

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:30 a.m.

Invitation to Worship Jim England

Meditation Austin Echols

Call to Worship – from Psalm 30 Carol Harston

Sing praises to the Lord, God’s faithful ones,
and give thanks to God’s holy name.
 For God’s anger is but for a moment;
God’s favor is for a life-time.
 Weeping may linger for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.

Hymn of Praise (205) Stanzas One and Five *Christ Is Alive*

Prayer of Praise Perry Dixon

The Exchange of Peace

The Gospel Lesson Jim England
 John 21:1-19 (Pew Bible page 113-114 – NT)

Sermon Jim England
Just a Little Talk with Jesus

Celebration of Holy Communion
All bread served is gluten free.
Please place your tithes and offerings in the offering plates as you return to your pew.

Hymn of Response (534) *Bricks and Mortar, Hands and Labor*

Building Love

Let Love be the mor - tar that holds us to - ge - ther;
 Love be the win - dows through which we see,
 Love be the doors wide o - pen in wel - come, build
 love in our church, Lord, and build love in me.

News for the Community Carol Harston

Benediction Jim England

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Invitation to Worship Jim England

Prelude J. Wayne Kerr
Trumpet Voluntary on TRURO

CHRIST IS ALIVE! LET CHRISTIANS SING

Call to Worship – from Psalm 30
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Processional Hymn (205) † *Christ Is Alive* TRURO

Prayer of Praise

Gloria Patri MEINEKE
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.

CHRIST SUFFERS STILL, YET LOVES THE MORE

A Reading from Acts Carol Harston (9:30)
 Perry Dixon (11:00)
 Acts 9:1-6 (Pew Bible page 124 – NT)

Prayer of Confession Lauren Jones Mayfield
Forgive us when we fail to see you in the face of a stranger; the voice of a neighbor, or the cry of a person in need. Forgive us when we are so consumed with our own stories that we forget the truth of the Easter story. Forgive us when we are quick to judge and slow to act, quick to speak and slow to listen, quick to fear and slow to care. Break into our lives, God of surprises, and grant us the faith to recognize you. In the name of the Risen Lord, Amen.

Words of Assurance – from Psalm 30
 Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!
 You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

Hymn (196) † *Alleluia No. 1* ALLELUIA NO. 1

GOOD NEWS TO THIS AND EVERY AGE

The Gospel Lesson † Jim England
 John 21:1-19 (Pew Bible pages 113-114 – NT)

Sermon Jim England
Just a Little Talk with Jesus

The Celebration of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table
 Exchange of Peace
 Prayer of Thanksgiving
 The Lord’s Prayer
 Words of Institution
 Reception of the Bread and Cup
 Communion Anthem Peter Aston
Eternal Grace
All bread served is gluten free.
Please place your tithes and offerings in the offering plates as you return to your pew.

JOY, JUSTICE, LOVE, AND PRAISE

Hymn of Response (534) † BEECHER
Bricks and Mortar, Hands and Labor

Offertory Prayer

Building Love Renee Purtlebaugh

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News for the Community Carol Harston

Doxology † LASST UNS ERFREUEN
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God for all that love has done;
 Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Alleluia! Amen.**

Benediction Jim England

Postlude TRURO
 arr. Wilbur Held
Christ is Alive

† For those who are able, we invite you to stand.

Today in Worship

We are grateful for the lay leadership in today's services by Diane Brewer and Lauren Blackwell (9:30); and Rob Burke and Larry Marcum (11:00). We ask worshipers to read the lines in **bold** in today's litanies and printed scriptures.

Following worship, deacons will be at each exit to collect contributions to the church's Fellowship Fund, which helps those in need in our community. Highland's deacons (wearing identification name tags) are available at various locations for prayer, questions or information. Deacons are lay ministers of the church who have been called to a ministry of service.

Listening Assist Devices are available. Please see our sound technician or an usher for assistance.

Phrases from our processional hymn, *Christ Is Alive*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service – praise, confession, proclamation, and response.

Today's flowers in the sanctuary are to the glory of God and in memory of Zada Wagaman, by her cousin, Evelyn Edge.

Prayers of the People

New Concerns

Kim Clark, surgery recovery
Jim Hawkins, surgery on 5/6
Nancy Jurgevich, abdominal surgery
Alana Maddox
Michelle Tupper-Butler, surgery recovery

Ongoing Concerns

Bob Elliott, home, heart surgery recovery
Jim Fleming, eye surgery recovery
Kay Gilbert, surgery recovery
Tracy Holladay, knee replacement on 5/6
Lou Ann Iler, hip replacement recovery
Larry Marcum, pneumonia recovery
Kathy McFall, pneumonia
Bill Mosier, tests
Gene Nisbet, surgery recovery

Ongoing Concerns (continued)

Lisa Shaffer, back pain
Howard Teel, hip surgery recovery
David Wells, back pain
Paul Whiteley, heart surgery recovery

Christian Sympathy

Jim Hawkins, death of aunt

Congratulations

Stacy and James Fox, birth of daughter,
Anderson Lynn, on 4/10

Highland Welcomes

Mary Fallon, who joined on 4/21
Valerie Fallon, who joined on 4/21
Larry and Mary Ida Gray, who joined on 4/21

News and Notes for the Community of Faith

Welcome to Highland! If you are visiting with us, we are honored that you are here. Please find a minister or deacon for more information about the ministries of Highland Baptist Church.

building LOVE Please join us in Fellowship Hall following **today's 11:00 worship service** to celebrate the payoff of the **Building Love** bank obligation. We will have light refreshments and view a short video. Please take a moment to visit the 2nd floor Children and Youth areas if you have not previously.

