



# Highlands

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**April 7, 2024**

Morning Worship - 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m.

Sunday School and Communities - 9:45 a.m.

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 7, 2024

## Gathering Song

### I Know That My Redeemer Lives

I know that my Redeemer lives, glory, hallelujah!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives, glory, hallelujah!

Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground,  
glory, hallelujah!  
The dead's alive and the lost is found,  
glory, hallelujah!

He lives, He lives who once was dead, glory, hallelujah!  
He lives, my ever-living Head, glory, hallelujah!

Words: Charles Wesley, 1742  
Music: Traditional American melody  
Arranged by Mike Murphy, 2022

## Welcome

## Meditation and Preparation

### My Jesus, I Love Thee

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine.  
For Thee, all the follies of sin I resign.  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou.  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou has first loved me,  
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.  
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Words: William Featherstone, 1764  
Music: Adoniram Gordon, 1894

## The Call to Worship

Pastor: The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty;  
the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.  
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

People: Your throne is established from of old.  
You are from everlasting.

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Pastor: The floods have lifted up, O LORD,  
the floods have lifted up their voice;  
the floods lift up their roaring.  
Mightier than the thunders of many waters,  
mightier than the waves of the sea,  
the LORD on high is mighty!

People: Your decrees are very trustworthy;  
holiness befits your house,  
O Lord, forevermore.

Psalms 93 ESV

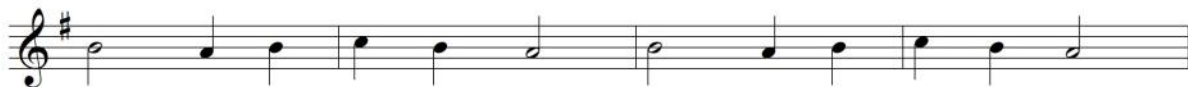
### Come, Christians, Join to Sing



Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



let all, with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - joice;  
He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll con - de - scend;  
on heav - en's bliss - ful shore, His good - ness we'll a - dore,



praise is His gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
His love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.  
sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

# **Presentation of Communicants and New Members**

## **Communicants**

Jeffrey Todd Clark

Jackson Alan Compton

Jack Nolan Evans

Simon Gregory Gladd

Charles DeMarre Jones

Ethan Larkin Simpson

Noah Robert Simpson

David Andrew Tucker

Jack Galloway Wilson

## **New Members**

Bradford and Mary Kamryn Brewer

Casey and Ryen Combest

Douglas and Lauren Tucker

## **Missions Testimonies**

## **The Morning Prayer**

## **We Bring God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

*Offering plates will be passed, but you may place your offering in one of the offering boxes outside the sanctuary doors or inside the balcony entrance. To give online, please visit [highlandspca.org](http://highlandspca.org) or follow the QR code on page 9 of the bulletin.*

**Offertory:** Narrow Little Road

Words and music: Mo Leverett, 1995

O, I believe in the love of God,  
it is an orphan's wildest dream.  
It is a narrow little road,  
it is an ever-widening desert stream.

O, and I, I will leave this road for the narrow.  
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It is portrayed in the bread and wine,  
O let it fortify my bones.  
'Cause it is more than just a sign,  
it is the fountain from the desert stone.

The love of God is the hymn of hope,  
let the needy join the throng.  
Let the widow hear and cope,  
let the crippled rise to sing this song.

## **The Scripture Reading**

Exodus 7-10

## **We Receive God's Word**

The Rev. Joseph Wheat

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"The Power and the Glory"

## How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



How sweet the name of Je - sus sounds in  
 It makes the wound - ed spir - it whole and  
 'Til then I would Thy love pro - claim with  
 Je - sus, my Shep - herd, Bro - ther, Friend, my



a be - lie - ver's ear! It soothes his sor - row, heals  
 calms the troubl - ed breast. Tis man - na to the hun -  
 ev - 'ry fleet - ing breath, and may the mu - sic of  
 Pro - phet, Priest, and King, my Lord, my life, my way,



his wounds and drives a - way his fear.  
 gry soul and to the wear - y rest.  
 Thy name re - fresh my soul in death.  
 my end, ac - cept the praise I bring.



Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is Your name.



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Verses: Words by John Newton, 1779. Music by Alexander Reinagle, 1836. Arranged by Bill Moore. © Bill Moore Music  
 Chorus: Words and Music by Dennis Jernigan. © 1991 Shepherd's Heart Music, Inc.  
 Adapted by Mike Murphy, 2018.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Midweek at Highlands continues this Wednesday, April 10.** Please see pages 7-8 for the dinner menu and Adult study topics.

**Women's Spring Salad Supper:** Join us Sunday, April 21, from 5-7 in The Atrium for a sweet time of food, fellowship, and fun! Bring a salad or dessert to share. We will collect donations to purchase ESV Bibles for the homeless through Jackson Street Ministry. A nursery for children 4 and under is available upon request. To register, use the QR code or visit [highlandspca.org/women](http://highlandspca.org/women) by April 18 so we will know how best to plan. Contact Laurie Nordan at [laurie@highlandspca.org](mailto:laurie@highlandspca.org) for more information.



### Save the Date!

**Sunday, May 19:** A service of praise and thanksgiving celebrating Highlands' 30th anniversary.

Annual picnic (5 until 7 p.m.) featuring Calvin's barbecue with music by the Mississippi Swing Band.

