*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION "I Come With Joy"

#617 v.5

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, And as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise, we'll live and speak his praise.

*POSTLUDE "Finale" Lemmens

Sherlene and Marvin Beute give the altar flowers in honor and celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary.

Sympathy to Dee Maronpot and family upon the death of her brother Douglas Alan Stocker on October 31.

Attendance: November 4, 2018

8:30: 69; 10:30: 117; 11:00: 111 **Total: 297**

SCRIPTURE READERS: 8:30:Teresa Keith: 11:00: Children's Ministry

AUDIO: 8:30: Hal Barnes; 11:00: Richard Moore

PRAYER ROOM: 8:30: Aaron Brothers; 11:00: Ola Mae and Charles Cimerro

COMMUNION SERVER: 8:30: Janine Wood

ACOLYTE: Lawson Cope

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Highland United Methodist Church

November 11, 2018 - 25th Sunday after Pentecost 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.

--- ENTRANCE AND PRAISE ---

We welcome our guests today. You honor us with your presence. Please sign the fellowship pad on your 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 "Now Thank We All Our God" Staszeski

ANNOUNCEMENTS Allison Morgan

INTROIT Introit on Darwell's 148th" Yates

*OPENING HYMN "Ye Servants of God" #181

*OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Let us pray:

What wonder, what glory, what power, what beauty we see all around us, God of Everything. And not only in the earth we share and the universe we explore, but also in the people who share this world - and this church - with us. Descend into our midst today. Inspire us so that we see the world and all people with your eyes. Inspire us through our worship and praise to become good stewards of all you have entrusted to us. This we pray, awed by your majesty, filled with your Spirit. Amen.

ANTHEM "How Firm a Foundation" Rippon

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

#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.

PSALTER Psalm 147 #859

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 Common English Bible

*SONG OF RESPONSE UMH 451, v. 1

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

SERMON The Commitment: Heart Giving Rev. Dr. Alan Swartz

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

#365

You are invited to bring your folded commitment card forward and leave it at the altar as you pray.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Adagio" Albinoni

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, 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!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Janet Baucom

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.

*CLOSING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

#378

#895

*SENDING FORTH WITH BLESSING

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