

# **Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ**

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## **July 8th, 2018**

*“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*



“Do not fret, for God did not create us to abandon us.”  
-Michelangelo, Italian artist and poet, 1475-1564

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor  
Joyce Oyler, Licensed Associate Pastor  
Mark McKimmins, Moderator  
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor  
Congregation, Ministers All  
**Liturgist:** Danny Steele  
**Pianist:** Cathy Bero





## Proclamation of Praise

## Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell

## Welcome / Announcements

### \* Hymn of Praise

*America, the Beautiful*

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## Call to Worship:

Leader: Come and celebrate, people of God!

**People: Sing and shout your praise!**

Leader: For our God comes to us:

**People: triumphant and victorious, yet gentle and humble of heart.**

Leader: He comes bringing peace, offering hope and freedom to all who despair.

**People: Let's worship God together!**

## Prayer of Invocation

## Children's Message

## Old Testament Text

**Psalm 48 (NRSV)**

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God. His holy mountain,<sup>2</sup> beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.<sup>3</sup> Within its citadels God has shown himself a sure defense.<sup>4</sup> Then the kings assembled, they came on together.<sup>5</sup> As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic, they took to flight;<sup>6</sup> trembling took hold of them there, pains as of a woman in labor,<sup>7</sup> as when an east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.<sup>8</sup> As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God, which God establishes forever.*Selah*<sup>9</sup> We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.<sup>10</sup> Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with victory.<sup>11</sup> Let Mount Zion be glad, let the towns of Judah rejoice because of your judgments.<sup>12</sup> Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,<sup>13</sup> consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels, that you may tell the next generation<sup>14</sup> that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will be our guide 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.**

## Old Testament Text

**2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 (NRSV)**

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, "Look, we are your bone and flesh."<sup>2</sup> For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The LORD said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel."<sup>3</sup> So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.<sup>4</sup> David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years.

<sup>5</sup> At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.

<sup>9</sup> David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. <sup>10</sup> And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

### **Homily on 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10**

#### **Pastoral Prayer /Lord's Prayer**

*Candle Dedication: In celebration of Mary Jane Burgess's Birthday.*

*Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Little Muskingum Congregational Church, 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**

#### \* **Hymn:**

*Seek Ye First*

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#### **New Testament Text**

**Mark 6:1-13 (NRSV)**

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

#### **Homily on Mark 6:1-13**

#### \* **Hymn**

*Blessed the Nation*

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#### \* **Benediction / Response -**

*I Saw the Light vs 1*

**I wandered so aimless, life filled with sin. I wouldn't let my dear Savior in, Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night. Praise the Lord, I saw the light. I saw the light, I saw the light, no more in darkness, no more in night. Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight. Praise the Lord, I saw the light.**

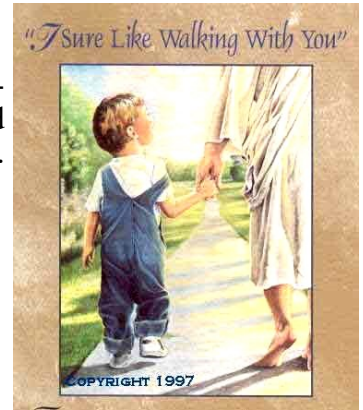
#### **Postlude**

## ***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.

## **June 3rd and going forward, we will have small activity bags for the younger children to use at their seats during Summer Worship Services**

Children will remain with their parents in the Sanctuary through September 2nd



## ***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 or Pastor Joyce 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 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.

**Greeters** - Greet people as they arrive. 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) 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

**Blood Drive - TODAY, July 8th 8a-12p. Walk-Ins Welcome!.**

**Kings Island** - Tuesday, July 24. Anyone involved with Tiger Youth Group or the Middle/High School group is invited to go. Friends can come if they have been involved in either youth group. We will cover ticket and meals, kids should bring spending money for drinks and other things they want in the park. Please sign-up in the binder if you plan to attend.

**Christmas In July** - We will pass the Utica Food Pantry Basket all through July and contribute Additional Monies raised to the Food Pantry in November. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**WISH Meeting** - Monday, July 9th at 6:30p at Janet Goodman's. Please sign-up in the binder if you plan to attend.

### **The Highwater Missions Ministry will be collecting Personal Hygiene Kits**

to donate to Church World Service this summer. We will distribute gallon bags with a checklist inside. Here's what you'll need to fill the bag:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel or micro-fiber)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb removed from the package
- One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package
- One bath-size bar of soap in the wrapper
- One toothbrush in the package
- Ten standard size Band-Aids

We also request \$2 to cover processing fee. These bags will be distributed in areas that suffer a natural disaster and are really appreciated! This is a great project for children and can be filled in a single stop to Kroger or Wal-Mart.

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

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

Betty Nash Gayle Gibson Bob Tucker Dave Nash Larry Steele Larry Smetts  
Ned Campbell Laurie Garno Tom Siegel Becky Wright  
Judy Grace

#### **Prayers for our Shut-ins:**

JoAnn Gault, Bruce & Carolyn Claggett, Goldie Campbell, Rosie Shipley

**Prayers for Our UCC Congregations:** *Little Muskingum Congregational Church, Marietta*



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

John Stout	Stewart Krulikowski & Family	Taya Bigler	Jim Graham
Sharon Mummey	Theresa Gonda	Roger Smith	Bill Boothe
Mark Frick	Marge Davis	Harvey Reese	Rachel Hobson
Carl Richards	Norman Burgel	Larry Weber	John, Elaine and Leah Gard
Marsha King	Joy Robertson	Carl Varner	Samantha Edwards
	Sherry Gibson	Dan Hoar	Janet Bero



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.

This Week at Highwater, July 9th - July 15th

Monday 9	Tuesday 10	Wednesday 11	Thursday 12	Friday 13	Saturday 14	Sunday 15
<p><b>6:30p</b> WISH Meeting Janet Goodman's</p>	 <p><b>Happy Anniversary</b> Tom &amp; Nancy Siegel</p>	 <p><b>Happy Birthday</b> Mary Jane Burgess</p>				<p><b>9:30a</b> Worship Service</p>

**Summer Mission Opportunities for all Ages**

- ♦ Serve Lunch at Miller Park in Utica  
Week of August 6th
  - ♦ Pack Lunches at the Salvation Army on Tuesdays, June 12th - August 7th
- See binder to sign up for these volunteer opportunities.*

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

**Internet Access In Sanctuary:**

Network: Highwater\_almond  
Password: Highwater1

**Scripture for Sunday, July 15th**  
**2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 Mark 6:14-29 Ephesians 1:3-14**

*If you are interested in becoming a member of Highwater, please fill out the pew pad with all your information so Rev Scott can contact you or simply let Rev Scott know as you exit the Worship Service. We hope you will continue to Rejoice in the Lord with us next Sunday.*