



Faith is not being able
to walk on the water—
only God can do that—
but daring to believe,
in the face of all
the evidence,
that God is with us
in the boat,
made real in the
community of faith
as it makes its way
through the storm.

~ Eugene Boring

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 20, 2021
8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Carol Harston

Prelude

Franklin D. Ashdown

Trumpet Voluntary on LAUDES DOMINI

**WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES, MY HEART AWAKING CRIES,
MAY JESUS CHRIST BE PRAISED!**

Call to Worship—based on Psalm 133

Rob Burke (8:45)
David Hartley (11:15)

Look at how good and pleasing it is when the family of God lives together as one!

It is like expensive oil poured over the head, running down the face.

It is like the dew streaming down onto the mountains of Zion,

because it is there that God has poured forth blessing: everlasting life.

Hymn of Praise (345) †

LAUDES DOMINI

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Prayer of Praise

Rob Burke (8:45)
David Hartley (11:15)

The Baptism of Luke Riley (11:15)

Perry Dixon

Call to the Water

Statement of Faith

Baptism in the name of the Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

Choral Response

MERLE'S TUNE

With Water and the Spirit

By water and the Spirit baptized in Christ, we rise

to walk new paths unfolding before our opened eyes.

We journey from this moment, faith's pilgrimage embrace.

By Spirit and by water we feel and sense God's grace

**ALIKE AT WORK AND PRAYER, TO JESUS I REPAIR,
MAY JESUS CHRIST BE PRAISED!**

The Epistle Lesson

Carol Harston

2 Corinthians 6:3-13 (Pew Bible page 178—NT)

Prayer of Confession

Renee Purtlebaugh

Loving God, amidst seas of change, calamity, and the tasks of everyday life, we sometimes

forget that we belong to You. We stumble and reel, clinging to what feels manageable or safe,

and we forget the promise of Your love. Remind us of Your grace, that we might remember

to breathe. Help us to comfort those in need, to be firm in our convictions, and to have courage

for today. Draw near to us, O God. Amen.

Words of Assurance

2 Corinthians 6:1-2 (Pew Bible page 178—NT)

The Exchange of Peace

Hymn †

HYFRYDOL

We, O God, Unite Our Voices

We, O God, unite our voices, raised in thankful harmony.
You, unchanging, safe have brought us through the ever-changing sea.
Days of calm and days of conflict, nights of darkness prove Your grace.
Hands beneath us, arms around us, and, above, Your shining face.

Seeing then the task before us, bind our hearts and hands as one.
May our labor be in union, our resolve and Yours be one.
With one spirit let us labor toward the bright horizon far.
In the midst of tempest peril be Your cross our guiding star.

Not our choice the wind's direction, unforeseen the calm or gale.
Your great ocean swells before us, and our ship seems small and frail.
Fierce and gleaming is Your mystery, drawing us to shores unknown;
lead us on with hope and courage till Your harbor is our home.

**LET ALL THE EARTH AROUND RING JOYOUS
WITH THE SOUND: MAY JESUS CHRIST BE PRAISED!**

The Gospel Lesson †

Mark 4:35-41 (Pew Bible page 38—NT)

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Kevin A. Memley

Sermon

Don't You Care That We're Drowning?!

**LET EARTH, AND SEA, AND SKY FROM DEPTH
TO HEIGHT REPLY, MAY JESUS CHRIST BE PRAISED!**

Hymn (486) †

RESTORATION

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult

Offertory Prayer

Rick Finklea (8:45)
Cheryl Priddy (11:15)

Offertory

HYFRYDOL

arr. Michael Burkhardt

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

In response to your decision, **we welcome you!**
We covenant to be the family of God for you in this place.
We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you,
as we journey in faith together.

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

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Postlude

A. Echols

Morning Reflections

Today in Worship

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, *When Morning Gilds the Skies*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

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BAPTIST CHURCH**

*A thinking, feeling, healing
community of faith*

The MISSION of Highland Baptist Church is to be so changed by God's transforming love revealed in Jesus Christ that we are an intriguing, inviting, and inclusive community of faith, filled with generous hearts and passion for God's justice.

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