



Highlands

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 18, 2024

MISSIONS FESTIVAL - "SEE FARTHER"

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

February 18, 2024

Gathering Song

Jesus Saves

We have heard the joyful sound; Jesus saves! O, Jesus saves!
Spread the tidings all around; Jesus saves! O, Jesus saves!
Bear the news to ev'ry land, climb the steeps and cross the waves;
Onward! 'tis our Lord's command; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Lyrics: Priscilla J. Owens, 1882.

Tune: Unknown.

Arranged by Mike Murphy, 2019.

Waft it on the rolling tide; Jesus saves! O, Jesus saves!
Tell to sinners far and wide; Jesus saves! O, Jesus saves!
Sing, ye islands of the sea; echo back, ye ocean caves;
Earth shall keep her jubilee; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Welcome

Meditation and Preparation for Worship

We Are God's People

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
born of His Spirit, established by His Word.
Our cornerstone is Christ alone and strong in Him we stand.
O, let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

Words: Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1976

Music: Johannes Brahms, 1876

Arranged by Fred Bock, 1976

Adapted by Mike Murphy, 2023

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace.
We die alone, for on its own each ember loses fire,
Yet, joined in one, the flame burns on to give warmth and light and to inspire.

The Call to Worship

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!


People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.

People: **For kingship belongs to the Lord,
and he rules over the nations.**

Psalms 22:27, 28 ESV


All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let
 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye
 Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe, on
 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we



an - gels pro - strate fall; bring forth the roy - al
 ran - somed of the fall, hail Him who saves you
 this ter - rest - rial ball, to Him all maj - es -
 at His feet may fall, we'll join the ev - er -



di - a - dem, and crown Him Lord of
 by His grace, and crown Him Lord of
 ty a - scribe, and crown Him Lord of
 last - ing song, and crown Him Lord of



all. Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 all. Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and
 all. To Him all maj - es - ty a - scribe, and
 all. We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and



crown Him Lord of all.
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Words by Edward Perronet (v.1,2), 1779, and John Rippon (v.3), 1787. Music by Oliver Holden, 1793.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Jackson Blake Carmichael
son of Taylor and Kat Carmichael

Samuel McClure Wilson
son of Andrew and Paige Wilson

Missions Moment

Chip Johnson

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 or follow the QR code on page 7 of the bulletin.

Offertory: Am I A Soldier Of The Cross?

Am I a soldier of the cross, a foll'wer of the Lamb,
and shall I fear to own His cause or blush to speak His Name?

Words: Verses - Isaac Watts, 1724
Chorus from Isaiah 6:8
Music: Mike Murphy, 2021

Must I be carried to the skies on flow'ry beds of ease,
while others fought to win the prize and sailed through bloody seas?

Here am I, Lord, send me.

Here am I, Lord, send me.

Are there no foes for me to face, must I not stem the flood?
Is this vile world a friend to grace to help me on to God?

Sure, I must fight if I would reign, increase my courage, Lord.
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain, supported by Thy Word.

Thy saints in all this glorious war shall conquer though they die.
They view the triumph from afar and seize it with their eye.

When that illustrious day shall rise and all Thine armies shine,
in robes of vict'ry through skies, the glory shall be Thine.
In robes of vict'ry through skies the glory shall be Thine.

The Scripture Reading

Acts 1:8

We Receive God's Word

The Rev. Joseph Wheat

"See Farther"

Facing a Task Unfinished

Fac - ing a task un - fin - ished, that drives us to our
We bear the torch that, flam - ing, fell from the hands of
O Fa - ther Who sus - tained them, O Spi - rit Who in -
knees, a need that, un - di - min - ished, re -
those who gave their lives pro - claim - ing that
spired, Sav - ior, Whose love con - strained them to
bukes our sloth - ful ease, we, who re - joice to
Je - sus died and rose. Ours is the same com -
toil with zeal un - tired. From cow - ard - ice de -
know Thee, re - new be - fore Thy throne the
mis - sion, the same glad mes - sage ours; fired
fend us, from leth - ar - gy a - wake! Forth
sol - emn pledge we owe Thee: to go and make Thee known.
by the same am - bi - tion, to Thee we yield our pow'rs.
on Thine er - rands send us to la - bor for Thy sake.

Words by Frank Houghton, 1929. Music by Samuel S. Wesley, 1864.

Intro music: Ennio Morricone's "Gabriel's Oboe." © 1986 EMI Virgin Music. Arranged by Mike Murphy, 2019.

The Benediction

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GENERAL FUND GIVING UPDATE THROUGH FEBRUARY 11, 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. The QR code below links directly to our online giving page.

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| General Fund Budget through February, 2024 | \$327,178 |
| General Fund giving received through 2/11/24 | \$187,900 |



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: 9:45 a.m. in The U.
- Tonight: Small Groups, 5:00-7:00pm in The U. Game time from 7-8pm.
- THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 5:00pm: Dinner and Missions program in the Fellowship Hall.

Save the Date!

- April 5-7: Encounter Retreat (JrHi)
- June 10-15: RYM Colorado (SrHi)
- June 24-28: RYM Florida (JrHi)
- July 13-20: Yakama (SrHi)

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JrHi Girls Coordinator: Avery Griffin · avery@highlandspca.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Officers' meetings this evening: The Diaconate will meet at 5:30 and the Session at 7:00, both in Room 210.

Join us this Wednesday, February 21, 2023 as we continue Midweek at Highlands!

Dinner at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (Honduran cuisine), followed by a panel discussion with missionaries at 6 p.m. (also in the Fellowship Hall). Children will have pizza and separate activities on the third floor (see the announcement below). Nursery children will have Chick-Fil-A. There is no charge for any of the meals. More information is available at highlandspca.org/missions or with the QR code.



Kids' Missions Fest, Wednesday, February 21, 5:00: All kids in Pre-K 4 through 5th grade will meet in the 3rd floor lobby for the evening for their own Missions Fest. A pizza dinner will be provided and they will have music together. Then they will rotate through crafts, games and missionary guests. Make your plans to attend now!

Inquirer's Class continues: If you are interested in becoming a member of Highlands or just want to know more about the church and our Presbyterian beliefs, please consider our Inquirer's Class for adults and youth (grades 9-12), which will be conducted on four consecutive Sunday mornings from 9:45 to 10:45 beginning February 4. This class is required for those who wish to become members of Highlands. All prospective church members must be interviewed by a church elder at the conclusion of the class. To register, please visit highlandspca.org/inquirers or use the QR code.



PLEASE HELP US GREET ON SUNDAY MORNINGS! A warm, friendly welcome is a gift to members and guests alike. Greeters serve in the Atrium between 8:15 a.m. and 8:40 a.m. at the early service or between 10:25 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. for the late service. *You can volunteer for as many or as few slots as you like!* Please sign up to serve, either as a couple or as an individual, at highlandspca.org/greeters OR use the QR code.



Save the Date!

March 13: NO MIDWEEK (Spring Break)

June 3-7: Vacation Bible School

SERMON NOTES

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Acts 1:8

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