

This Week at Highland

Sunday, October 27

WINGS Fall Retreat ends

- 9:30 Sunday School and Adult Ed
- 11:00 Sunday Worship
- 1:30 Highland Ringers
- 5:00 Middle School Youth – Burns Center
- 6:30 High School Youth – Burns Center

Monday, October 28

- 12:30 Staff Meeting
- 7:00 Book Club – Memorial Lounge

Tuesday, October 29

- 10:00 STITCH

Wednesday, October 30

- 1:00 Ministerial Staff Meeting
- 6:00 Children's Music Ministry

Thursday, October 31/Halloween

- 10:00 STITCH
- 10:00 We of the World (WOW) – Zoom

Friday, November 1

High School Fall Retreat begins

Sunday, November 3/All Saints Sunday

- High School Fall Retreat ends*
- 9:30 Sunday School and Adult Ed
- 11:00 Sunday Worship
- 12:00 Roots
- 1:30 Highland Ringers
- 5:00 Middle School Youth – Burns Center

Ministerial Staff

Rev. C. Nolan Huizenga, Pastor and Head of Staff
Rev. Megan McCarty, Associate Pastor for Mission and Membership
Rev. Adrian White, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults
Amy Bishop, Director of Ministry with Children and Families
Dr. Vini Frizzo, Director of Music Ministries
Dr. Brian Allred, Organist
Rev. Dr. Cynthia Campbell, Parish Associate and Pastor Emerita (2013-2020)



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HIGHLAND

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Reformation Sunday • October 27, 2024 • 11:00am

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome and Announcements

Adrian White

Prelude -

Amy Pauw and Kim Johnson, flute

† Gathering Words

Paul Troy

God the encourager, God the compassionate,
God the merciful, holy, blessed:

Disturb us. Rouse us from our sleep.

Lift us into awareness of your presence.

Change us, move us, shape us for the better,

that at the sound of your voice,

at the call of our name,

we will never be the same.

May worship do this in us and so much more,
in the name of Jesus.

† Hymn 23 - God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

PLEADING SAVIOR

Prayer of Confession

You know us, God. You understand who we are.

You know what troubles and puzzles us,

what makes us smile and what makes us sad.

You listen to our questions and our prayers.

You know the people we love, God, and the people we struggle with.

Sometimes we hurt others; sometimes we hurt ourselves.

So we bring our own hurt, asking for your healing,

and we bring the hurt we have caused others,

asking for forgiveness.

(silent prayer) Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

God's grace, revealed in person by Jesus Christ,
forgives, heals, and transforms us,
and renews the earth and all creatures.

**We are freed and equipped to join in Christ's ministry —
thanks be to God!**

† Please rise in body or spirit

Kitchen Update - Phooey! Our kitchen renovation is delayed. Lots of progress has already been made, but we have run into a few glitches which are not atypical for a big renovation. The appliances should be in sometime in November and the carpet tile for the dining room will be delivered soon after that. We continue to plan and hold events as we can, but our celebrations are often not of the quality that we would prefer. Under the leadership of the Deacons, many people have contributed food and helped with funeral receptions for which we are VERY grateful. We appreciate your flexibility and patience as we juggle with the lack of ovens/stoves, running water, dishwashing efforts, ice makers and the like. We will get there!

Thanks to everyone who helps WOW help refugee children. Every week WOW provides clothing and toys for 12 to 15 children who arrived at Kentucky Refugee Ministries with very little from home. We still need small toys, clothing and Amazon or Walmart gift cards - or financial donations - we can use to buy new socks and underwear for each child. If you have things your children have outgrown, please leave them in the WOW bin in the Fellowship Hall or at Linda Raymond Ellison's home, 502-458-7445.

Lost and Found - Now that cooler weather is here, are you looking for your coat or favorite sweater? It could be among the collection of outerwear in the closets near the Fellowship Hall. Over the next few weeks please stop by to see if anything there is yours. All unclaimed and unlabeled items will be donated to KRM in mid-November.

Cover: Banner representing the *Confession of 1967*, designed by Richard K. Avery and Donald S. Marsh. Symbols include:

THE BLUE, THE RED AND THE GOLD – Colors of the official seal of The United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

THE GOLDEN, DOWN-REACHING HAND (REPEATED FROM THE NICENE BANNER) – God, relating to God's world.

THE CROWN (REPEATED FROM THE WESTMINSTER BANNER) AND THE NAIL-SCARRED HAND – The death and victory of Christ as he reconciles the world.

THE FOUR HANDS OF DIFFERENT COLORS, THE CLASPED HANDS, AND THE GREEN CIRCLE – The reconciled world at the foot of the cross — God's act of reconciliation being the starting point and theme of the *Confession of 1967*.

THE STARS AND PLANETS ON THE BLUE BACKGROUND – The Space-Age setting of this Confession.



Daylight saving time ends
turn the clocks back

This week, please include the following people in your daily prayers: Dan Arbough, Shana Funk, Don Seeger, Christina Davis, George Carter, Bill Wolfe, Mary Bealmear, Rosemary Robertson, Jan Ward, Communities of Bellewood & Brooklawn, and members of sibling congregation Grace Hope Presbyterian Church.

Announcements

The flowers today are given in memory of Stella Cotton Grise.

The peace cranes are aloft in the sanctuary! (And more are to come!) Thank you to the many folks who folded, strung, and hung the cranes over the past few months. We hope that in the weeks to come, our diverse flock of peace cranes can help draw us into awareness that the Prince of Peace unites us in faith and in life.

October Book Club meets at 7pm on the 28th in Memorial Lounge. We are reading our very own member Gerald Toner's book *The Christmas Turkeys*. The book is suitable for all ages. So make it a family event and read it together! Copies are available for \$15.00 in the church office. Bring your book to Book Club and Gerry will autograph it. Any questions contact Patti Pinkley at 502.419.1003 or patti.pinkley@gmail.com. Hope to see you on Monday the 28th.

