

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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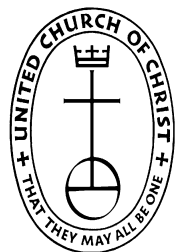
"Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ, will be an active family of faith in North Central Licking County, dedicated to building awareness of God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through meaningful worship, diverse service, and genuine fellowship." - Mission Statement



"More people have been brought into the church by the kindness of real Christian love than by all the theological arguments in the world, and more have been driven away from the church by the hardness and ugliness of so-called Christianity than by all the doubts in the world."

-William Barclay, New Testament Words

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Joyce Oyler, Licensed Associate Pastor
Mae Pound, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Pianist: Janine Shipley
Greeters and Ushers: Amy, Amanda and Keegan Gartner
Acolytes: Keegan Andrews-Gartner





Highwater Congregational

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 3rd, 2019 * = stand if you are able
10:30 a.m. service

Proclamation of Praise

Prelude / Acolytes / Ringing of the Bell

Welcome / Announcements

* Hymn of Praise

Lift Every Voice and Sing

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Call to Worship:

Leader: God alone is our refuge and hope, our shelter and protection.

People: **From our very first breath to our last, God's love and compassion never fails.**

Leader: So come, lift your voices in praise to God. Bear witness to God's acts of mercy and love.

People: **We will proclaim God's glory to all who will listen. Let's worship God together.**

Prayer of Invocation

Children's Message

Old Testament Text

Psalm 71:1-6 (NRSV)

In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. ²In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me. ³Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. ⁴Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel. ⁵For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth. ⁶Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

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.

Gospel Text

Luke 4:21-30 (NRSV)

Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Homily on Luke

Pastor Joyce Oyler

Pastoral Prayer /Lord's Prayer

Candle Dedication: *In celebration of Bev Yoakam and Terri Andrews's Birthdays.*

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: David's UCC, Canal Winchester

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:**

Reading of the Apostles Creed

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New Testament Text

I Corinthians 13:1-13 (NRSV)

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. ⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Homily on I Corinthians

Rev. Scott Schieber

Liturgy of Holy Communion

Prayer of Confession/Forgiveness - *Which Three?*, a confession by Thom Shuman

Passing the Peace Invitation to the Table Prayer of Consecration

Words of Remembrance Distribution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*** Closing Hymn:** *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

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*** Benediction / Response -** *Let There be Peace on Earth*

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow. To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally, let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

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 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 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).

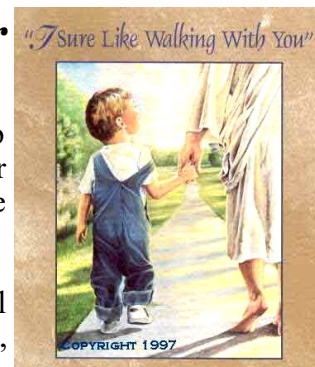
Greeters - Greet people as they arrive during our 10:30a service. The request is that you arrive about 20 minutes before the service. You hand out the bulletins and share a smile and some welcoming words and if the person is a visitor, you might make them aware of where the restrooms are located as well 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

Monday Noon Bible Study - February 4th Scripture for study will be 1 Corinthians Chapters 4 and 5.

Join Pastor Joyce for a Book Study - Beginning Wednesday, February 6th at 6:30 using the book "If the Church were Christian: Rediscovering the Values of Jesus" by Philip Gulley. This will be a 10 week study, breaking for Ash Wednesday and taking us through to Palm Sunday.

Quilt Retreat - Friday February 8 12p-9p (Bring \$5 for Pizza) & Saturday February 9 8:30a - 5p (Please bring food to share throughout the day). Bring your machines or come to visit and watch and share ideas and technique. Feel free to bring other fiber art handcrafting to do as well. All Welcome!

Membership and Outreach Ministry Meeting - Monday, February 11th at 6:15p

WISH Women's Retreat - March 29th - 31st Sign up to attend now! Details and sign-up sheet are outside the Library.

Scripture for Sunday, February 10th
Psalm 138:9-13 Luke 5:1-11 I Corinthians 15:1-11



Saturday, February 16th
The Fun Begins at 6p
Bring a Snack to Share
Bring Your Favorite Game to Share
Pizza Provided
Donations Accepted
See You There!

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 Judy Grace Joy Smith Austin Campbell Steve Barna
Jack Green Ed Hoskinson

Prayers for our Shut-ins:

Carolyn Claggett, Goldie Campbell

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: David's UCC, Canal Winchester

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




John Stout	Stewart Krulikowski & Family	Bucky Mowery
Sharon Mummey	Theresa Gonda	Tom Preston
Mark Frick	Sherry Gibson	Jody Stair
Carl Richards	Bob Hummel	Jessie Wolford
Marsha King	Nikki Greathouse	Michelle
Jim Graham	Ben, Beth Mowry	



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.

In memoriam for the Family of: Margaret Jolley

This Week at Highwater, February 4th - February 10th

Monday 4	Tuesday 5	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7	Friday 8	Saturday 9	Sunday 10
<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>Noon Bible Study In the Library</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Bev Yoakam</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p>  <p>Happy Anniversary Dave & Jennifer Snyder</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>Debbie in Church Office</p> <p>6:30p Pastor Joyce's Book Study</p>	<p>Pastor Scott Available</p> <p>7:30a-12:30p Debbie in Church Office</p>  <p>Happy Birthday Terri Andrews</p>			<p>8:30a Worship Service</p> <p>10:30a Worship Service Sunday School</p>

"A Cup of Friendship followed by A Plate of Praise"

2019 Highwater Women's Retreat

The Retreat is open to all Women of Highwater. (Girlfriends, daughters, sisters, mothers, aunts, and nieces are welcome to join in.)

Friday, March 29th – Sunday, March 31st

\$20 Saturday Day Only

\$75 Any Overnight

Please make checks payable to WISH and turn into Office by March 23rd

PaPa's Place Weyrich Woods Lodges

28091 McKee Road

Fazeysburg, OH 43822

Call Debbie Smetts with any questions, 330-714-7216

We will share a cup of blessings and many plates of praise with God and each other.

Mary Jo Layman will lead us in a book discussion.

The book for this year's retreat is *The Prayer that Changes Everything*

by Stormie Omartian (Books will be provided and will be available in the Library soon)

"Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord." Psalm 150:6

See the sign-up sheet outside the Library for details and to sign-up.

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