

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because God has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.
God has sent me
to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

~ Luke 4:18-19

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
JANUARY 23, 2022
10:00 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

Renee Purtlebaugh

Prelude

Charles Callahan

Triptych on ADORO TE DEVOTE
I. PRELUDE

**ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING,
LIFT UP YOUR VOICE AND WITH US SING**

Call to Worship – from Psalm 19

Erin Phelps

The heavens are telling the glory of God
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.
The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.
More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.
By them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing Alleluia, alleluia!
 Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,
 sing praises, Alleluia, sing praises, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heaven along, O praise God, alleluia!
 Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evenings, find a voice,
 sing praises, Alleluia, sing praises, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship God in humbleness, O praise God, alleluia!
 Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One,
 sing praises, Alleluia, sing praises, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer of Praise

Erin Phelps

WORSHIP GOD IN HUMBLENESS

The Epistle Lesson

Renee Purtlebaugh

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Anthem

K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit Dwell with Me

Prayer of Confession

Perry Dixon

Loving God, though we know that we are one Body in You, we have forgotten our connectedness to one another. We have isolated ourselves in fear, we have closed ourselves off to one another out of anger and frustration. In a difficult season, we have been tempted to despair time and time again. Help us to remember that it is You to Whom we belong. Help us to find the wisdom and courage to make things right and seek connectedness again. Help us not to despair, for You are with us, and we are not alone. Amen.

Words of Assurance

The Exchange of Peace

Hymn

GATHER US IN

Gather Us In

Here in this place the new light is streaming; now is the darkness vanished away;
 see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.
 Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in the blind and the lame;
 call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery. We are the old who yearn for your face.
 We have been sung throughout all of history called to be light to the whole human race.
 Gather us in, the rich and the haughty; gather us in the proud and the strong;
 give us a heart, so meek and so lowly; give us the courage to enter the song.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven light years away:
 here in this place the new light is shining; now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
 Gather us in and hold us forever; gather us in and make us your own;
 gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

YE LIGHTS OF EVENING FIND A VOICE

The Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:14-21

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Sermon

No Day But Today

SING PRAISES, ALLELUIA!

Hymn of Response

IVERSON

additional text, Malcolm Kogut

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me,
melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Kindle in my heart your fire; come light my way.
Come, create, renew, inspire; come with your grace.
Fill me, lead me, show me, stir me.
Holy Spirit, flow through me; call me to serve.

Make my life what it should be; teach me your love.
May the world see you in me; teach me your song.
Call me, keep me, heal me, free me.
Spirit who enlivens me, come rest in me.

Offertory Prayer

Lilly Glover

News for the Community

Renee Purtlebaugh

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

arr. Robert A. Hobby

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Today in Worship

Phrases from today's hymn of praise, *All Creatures of Our God and King*, 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

- **Join Sally Evans and Mary Alice Birdwhistell for a 4-week series, starting on Wednesday, February 2nd, on how to design a life rhythm that can help sustain us through uncertainty and welcome growth through change.** Parker Palmer said, "We are here not only to transform the world but also to be transformed." In this winter season, let's find what life practices we need in order to grow. **It may not feel like it now, but spring is coming.** At this point, we do not know if this series will be offered both in-person and streamed online, or online-only, but either way, **we will plan to begin on Wednesday evening, February 2. Watch for more details to come!**
- **We will meet virtually for our Quarterly Church Conference today at 4:00 p.m.** Our agenda includes voting on upcoming Ministry Council members, Moderator, Church Clerk, Comptroller and a slate of ministry group positions, a year-end financial review from the Finance Ministry Group, and updates on our next steps as we prepare for the upcoming capital campaign for the HVAC renovation and additional building updates and repairs that may accompany this project. You should have already received the details and Zoom information in your inbox.
- **We are beginning a grief group for women that will meet during the day. The first meeting will be Tuesday, February 1 at 2:30 p.m. in the Commons. Of course, this start date is pending word from the Covid advisory group.** Libby Cunningham will lead the group. Meeting times and dates will be discussed at the first meeting. If you cannot make that time but are interested in attending, please let Cheryl in the church office know (451-3735).
- **Alternative Christmas Cards: we raised a little over \$1500 in our Christmas cards sales last month.** Then, with additional funds from each project team, **we were able to donate a total of \$6000! These organizations each received \$2000: The Hope Buss, Safe Passage Initiative, and Habitat for Humanity. What a wonderful gift of generosity. Thank you!**
- **An update on the Shaheed Family: The family we came alongside through Kentucky Refugee Ministries is doing well.** Through much generosity, their apartment now includes a washer/dryer, television, area rugs, and other amenities like a new stove, which was desperately needed. They are somewhat isolated because of COVID since KRM's services are currently virtual. **Once the Omicron variant begins to lift and we can have contact with the family again, please reach out to Jane Parker if you would like to visit with the family and get to know them.**



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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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