

## 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 today's hymn of praise, *As Saints of Old Their First Fruits Brought*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

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## 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.

**Thank you** for your amazing generosity in collecting items for the **refugee family adoption program** through Kentucky Refugee Ministries. We will welcome an **Afghan family soon and update you when we have new information.**

**Are you new to Highland or have you recently joined our community of faith?** You're invited to join us for 4 weeks of **Highlights classes** on Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM, starting **today and continuing through November 7.** This class offers an in-depth look at Highland Baptist Church so that all may be invited to participate in our congregational life, shared discipleship, and church's mission in the world. We will meet outside on the lawn (weather permitting), or inside in the Commons if weather does not allow. **To participate, please email Cheryl Davis at [cheryl@hbclouisville.org](mailto:cheryl@hbclouisville.org).**

**Faithful Giving season** is underway and **today is Commitment Sunday.** Please consider pledging to support HBC in 2022.

From October 13-November 10, our new Wednesday night series is called ***Go In Peace: Mental Health and Self-Care in Pandemic Times.*** We will hear from different folks each week about ways we can all care for ourselves mentally, physically, spiritually, and emotionally as we navigate this complex pandemic space.

We hope you will make plans now to join us for an intergenerational **Fall Festival on the Lawn on Sunday, October 24 from 4:00-6:00 PM.** There will be something for all ages as we seek to enjoy this fall season with laughter and fellowship. Costumes are welcomed (sweet, not scary please).

### Mark Your Calendars

- October 17:** Highlights classes begin during Bible study hour (continuing 10/24, 10/31 and 11/7)  
Reparations Task Force: Listening Session (4:00 PM)
- October 20:** Go in Peace: Mental Health and Pandemic Self-Care (6:15 PM)
- October 24:** Fall Festival on the Lawn (4:00-6:00 PM)
- November 14:** Emily Hull-McGee, Guest Proclaimer
- November 25:** Thanksgiving Service—online



CBF is asking fellowship churches across the country to join in a week of prayer for the Offering for Global Missions. Please consider giving to this fund if you have not already done so.



A world in need  
now summons us  
to labor, love, and give;  
to make our life an offering  
that others too may live.

The church of Christ  
is calling us to make  
the dream come true:  
a world redeemed,  
Your kingdom come,  
all life in Christ made new.

~ Frank von Christerson, 1960



## HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

*A thinking, feeling, healing community of faith*

*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.

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## HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

### TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 17, 2021

8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Kathy Collier

Prelude

Johann Pachelbel

*Chorale prelude on the OLD HUNDREDTH*

## AS SAINTS OF OLD THEIR FIRST FRUITS BROUGHT

Call to Worship - from Psalm 104

Tyler Swim (8:45)  
Vaughn Bell (11:15)

Bless the Lord, O my soul  
**O Lord my God, you are very great.**  
You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment.  
**You stretch out the heavens like a tent.**  
You set the beams of your chambers on the waters.  
You make the clouds your chariot.  
**You ride on the wings of the wind.**  
You make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.  
**You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken.**  
**O Lord, how manifold are your works!**

Hymn of Praise (667)†

*As Saints of Old Their First Fruits Brought*

FOREST GREEN

Prayer of Praise

Tyler Swim (8:45)  
Vaughn Bell (11:15)

## YOUR KINGDOM COME, ALL LIFE IN CHRIST MADE NEW

Anthem

text, Isaac Watts 1674-1748  
arr. Alice Parker

*My God, My Portion, and My Love*

My God, my Portion, and my Love, my everlasting All, I've none but Thee in heav'n above or on this earthly ball. What empty things are all the skies, and this inferior clod! There's nothing here deserves my joys, there's nothing like my God. In vain the bright the burning sun scatters his feeble light; 'tis thy sweet beams create my noon; if thou withdraw, 'tis night. Let all that dwell above the sky, and air, and earth, and seas conspire to lift Thy glories high and speak Thine endless praise. The whole creation join in one to bless the sacred name of Him that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb!

The Hebrew Lesson

Job 38:1-7 (Pew Bible page 474 – OT)

Perry Dixon

Prayer of Confession

Renee Purtlebaugh

**Creator God, it is in the whirlwind of life that we need you most, and yet it is in the flurry of it all that we forget the essence of who you are. We question your presence with us. We doubt how well you know us, if you even know us at all. We become stuck in our own thought patterns thinking that you have left us alone to fend for ourselves. We attempt to control every moment, as if that will bring peace to our spirit. Forgive our mistrust. Remind us of your encompassing Love and boundless creativity. Restore our ability to see you walking alongside us, even when the winds of life swirl. Amen.**

Words of Assurance—based on Psalm 105 from *Psalms for Praying*

We find in God the promise of our wholeness,  
**the Holy One who awaits our readiness to choose Life.**  
God's covenant of Love stands firm through all the ages;  
**forgiving us when we stray far from Home.**

The Exchange of Peace

Hymn †

FOUNDATION

*How Firm a Foundation*

*All Voices:*

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!  
What more can be said than to you God hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

*Treble Voices:*

**"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.**

*Bass Voices:*

**"When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.**

*Three-Part Canon*

**When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.**

*All Voices:*

**"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no never forsake."**

## O GOD, WHO GAVE YOURSELF TO US IN JESUS CHRIST YOUR SON

The Gospel Lesson †

Mark 10:35-45 (Pew Bible page 46 – NT)

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Sermon

*"All You Can Take with You is That Which You've Given Away"*

## TEACH US TO GIVE OURSELVES EACH DAY UNTIL LIFE'S WORK IS DONE

Hymn (671) †

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

BEACH SPRING

Faithful Giving Reflection and Offertory Prayer

Missy Smith (8:45)  
Lance Springs (11:15)

Offertory

*Meditation on DUNLAP'S CREEK*

James Biery

*During the offertory, Highland's ushers will invite worshipers pew by pew to place commitment cards  
on the Communion table. Deacons standing to the side will receive offerings.*

News for the Community

Lauren Jones Mayfield

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 †

**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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Benediction

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Postlude

*Prelude and Fugue in G*

J. S. Bach

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