



# The Heartbeat of Highwater

*29 'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.'* Matthew 25:29

## November 2016

### "The Seasons Turn"

Well, we have flipped the calendar from October to November and, quite naturally, I have been listening to Christmas music (only while alone, mind you) for the last couple of weeks. Hey—it's a victimless crime! To be fair, before you say that I'm jumping the gun, I am trying to stick to instrumental music now, so that I allow myself to slowly get into the C\*\*\*\*\* Spirit. In this way, the absolute love for and joy of Christmas serves me very well in ministry. You see, we've begun planning for chimes, vocal music, pageant, lock-in, Christmas Eve, and all the rest already. And, at least for me, it's no chore at all—I'm happy to start talking about it! Aren't you glad I already know, and have for some time, that Christmas Day and New Years' Day are on Sundays this year?

One thing I'm excited to tell you about this year is that I am planning to do a series of sermons through the Sundays of December on our Advent and Christmas hymns. Each week, I'm going to pick a hymn and spend time telling you about it—who wrote it, why they wrote it, how they were inspired, and what it means to me. We tend to be joyous while singing these hymns, and we've sung them year after year our whole lives, so we might be inclined to miss the fact that these hymns are packed with theology, particularly theology around the incarnation of God in the person of Jesus Christ. I have some picked out already—for the first week of Advent, I'll preach about O Come, O Come Emmanuel, on Christmas Eve, my topic will be Silent Night, and on Christmas morning, I'll speak about I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day. I'm open to suggestions about some of the other Sundays.

Be sure to watch for all the activities we have going on this Christmas. Get involved by taking part in some things! It's a busy time for everyone, but a big choir and a big pageant and a big bell choir adds to everyone's enjoyment. And, lest I forget, have a Happy Thanksgiving!!

Peace, Pastor Scott



### Holiday Practice To Begin

We are starting on our Holiday practices and a big sound for Christmas would make everything about this season of celebration brighter and richer. Practice for the Holiday Season will begin Sunday, November 13th  
9:30a for Chimes  
9:50a for Choir  
Chimes will Sound on December 4th  
Choir will sing on December 11th and 18th.  
All welcome Confirmation Age and up!



### Women's Ensemble Choir Hand Chimes



## Teaching the BUGS in November (Pre-K and K)

Kathy Preston and Janine Shipley

### Teaching the BUGS in November (1st & 2nd Grade)

11/06 Jennifer & Emma Piper 11/13 Stacey Atherton & Bekah Kalas  
11/20 Debbie Smetts & Cate Schieber  
11/27 Becky Campbell & Becky Wright

### Teaching the TIGERS in November (3rd–6th Grade)

11/06 Lisa McKimmins & Brandon Piper 11/13 Allyson Patton & Will Schieber  
11/20 Zach Cornelius & James Kalas 11/27 Beth Schieber

#### Bible Lessons:

11/06 *Jesus and Zacchaeus*— Luke 19:1-10  
11/13 *The Sadducees Question*— Luke 20:27-38  
11/20 *Working Together* - 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13  
11/27 *King on the Cross* - Luke 23:33-43

MS SS with Mr Zach and Laura Tucker November 13th in FROG Room  
HS SS with Jon and Karen Holt November 20th in FROG Room  
MS and HS together with Mr. Zach and Jon November 27th in FROG Room

MS & HS (Net) Activity Nite 6-7:30p - November 13th  
TIGERS Activity Nite 6-7:30p - November 27th

Pageant Practice  
9:30a

November 27th  
December 4th  
December 11th  
*More Details to follow!*





# Celebrations & Concerns

## Happy Birthday to:

- 11/03 Crystal Argo
- 11/03 Ashley Shipley
- 11/04 Emily Sayre
- 11/05 Christopher Hoar
- 11/05 Sheri Webb
- 11/06 Reese Kornokovich
- 11/06 Bella Webb
- 11/08 Lisa McKimmins
- 11/08 Andrew Bero
- 11/08 Carrie Hall
- 11/09 Loren Goodman
- 11/10 Ryder Simon
- 11/10 Shelley Payne
- 11/10 Jack Green
- 11/12 Mark Hatch
- 11/14 Joslyn Snyder
- 11/15 Zach Cornelius
- 11/16 Marisa Lake
- 11/16 Jennifer Snyder
- 11/18 Becky Wright
- 11/19 Rick Hoar
- 11/20 Carolyn Blackburn
- 11/21 Beverly Payne
- 11/21 Scott Swick
- 11/21 Virgil Hatch
- 11/22 Amy Kerr
- 11/23 Kent Belau
- 11/25 Tracy Storts
- 11/25 Lindsey Hoskinson
- 11/27 Betty Nash
- 11/28 Rosalie Baughman
- 11/29 Stephanie Green
- 11/29 Eric Burgess
- 11/29 Brooke Anderson
- 11/29 Brad Patton
- 11/30 Cory Ratai



## Prayers for those in need of healing:

Betty Nash, Gayle Gibson, Bob Tucker, Jim Farmer, Dave Nash, JoAnn Gault, Jack Green, Larry Steele, Larry Smetts, Rosie Shipley, Dick Gibson, Ned Campbell, Goldie Campbell, Bruce & Carolyn Claggett, Phyllis Buxton, John Stout, Sharon Mummey, Mark Frick, Carl Richards, Marsha King, Evajean Greenlun, Karen O'Hare, Genene Gerhart, Stewart Krulikowski & Family, Larry Humphrey, Theresa Gonda, John Gonda, Marge Davis, Norman Burgel, Maci Whisner, Jason & Lindsay Hoar, Maralieta Jackson, Shirley Callan, Frank Morris, Kenny Freeman, Wilburt Webb, Vicky Davis, Bill Shoman, Bud Bowersock, Mark Benner, Megan Hatfield

**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.

*No words are needed!*



Happy Thanksgiving !