**June 3-7:** Vacation Bible School

## Midweek at Highlands continues this Wednesday, April 10!

Join us this Wednesday for dinner and our Spring Midweek Series! Dinner begins at 5:15pm in the Atrium. Adult elective classes begin at 6:00. Children have playtime at 5:30, music in the sanctuary at 5:55, and teaching time at 6:15. Youth gather in The U at 5:30, play games at 5:45, and have worship and teaching at 6:15. All activities end by 7:00. This week's menu includes chili with fixings, cornbread, and carrot cake. Hot dogs will be available for those who want a chili dog. A grilled chicken salad is also available as a meal. A kid's meal includes a hot dog, chips, and a cookie. Adult meals are \$6 each and kids' meals are \$4 each (family max is \$24). Please use the QR code to the right or visit [highlandspca.org/midweek](http://highlandspca.org/midweek) to reserve and pay for your meal.



### Adult Electives

#### “Telling Our Stories”

This new Midweek elective continues this Wednesday, March 27. Each week, a member of Highlands will give a personal testimony, followed by a time of questions and answers. The class will meet in Room 211, and is hosted by Joseph Wheat and Wesley Rule.

Thomas Gandy - April 10

Larnie Shinnick - April 24

Laurie Nordan - April 17

#### “Christ in the Old Testament”

Danny Ketchum • Room 117

Join us as we take a fascinating journey through the many Old Testament predictions of the Advent and the accomplishments of Jesus, the long-awaited Messiah. It is exciting to see how the personal work of the coming Christ is clearly revealed throughout the pages of Old Testament history. This study is open to all adults.

#### For Men: “Let’s Study: Ephesians”

Brad Mercer • Room 210

A group discussion class for men based on Sinclair Ferguson's book, *Let's Study: Ephesians*. From its opening account of the rich blessings we have in Christ, to the final chapter which walks us through the reality of spiritual warfare, the book of Ephesians sets before us the wonder of God's grace, the privilege of belonging to the church, and the pattern of life transformation the gospel produces. Books will be provided.

#### For Women: “James for You” by Sam Allberry

Leigh Taylor & Olivia Strain • Room 212

What is the difference between genuine faith and counterfeit faith? How do we know for sure that our faith is real? How can we know joy even in trials, and patience even in suffering? James is a book full of practical, life-changing help for real life. Sam Allberry brings his clarity, wisdom and humor to every page.

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**Wednesday night Adult Electives...continued from previous page.**

**For Women: “Lessons from the Upper Room”** by Sinclair Ferguson  
Room 301 ~ Robyn Farber & Sissy Jackson

Knowing the time was fast approaching for Him to depart this world, Jesus spent His final hours with His closest friends. As the disciples sat with their master, unaware of what would soon take place, Jesus served them, taught them, and prayed for them. Dr. Sinclair Ferguson paints a vivid picture of the disciples’ final moments with their Savior. Carefully walking through John 13-17, Dr. Ferguson reminds us of the centrality of Christ in all of life.

## **Women’s Spring Bible Studies continue.**

### **Wednesday**

9:30a.m. ~ Room 212 ~ Mom-to-Mom ~ Laurie Nordan  
“Lessons from the Upper Room” by Sinclair Ferguson

9:30a.m. ~ Room 210 ~ Becky Brown & Clare Luke  
The book of Ruth

6:00p.m. ~ Room 212 ~ Leigh Taylor & Olivia Strain  
“James for You” by Sam Allberry

6:00p.m. ~ Room 301 ~ Robyn Farber & Sissy Jackson  
“Lessons from the Upper Room” by Sinclair Ferguson

### **Thursday**

9:00a.m. ~ Room 210 ~ Sandra Dewey  
Precepts: “I Timothy ~ The Church: The Pillar & Support of the Truth”  
*Zoom is also available.*

### **Friday**

7:00a.m. ~ Room 210 ~ Marilyn Tinnin & Cindy Mercer  
“What a Royal Mess: A Study of I & II Kings” by Susan Tyner

## GENERAL FUND GIVING UPDATE THROUGH MARCH 31, 2024

Regular monthly giving provides for the ongoing ministry of Highlands. Offering plates will be passed during the 10:50 service only, or you may place your offering in one of the four wall-mounted boxes located outside the main sanctuary doors, just inside the balcony doors, or at the Welcome Desk. Your gifts can also be mailed to the church office or made through online giving at [highlandspca.org](http://highlandspca.org). The QR code below links directly to our online giving page.

General Fund Budget through April 30, 2024      \$623,505

General Fund giving received through 3/31/24      \$405,938



Thank you for your support of the ministry and outreach of Highlands!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### **All Youth**

*Visitors, please join us in anything you see below. The Youth building is behind the church (we call it “The U”).*

- Sunday School: 9:45am in The U.
- Tonight: Small Groups, 5:00-7:00pm in The U. Game time from 7-8pm.
- Wednesdays - Youth Group: 5:45-7:00pm in the U.

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# SERMON NOTES


MOSES: FACE TO FACE WITH GOD

“The Power and the Glory”

April 7, 2024

Exodus 7-10

Pages 902 and 903 in the pew Bible.



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WOMEN'S SPRING

# Salad Supper

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 • 5:00-7:00PM

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Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

Donations collected for Bibles for the homeless  
through Jackson Street Ministry.

Nursery available upon request.



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