



Sacred Space

FOR EVERYONE

Love takes off the masks that we fear we cannot live without and know we cannot live within.

~ *James Baldwin*

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 16, 2022
8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

John Dickson

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

Choral Introit

Douglas Wagner

For Love Shall Be Our Song
Chorister Choir

Please sing final refrain.

God is love. God is peace. God is joy and glad-ness. May we then
live our lives in love, in peace, in joy with Christ our Lord.

Call to Worship

Choristers

Gathered today in this sacred space as holy and beloved children of God,
may we clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

**With gladness in our hearts for God's transforming love,
may we be tolerant with each other giving space for listening and healing.**

And above all, may we clothe ourselves with love,
which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Let us worship God together!

Processional Hymn (340) †

DIADEM

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Prayer of Praise

Taft Mayfield (8:45)
Carrie Porter (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.**

YE CHOSEN SEED OF ISRAEL'S RACE, YE RANSOMED FROM THE FALL

Anthem

Durufle

Ubi Caritas

Where there is charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us fear and love the living God. And from a sincere heart
let us love one another.

Prayer of Confession

Lauren Jones Mayfield

**Your love binds everything together in perfect harmony, O God. Therefore, we confess
our discord, especially the chasm between People of Color and whites. We who benefit
from systems of injustice see scarcity before equity. So, we hoard our wealth. We seek
to control our possessions. We fear diversity and difference. We fail to repair what has
been lost and broken. We live far from your divine love that connects, heals, and uplifts
the marginalized. Hear our lament, Holy One. Through your conviction, empower us
to walk the healing path of justice. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

The Exchange of Peace

Gathering Song

Stroope, adapted

Come dwell in High - land's walls. Come and dwell in the house of the Lord. Where
wis - dom and righ - teous - ness, Jus - tice and ho - li - ness, Join at the feet of God.

Introduction of Guest Proclaimer

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Hymn (689) †

ST. THOMAS

Let Justice Flow Like Streams

O THAT WITH YONDER SACRED THROG WE AT HIS FEET MAY FALL

The Hebrew Lesson

Jim England

Genesis 1:26, 4:1-16 (Pew Bible pages 1, 3-4—OT)
Children grades K-2 may be dismissed for Children's Worship (11:15)

Sermon

Robert P. Jones

White Supremacy, Confession, and the Path to Wholeness

TO HIM ALL MAJESTY ASCRIBE, AND CROWN HIM LORD OF ALL

Hymn of Response †

MCKEE

The Church of Christ Cannot be Bound



1.The_ church of Christ can - not be bound by walls of wood or_ stone. Where
2.True_ faith will o - pen_ up the door and step in - to_ the_ street. True_
3.True_ love will not sit_ i - dly by when jus - tice is_ de - nied. True_
4.If_ what we have we_ free - ly share to meet our neigh - bor's need, then_



char - i - ty and love are found, there_ can_ the church be known.
ser - vice will seek out the poor and ask_ to wash_ their feet.
mer - cy hears the home - less cry and_ wel - comes them_ in - side.
we ex - tend the Spir - it's care through ev - ery self - less deed.

Offertory Prayer

Tyler Swim (8:45)
Kay Keegan (11:15)

Offertory

Hubert Parry

A Memorial Piece

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 †

Ralph 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

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Postlude

attributed to J. S. Bach

Prelude and Fugue in C Major

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

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 processional hymn, *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

We welcome Dr. Robert P. Jones, the author of *White Too Long: The Legacy of White Supremacy in American Christianity*, to the pulpit this morning. He is the president and founder of Public Religion Research Institute and a leading scholar and commentator on religion, culture, and politics.

We are grateful to Paige Harlow for creating the graphics associated with our *Sacred Space for Everyone* campaign, including the image on the front cover of the bulletin today.

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

- **The Search Committee for our Associate Pastor to Youth and Young Adults** is thrilled to share that we have unanimously arrived at a final candidate for this position! We are officially preparing for a call weekend October 28-30. See this week's newsletter for more information about ways to connect with the candidate over the weekend.
- **On Wednesday night at 6:15, we will welcome Dr. Kathryn House to lead us in a 4-week series based on the book *The Stories We Live: Finding God's Calling All Around Us* by Kathleen Cahalan.** Kathryn serves as a visiting professor at Louisville Seminary, and her current area of research is related to discerning calling and vocation. Join us over the next 4 Wednesdays as we consider together how we can discover God's calling in surprising ways all around us. We will have books available on Wednesday night for purchase.
- **Highland's capital campaign, Sacred Space for Everyone, continues this month as we raise funds for major capital improvements to our building and to fully fund the ministries of Highland in 2023.** There are brochures in your pew with more information about the campaign and an attached pledge card. We are asking everyone to prayerfully consider making a dual-pledge toward this campaign and to please bring your pledge card with you to worship next Sunday, October 23. If you're not able to join us next week, you're invited to bring your pledge card to the church office or to email Kathleen Gordon (kathleen@hbclouisville.org) by Monday, October 24. Thank you for your bold faith and incredible generosity, Highland!
- **Looking Ahead:**
 - October 23 *Sacred Space for Everyone* and Annual Ministry Fund Commitment Sunday
 - October 23 Congregational Conversation: Proposed Bylaws Changes on Zoom (5:00 PM)
 - October 28-30 Associate Pastor to Youth and Young Adults Call Weekend
 - October 30 *Sacred Space for Everyone* Celebration Sunday and Fall Festival on the Lawn (3:00-5:00 PM)
 - November 6 Quarterly Church Conference and Budget Presentation on Zoom (5:00 PM)
 - November 20 An Evensong Service of Music in Honor of Kathy Collier (5:00 PM)



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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
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