

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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February 28th, 2021 8:30a

“Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ, will be an active family of faith in North Central Licking County, dedicated to building awareness of God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through meaningful worship, diverse service, and genuine fellowship.” - Mission Statement

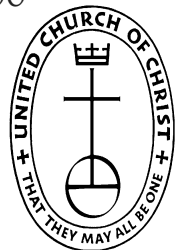


“God of our fathers, you chose Abraham and his descendants to bring your Name to the Nations: we are deeply saddened by the behavior of those who in the course of history have caused these children of yours to suffer, and asking your forgiveness we wish to commit ourselves to genuine brotherhood with the people of the Covenant.”

-Pope John Paul II,

prayer tucked in Wailing Wall in Jerusalem during papal visit in 2000

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Jackie Parrill, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Piano: Laura Laughlin





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Second Sunday in Lent

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Prelude *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us/He Leadeth Me*

Bradbury/Berry

Rollin

Call to worship

Prayer of Invocation

Old Testament Text

Psalm 22:23-31 (NRSV)

You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel! ²⁴ For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me but heard when I cried to him. ²⁵ From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. ²⁶ The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD. May your hearts live forever! ²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. ²⁸ For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations. ²⁹ To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him. ³⁰ Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord, ³¹ and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Text

Mark 8:31-38 (NRSV)

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” ³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸ Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Morning Prayers

Candle Dedication: Happy Birthday to Maxx Goodman, Bronson Wright, Paula Olson and Elli Kalas

Sharing of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Nothing but the Blood of Jesus

Lowery

Offertory Prayer

Old Testament Text

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (NRSV)

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ² And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³ Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴ “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵ No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

¹⁵ God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶ I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Sermon

Rev. Scott Schieber

Postlude

Savior, Again to Your Dear Name

Ellerton

Blessing

Announcements and Information

Current Worship Schedule

February 28—Worship streaming on Facebook Live and YouTube with Laura Laughlin playing at 8:30a AND in-person in the Legg Center, with Judy Grace on piano at 10:30 am.

March 7—Worship streaming on Facebook Live and YouTube AND in-person worship with Patsy Farmer playing piano at 10:30 am.
Communion Sunday

March 14—In-person in the Legg Center, with Sue Steele on piano at 8:30 am. Worship streaming on Facebook Live and YouTube with Janine Shipley playing piano at 10:30a

March 21—Worship streaming on Facebook Live and YouTube with Laura Laughlin playing at 8:30a AND in-person in the Legg Center, at 10:30 am.

We will start back with Sunday school ZOOM on Feb 28. Teachers will be

Youngest kids - Janine

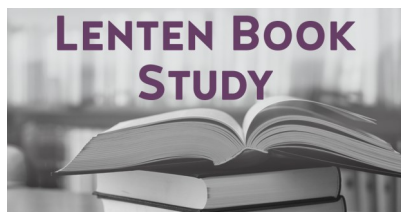
Middle group - Abby

Older group - Ashley

Please be following Facebook to get your links.

Join us for our Lent Book Study Mondays, at noon and 7p

This year, our Lent book study will be on the book *Words of Life*:



Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today by Adam Hamilton.

Hamilton's work is informative, and his theological themes always strike a cord with members of our

congregation. Each class will be offered via Zoom

You will need to purchase the book in order to participate; it's widely available for purchase in hardcopy or download versions.

Watch your emails and follow on facebook for your link to ZOOM in.

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ Prayer List

Prayer Concerns within our Family of Faith:

Betty Nash Bob Tucker Dave Nash Tom Siegel Becky Wright Marcie Williams
Donna Shipley Laurie Garno Jim Farmer Dick & Gayle Gibson Carol Hoar Mae and Fred
Pound Lindsey Hoskinson Joy Smith Nancy Schmidt

Prayers for Our Greater Church Family: *(This list to start over every month)*

John Stout

Sharon Mummey

Mark Frick

Marsha King

Judy Schmoll

Chrissy King

Stewart Krulikowski & Family

Theresa Gonda

Jesse Buchanan

Christine Schmidt

Doug Snyder and Family

Jason Hover and Family



For all those who have been there on the front lines during this uncertain time and who will continue to be there through this pandemic.

Continued prayers for all the troops that protect and serve this country and prayers of comfort for their families as they wait for their safe return. Chase Lasko, Jared Grace, Nate Comer