

O God, you speak your beauty ev'ry hour,
from soaring peaks to valleys fed by springs.

In ev'ry living soul and fragrant flow'r
your handiwork is seen — creation sings!

As people in your image,
we aspire and live to mirror your creative fire.

O risen Christ, we seek to understand
the vastness of your wide-embracing love.

With mercy from your gentle, guiding hand
we move from depths below to heights above.

May we, with hearts uplifted by your grace,
extend your love to ev'ry land and race.

O Spirit, giving breath to all the earth,
we grow in faith and strength from your clear flame.

O Wind of Heav'n, recalled at our rebirth,
the world awaits the unity we claim.

With zeal we strive, assisted by your might
to fill the earth with everlasting Light.

~ Howard Helvey

Written for the 2015 centennial celebration of Highland's sanctuary.

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 7, 2020

10:00 A.M.

Elegy

**EARLY IN THE MORNING OUR SONG
SHALL RISE TO THEE**

Opening Words

Renee Purtlebaugh

Mighty Wind, who danced over the deep and surveyed the shapeless voice,
dance over us now and ready us for your creative purpose.

Divine Word, who commanded unruly chaos and called forth light and life,
call to us now and open us to new expressions of grace.

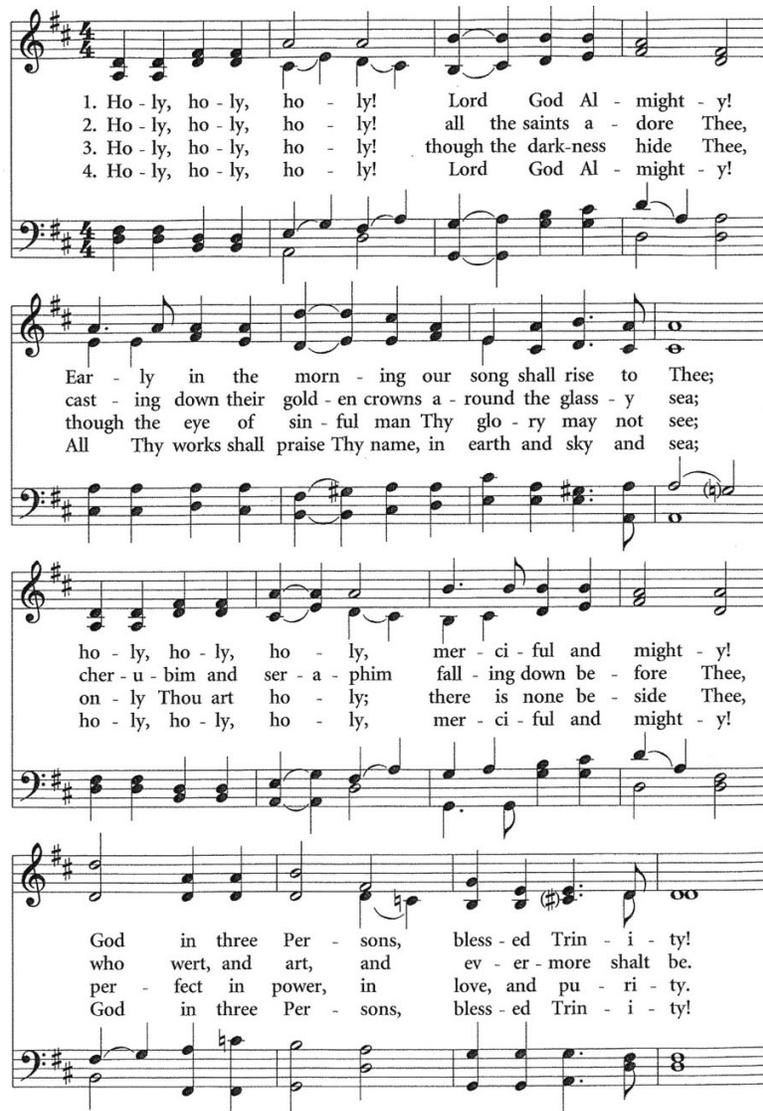
Eternal Artist, who formed us in your likeness and claimed us as kin,
re-form and refine us to be bearers of your blessing.