Tomorrow, May 6, at **4:00 p.m.**, Shameka Parrish-Wright will attend the **Emma Leachman Women's Mission Group** and talk about her work with Louisville's Bail Project. This is one of two efforts in Louisville to address the criminalization of poverty that is inherent in the bail system. Please come and hear her personal story and learn about the work she is doing. The meeting will be held in the Fireside Room.

Table Talk is a relaxed time to eat together, meet new people, strengthen bonds with friends, and enjoy meaningful conversations on topics of collective or individual interest. Table Talk will gather **this Thursday**, May 9, 6:30 p.m., at North End Café (1722 Frankfort Ave.). Inquiries may be directed to Marc Dowell, Earl Shelp, and Jim Shelton.

Donations for the 41st annual Jean Janes Yard Sale are now being accepted. Please place items in the storage room at the end of the Fireside Room hallway. The sale will be held Saturday, May 18, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. *Please note:* Items in the lost and found cabinet and dishes that have been left in the kitchen will be donated to the yard sale if not picked up by May 15.

Wednesday Class for Adults May 8:

Traumatizing Theology and the Healing Church Carol Harston has spent the past year exploring the possibility that theology has the power to traumatize people in ways that echo other forms of trauma as researched by Judith Herman, Bessel van der Kolk, and others in the field of trauma theory. She will teach about her research from 6:10 to 7:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This Wednesday's class will explore what the healing church looks like as it opens its doors to all those who have been impacted by traumatizing theology. All are welcome to attend.

Mark Your Calendars

May 5: *Building Love* Celebration
May 9: Table Talk; Theology on Tap
May 18: Annual Jean Janes Yard Sale
May 19: Children's Choir Spring Service
May 22: Orchestra Spring Concert
May 27: Church Offices Closed
May 22: Last Wednesday of regular programming until Fall



Through the gift of imagination, the promise of generosity, and the work of our hands,
You, O Great Sustainer, have given us a spirit of persistence to complete a work that began years ago. Dreams and love built a renewed sacred space for the faith of children and youth to be explored, expand and flourish. Even as we have lived in the midst of this re-created space, filled with light and laughter and the voices of the youngest in our midst,
promises have been being fulfilled, gifts graciously given, stewardship actively practiced, and now - a debt has been repaid! Today, we celebrate the completion of *Building Love*, even as we renew our promise to be builders and beacons of God's love for all people in all places.

This Week at Highland

Sunday, May 5

8:30 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Community Gathering
9:30 a.m. Worship
Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Community Gathering
11:00 a.m. Worship
Bible Study
12:00 p.m. *Building Love* Celebration
(Fellowship Hall)
Worship Ministry Group (103)
12:30 p.m. Orchestra rehearsal (Sanctuary)
2:00 p.m. Adult Handbell rehearsal (200)

Monday, May 6

4:00 p.m. Emma Leachman Mission Group
(Fireside)
6:00 p.m. Ministry Council (200)

Tuesday, May 7

5:30 p.m. Hope for a Brighter Day (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m. G.R.O.W. (103)
10:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, May 8

5:20 p.m. Fellowship Supper (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 p.m. Children's Activities (2nd Floor)
Youth Group (Youth Suite)
Congregational Safety Ministry Team (103)
6:15 p.m. Adult Class—Traumatizing Theology and the Healing Church (Fellowship Hall)
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, May 9

5:30 p.m. Young Adult Ministry Group (Fireside)
6:00 p.m. Theology on Tap (Off-site)
6:30 p.m. Table Talk (Off-site)
7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, May 10

8:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship Gathering (Fireside)
7:00 p.m. Friday Church (Sanctuary)
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)



Our Mission... God's Love compels us to cultivate a safe, welcoming community of faith where all are challenged to discover, grow, and serve, as together we boldly live out the worship that is our very lives.

Our Vision... We dream of being an engaging, vibrant Christian church, where transformed people are joining the work of God, creating a world where justice and Love are abundant.

Deb Ackerson
FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Jerre Bassett
FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN

Frank Bassett
PART-TIME CUSTODIAN

Lauren Blackwell
ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

Fred Bogert
MUSIC DIRECTOR
TO FRIDAY CHURCH

Don Burke
PASTOR EMERITUS

Linda Campbell
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
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