

Invitation to Worship Jim England

Meditation *Blessed Quietness*
Sanctuary Handbells

Call to Worship – Jeremiah 23:5-6 Carol Harston

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when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
and he shall reign as king and deal wisely,
and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.
And this is the name by which he will be called:
“The Lord is our righteousness.”

Processional Hymn (223) *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Prayer of Praise Lauren Jones Mayfield

The Exchange of Peace

Zachariah’s Psalm Carol Harston
Luke 1:68-79 (Pew Bible pages 56-57 – NT)

Gathering Our Offerings *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*
Sanctuary Handbells

The Gospel Lesson Jim England
Luke 23:33-38 (Pew Bible page 87 – NT)

Sermon *Game of Thrones*

Song of Renewal *The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy*

1. The king-dom of God is jus - tice and joy; for Je - sus re -
2. The king-dom of God is mer - cy and grace; the cap - tives are
3. The king-dom of God is chal - lenge and choice; be - lieve the good
4. God's king-dom is come, the gift and the goal; in Je - sus be -

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Christ to his cross, our cri - sis of judg - ment for gain or for loss.
an - swer his call, and all things cry "Glo - ry!" to God All - in - all.

News for the Community Lauren Jones Mayfield

Benediction Jim England

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Prelude *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*
Sanctuary Handbells

**CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS
THE LAMB UPON HIS THRONE**

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Processional Hymn (223) † *Crown Him with Many Crowns* DIADEMATA

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.**

**HARK! HOW THE HEAVENLY ANTHEM DROWNS
ALL MUSIC BUT ITS OWN**

Handbell Meditation *Blessed Quietness, Holy Quietness* QUIETNESS

Zachariah’s Psalm Carol Harston
Luke 1:68-79 (Pew Bible pages 56-57 – NT)

Prayer of Confession Lauren Jones Mayfield

**Holy One, it is difficult to live our days without becoming swept up
with the current of constant anxiety and conflict. You promised us
salvation from our enemies, and yet we still struggle for peace.
Forgive us for all the times we forget that you rule not by earthly
might or imperial power. You reign in tender mercy and forgiveness
of all sins. While we wring our hands in despair, startle us this
coming Advent season with the light that shines to all those who
live in darkness. Amen.**

Words of Assurance – The Epistle Lesson
Colossians 1:11-20 (Pew Bible page 196 – NT)

Anthem *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation* Dale Wood

The Exchange of Peace

Hymn (244) † *Blessed Quietness* BLESSED QUIETNESS

**AWAKE MY SOUL AND SING
OF HIM WHO DIED FOR THEE**

The Gospel Lesson Jim England
Luke 23:33-38 (Pew Bible page 87 – NT)

Children grades K-2 may be dismissed for Children’s Worship in the 11:00 service.

Sermon *Game of Thrones* Jim England

**AND HAIL HIM AS THY MATCHLESS KING
THROUGH ALL ETERNITY**

Hymn of Response † *The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy* HANOVER

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Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Thanksgiving Suite - I. Fanfare* Charles Callahan

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Doxology † *OLD HUNDREDTH*
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done:
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

Benediction Jim England

Postlude *Voluntary in D* William Boyce

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

We ask worshipers to read the lines in **bold** in today’s litanies and printed scriptures.

Today in Worship

We are grateful for the lay leadership in today's services by Justin Boldt and Phil Collier (9:30); Ginger and Lewis Miller (11:00).

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 hymn of praise, *Crown Him with Many Crowns*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

Children's Worship pauses beginning Sunday, December 1, through Advent and will return Sunday, January 12.

Prayers of the People

Ongoing Concerns

Ainsley Braun, recovering from fracture
Nicole Farnsley, recovering from fracture
James Hikes, heart issues
Helen Hinton, knee surgery recovery
Joe Powell, Valhalla rehab, surgery recovery

Christian Sympathy

Jeff Grey, death of uncle

Notes and News 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.

Today is the **last day to order a poinsettia** to adorn our Advent space in honor or memory of a loved one. The cost is \$15. Payment and information should be placed in an envelope and turned into the church office. Forms are available on the table outside the Sanctuary.

The **Highland Book Club** will meet at 6:00 p.m. **tonight**, at the home of Bob and Libby Cunningham, to discuss Love Medicine by Louise Erdrich. Everyone is invited!

Make your plans now to join us for Highland's meaningful annual **Thanksgiving worship service at 8:30 a.m. this Thursday, November 28**, in the Sanctuary, followed by breakfast prepared by our Deacons in Fellowship Hall.

Please join us **this Friday**, November 29, at 6:30 p.m., for **Friday Church Fifth Friday Fellowship Dinner** followed by music and an inspirational message.

We gather as a community to prepare our hearts and our space **next Sunday, December 1, at 6:00 p.m.**, for the **Hanging of the Green Service**. Please bring a cash donation, non-perishable goods (peanut butter, hearty soups, canned meats, cereal, rice, beans, etc.) for local families in need, or toys to be used in Highland's Christmas Store.

Immediately following the **Hanging of the Green Service**, you are invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for a **reception**. This gathering is one of the very few times that we are all together and requires us all to pitch in to help it happen. **We need folks** to cook your favorite sweet or savory goodies, folks to help with set up and lots of folks to help clean up. An event of this size needs lots of hands to make it happen. Please visit our display following today's services and let us know we can count on you.

Next Monday, December 2, at 6:00 p.m., the Families with Children Ministry Group is joining hands with the Young Adult Ministry to **sort toys and canned goods**. This is a wonderful opportunity to participate in a family service project during the holiday season and is appropriate for children and adults of all ages—everyone can help in some way.

2020 offering envelope boxes are set out alphabetically in the hallway between the Sanctuary and Commons. Please pick up yours today!

Mark Your Calendars

November 24: Highland Book Club
 November 27: No Evening Activities/Supper
 November 28: Thanksgiving Service and Breakfast
 November 28-29: Church Offices Closed
 November 29: Friday Church Fifth Friday Fellowship Supper
 December 1: First Sunday in Advent; Hanging of the Green Service and Reception
 December 2: Sorting Soiree



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~Jeremiah 23:5b

This Week at Highland

Sunday, November 24

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
 6:00 p.m. Highland Book Club (Off-site)

Monday, November 25

2:00 p.m. HBC Bookends (103)
 6:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)
 6:30 p.m. Immigration Ministry Team (Commons)

Tuesday, November 26

5:30 p.m. Hope for a Brighter Day (Fellowship Hall)
 10:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, November 27

No Evening Activities/Supper

Thursday, November 28

Church Offices Closed
 8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Service and Breakfast (Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall)
 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, November 29

Church Offices Closed
 8:00 a.m. Men's Fellowship Gathering (Fireside)
 6:30 p.m. Friday Church Fifth Friday Fellowship Supper (Sanctuary, Commons and 1st Floor Lobby)
 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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Kathy Collier
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Perry Dixon
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AND THEIR FAMILIES

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OFFICE MANAGER

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FAITH FORMATION AND
CONGREGATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

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Walter McWhorter
OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

Renee Purtlebaugh
ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO CHILDREN
AND THEIR FAMILIES

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
THE REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 24, 2019