



Joy in Christ
A STUDY IN PHILIPPIANS

Sunday, May 3, 2026

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

- Philippians 3:4-14 (NRSVUE)

Highland: A Place to be Seen, Known, & Loved

Greeters: Mary Ellen Cantrell, Darla & Jack McKim, Joanna Roth, Dianna Bock, Lois Miller

Ushers: Rita Simmers, Gary & Sandy Cross, Henry & Wendy Hershey, Chrispina Giliberti, Joyce Shaffer, Fred Brown

Welcome Center: Linda Edwards and Pat Walters

The chancel flowers are presented by:

Abigail Martin — In memory of Maeve Adalaine Holohan

Wendy Hershey and her sons, Grant & Brad — In honor of Henry Hershey's birthday

Gathering in God's Name

Chimes

Prelude

If I Take the Wings of the Morning
Valerie W. Stephenson

Highland Bells

Welcome & Ministry Highlights

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Minute for Mission

Adopt a Grandparent

Kristen Bransby

*Call to Worship

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Leader: We come not trusting in our own righteousness,

People: But in the surpassing grace of Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: We lay down all that once defined us,

People: and press on toward the goal of life in Him.

*Hymn #339

Be Thou My Vision

Children's Blessing

Sarah Hostetter

Leader: God be with you here.

People: God be with you there.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Sarah Hostetter

Prayer of Confession

Sarah Hostetter

Merciful God, we confess that we place our confidence in the wrong things. We trust in our accomplishments, our reputations, and our striving, believing they can make us right in your sight. We cling to what cannot save us and resist the grace you freely give. Forgive us, we pray. Reorient our hearts toward Christ alone, that we may be found in him — not having a righteousness of our own, but one that comes through faith. Free us from striving, and lead us into joyful obedience and gratitude; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison #572

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

Assurance of Pardon

Sarah Hostetter

Leader: Hear the good news: We are found in Christ, not having a righteousness of our own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ—the righteousness from God based on faith. Friends, believe the good news...

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Sarah Hostetter

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.

**Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:4-14

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Sermon

"Joy in Righteousness"

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Dr. Bob Burns

Offertory Anthem

Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee
Kay Hawkes Goodyear

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Ken 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.

Words of Institution

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Distribution of Elements

It's our custom at Highland to eat the bread upon receiving it, representing your individual relationship with God. However, please hold the cup until all are served, representing our relationship as the body of Christ. (Note: The bread in the center of the tray is gluten-free).

Communion Anthem

Cello Sonata in G Minor (Movement 1)
Frédéric Chopin

Gus Beaulieu,
Carter Burkholder

Prayer After Communion

Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

Going in God's Name

*Hymn #365

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Allison Beaulieu

Postlude

Because He Lives
arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

Highland Bells

**Please stand in body or spirit*



Music

Jonathan Lefever, Interim Music Director & Organist
Highland Chancel Choir
Dr. Daniel Droz, Bell Choir Director

A/V

Gus Beaulieu & Jerry Rothacker

Prayer List

In Memory

The family of Naomi Bryson	The family of Peg Hoerner
The family of John Bair	The family of Luther Heiser
The family of Walt Offermann	The family of Ruth Doutrich

In Prayer

Kenneth Snyder	Nancy Zollman
John Wolfe	The Hood family
Joanne Markley	June Good (mom of Doug Good)
Phyllis Miller	Wayne Rogers (friend of Jennifer Winter)
Betty Heathcote	Molly Blevins (sister of Jennifer Winter)

Pastor on Call

May 4 - May 10
Rev. Dr. Ann Osborne

If you or a family member are in the hospital and would like a visit from a pastor or hospital visitor, please contact the church office.

View Our Online Services

Worship services are livestreamed at 10 am on Sunday mornings. To view our online services, visit us at www.youtube.com/HighlandPresbyterian, or:

- Go to www.youtube.com and search **Highland Presbyterian Church**.
- Click the photo of Highland that appears at the top of the search results.
- On this page, you will find all of our weekly services by date.

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.

Giving

To give, you can:

- Mail your contributions to the church office.
- Go to www.highlandpc.org and select the "Give Now" button in the upper right-hand corner. The website will walk you through how to give using your credit or debit card.
- Scan the QR code and it will take you to the online giving page of our website.



If you have general questions, please contact the church office at 717-569-2651.

- 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.
- **Cellphones** should be silenced during the worship service.

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