Holy Trinity—Creator, Christ, Spirit—who gathered the primeval waters,
**gather us in, then send us out, our voices echoing creation's song:
How majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Hymn of Praise (1)

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee,
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark-ness hide Thee,
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see;
All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
on - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Prayer of Praise

Carol Harston

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!
MERCIFUL AND MIGHTY!**

The Morning Psalm

Psalm 8

Perry Dixon

Prayer of Confession

Lauren Jones Mayfield

Lord Jesus, you send us to make disciples of all nations,
but we focus our energies inward and shy away from sharing the good news.
You charge us to teach your commandments,
but we struggle.
You assure us of your abiding presence,
but we doubt this promise.
We disregard your Spirit, denying the ways
it empowers us to do your work.
Forgive us, Lord,
and renew us to be the church you created us to be.
Wash us with your grace and commission us for service
in the name of the Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Words of Assurance – The Epistle Lesson

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

**ONLY THOU ART HOLY,
THERE IS NONE BESIDE THEE**

Anthem

Howard Helvey

O God, You Speak Your Beauty Every Hour
The text may be found on today's bulletin cover.

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20

Jim England

Sermon

Come to the Mountain

The Exchange of Peace

Sandy and Reece Little

The Celebration of Holy Communion

Carol Harston

GOD IN THREE PERSONS, BLESSED TRINITY!

Hymn (15)

JOYFUL SINGING

God of Dawn, Each Day's Renewal



1. God of dawn, each day's re - new - al brings the world in - to Your light.
2. Christ, You walked the world as we do, knew its hu - man pain and loss.
3. Ho - ly Spir - it, in - spi - ra - tion, light and truth and root of prayer,
4. Praise to God, who spoke cre - a - tion, giv - ing life to time and space.



As Your sun de - feats the shad - ows, drives a - way the dark - est night:
As Your love broke through the bar - riers, by Your death up - on the cross;
as Your chal - lenge moves us for - ward tak - ing us we know not where:
Praise to Christ, whose liv - ing pres - ence showed the world Your hu - man face.



we would greet this new be - gin - ning as Your call to start a - gain,
we still speak Your gos - pel mes - sage, though two thou - sand years have gone.
we will fol - low Your di - rec - tion, though the way may not be clear.
Praise the Spir - it, dai - ly wit - ness to Your ev - er - lov - ing way.



lead us on with hope and cour - age, make Your will and pur - pose plain.
Help us now trans - late its mean - ing in this pres - ent world of wrong.
Shape us, change us, re - cre - ate us, so the fu - ture holds no fear.
Take us now and re - a - wake us, chal - lenge us to use this day.



Offertory Prayer		Perry Dixon
News for the Community		Renee Purtlebaugh
Benediction		Jim England
Choral Benediction		Teresa Jennings
	<i>Shalom</i>	
	Ashley Sumner and Kathryn Wigger	
Postlude		Gilbert m. Martin
	<i>Fanfare</i>	

Today's anthem, *O God, You Speak Your Beauty Every Hour*, was commissioned by Highland Baptist Church in 2015 for the celebration of the 100th anniversary and rededication of our Sanctuary and in memory of Virginia Middleton Marcum.

We are grateful to Sandy and Reece Little for extending the Peace of Christ in today's service. They joined Highland in 2006. They are members of the Generations Bible Study Class and together chair the New Members Ministry Group. Reece is an honor deacon.

Today's choral benediction is performed by Ashley Sumner and Kathryn Wigger. Ashley joined Highland in 2007. They are part of Highland's teaching team for our graded children's choir program on Wednesday nights. Ashley is the music teacher at Farmer Elementary and Kathryn teaches music at Tully Elementary.

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