

(As you prepare for worship, please turn off all cell phones and beepers.)

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

†Prelude Praeludium und Fuge in F Major V. Lubeck

### †Call To Worship

“Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.  
Come Christians, follow where our Savior trod,  
The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.”

Presenting the Word Denise Flanagan

†Prayer of Invocation & Lord's Prayer (Page 16 in the Blue Hymnal)

†Hymn #388 “O Jesus, I Have Promised” ANGEL'S STORY

### Words of Welcome

### Call to Confession

When we come into the holy presence of God, our own humanity is laid bare. When we stand in the living presence of truth, our own falsehood is revealed. People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and ask our ever-present God to forgive us.

### Prayer of Confession - UNISON

**Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your loving-kindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence, or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of Your salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit. Amen.**

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

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God would not call us to confession if there was not a promise of grace. God would not seed our turning if there was not the possibility of renewal.

People: **In the love of Jesus Christ and through the gift of the Holy Spirit, God brings forgiveness and restoration.**

All: **Live in peace; live as God's new creation.**

†Gloria Patri Hymn #572

**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, Amen.**

Words With Our Young Church (11:00) Cathy Wilson

**Response: All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small  
all things wise and wonderful: The Lord God made them all.**

### Pastoral Prayer

Anthem “In Remembrance” Red  
Chancel Choir

†Doxology “Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above Ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

†Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Exodus 20:16; James 3-13

Sermon Beware of False Witness  
Dr. Ernie Johnson

### Sacrament of Holy Communion (11:00)

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' 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.

The Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Administration of the Elements

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Loving God: with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, You have freed us. May we be strengthened in Your service; may we sing of Your glory and truth; and may we see You face to face in Your Kingdom. For You have made us Your people by the life-giving power of Your Spirit, and the death and resurrection of Your Son, in Whose name we pray. Amen.

(For those who are allergic to wheat, gluten free communion bread is available at the communion table. Please feel free to come up by one of the side choir loft doors to be served.)

†Hymn #392 “Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”  
HALL

†Benediction

†Congregational Response

**“Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:  
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.”**

†Postlude Trompette Prelude J. Kimball

†All who are able, please stand

### Worship Leaders

Dr. Ernie Johnson  
The Rev. Chip Stapleton  
Dr. Ewart “Doc” Wyle  
Cathy Wilson, Director of Music Ministries  
Earlene McLamb, Organist

#### Worship July 26

Greeters Denise Flanagan  
& Don Gaylord

Acolyte Glenn Cameron

Sound Louis Cox

#### Worship August 2

Greeters Glenn Jernigan  
& Jim Keener

Acolyte MacLain Birch

Sound Tim Parnell

### Sunday Nursery

Our nursery is available every Sunday to care for children while their parents attend the 8:45 Worship Service, Second Mile, Sunday School and/or the 11:00 Worship Service.

### CONGREGATIONAL DEVOTIONS

“A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold. Rich and poor have this in common, the Lord God made them all.”  
Proverbs 22:1-2

A good name comes from being of good character; it is the fruit of doing for others. Living the life of a Christian brings rewards that are more precious, enduring and powerful than physical rewards. All Christians in all walks of life are wonderfully made by the hand of God; He equips us in different ways to serve Him.

We are to be like Peter, rocks of faith, strong in our beliefs and values. We are reassured by Psalm 125, that as the mountains surround Jerusalem so God surrounds us with His protective arms. Evil all around us but cannot break through that circle of love. We gain strength through prayer, study and fellowship.

In Romans 15:1 Paul says that we who are strong should be able to bear the failures of the weak and in verses 5-6 he adds, “May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Jesus Christ so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ.”

Carol Ivey



Mae Smith  
Nancy Sappenfield  
Deanna Guy  
Lacy Hair  
Katharine McNeill  
(mission to Mexico)

James Chavis  
Natalie Griffin  
(Darlene Day's Sister)  
Marie Smith  
Becky White

Chapel Hill  
Doris Brisson  
Linda Lee Allan



Michael Johnson - Afghanistan  
(and wife Amanda)

Ben Fortenberry - Iraq  
Mike Kaloostian - Iraq  
(and wife Leslie)

CW4 John M. Tew - Afghanistan  
(son of Joan & Jeff Miller)

Riley Secrest - Afghanistan  
(Grandson of Bryan & Betty Sue Carr)

James W. Smith - Afghanistan  
(Son of Jane & Iverson Smith  
Grandson of Mary McMillan)

## Greetings from Highland Presbyterian Church

Good morning and welcome to Highland Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here and if you're visiting we pray you will return often and that you will consider joining us here in ministry and service. Highland is a caring family of all ages. Children and families are special to us and this is a great place to make new friends and to grow in Christian discipleship. You can join Highland by Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; Reaffirmation of Faith if you've already made Profession of Faith but have not been active in a church for some time; or by Transfer of Letter if you have been a member of another church and now want to join Highland. We do hope you will consider joining us here. Speak to any of the ministers or mark your wishes on the Friendship Pad and we will be in touch.

