

# **Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ**

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## **August 6th, 2017**

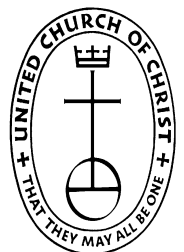
*"Highwater Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, will be an active family of faith in North Central Licking County, dedicated to building awareness of God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through meaningful worship, diverse service, and genuine fellowship." - Mission Statement*



*"Man is born broken. He lives by mending. The grace of God is glue."  
-Eugene O'Neill, American playwright (1888-1953), *The Great God Brown**

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor  
Mark McKimmins, Moderator  
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor  
Congregation, Ministers All  
**Pianist: Janine Shipley**  
**Liturgist: Cindy Campbell**

*(Please note: If able, Lay Reader takes up offering weekly, and will help with communion if signed up for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday. Greeters and Ushers will help with Communion the 1st Sunday. Thank you)*





**August 6, 2017 9:30a**

*\* = stand if you are able*

## **Proclamation of Praise**

## **Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell**

## **Welcome / Announcements**

### **\* Hymn of Praise**

*Standing on the Promises*

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## **Call to Worship**

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God

**People: May our worship reflect God's glory.**

Leader: All of creation proclaims God's handiwork.

**People: May we see each other as the handiwork of God.**

Leader: Let our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.

## **Prayer of Invocation**

## **Children's Message**

## **Old Testament Text**

**John 8:1-11 (NRSV)**

<sup>1</sup> while Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. <sup>2</sup> Early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to him and he sat down and began to teach them. <sup>3</sup> The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before all of them, <sup>4</sup> they said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. <sup>5</sup> Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" <sup>6</sup> They said this to test him, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. <sup>7</sup> When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." <sup>8</sup> And once again he bent down and wrote on the ground. <sup>[a]</sup> <sup>9</sup> When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. <sup>10</sup> Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" <sup>11</sup> She said, "No one, sir."<sup>[b]</sup> And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again."

**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.**

**Communion (Intinction)**

**Responsive Prayer of Confession**

Gracious and Holy God,

For those times we have chosen death over life for ourselves,....

**Forgive us.** (repeats, congregation will be prompted to say “*Forgive us.*”)

Assurance

**Hymn:**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

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*Invitation / Prayer of Consecration / Words of Institution / Sharing Elements*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Almighty God, we give you thanks for the gift of our Savior’s presence in the simplicity and splendor of this holy meal. Unite us with all who are fed by Christ’s body and blood, that we may faithfully proclaim the good news of your love, and that your universal church may be a rainbow of hope in an uncertain world. Amen.**

**Homily on John 8:1-11**

**Pastor Scott Schieber**

**Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer**

***Candle Dedication:*** *In celebration of Caroline Gibson, Camryn Barna and Jason Hover’s Birthdays.*

*Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: CSEOA Department for Church and Authorized Ministry*

**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 Scripture**

**Leviticus 20:7-10 (NRSV)**

<sup>7</sup> Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy; for I am the LORD your God. <sup>8</sup> Keep my statutes, and observe them; I am the LORD; I sanctify you. <sup>9</sup> All who curse father or mother shall be put to death; having cursed father or mother, their blood is upon them. <sup>10</sup> If a man commits adultery with the wife of<sup>[a]</sup> his neighbor, both the adulterer and the adulteress shall be put to death.

**Homily on Leviticus 20:7-10**

**Pastor Scott Schieber**

**\* Closing Hymn**

**Benediction / Response - *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* vs 1**

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**Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, Traveling through this wilderness.**

**Postlude**

**Scripture for Sunday August 13th  
Psalm 46 II Corinthians 12:7-10**

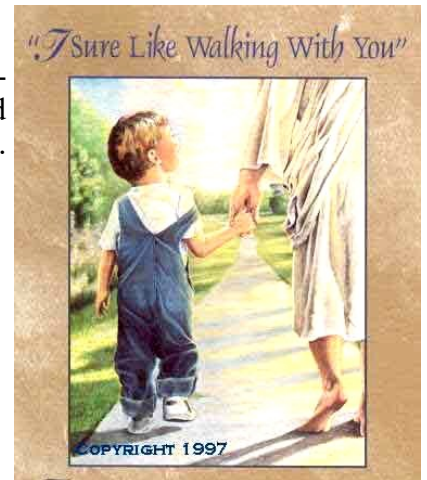
## ***If you have children...***

-**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..

## **Youth Opportunities and Activities this Summer**

-**Each week** we will prepare meals (one morning per week) at the Salvation Army

**We will have small activity bags for the younger children to use at their seats during Worship Services through Rally Day, September 10th**



## ***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.

## ***Thank You for Serving .....***

**Greeters and Ushers for August 6th - Open**

† (Please note: If able, Greeters take up offering weekly, and help with communion on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday. Thank you.)

## **Half Truths Sermon Series**

### **Sunday, August 6**

“God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle”

Psalm 46

II Corinthians 12:7-10

### **Sunday, August 13**

“God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It”

Leviticus 20:7-10

John 8:1-11

### **Sunday, August 20**

“Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin”

Matthew 7:1-5

I John 5:13-20

## Announcements and Information

**Finn Fest** - Sunday August 20th immediately following the 10:30a service. See sign-up sheet for details.

**WISH Mystery Trip**- Saturday, September 23rd. Please sign-up outside the library if you plan to go. The cost is \$80.



### **Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List**

#### **Prayer Concerns within our Family of Faith:**

Betty Nash    Gayle Gibson    Bob Tucker    Jim Farmer    Dave Nash    JoAnn Gault  
Bruce & Carolyn Claggett    Larry Steele    Larry Smetts    Rosie Shipley    Susan Hatch  
Nick and Laurie Garno    Becky Wright    Bronson Wright/Wolfe    Ned Campbell  
Doug Walker    Will Schieber    Sue Harris



#### ***Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: CSEOA Department for Church and Authorized Ministry***




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

John Stout	Stewart Krulikowski & Family	Sarah Bennett
Sharon Mummey	Larry Humphrey	Carla Davis
Mark Frick	Theresa Gonda	Bill Thomen
Carl Richards	Marge Davis	
Marsha King	Norman Burgel	
Gene Gerhart	Sherry Elkins	
Evajean Greenlun	Cathy White	

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. Jon Walker and Tim Berry . Prayers for Tanner MacLachlan and his family as he travels, trains and waits for deployment later this year.

In memoriam for the Family of: **Chase Nichols**

# This Week at Highwater, August 7th—August 13th

Monday 7	Tuesday 8	Wednesday 9	Thursday 10	Friday 11	Saturday 12	Sunday 13
<p>Pastor Scott Available</p>  <p><b>Happy Birthday</b> David Shipley</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p>  <p><b>Happy Birthday</b> Jackie Parrill Tammi Gibson</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p>		 <p><b>Happy Anniversary</b> Larry &amp; Sue Baughman</p>	<p>9:30a Worship Service</p>

Deb is on vacation this week.

**Pastor Scott (C) 614 - 226-1314**

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