*Feel God*  
in every gentle touch.  
*See God*  
in every happy face.  
*Hear God*  
in every caring word.  
*Receive God's blessings*  
every day of your life.

## Happy Anniversary

- 11/11 Mike & Jennifer Piper
- 11/11 Dustin & Amber Walker
- 11/14 Kevin & Becky Campbell
- 11/18 Eric & Mary Jane Burgess
- 11/23 Stephen & Marsha Barna

Pastor Scott will be on vacation November 14th through November 21st.  
Rev. Ed Lopeman will cover any pastoral emergencies in Pastor Scott's absence and fill the pulpit on November 20th.

## Where To Be and When

### Who to call with ideas and questions

#### Moderator

Mark McKimmins 614-565-3509

#### Care Ministry

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#### Christian Education

Allyson Patton 740-348-6894

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Joy & Allen Smith 740-321-3369

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#### Stewardship Ministry

Jennifer Piper 740-745-2393

#### Treasurer

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#### Trustees

Peggy Green 740-892-3235

#### WISH

Becky Campbell 740-501-2421

#### WISH II Quilt

Janine Shipley 740-892-2722

#### Youth Ministry Coordinator

Zach Cornelius 740-616-6833

### Bible Studies

Adult Sunday School 9:45-10:15a



The Prayer Path  
is available for your  
use Daily.



Mondays at Noon in the Church Library

**WISH to Host**  
Saturday, November 5th 6:30p  
St John's, Reading Ohio  
(Rev. Torie's Church)  
Please sign up to help

**WISH to Host**  
Thursday, November 10th 11:30a  
Park National Bank  
"American Celebration"  
Please sign up to help



**Sunday, November 13th  
11:30a.m.**

Budget Approval  
Election of Ministry Chair(s)  
And Officers  
Copies of the Proposed 2017  
Budget and By-Law Amendments  
are available in the church narthex and can be  
viewed on the web page  
at ...[www.highwaterchurch.org](http://www.highwaterchurch.org)

**It's Time to Decorate For Advent  
Sunday, November 20th**

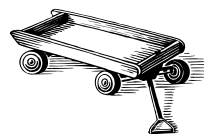
**5:30p**  
Please bring a snack to share.  
Everyone Welcome  
It's great Fun and  
Family Fellowship!



**Council  
Meeting**  
Thursday,  
November 17th  
7:00p.m.

### Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, November 5th  
See you at the Lighthouse on the Hill on Rte 62  
across from Branstool's Orchard at 8:00a.m.



The "Little Red Wagon"  
Pick-up for  
Utica Food Pantry  
Sunday, November 27th.  
Please have your non-perishables ready!!

### WISH Dinner Meeting

**Monday, November 7th @  
6:30p at Mrs Mullett's,  
22639 Deal Rd in Martinsburg.**  
Seating is limited to 36 people so please get your  
name on the list outside the library by Sunday, Oc-  
tober 30th or call Phyllis before Friday, November  
4th. Spouses are welcome. Donation of \$15—\$20  
per person please. As the meal will be prepared for  
the amount signed up, you will be responsible for  
payment if your name is on the list.





Everyone at Highwater can be proud of the growth of our Global Food Packing Initiative. This year the collaboration with other churches and the energy of everyone at Highwater will result in Lifeline Christian Missions' ABC, All Because of Christ, food program sending 14,256 meals in the very near future to families and school children in Haiti.



## More Mission Outreach Opportunities

We have some important Mission opportunities coming up in November and December. Here is a listing of opportunities for your consideration:  
**Now through Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>**—Mitten and hat tree for local school children.  
**Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>**—Angel Tree Tags available.  
**Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>**—Angel Tree Gifts Due Back to Highwater.

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### Sunday Schedule

Worship - 8:30 & 10:30a.m..  
Adult Sunday School - 9:30-10:15a  
Sunday School- 10:30a.m.



*“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.” - Mission Statement*

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

## Did You Know?

### Office Hours :

**Wednesday s & Thursdays: 7:00a.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.

**Congregational Meeting  
Sunday, November 13th  
Following 10:30a.m. service**

### Autumn Blessings Through Giving & Attendance



10/02	\$3,042.00	82
10/09	5,361.00	87
10/16	1,938.00	71

We Need \$2,9400.00 Weekly to achieve our yearly budget.

YTD we are under budget by  
**-\$8,107.00**