

# Highland United Methodist Church

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*We are an open community of Christians sharing Christ's love and helping each other to develop and strengthen their relationship with God.*

**March 6, 2016**

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## A Service of Word

Prelude

The Ministry of the Acolytes

Welcoming our Guests, Sharing Ministry Opportunities and Celebrating Special Days

Greeting and Sharing the Peace of Christ

Prepare For Worship: Ringing of the church bell

Choral Introit

Reading for Lent: "Saying Good-Bye"

Call to Worship:

Leader: O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things.

**People: For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress.**

Leader: On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, he will swallow up death forever.

**People: Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.**

Leader: It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

**People: This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.** (from Isaiah 25)

\*Hymn of Praise "This is the Day the Lord has Made" UMH pg. 657

Prayer for the Day:

**God of patient love, you open your arms to accept us even before we turn to meet your welcome; you invite us to forgiveness even before our hearts are softened. Give us generous and grateful hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*(From the Revised Common Lectionary Prayers)*

Old Testament Lesson Joshua 5:9-12

New Testament Lesson Luke 15:11b-32

Special Music

Sermon "God's Feast" Pastor Amy E. Pannell

Responsive Hymn "Fill My Cup, Lord" UMH pg. 641

## THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (At this time you are invited to share how we can pray with you and for you or someone you care about this week)

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Offering; Prayer and Offertory

\*The Doxology (*Praise God from whom all blessings flow...*) UMH pg. 95

The Celebration of Communion (Insert)

Opening our Lives to Grace: Confession and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

*All are welcome! This is Christ's table, come just as you are. Today, we will receive communion at the altar rail. When you come, kneel as you are able, reach out your hands, and a piece of bread will be given to you. Dip the bread into the cup. If needed, you may be served at your seat. The elements of grace is bread or no carbohydrates, gluten free communion wafers. The cup is sugar free.*

## SENDING FORTH

\* Hymn of Dedication "Now Let us from this Table Rise" UMH pg. 634

\* Benediction

\* Postlude

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*\*\*\* indicates congregation standing, if able*

### GREETERS

March – Fred Guilliams

### ACOLYTES

March 6 – Hannah McPherson

March 13 – Levi Haskins

### USHERS

March 6 – The Women

March 13 – The Youth

## CHURCH LIFE

Scripture for Next Sunday, March 13 – John 12:1-8

**Today, Sunday, March 6** – The Trustees will meet

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**Monday, March 7** - The **Adult Choir** will meet at **7:00 p.m.** YOU are invited to come and join us!

**Saturday, March 12** – The Youth invites you to Dinner! Sign-up sheet is in the hallway. Dinner will be delicious and they plan to make you smile all night!

**Sunday, March 13** – The **Administrative Council** will meet following the Worship Service. Everyone is welcome to attend

Order forms for the Chocolate Easter Eggs will be in the entrance hallway at the mailboxes. Fill out your order forms now. All forms **need to be turned in before March 13. Egg pick-up** will be **March 20.**

**Monday, March 21** – the **UMW** will meet at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served by Barbara Guilliams and Joyce Sledd

**Saturday, March 26** – The **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at 10:30 am. See Crystal Weaver for details

**Lenten Readings** - During Lent we will include special readings at the opening of worship services to help us tune in to the season. This will include extinguishing candles one by one through Palm Sunday. **We need readers.** The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the Good Samaritan SS classroom. Thank you for helping in this meaningful part of worship. The Worship Committee

**Operation Christmas Child** –March is Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord Month. We'd like to put small musical instruments in our boxes. If you'd like to donate cash/check instead of instruments, Sarah will order instruments at the end of the month. Recorders, harmonicas, and tambourines cost between \$5 and \$10. Donations can be given to Sarah Haskins. We are hoping you'll participate with us. Thank you for all the support and love you show for us.

SAVE THE DATE!! VBS will be held Sunday, June 5 – Thursday, June 9. There will be more information to follow as the date gets closer. If you have any questions, please see Katherine McPherson.

If you are interested in being a substitute teacher for any of our Sunday School Classes when the regular teacher cannot be here, please see Katherine McPherson

As members of this congregation, we will faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers (see the prayer list), our presence, our gifts, our service (see announcements) and our witness (all you do and who you are.)” We are thankful that you have blessed Highland United Methodist Church with your presence and your gifts:

2/21/16	89 Present for Worship and \$1,169.66 received in Gifts
2/28/16	73 Present for Worship and \$1,461.64 received in Gifts

### Prayer Requests

February 28 – Dorothy Walker, Patty Sanders, Jesse Mahala, the Family of Jonathan Lavender, Bobby Crum, Andrew Snead, Glenn Turman, Lynn Bayly, Danielle McPherson, Tiffany McPherson, Wileina Furrow, Jerry Jamison, Julie Fortner, Judy Walker

February 21 – Dot Webb, Odessa Poff, Newton Guilliams, Gary Guilliams, Drucilla Barbee, Danielle McPherson

February 14 – Mike Shaw, The Family of Matt Ellis, Mary Amos, Barbara Guilliams, Danielle McPherson, Josephine (Barbara and Sheldon's daughter-in-law)

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