



HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH  
THE REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 20, 2022  
8:45 AND 11:15 A.M.

Invitation to Worship

John Dickson

Prelude

Nicolas Jacques Lemmens

*Fanfare*

## GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY, ON THY PEOPLE POUR THY POWER

Call to Worship - Jeremiah 23:5-6

Joey Eubank (8:45)  
Susan Coleman Layman (11:15)

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,  
when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,  
and he shall reign as king and deal wisely,  
**and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.**  
In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.  
**And this is the name by which he will be called:**  
**“The Lord is our righteousness.”**

Hymn of Praise (223) †

DIADEMATA

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Prayer of Praise

Joey Eubank (8:45)  
Susan Coleman Layman (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.**

## CROWN THINE ANCIENT CHURCH'S STORY, BRING HER BUD TO GLORIOUS FLOWER

The Epistle Lesson

Colossians 1:11-14 (Pew Bible page 196—NT)

Jim England

Prayer of Confession

Mary Alice Birdwhistell

Holy One, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the model in our lives.  
**We have been quick to call on others to follow the ways of Christ, yet slow to do the same ourselves.**  
We have been so quick to judge the ways that others fall short, yet so hesitant to step into the kind of life you are calling us toward.  
**We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness, yet quiet when it comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion.**  
Forgive us, O God.  
**Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christlike in word, in deed, and in spirit. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Colossians 1:15-20 (Pew Bible page 196—NT)

The Exchange of Peace

Hymn of Assurance (506) †

HOLY MANNA

*When the Morning Stars Together*

**FEARS AND DOUBTS TOO LONG HAVE BOUND US,  
FREE OUR HEARTS TO WORK AND PRAISE**

The Gospel Lesson †

Luke 1:68-79 (Pew Bible pages 56-57—NT)

Renee Purtlebaugh

Choral Anthem

*Make Our Church One Joyful Choir*  
*Children grades K-2 may be dismissed for Children's Worship (11:15)*

Jonathan Crutchfield

Sermon

*The Beginning's End*

Renee Purtlebaugh

**GRANT US WISDOM, GRANT US COURAGE  
FOR THE LIVING OF THESE DAYS**

Hymn of Response (285) †

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

Offertory Prayer

Procter Eubank (8:45)  
Jeff Layman (11:15)

Offertory

*Humoresque "L'Organo Primitivo"*

Pietro Yon

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 †

OLD HUNDREDTH  
Arr. Ralph Vaughan 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

Renee Purtlebaugh

Postlude

*Improvisation*

Jonathan Crutchfield

† *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 hymn of praise, *God of Grace and God of Glory*, will guide us toward images that embody segments of our worship service — praise, confession, proclamation and response.

We welcome former Highland Baptist Minister of Music and Worship, Dr. Jonathan Crutchfield, as our organist and worship leader. Jonathan is Organist/Choirmaster and Director of Music at Morningside Presbyterian Church in Atlanta. He also serves as staff collaborative keyboardist at Georgia State University.

Flowers are given today by John and Becky Dickson in honor of Kathy Collier and her many years of service here at Highland.

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

- We hope you will join us at **5:00 PM for An Evensong Service of Music in Honor of Kathy Collier** as we celebrate Kathy's many years of service as musician, teacher, minister, and friend to Highland. Jonathan Crutchfield will lead the congregation in a celebratory service of music, featuring the presentation of a choral anthem in Kathy's honor composed by Jonathan. The biggest gift you could offer Kathy is your joyful singing and presence in tonight's service!
- Today we recognize **Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR)**. It is an annual observance that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence. You are invited to a unique service of candle making and poetry at the Metro Arts community center from 6:00-8:00 PM today. Please see Neyhart or a member of True Colors for more information.
- **Highland's beloved Thanksgiving service and breakfast returns on Thursday morning, November 24 at 8:30 AM.** We want to extend special thanks to Highland's deacons for their help preparing a light breakfast for us that morning. We hope you will join us as we share our gratitude with one another on Thanksgiving day!
- **All members are invited to purchase a Christmas poinsettia** for \$15 in memory, in honor, or in appreciation of a family member, friend, or loved one. You may submit payment and information through Highland's website, or contact Cheryl Davis at 502-451-3735 or [cheryl@hbclouisville.org](mailto:cheryl@hbclouisville.org). **The deadline for placing an order is tomorrow, November 21.**
- **Join us next Sunday, November 27 as we officially begin the Advent season together.** Sunday evening at 6:00 PM, we will gather for our annual Hanging of the Green service to prepare the sanctuary for the season and collect gift items for local organizations. **We are asking everyone to bring generous donations from the list below, requested by La Casita and Highlands Community Ministries, to help serve our community this holiday season!**
  - ◆ Spanish and bilingual books (available for purchase in the Commons from Carmichaels)
  - ◆ Small bags of white rice and dry black beans
  - ◆ Holiday sweets (from grocery stores serving the Latinx community - see examples in the Commons)
  - ◆ Canned fruit and canned veggies with pop tops
  - ◆ Size 6 diapers and baby wipes
  - ◆ \$25 Target and Kroger cards
  - ◆ \$10 Walmart cards
  - ◆ Blankets



**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.