

My sheep hear my voice.

I know them,  
and they follow me.

*~ John 10:27*



*~ The Good Shepherd Story from Godly Play*

**HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 8, 2022**

**8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.**

Invitation to Worship

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Prelude

Francis Jackson

*Chorale Prelude on ST. COLUMBA*

## JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY, ALLELUIA!

Call to Worship – from Revelation 7

Vance Smith (8:45)  
Kathy Golightly Sanders (11:15)

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, **“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!** They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; **for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,** and God will guide them to springs of the water of life, **and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”**

Hymn of Praise (198) †

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*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

Prayer of Praise

Vance Smith (8:45)  
Kathy Golightly Sanders (11:15)

Glory to the Creator †

MEINEKE

**Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Spirit, One.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## WHO DID ONCE UPON THE CROSS, SUFFER TO REDEEM OUR LOSS

A Reading from Acts

Acts 9:36-42 (Pew Bible page 125 – NT)

Renee Purtlebaugh

Anthem

*When I Can Read My Title Clear*

PISGAH, arr. Alice Parker

Prayer of Confession

Lauren Jones Mayfield

Holy One, confession can be difficult.  
**We struggle to see our sins. We do not want to face our mistakes.  
We feel shame in ways that lead us away from your liberation rather than toward it.**  
And yet our need to confess is real, as real as your mercy.

*Silence*

Our need to be still is real, as real as your calls to action.  
**Forgive us our arrogance and certainty.  
Forgive our participation in structures that marginalize others.  
Forgive our rejection of your love.  
Call us back from the dead into the land of new life. Amen.**

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

Singing of the Morning Psalm – Psalm 23



Shep-herd me, O God, be-yond my wants, be-yond my fears, from death in-to life.

The Morning Psalm

Psalm 23 (Pew Bible page 491 – OT and *The Message*)

Sally Evans and Lewis Miller

Words of Assurance

Sally Evans

The Exchange of Peace

Lewis Miller

Hymn (48) †

FAITHFULNESS

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**PRAISE HIM, ALL YE HEAVENLY HOST, ALLELUIA!**

The Gospel Lesson †

John 10:22-27 (Pew Bible page 102 – NT)

Jim England

Sermon

*Hearing Voices*

**WHERE THE ANGELS EVER SING: ALLELUIA!**

Hymn of Response (66) †

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

RESIGNATION

Offertory Prayer

Gabe Heeke (8:45)  
Mark Golightly Sanders (11:15)

Piano Offertory

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)  
arr. Robert Schultz

*Canon in D*

News for the Community

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

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 †

LASST UNS ERFRUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Alleluia! Amen.**

Benediction

Jim England

Postlude

Austin Echols

*Morning Reflections*

## Today in Worship

Phrases from our processional hymn, *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our Worship service – praise, confession, proclamation, and response.

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.

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## Notes and News for the Community of Faith

- **Join us for a reception and celebration in honor of Kathy Collier** in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:15 AM service on Sunday, May 22.
- **Are you looking for a way to connect or re-connect at Highland? Bible Study classes are a great “next step” to engage with us as the family of God in this place!** Classes for all different ages and life journeys meet Sundays from 10:00-11:00 AM. Information about all of our adult class offerings is available in The Commons, and for more info, contact one of our ministers. We would love to help you get connected within our community of faith!
- **Collection for Needed Supplies in Ukraine—Continuing today, Highland Youth are collecting *bandaids, acetaminophen, and ibuprofen* for SOS Health & Hope**, a global health non profit in Louisville that improves global health through recovery and redistribution of surplus medical supplies. The supplies collected at Highland will be delivered by the youth when they volunteer at SOS on May 14. On that day, they will help pack important supplies to be shipped directly to those in need in Ukraine! **Donations will be collected in the Commons.**
- **Upcoming Highland Events**
  - May 11: Life and Legacy (Fireside Room) and Unapologetic Queer Ecclesiology (Commons)—6:15 PM
  - May 14: Jean Janes Yard Sale (Fellowship Hall, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM)
  - May 15: Children's Choir Spring Program (Sanctuary, 6:00 PM)
  - May 18: Cloud of Witnesses - conversation with Randy Biery, David Hartley and Nancy Miller
  - May 22: Celebrating Kathy Collier (AM), Quarterly Church Conference, Zoom (PM)
  - June 5: Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition
  - June 10-12: Vacation Bible School Camp
  - June 11: Young Adult Retreat
  - June 12: Pride Sunday
  - June 18: Kentuckiana Pride Parade and Festival



## 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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