a Great Time!**



**Wright Brothers Museum**



**Young's Jersey Dairy  
And..... ICECREAM!**



# 2016 Hog Roast Live Auction Donations



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**Newsletter Editor**

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**Mark McKimmins, Moderator 740-892-3582**



### Sunday Schedule

Worship - 8:30 & 10:30a.m.

Sunday School - 10:30a.m.

**WE'RE ON THE WEB! Check us out! [www.highwaterchurch.org](http://www.highwaterchurch.org)**

## Did You Know?

**Office Hours : Mondays : 8:00a.m. - 10:00a.m.  
Wednesdays & Thursdays: 8:00a.m. - 12:00p.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.

Happy Mother's Day, May 8th  
Ladies, young and not so  
young, are invited to wear there  
bestest bonnets (hats) to church!



### Blessings Received Through Giving & Attendance

4/03	2,705.00	58
4/10	2,338.00	76
4/17	3,150.00	75
4/24	3,214.00	94

We need \$2940.00 Weekly  
To achieve our yearly budget  
YTD we are under budget  
by: **-\$711.00**

