

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 21, 2021 ■ 10:00 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Carol Harston

What Wondrous Love Is This
Jonathan Shippey, Violin

Prelude

Gilbert M. Martin

Prelude on MORNING SONG

CONTRITION AND GRATITUDE

Call to Prayer

I Lift My Soul

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "To you, O Lord, I lift my—". The piano accompaniment starts with a bass clef, the same key signature, and 3/4 time. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line lyrics are: "soul, to you, I lift my soul." The piano accompaniment continues with the same key signature and time signature.

Prayer of Confession – Psalm 25:1-10

Renee Purtlebaugh

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God
of my salvation; for you I wait all day long. *Refrain***

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins
of my youth or my transgression; according to your steadfast love
remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

**Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore God instructs sinners in the way.**

God leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble ways of God.

**All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep God's covenant and decrees. *Refrain***

Anthem

Karen Morrelli

To Dust

Let my crying come to dust. Let my grief be turned to ashes. Let my heart be cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison.
Let my mourning turn to song. Let my sorrow turn to sunrise. Let my broken spirit rest. Kyrie eleison. Let your
waters rise, let your deserts bloom with bounty. Let your Spirit come. Christ eleison. Let our crying come to dust.
Let our grief be turned to ashes. Let our hearts be cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison.

Words of Assurance—The Hebrew Lesson

Perry Dixon

Genesis 9:8-17

The Exchange of Peace

Prayer from the Wilderness

Lauren Jones Mayfield

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Hymn

MORNING SONG

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty__ days for us did fast and pray,
2. As you with Sa - tan,__ did con - tend, and did the vic - tory win,
3. And through these days of__ pen - i - tence, and through your pas - sion - tide,
4. A - bide with us, that__ through this__ life of doubts and hope and pain,



teach us, O__ Christ, to mourn our__ sins and close by you__ to stay.
O__ give us__ strength in You to__ fight, in You to con - quer sin.
for - ev - er - more, in life and__ death, O Christ with us__ a - bide.
an__ Eas - ter__ of un - end - ing__ joy we may at last__ at - tain!

Prayer for Resilience

Bob Cunningham

PROCLAMATION AND REFLECTION

The Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:9-15

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Lenten Refrain

text, Diane Brewer
music, Austin Echols

Meet Us in the Wilderness



Meet us in the wil-der-ness, where seeds of hope struggle to grow.
See us in our wil-der-ness; give us the strength to walk this road. O
Truth of re-sur-rec-tion, O Source of our te-na-cious souls,
break-ing through this ar-id ground; glimps-es of life to which we hold.

Sermon

Wilderness Faith

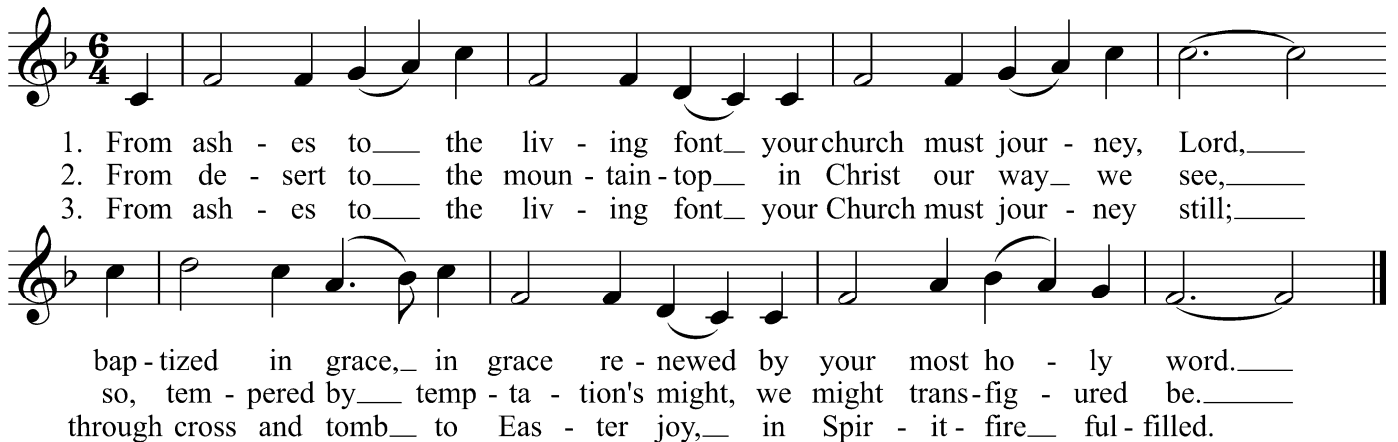
Mary Alice Birdwhistell

A TIME FOR RENEWAL AND RESPONSE

Hymn

LAND OF REST

From Ashes to the Living Font



1. From ash - es to the liv - ing font your church must jour - ney, Lord,
2. From de - sert to the moun - tain - top in Christ our way we see,
3. From ash - es to the liv - ing font your Church must jour - ney still;
bap - tized in grace, in grace re - newed by your most ho - ly word.
so, tem - pered by temp - ta - tion's might, we might trans - fig - ured be.
through cross and tomb to Eas - ter joy, in Spir - it - fire ful - filled.

Offertory Prayer

Libby Cunningham

News for the Community

Perry Dixon

Mission Moment

Nancy Goodhue, Reparations Task Force

Doxology

WONDROUS LOVE

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I AM,"
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing!

Benediction

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Postlude

Domenico Scarlatti
Sonata in F minor, K. 466

Sharon Sanders, piano

Today in Worship

We are grateful for today's prayers in worship given by Libby and Bob Cunningham. They joined Highland in 1996 and are members of the Prodigals Bible Study Class. Libby sings in Sanctuary Choir, leads the Young Adult Women's Group and has served as a deacon. Bob was recently chair of our Pastor Search Committee for Highland's new pastor, Mary Alice Birdwhistell. He serves on the Anti-Racism and Habitat for Humanity Ministry Teams and volunteers in the office.

We appreciate the musical leadership from the Sanctuary Choir Ensemble in today's worship: Linda Campbell, Cameron Carnes, Nicolas Claussen, Mary Miller Dwyer, Lisa Holm, Ben Horman, and Hannelore Mehler. We also are grateful to Sharon Sanders for playing for worship. Jonathan Shippey played violin during today's Invitation to Worship.

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