



Sunday, August 24, 2025

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

—Luke 24:13-35 NRSVUE

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

Greeters: Marty & Jack Hynd, Sue & Jim Hess, Sara Woodbury, Bob Ganse, Phyllis Thompson

Ushers: Matt Allen, Bev Campbell, Howard McIntyre, Mike Eyster, Kay Houghton, John Wolfe, Johnny Wood

Welcome Center Hosts: Linda Edwards and Lois Snyder

The Chancel Flowers are presented by:

Shelby & Jack Snyder in honor of our daughters Laura and Megan

Gathering in God's Name

Prelude

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 66)

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: **Worship the Lord with gladness.**

Leader: Come into God's presence with singing.

People: **Come into God's holy courts with praise.**

*Hymn #442

The Church's One Foundation

Silent Prayer of Confession

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy, you come alongside us on our journey, and yet sometimes we fail to acknowledge you. We overlook your blessings. We forget your abiding presence in our lives. We walk through life with our eyes focused on disappointment and despair. Lift up our hearts and fix our eyes on you, the author and perfecter of our faith. Enable us to come alongside others as you come alongside us...to be seen, known, and loved. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison #572

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

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Matt Drumheller

Leader: Our God sees all, knows all, forgives all, restores all through our Lord Jesus Christ. No one who believes in him will be put to shame, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

*Passing of the Peace

Rev. Matt Drumheller

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 Theodore Jacob Caprino, son of Mike & Katie Caprino Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Apostles' Creed

Baptismal Hymn *Baptized in Water*

Children's Blessing Sarah Hostetter

Children: God be with you here.

Congregation: God be with you there.

Proclaiming God's Word

Song of Illumination *Spirit of the Living God*

Scripture Reading Luke 24:13-35 Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Sermon "Coming Alongside" Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering and Prayer of Dedication Rev. Matt Drumheller

Offertory *We are God's People*
Bryan Jeffrey Leach

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

**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

*Hymn #438 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

*Charge and Benediction Rev. Allison Beaulieu

*Benediction Response

Postlude

*PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT

*ORGANIST: JONATHAN LEFEVER
A/V: GUS BEAULIEU AND KEN OSBORNE*

2025 SOFTBALL SEASON



The 2025 softball season wrapped for Highland on 7/29 and culminated with a division 2 championship win. The regular season had its ups and downs and saw the team finish with a 4-8 record which was 7th out of 8 teams in the league. Being the 2nd lowest seed in the double elimination playoffs, Highland caught fire and went 4-1. 3 of the games, including the championship, were won by 10 runs. The most memorable moment of the season came in the 3rd playoff game against St. Peter's. It was the bottom of the final inning and Highland was down 9-7 with two outs and the bases loaded. Facing elimination, the team hit a bases clearing, walk-off triple to win the game 10-9. Highland then went on to defeat Manor BIC in back to back games 13-3 and 18-8 to secure the championship.

Quotes from the team:

"It's such a great experience to get out there and play every Tuesday and Thursday. We had an amazing group who really became like a family by the end of the season. I hope to get more Highland members involved and playing next year!" —Brian Summersgill

"I look forward to playing for Highland softball every year! Our team is a great group of players who bring such fun energy and teamwork to each game. I enjoy being able to play the sport I love with Highland." —Emily Rineer

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