Attention Bridge Players: Highland hosts bridge on the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm. If you would like to be included on our player list, please contact Patti Pinkley at patti.pinkley@gmail.com or 502.419.1003. We will meet **November 7 at 1:00pm.**

WINGS - meets **Monday, November 11 at 6:30 pm.** All women of the church are invited! Contact Kathy O'Hearn at kathyreed330@gmail.com for more information.

HPC Pub Night - A group will be gathering **Tuesday, November 12, at 7:00pm** for a beverage and some good conversation at TEN20 Craft Brewery at 1020 E. Washington St. Come join us. No agenda, just conversation in good company. All are welcome. If you would like to be added to the list for announcements about the upcoming HPC pub nights, please email Ralph Bowling at ralbow87@gmail.com.

Walk Humbly is our Advent Series of four 9:30 Sunday morning discussions, beginning December 1. The series will be led by one of the authors, Amy Pauw, professor at the Louisville Seminary. This is another in the same series as Forgive (Adult Education selection in May). In order to have enough booklets available, please contact Kathleen Poole (kathleen.poole@hpclouisville.org) by Sunday November 11th to reserve your copy.

Want to enhance your appreciation of Sunday sermons? Drop in to the Feasting on the Word adult ed class! Each week we study and discuss the scripture passage on which the sermon is based. Brief readings are sent to participants in advance. This fall sermons will have an overarching theme of Unity. Come explore many dimensions of unity in faith each Sunday morning at 9:30 in the Session Room in the Pleune-Mobley Building (entrance on Highland Ave). Contact Kathleen Poole (kathleen.poole@hpclouisville.org) to be added to the email list.

† Passing the Peace of Christ
The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with Young Disciples Amy Bishop
Hymn 752 - Dona Nobis Pacem
All children are invited to come forward while we sing. Children kindergarten and younger are invited to the nursery following Time with Young Disciples.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture Reading Joshua 5:9-12 (page 197)

† Hymn 74 - When God Restored Our Common Life (Psalm 126) RESIGNATION
Stanza 1: Karen Crow, solo; Stanzas 2-3: All

New Testament Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (page 181)

Sermon Nolan Huizenga

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

† Hymn 774 - There Is Now a New Creation STUTTGART

† Affirmation of Faith from *Confession of 1967*
In each time and place, there are particular problems and crises through which God calls the church to act. The church, guided by the Spirit, humbled by its own complicity, seeks to discern the will of God and learn how to obey in these concrete situations.

God has created the peoples of the earth to be one universal family. In God's reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between siblings and breaks down every form of discrimination.

God's reconciliation in Jesus Christ is the ground of the peace, justice, and freedom among nations. The church is called to practice the forgiveness of enemies and to commend to the nations as practical politics the search for cooperation and peace.

The reconciliation of the world through Jesus Christ makes it plain that enslaving poverty in a world of abundance is an intolerable violation of God's good creation. The church encourages those forces in human society that raise human hopes for better conditions and provide opportunities for a decent living.

Invitation to Generosity and Stewardship



Jim Crowley

Anthem - Come Dwell in Solomon's Walls

Chancel Choir

Z. Randall Stroope

† Doxology 300

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

All praise to the Maker, from whom all things come,

and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,

and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;

yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Welcome of New Members and the Lord's Prayer

Megan McCarty

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

† Hymn 127 - Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT

† Charge and Benediction

Postlude - A Mighty Fortress is Our God

arr. D. Bish

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Welcome to Highland Presbyterian Church

Welcome to Highland Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you have joined us in worship today. Whether you are visiting for the first time, haven't attended in a long time, or are a long time member, your presence is a gift to us. All are welcome in worship and at the table of communion. We hope your experience is meaningful and relevant among this church community. If you are new here, please sign the red friendship pad and include some contact information so we can make you feel more welcome following the service.

Highland Presbyterian Church is a PC(USA) **More Light** Congregation, a **Matthew 25** Congregation, and an **Earth Care** Congregation. For more information about these commitments, please visit our website at www.hpclouisville.org.

We're committed to inclusivity. The congregation of Highland Presbyterian Church affirms the worth and dignity of all people. We are all created in God's image, and in Christ we are the children of God. Just as Jesus welcomed everyone into his fellowship, including those who traditionally had been marginalized, we welcome all people to our congregation regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, income, or political beliefs. All are invited to worship, serve, and participate fully in the life and ministry of Highland. We strive to fully embrace everyone and acknowledge our humanity even as we fall short of this desire. Living out our Christian calling, we celebrate the presence, gifts, and companionship of all as we experience this journey of faith together.

Large print bulletins (including hymns) and hearing enhancement devices are available. If you would like either, please ask an usher.

Children's bulletins and Bibles for beginning readers are available on the rack at the back of the sanctuary.

Our Nursery is on the second floor — to get there walk through Fellowship Hall and go up the stairs near Memorial Lounge. Children ages 3 and younger are invited (not required!) to enjoy that caring space. Children kindergarten and younger are invited to this space following the Time with Young Disciples and will return during the final hymn.

Be a part of Highland Presbyterian Church's Music Ministry! We have a strong spiritual connection with music and would love for you to be a part of the music at Highland. **Children's Music Ministry** (4-year-old to 5th grade) meets on Wednesdays at 6pm. **Chancel Choir** rehearses on Thursdays at 6:30pm and **Highland Ringers** (bell choir) on Sundays at 1:30. Do you play an instrument? **HPC Orchestra** is always looking for players. Contact Vini Frizzo if you have any questions: vini.frizzo@hpclouisville.org.