

Highwater Congregational United Church of Christ

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"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



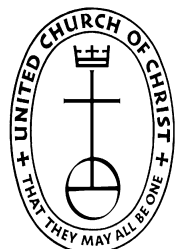
Our doors will be open for 8:30a and 10:30a worship services through May. The 8:30a Worship Service will be in the Sanctuary. 10:30a will be in the Legg Center. Please follow your emails and check out Facebook and the website for any changes. **Being mindful of the safety of all those in our church family, at all times during our in-person worship, masks will be required and social distancing will be respected.**
Thank You



"I believe that every single event in life happens is an opportunity to choose love over fear."

-Oprah Winfrey, American media personality

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Jackie Parrill, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All
Piano 10:30: Patsy Farmer
Praise Music 8:30a: Mary Miller



Morning Prayers

Candle Dedication: Happy Birthday to Wade Blackburn and Jake Shipley

Sharing of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory †

Let Us Break Bread Together

Traditional/Sinclair

* Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Offertory Prayer

Communion

Litany of Invitation/Confession

Leader: Come with what you have. For you who grieve this day know that you are invited to bring the broken pieces of your heart.

People: Loved by one another, we discover God's love for us.

Leader: Come with what you have. For you who come with gladness know that your melody will find harmony.

People: Accepting God's love for us, we are called to love one another.

Leader: Come with what you have. For you weighed down by too many 'shoulds' and 'what-ifs', know that here you may lay down the burdens of guilt and shame.

People: Loved by one another, we discover God's love for us.

Leader: Come with what you have. For you who have the answers, know that new questions await you.

People: Accepting God's love for us, we are called to love one another.

Leader: Come with what you have. For you who come seeking, know that your questions are safe in the presence of God.

People: Loved by one another, we discover God's love for us.

*The peace of Christ and the comfort of the Holy Spirit given to all.
Prayer of Consecration / Words of Remembrance / Sharing of the Sacraments*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

New Testament Reading

1 John 4:7-21 (NRSV)

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. ¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Sermon

Rev. Scott Schieber

Postlude †

I Love You, Lord

Klein

Benediction

Announcements and Information

In-person Sunday School dates have been set for :

May 9 (Mother's Day gift)

and May 23 (God Bless America).

(Sunday School will take place during the 10:30a Worship Service outdoors weather permitting)



**VBS will be June 28-30, 2021
from 9-11a**

**4yrs old through entering 5th grade
snacks will be served.**



At Highwater Church

May 16th 8a-12p.

Please sign up at

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/>

The Pastoral Relations Committee is meeting on May 6th and welcomes your input and feedback prior to that date. The purpose of the committee is to let the pastor know what people in the church are thinking. To share your joys and concerns, please contact a member of the Pastoral Relations Committee no later than May 5th. Membership of the committee includes the Moderator (Jackie Parrill), the Chair of Care Ministry (MaryJo Layman), the Chair of Music and Worship Ministry (Janine Shipley); the Chair of the Trustees Ministry (Bob Tucker), and the Chair of the Stewardship and Finance (Kathy Preston).

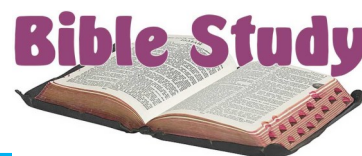
April-May Worship Schedule

8:30a in the Sanctuary and 10:30a in the Legg Center

Streaming on Facebook and YouTube

(during our in-person worship masks will be required and social distancing will be Respected)

**Monday Noon Bible Study Begins April 19th
We will meet in-person.**



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 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

Christine Schmidt

Doug Snyder and Family

Jason Hover and Family

Kay Wightman



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