

Highland United Methodist Church

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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

*Call to Worship

Leader: If God is for us, who is against us?

People: Nothing separates us from the love of Christ!

Leader: In all things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

People: Nothing separates us from the love of Christ!

Leader: The One who died for us—who was raised to life for us—
is in the presence of God at this very moment sticking up for us.

People: Nothing separates us from the love of Christ!

Leader: Not trouble, not hard times, not hatred, not hunger, not homelessness,
not bullying threats, not backstabbing, not even the worst sins.

People: Nothing separates us from the love of Christ!

Leader: I'm absolutely convinced that nothing—nothing living or dead,
today or tomorrow, high or low, thinkable or unthinkable—
absolutely nothing can get between us and God's love
because of the way that Jesus our Master has embraced us.

People: Christ died and rose for us and that proves God's love for us!

(From Romans 8, the Message and NRSV Translations)

*Opening Hymn: *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* UMH #57 (v. 1-5)

*Opening Prayer

God, we have each come from the journey of our lives. Let us sit side by side, sharing the Christ who cares for us. Then standing together let us share the same Spirit, that once again draws us together in friendship.

(Adapted from UMC Book of Worship, #455)

Special Music

Scripture Lessons: *Acts 2:41-42 and 1 Thessalonians 2:6-8 (The Message)*

Sermon

Rev. Amy E. Pannell

*Responsive Hymn: *Pass It On*

UMH # 572

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

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 and Offertory

*The Doxology (Praise God from whom all blessings flow...)

UMH pg. 95

*Closing Hymn: *God of Grace and God of Glory*

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*Benediction

*** indicates congregation standing, if able

GREETERS

January—Fred Williams

February—Lynn Bayley

ACOLYTES

January 14—Jared Jamison

January 21—Abby Krauss

USHERS

January 14—Men

January 21—Youth

NURSERY

January 14—Sarah Haskins

January 21—Crystal Weaver

Today (9:00 a.m.) **Devotions and Doughnuts** Join all ages in the Fellowship Hall for fun, games, and best of all doughnuts (fruit, too).

(After Worship): **Council meeting.** All are welcome! We will kick off the new year with a What, Why, Who, and How of Council at Highland. We pray to make decisions together.

Monday, January 15—(7:00 p.m.) **United Methodist Women** meet!

Sunday, January 21 (After Worship): **CREW** committee will be meeting for 1 hour. We will be discussing future projects, organizing volunteers and fundraising initiatives. Bring a snack. All are welcome! Questions: Contact Sherri Krauss or Betsy Gayle Stanley.

Sunday, January 21 (After Worship): WHY Youth meeting.

Super Bowl Subs

Grab a delicious sub and support the youth all at the same time! The Super Bowl is February 4. Please fill out a form by January 31. Get a sub made just as you want it. Only \$5. Also in the \$5 price is one bag of chips and a pickle wedge. Desserts are available for additional purchase at the time of pick up. Order now. Pick up after worship. Questions or call in orders: Contact Fundriaser Coordinator: Cindy Jamison (540) 420-9781.

United Methodist Women Helping the Community

The Franklin County Family Resource Center has been helping victims of domestic violence since 1983. Facilities in Rocky Mount, their mission statement is “to promote safe and healthy living environment for Franklin County families in crisis who are victims of domestic violence. A wonderful website shares information, resources, and ways to volunteer: fcfamilyresourcecenter.com A free, confidential, 24/7 hot line: 1-540-483-1234. But if in immediate danger always call 9-1-1. The United Methodist Women are collecting items that people in the shelter can use: Shampoo, Toothpaste, Paper Towels, Hygiene products for men, Body Wash, Toilet Tissue, Laundry Detergent. They can also use towels and wash clothes (clean and no stains). Collection box by the entry way of the sanctuary. United Methodist Women will take the items each month. Questions? Contact Barbara Guilliams 483-1723.

Prayer Requests

January 7—Ronnie Bernard and family, “Sam” Sandra Carter (Helen Aker’s sister in law), Shirley Fowler and Mike Fowler, B.L. Furrow, Denver Hall (Alton’s brother), Jessica Hall and family, Fred Holt (friend of Brooke ?), Nelson ?, Joyce Johnson and Benny Fisher, making decisions together as a congregation

December 31—Joy of new life: Alton and Peggy’s grand daughter, family of Margaret Hubbard (Barbara Guilliams’ cousin died), Ronnie and Sue Bernard, Celebration of birthdays: Thelma Hardy (Sherri Krauss’ grandmother) and Irene (Sue Bernard’s mom)

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:

12/31/17 58 Present for Worship and \$ 833 received in gifts

1/07/17 62 Present for Worship and \$ 3,087 received in gifts