



Sunday, October 27, 2024

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Psalm 46 (NRSVUE)

"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Matthew 11:28-30 (NRSVUE)

- Highland, A Place to be Seen, Known, and Loved-

Greeters: Denny Davish, Phyllis Thompson, Marilyn Sander, Tom & Gale Whitworth, Tom Stewart **Ushers:** Rita Simmers, David & Marion Drain, Trixi Ray, Joyce Shaffer, Fred Brown, Donna Kinsey

The Chancel Flowers are Presented By:

Her loving family, in honor of Marjorie Mann's 90 birthday
Linda Matthews, in memory of her parents
Amy Roe, in memory of loved ones of the Grubbs and Roe families
Wendell Stockdale, Sr., in memory of Wendell Stockdale, Jr.

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Bell Prelude "How Beautiful" arr. L. 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.

Minute for Mission - Giving Tree

John Herr

*Call to Worship Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: God is our refuge and our strength, **People: A very present help in trouble.**

Leader: Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change, **People: Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea.**

Leader: Be still and know that the Lord is God.

People: The Lord of hosts is with us. The God of Jacob is our refuge.

*Opening Hymn #361

"How Firm A Foundation"

Children's Dismissal to Sunday School

At this time, children 5th grade and under 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.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Lord, we confess that the idea of a well-fitting yoke is unimaginable. We do not know how to rest in the promise of your light burden. We are weary of unceasing responsibility and neverending commitments, but we seek rest in fleeting comforts. Forgive our blind strife and our purposeless haste. Make yourself known to us in the slow rhythms of life. 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: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. 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.

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading Psalm 46

Response to the Word Be still and know that I am God (repeat 4 times)

Sung twice, first by the choir and then by all

Scripture Reading Matthew 11:28-30

Message "Take It Slow" Rev. Matt Drumheller

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering Averrill Good

Offertory "Sanctus" by C. Courtney

Sanctus, Sanctus, Holy, Holy, Holy, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Lord God of Hosts. Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Full are heaven and earth of thy Glory.

Hosanna in excelsis. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Dedication Rev. Matt Drumheller

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Prayers of the People, 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 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.

Going in God's Name

* Closing Hymn "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

* Charge and Benediction Rev. Matt Drumheller

*Choral Benediction "Dona Nobis Pacem" arr. M. L. Tucker

Postlude

*Please Stand in Body or Spirit Music: Dr. Paul Thorlakson, Director of Music JONATHAN LEFEVER, ORGANIST Daniel Droz, Bell Choir Director

Please be advised that services are recorded and you may be incidentally captured on video as part of the recording of the service. The back of the right side of the sanctuary as you enter is out of the range of the camera.

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