



Why are you knocking at every door?
Go, knock on the door
of your own heart.

~ Rumi

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 24, 2022
11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship John Dickson

Prelude G. F. Handel

Rigadoon

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

Call to Worship G. F. Handel

Praise the Lord from *Judas Maccabeus*

Hymn of Praise (337) † LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Prayer of Praise Kim Fritschi

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.**

SAINTS TRIUMPHANT BOW BEFORE HIM

A Reading from Psalm 138 Renee Purtlebaugh

(Pew Bible page 565-566—OT)

Prayer of Confession Jim England

**Holy One who hears our confessions with kindness,
We confess our role in broken and strained relationships.
Silence
Lord, hear our prayer. Forgive our sin.
We confess to a satisfaction about what we think we know
And our failure to keep learning.
Silence
Lord, hear our prayer. Forgive our sin.
We confess that we have not always given good gifts to our world.
Silence
Lord, hear our prayer. Forgive our sin.
Being forgiven, teach us the joy of receiving your forgiveness
And practicing forgiveness ourselves. Amen.**

Words of Assurance Colossian 2:6-10, 14-19 (Pew Bible page 197—NT)

The Exchange of Peace

Hymn (66) † RESIGNATION

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

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

RANSOMED, HEALED, RESTORED, FORGIVEN

The Gospel Lesson †

Luke 11:5-13 (Pew Bible page 71 – NT)

Lauren Jones Mayfield

Hymn of Reflection

LAFFERTY

Seek Ye First

**Seek ye first the kin-dom of God and God's righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you; Allelu, alleluia!**

**Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you; Allelu, alleluia!**

Sermon

Who's Tired of Knocking?

Lauren Jones Mayfield

PRAISE WITH US THE GOD OF GRACE

Hymn of Response (671) †

BEACH SPRING

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Deacon Faith Story

Greg Clark

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Paul Manz

Jesus Lead Thou On

News for the Community

Renee Purtlebaugh

**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
Arr. R. Vaughn Williams

**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

Lauren Jones Mayfield

Postlude

M-A Charpentier

Prelude to Te Deum

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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.

Phrases from today's hymn of praise, *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

We welcome Paula Roberts as our organist and service leader today. Paula is a regular substitute for us and has formerly served as organist at Second Presbyterian Church and Crescent Hill Baptist Church.

Listening Assist Devices are available. Please see our sound technician or an usher for assistance.

Notes and News for the Community of Faith

- **Over the coming weeks you will continue hearing from our 11 new deacon candidates who have accepted nominations to serve as deacons at Highland this year.** They will be sharing their faith stories with us in worship each week, and you can read a brief bio about two of them each week in the newsletter.

The entire group of deacon candidates is: **Kathy Belcher, Amber Burke, Greg Clark, Phil Collier, Robert Davis, Roz Heinz, Robin Ramsay Lee, Karen Park, Tory Parker, Chet Watson and Zach Watson.** Additionally, our deacons wholeheartedly recommend to you **Jim Hawkins and Nancy Goodhue to serve as honor deacons at Highland.** We will vote on Jim and Nancy in the August QCC. We will vote on the eleven deacon candidates in worship over the weekend of August 5-7.

- **On Sunday, July 31, Dr. Lewis Brogdon will be preaching in worship at Highland. Baptist Seminary of Kentucky and the Institute for Black Church Studies will also be hosting a church-wide coffee hour during the Bible Study hour at 10:00 AM.** We will not have our regular adult Bible study classes and will gather in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and connection, as well as a joint-Bible study with Dr. Brogdon. **We hope that our faithful Bible study leaders will enjoy a mid-summer break from their teaching!**
- **Staff Search Processes**—Our search processes are underway this summer as we look for an **Associate Pastor to Youth and Young Adults and a Minister of Music and Worship** at Highland. Please help us share the word about these opportunities to join us in the work of Love at Highland, and be in prayer for our two search committees in their important work!
- **Upcoming events at Highland:**
 - August 3 Quarterly Church Conference meeting on Zoom (more details later)
 - August 21 Gather 'Round Sunday
 - August 24 Wednesday night meals and activities return
 - August 28 Deacon Ordination Service



**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.

Jerre and Frank Bassett
CUSTODIANS

Mary Alice Birdwhistell
PASTOR

Fred Bogert
MUSIC DIRECTOR TO FRIDAY CHURCH

Molly Braun
MINISTRY COUNCIL CHAIR

Don Burke
PASTOR EMERITUS

Bill Campbell
DEACON CHAIR

Cheryl Davis
OFFICE MANAGER

John Dickson
INTERIM MINISTER OF MUSIC
AND WORSHIP

Jim England
INTERIM ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Sally Evans
INTERIM MINISTER TO YOUTH

Megan Fuller
CHILDREN AND FAMILY
MINISTRY ASSISTANT

Kathleen Gordon
FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Lauren Jones Mayfield
ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO YOUNG
ADULTS AND MISSION

Walter McWhorter
CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR

Erin Phelps
INTERIM MINISTRY COORDINATOR

Renee Purtlebaugh
ASSOCIATE PASTOR TO CHILDREN
AND THEIR FAMILIES

Sharon Sanders
INTERIM ORGANIST AND
MUSIC ASSOCIATE