## Really, what does it mean?

### ? Glory Be to the Father ?

The *Gloria Patri*, so named for its first two words in *Latin*, is often called simply "the doxology". As well as praising God, the *Gloria Patri* has been regarded as a short declaration of faith in the co-equality of the three Persons of the Holy Trinity.

The Latin text,

*Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.*

is literally translated,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, and now, and always, to the ages of ages. Amen.



## Stewardship Report

as of 07-19-09

### Analysis of Pledges Due

Total Pledges Due	537,107
Total Pledges Recvd	484,597
Shortage	52,510
% of Pledges Due That Have Been Recvd	90%

### General Funds Contributions

Total Contributions Budgeted	524,458
Total Contributions Received	538,741
Overage	14,283
% of Budgeted Contributions Recvd	103%

Give generously!

## Our Christian love is expressed to:

**Bailey & Zane Evans**  
on the death of  
their father  
**Robert Bailey Evans**  
July 17, 2009

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."  
Psalm 116:15

## Lunch with God

There once was a little boy who wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his suitcase with Twinkies and a six-pack of root beer, and he started his journey.

When he had gone about three blocks, he met an old woman. She was sitting in the park just staring at some pigeons. The boy sat down next to her and opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed that the old lady looked hungry so he offered her a Twinkie. She gratefully accepted it and smiled at him. Her smile was so pretty that the boy wanted to see it again, so he offered her a root beer. Once again, she smiled at him. The boy was delighted! They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they never said a word.

As it grew dark, the boy realized how tired he was and he got up to leave but before he had gone more than a few steps; he turned around, ran back to the old woman, and gave her a hug. She gave him her biggest smile ever. When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I had lunch with God." But before his mother could respond, he added, "You know what? She's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!"

Meanwhile, the old woman, also radiant with joy, returned to her home. Her son was stunned by the look of peace on her face and he asked, "Mother, what did you do today that made you so happy?" She replied, "I ate Twinkies in the park with God." But before her son responded, she added, "You know, he's much younger than I expected."

Too often we under estimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. People come into our lives for a reason, a season, or a lifetime. Embrace all equally!



Sun., Jul. 26

Communion Sunday

8:45am Worship Service - Chapel

11:00am Worship Service - Sanctuary

6:00pm 2nd Mile Service - Fellowship Hall

Mon., Jul. 27

6:30pm AA Mtg - John M. Wilson Anteroom

Tues., Jul. 28

Wed., Jul. 29

Youth day at Doc's - meet at church first

Thurs., Jul. 30

6:30pm AA Mtg - John M. Wilson Anteroom

Fri., Jul. 31

Sat., Aug. 1

Sun., Aug. 2

8:45am Worship Service - Chapel

11:00am Worship Service - Sanctuary

6:00pm 2nd Mile Service - Fellowship Hall



Ava Mae Tackema  
July 16, 2009

Proud parents are  
Jenn & Mike Tackema.  
Welcome to the world, Ava!



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the Glory of God and in loving honor of  
**Bill & Ann Watts**  
on their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

Given by **Robin, Darren & Ashley Tinney**

## Making Disciples for Jesus Christ

Worship and news of  
our church family  
Highland Presbyterian Church  
July 26, 2009



## "Reaching the Goal for Christ"

"Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

All of us who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. Only let us live up to what we have already attained."

Philippians 3:12-16

Summer is quickly moving by us and we are gearing up for a "Fabulous Fall" at Highland.

Planning is underway for a variety of Bible Studies and classes on Wednesday nights. We will also offer classes on other days/nights during the week. More information will be coming so don't be caught "offsides" and miss being in-the-know!

Highland's "Goal" for 2009-2010 is to

"Keep"  
Growing  
Loving  
Nurturing  
Telling  
and Sharing

the Good Word to everyone!

What is your "Goal"?



Looking toward the  
New Year at Highland  
Bible Study  
Classes  
Fall Festival  
Turkey Day Meals

Advent Workshop  
Healthy Cooking  
Classes  
Lenten Lunches  
Easter