

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

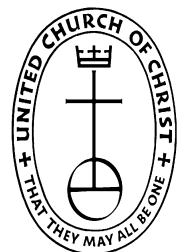
**Give thanks to the Lord,
for He is good; His love endures forever.
- Psalm 118:1**



"God's wonderful works which happen daily are lightly esteemed, not because they are of no import but because they happen so constantly and without interruption."

-Martin Luther, Day by Day We Magnify Thee

Rev. Scott Schieber, Pastor
Mae Pound, Moderator
Debbie Smetts, Office Administrator / Newsletter Editor
Congregation, Ministers All





Highwater Church

November 22nd, 2020

10:30 a.m. service

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Prelude

Call to worship

Prayer of Invocation

Old Testament Text

Psalm 100 (NRSV)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. ² Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing. ³ Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. ⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. ⁵ For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Text

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NRSV)

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹ As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹² for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Morning Prayers

Candle Dedication: Happy Birthday to Tracy Storts, Lindsey Hoskinson, Betty Nash and Brad Patton

Prayers for Our UCC Congregations: Trinity UCC, Columbus

Sharing of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

Old Testament Text

Deuteronomy 8:7-18 (NRSV)

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, ⁸ a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹ a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. ¹⁰ You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. ¹¹ Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. ¹² When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, ¹⁵ who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, ¹⁶ and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. ¹⁷ Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." ¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Sermon

Rev. Scott Schieber

Postlude

Benediction



Announcements and Information

Monday Noon Bible Studies - November 23rd, Acts 15 & 16. Please check emails and Facebook for current meeting information and possible changes.

I Spy - It's on Facebook. If people want to participate in iSpy but do not have Facebook then they can text me and I will send out the iSpy clues to them via text and they can text me their photos for entries to win the prize for the month. Text Amy Gartner at 740-624-0232

Highwater Secret Senders

Sign up now! But Beginning in November we will start doing a Secret Sender! Do you miss your friends from church? They miss you! If you wish to sign up to be a Secret Sender please contact Amy Gartner, amysgartner@gmail.com or call 740.624.0232, to match you up with another person in the congregation. What we are asking is that you secretly send something to the person you are matched with each month (or more than one time per month if you choose) to tell them you miss them or to give them some encouragement or a pick me up. Ideas of things to send would be a card, a small homemade item, a coffee gift card, etc. Remember it is a secret so simply sign the gift From: Your Highwater Secret Sender. This will take place for the next six month then in April around Easter we will reveal who our secret senders are.

Blood Drive - Sunday, November 29th 8a-12p. Please sign up at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>

Family Game Night, SCATTERGORIES - Online. Follow facebook for details on how to join or call Amy Gartner at 740-624-0232 for instructions. Thursday, December 3rd 7-8p Family friendly game night! All are welcome! Free! Be prepared to work as a team and find fun items throughout your house! You're sure to have a great time!

If you or you and your family would like to share a song or other talent during advent, please let Pastor Scott or Janine Shipley know.

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 Gibson Mary Miller Carol Hoar Mae and
Fred Pound Lindsey Hoskinson

Prayers for our Shut-in:

Goldie Campbell

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

John Stout	Carol & Bill King
Sharon Mummey	Stewart Krulikowski & Family
Mark Frick	Theresa Gonda
Marsha King	Jesse Buchanan
Judy Schmoll	Christine Schmidt
Chrissy King	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