

Special thanks to Director Ann Pearce and the HUMRingings for their music today.

Helen Cook and Margaret Simkus give the altar flowers today to the glory of God and in honor of Martha and John Robinson.

Attendance: January 21, 2018

8:30am: 78 10:30am: 129 11:00am: 138 **Total: 342**

SCRIPTURE READERS: 8:30: Ryan Keith; 11:00: Jane Gray
AUDIO: 8:30: Byron Baird; 11:00: Hal Barnes
PRAYER ROOM: 8:30: George Hedrick; 11:00: Linda Cooksey
COMMUNION SERVER: 8:30: Norm Childs
ACOLYTE : Caroline Crouse

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Highland United Methodist Church

January 28, 2018 - Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

8:30 AM Traditional Worship 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship
9:20 AM Sunday School

We are an inviting family of faith seeking to love, serve, and share Christ in our community and the world.

*We welcome our guests today. You honor us with your presence. Please sign the fellowship pad on each pew, and turn all electronic devices to silent mode. On Facebook? Check in at Highland this morning. Children are always welcome in our worship services. Nursery care for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers is also available downstairs in Room 107. *If you are able, please stand for this part of the service.*

PRELUDE	“Down in the River to Pray” HUMRingings	Behnke
ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Charlie Baber
INTROIT	“Somebody’s Calling My Name” Highland Choir	Traditional Spiritual
*OPENING HYMN	“Guide Me, O Thy Great Jehovah” with introduction by HUMRingings	#127

OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

**Most holy God,
the earth is filled with your glory
and in your presence angels stand in awe.
Enlarge our vision,
that we may recognize your power at work in your Son
and join the apostles and prophets as heralds of your saving word.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen**

PSALTER Psalm 111 #832, response 2

ANTHEM "Blessed Is the Man" Marshall
Highland Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*THE PEACE

Following ancient Christian practice, we greet one another, offering reminders of Christ's peace. Please greet those around you saying, "The peace of Christ be with you," and responding, "And also with you."

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" Christ
HUMRingers with Marcia Nance, piano

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" #94
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH An Affirmation from 1 Timothy #889
There is one God
and there is one mediator, Christ Jesus,
who came as a ransom for all,
to whom we testify.
**This saying is sure
And worthy of full acceptance:
That Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners,
and was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated in the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed in throughout the world,
taken up in glory.
Great indeed is the mystery of the gospel. Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI #71

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
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 OF PREPARATION "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" # 371, vv.1,4,5

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 Common English Bible

*GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:21-28 Common English Bible

*SONG OF RESPONSE "Open My Eyes" #454
**Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

SERMON God, Your Voice Is So Awful Rev. Dr. Alan Swartz

*CLOSING HYMN "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" #365

*SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

Following the dismissal, the congregation is asked to remain standing for the chimes before departing the sanctuary.

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Search Me, O God" Pote

*POSTLUDE "Trumpet Voluntary in D" Purcell