



Highlands

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

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

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Gathering Song

Kids' Praise

All Glory, Laud and Honor (Sweet Hosannas Ring)

Words : Theodulph of Orleans, ca. 820.

Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son
Who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed One!
To Thee, before Thy passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
Glory to Thee, Redeemer, King!
Glory, from whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

Tr. by John Mason Neale, 1854

Music: Mike Murphy, 2024

Welcome

Meditation and Preparation for Worship

Behold, What Manner of Love/Joyful, Joyful

Behold, what manner of love
the Father has given unto us.
That we should be called children of God.
Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,
op'ning to the sun above.

Verse: Words and Music by Patrica Van Tyne, 1978

Chorus: Words by Henry van Dyke, 1907.

Music by Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

Music: William Bradbury, 1893

The Call to Worship

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Pastor: Hosanna to the Son of David.
Praise be to the King of Israel!

**People: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

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.
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 Prayer of Adoration and Confession

The Old Testament Reading

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

As for man, his days are like grass;
he flourishes like a flower of the field;
for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.
But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting
on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's children,
to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.
The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 103:9-18 ESV

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: Lift Up Your Heads

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!
Behold, the King of glory waits.
The King of kings is drawing near,
the Savior of the world is here.

Words & Music by Craig Harris,
Paul Zach, and Isaac Wardell, 2017

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, He is here.

A helper, gentle, He comes to thee,
His chariot is humility.
His kingly crown is holiness,
His scepter, pity in distress.

O blest the land, the city blest,
where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes
to whom this King in triumph comes!

So come, my Sov'reign, and enter in!
Let new and noble life begin!
Thy Holy Spirit, now guide us on,
until the glorious crown be won.

The New Testament Reading

Matthew 21:1-11

We Receive God's Word

Mr. Wesley Rule

WHY WE NEED THE RISEN KING
"The King Enters His City"

Triumphal Entry



See from Beth - a - ny ad - vanc - ing joy - ful throngs by Je -
Now the sac - red gates are lift - ed, Zi - on's King is pass -
From His low - ly tomb are roll - ing sol - id rock and morn -



sus led; loud ho - san - nas rend the hea - vens,
ing through; all the glo - ry of the ci - ty
ing sun; o'er the realm of death vic - tor - ious,



gar - ments rich His path - way spread. Shout, ye saints, your tri - umph sing,
and the tem - ple rise to view. Zi - on, shout, your Sav - ior own,
Christ, the ris - en Lord, has come. Shout, ye ran - somed, prais - es sing,



shout, ye saints, your tri - umph sing, shout, ye
Zi - on, shout, your Sav - ior own, Zi - on,
shout, ye ran - somed, prais - es sing, shout, ye



saints, your tri - umph sing, bless - ed is the com - ing King!
shout, your Sav - ior own, Dav - id's Son, on Dav - id's throne!
ran - somed, prais - es sing, Christ, the ris - en Lord, is King!

Words by Dwight M. Pratt; edited by Samuel W. Adriansce, 1888. Music by Laura Taylor. © 2001 Laura Taylor Music. Adapted by Mike Murphy, 2017.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Midweek at Highlands continues this Wednesday, March 27. Please see pages 7-8 for the dinner menu and Adult study topics.

Children's Processional and Special Music: During the 10:50 service today, our children (Pre-K4 through 5th grade) will process into the sanctuary and lead us in the Gathering Song and Preparation for Worship. Sunday School teachers will escort the children to the sanctuary at 10:30 for a rehearsal. They will be dismissed to their parents following the Preparation for Worship.

March 29: Good Friday service, 6:30 p.m. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated. A nursery is available for children 3 and under.

March 31: Easter Sunday. Worship services at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Sunday School at 9:45.

Good News Club Easter Egg Hunt: Volunteers are needed to help with the Canton Good News Club Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday, March 30 from 10:30 a.m. until noon. The festivities will be held at the Joe Prichard Homes at 925 George Washington Avenue in Canton. Please contact Andy or Terry Sensing for more information or to volunteer.

Save the Date!

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

Our annual picnic (5 until 7 p.m.) will feature Calvin's barbecue and music by the Mississippi Swing Band.

June 3-7: Vacation Bible School

PLEASE HELP US GREET ON SUNDAY MORNINGS! A warm, friendly welcome is a gift to members and guests alike. Greeters serve 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, by using the QR code.



Greeting Ministry

Midweek at Highlands continues this Wednesday, March 27!

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 smoked chicken, roasted potatoes, green beans, Texas toast, and pecan pie. A grilled chicken salad is also available as a meal. A kid's meal includes pizza, veggies, 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 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.

Andy Hofferger - March 20

Brad Madden - March 27

Michael Hawkins - April 3

Thomas Gandy - April 10

Laurie Nordan - April 17

Larnie Shinnick - April 24

"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
“Twelve Ordinary Men” by John MacArthur

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 17, 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.

General Fund Budget through March 31, 2024 \$450,236

General Fund giving received through 3/17/24 \$350,840



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.

Interim Director of Student Ministries: Steve Weeks · sweeks@highlandspca.org

JrHi Ministry Coordinator: Joel Blackmon · joel@highlandspca.org

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

Adult Sunday School

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

College

Current College Students

Leaders: Jim Brown and Chuck McBride

Room 212

Young Adults

Adults in their 20s

Leaders: Gabe May and Wesley Rule

Room 118

Lighthouse

Adults in their 30s

Leader: Michael Hawkins

Room 209

The Refuge

Adults in their 30s-40s

Leader: Scott Jones

Room 301

Covenant

Adults in their 40s-50s

Leaders: Clark Robinson and Thomas Gandy

Room 210

Seekers

Adults in their 50s-60s

Leaders: Kevin Russell and John Nordan

Room 211

Crossroads

Adults 60+

Leader: Charlie Saums

Fellowship Hall

Easter 2024

WHY WE NEED THE RISEN KING

a King of Glory, Grief, and Gladness

Palm Sunday
8:30 & 10:50am

Good Friday
6:30pm

Easter Sunday
8:30 & 10:50am