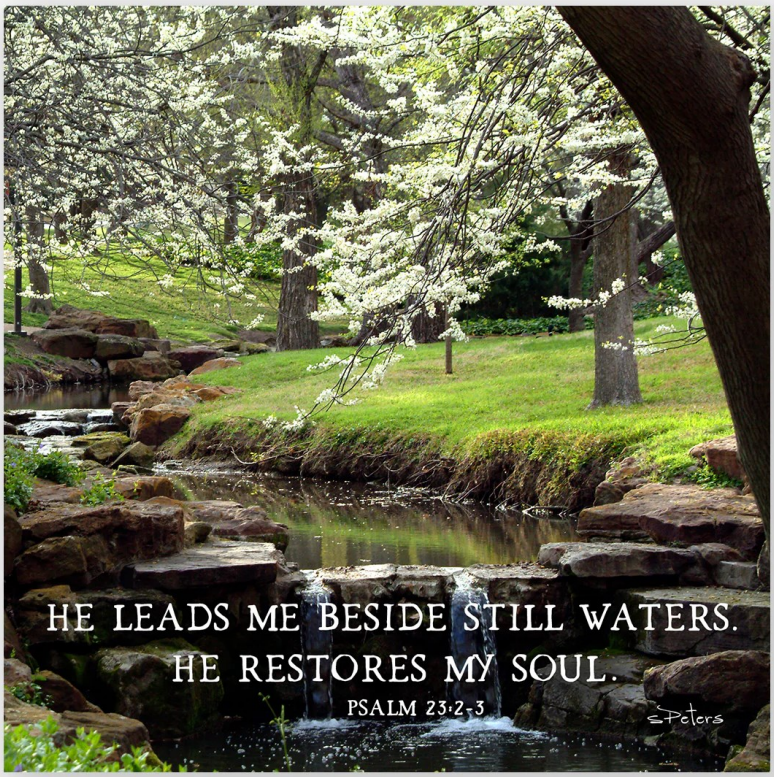
HIGHLAND
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH




# Sunday, June 4, 2023
# First Sunday After Pentecost

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures,
He leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.
He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**Psalm 23 (NIV)**

## - CONNECTING YOU WITH CHRIST AND COMMUNITY -

**Greeters:** Glenda Burross, Judy & Bruce Schmoyer, Cindy Eidam, Joyce McClintock
**Ushers:** John & Gail Robinson, Henry & Wendy Hershey, Donna Kinsey

**The Chancel Flowers are Presented By:**
Vickie Kutz, in memory of Alice Goddard
Jerry & Carla Rothacker, in honor of their wedding anniversary
Joy Walker, in memory of Rev. T. Dennis Walker

## Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Choral Prelude "Acclamation" by Robert Ray

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 (based on Psalm 23) Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: We gather together in the presence of our Shepherd God,
**People: who calls us each by name,**
Leader: who restores our souls,
**People: who leads us in the way of righteousness,**
Leader: and whose goodness and love never stops pursuing us.
**People: This is our God!**
**All: Let us worship God together!**

* Opening Hymn #171 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

## Proclaiming God's Word

Prayer of Confession Will Massey

**Master, Savior, Shepherd, Messiah—we know you by many names, Lord. Your presence fills our lives. All that we are and all that we have comes from you. Everything that you do declares your love for us. Yet when we enter into the dark valleys, we wonder where you are. How quickly we forget that you are always with us. Dispel our gloom and despair. Change our garments of darkness into robes of dazzling light. Spread your table before us, and feed us from your provision. Anoint our heads with the oil of forgiveness and may our cups overflow with your grace. Lead us in the paths of righteousness, for it is in your name that we pray. Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison 572

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

Assurance of Pardon Will Massey

Leader: Sisters and brothers, our Lord Jesus Christ carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and alive to all that is good. By his wounds we are healed! Once we were like sheep who wandered away. But now we have returned to our Shepherd, the Guardian of our souls. Thanks be to God! Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

Passing of the Peace — Will Massey

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.**

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.*

Recognition of Graduates — Will Massey

Scripture Readings — Psalm 23

Message — **"Praying For Comfort"** — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

## Responding to God's Word

Invitation To The Lord's Table — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Words of Institution — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer — Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

**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.**

Distribution of Elements

*It is our custom at Highland to eat the bread, representing your individual relationship with God. However, please hold the cup until all are able to partake together, representing our relationship as the body of Christ.*

Prayer After Communion — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Invitation to the Offering — Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Wooden offering boxes are located in the Narthex*

## Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn #423 — "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

Ordination and Installation of Officers — Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

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.**

Prayer and Laying on of Hands

* 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

* Please Stand in Body or Spirit

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

*A description of the stained Chancel window can be found in the front of the hymnal.*
**FM sound devices are available.** Please ask an usher for your own personal receiver.
**Cell Phones** should be silenced during the worship service.
**Video Recordings** of the service can be found on the Highland website at www.HighlandPC.org

*In the event of an emergency, please refer to the card in the pew racks for evacuation and re-assembly information.*