Sunday, May 21, 2023 - Anniversary Sunday

Greeters: Dave & Margie Stumpf, Phyllis Thompson, Fran Stefany, Kathy & Doug Hengst, Peggy & Dean Ehrhart
Ushers: Johnny Wood, David Levens, Donna Kinsey

The white rose recognizes and bears witness to the life and memory of Joan Beshore

The Chancel Flowers are Presented By:
Beth Terry, in memory of Dave Terry
Julie & Don Houseal, in honor of the baptism of Aiden Bryant Morgan

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Bell Prelude "How Beautiful" by Twila Paris, arr. T. Littleton

Welcome & Ministry Highlights Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Please sign and pass the "**Friendship Pad**" down the pew.*
At the end of the row, pass it back so that we can greet one another by name after the service.

Call to Worship (from Ephesians 2) Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: We are no longer foreigners and strangers,
People: But fellow citizens with God's people and also members of God's household,
Leader: Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
People: With Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.
Leader: In him the whole building is joined together
People: And rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.
Leader: And in him we, too, are being built together
People: to become a dwelling place in which the Spirit of God lives.
All: Let us worship the Living God!

* Opening Hymn #442 "The Church's One Foundation"

Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession — Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Almighty God, We are not meant to live life alone. We need You and the community of the church. Forgive us when we try to go it alone--when we think we can handle it all without any help. We need you and our brothers and sisters in Christ to live a faithful life. We need this church to remind us of the promises of the gospel. Help us to reach out to each other and to You remembering the tie that binds us together and the gift of this church for all generations. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon — Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful. He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Passing of the Peace — Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Leader: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Gloria Patri 579

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.

Baptism — Aiden Bryant Morgan — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Son of Meghan Marie Houseal & Terrell Anthony Major Morgan

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Teacher Appreciation Video

Presentation of Bibles — Jennifer Weitzel

Leader: Here is the Bible – the book of our faith. Learn its stories and study its words. Its stories belong to us all, and these words speak to us all. They tell us who we are. They tell us that we belong to one another, for we are the people of God.

Children: We receive these Bibles with our hands, our hearts, and our minds. We will read and study the Bible together.

People: We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your church school classes, and in our worship. We will learn together and grow in our love for God's stories.

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Dismissal to Sunday School

At this time, children through 6th grade are invited to attend Sunday School. Teachers are stationed at the main doors of the sanctuary and will walk the children to the children's classrooms in the Narthex. Parents/Guardians may pick up their children after the service in the classroom.

Choral Anthem "Credo" from *The Gospel Mass* by Robert Ray

Scripture Readings Psalm 100:4-5, Matthew 5:14-16

Message **"From Generation to Generation"** Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Reception of New Members

Litany of Thanksgiving for Highland Will Massey

Leader: We wait in hope for the Lord, our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in God's holy name.

People: May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, as we put our hope in you.

Leader: For the Church universal, and for this congregation of your people at Highland Presbyterian Church,

People: We give thanks to you, O God.

Leader: For this sanctuary and for all the places in which we have gathered for praise and prayer, song and silence, witness and service, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,

People: We rejoice in you, O God.

Leader: For your presence and Spirit among us, providing for this community through the proclamation of the Word and the sharing of bread and wine,

People: We give praise to you, O God.

Leader: For those who have been called children of God through your grace, who have been baptized in the name of the triune God, nurtured as disciples in this community, and called as members to all of the ministries of your Church,

People: We exalt your name, O God.

Leader: For Deacons, Elders, and pastors, who have led and loved us, and by the offering of their gifts have equipped us for the work of ministry,

People: We give thanks to you, O God.

Leader: For the gifts of the Spirit, which provide for our ministry of music, our ministries of compassion, our fellowship with each other, our public witness, and the stewardship of our resources,

People: We rejoice in you, O God.

Leader: For all the saints who have stood among us, who have worshipped and served in this place, and whose memory still enlivens our faith and encourages our witness,

People: We give praise to you, O God.

Leader: For countless transformative relationships; with our neighbors, with mission partners in Lancaster and around the world, with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), with the Church Universal, with neighbors of other faiths, and with friends and loved ones who have encouraged us in our faith,

People: We exalt your name, O God.

All: Receive our gratitude, Holy God, for leading us in your path these 65 years. Open us to the future that you have promised and encourage us in the work of ministry, in seasons of uncertainty and in seasons of renewed hope. Give us such trust in your abiding Holy Spirit, that we may find joy and peace in our common life, strength and courage to proclaim your reign, and hope in the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Lord's Prayer — Will Massey

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.

Invitation to the Offering — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Wooden offering boxes are located in the narthex

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #369 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

* Charge and Benediction — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

* Congregational Response

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace;
I can hear the brush of angels' wings; I see glory in each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Postlude "I'll Fly Away" — arr. T. Waldrop

* Please Stand in Body or Spirit

Music: *Dr. Paul Thorlakson, Music Director*
Jonathan Lefever, organist
Highland Chancel Choir
Highland Bells, Daniel Droz, Director
A/V: Mark Anderson, Garrett Koleda, Gus Beaulieu

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