

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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

†Prelude Little Prelude and Fugue in G Major J. S. Bach

†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 Cathy Blackwell

Minute for Mission Scott Cameron and Rob Schob

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

†Hymn #145 “Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart” MARION

Words of Welcome

Call to Confession

“Come now, let us reason together,” says the Lord. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson they shall be like wool.” Let us together confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession - UNISON

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, Your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we forget Your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thought and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may we draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to You, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: **May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.**

†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) Martha Spires
**Response: This is my Father’s world, and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.**

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory “He’s Got the Whole World In His Hands” arr. M. Ham

†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

Anthem “I’ll Fly Away” Brumley
Chancel Choir

Scripture I Corinthians 15:12-28

Sermon “Time to Decide
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 #388 “O Jesus, I Have Promised” ANGEL’S STORY

†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 “All Hail the Power of Jesus Name” arr. G. Young
†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 August 30

Greeters Cathy Blackwell
& Greg Reames
Acolyte Wallace Cameron
Sound Tim Parnell

Worship September 6

Greeters Rob Schob
& Bonnie Speegle
Acolyte
Sound Clay Johnson

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

Mark 10:17-31

In today’s world, many of us are wealthy. In Jesus’ day, only a few were. In the verses from Mark, Jesus looks into the heart of a young man who wants to join Him. He tells the young man to sell all his goods and possessions, give them to the poor, and follow Him. The young man could not do it, he went away sad.

Jesus says it is hard for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God. The reason is simple, it is how they use their money. Too often wealth is the master and you are the servant.

Prayer: Lord, teach us the way of Jesus; to share, to love our fellow man, and to serve You.

Henry Hutaff



James Chavis Nancy Sappenfield
Eddie Day Deanna Guy
(Darlene Day’s Brother) Carole Goforth
Rev. Bob Snyder

CapeFear
Linda Allan



Michael Johnson - Afghanistan
(and wife Amanda)

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)

“Drops Like Stars”

A Night With Rob Bell

On Friday night, October 9th a group from Highland will be traveling to Charlotte to hear renowned pastor, speaker and author Rob Bell speak on his new book, ‘Drops like Stars’. Bells states that ‘The Drops Like Stars tour is a two Hour exploration of the endlessly complex relationship between suffering and creativity— And I’d love to see you there.’

We would love to see you come as well. We will be buying tickets (cost:\$16) in advance, so please let Chip or the office know ASAP – But no later than Sept.20th - if you are interested in going with us.

A few lines my friends...

to ask you to mark your calendars for Sunday, September 13th when we will have our fall kick-off of the new church year. We will have only ONE family worship service on that day followed by a covered-dish luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is asked to bring a casserole, salad, dessert, enough to feed your family and four others. The church will provide the fried chicken and drinks.

The day will begin in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 with special music by our 2nd Mile Praise Band and each of our Sunday School fellowship groups will share some exciting things about their class. We will also hear about children's Sunday School and what's in store for our youth on Sunday mornings. At 10:00 we will have Open House in all our classes and you can go and visit each one. If you are not yet a member or have not attended a Sunday morning class before, this is a great time to get acquainted with all that we have to offer.

At 11:00 we will have Celebration Worship in the Sanctuary, to be followed by the covered-dish luncheon. Make plans now to be a part of this very special Sunday for our Highland Family.

Your pastor and friend,

Wednesday Night Dinner/First Sunday Lunch Information



We wanted to inform everyone that prices for Wednesday Night Dinner and First Sunday Lunch have changed.

Wednesday Night: Adults \$6.00, children remain at \$3.50, cap of \$25.00
First Sunday Lunch: Adults \$9.00, children \$5.00, \cap of \$30.00

We thank everyone for their understanding and hope this does not cause any inconvenience.

Wednesday Night Dinners resume on September 2nd and First Sunday Lunch starts back on September 13th.

Stewardship Report

as of 08-23-09

Analysis of Pledges Due

Total Pledges Due	617,803
Total Pledges Recvd	592,292
Shortage	25,511
% of Pledges Due That Have Been Recvd	96%

General Funds Contributions

Total Contributions Budgeted	615,778
Total Contributions Received	650,506
Overage	38,728
% of Budgeted Contributions Recvd	106%

Give generously!

Wednesday Night Dinner Menu:

September 2, 2009

Make-your-own Hoagie night! Condiments and chips provided. There will also be a *salad and soup bar*, featuring; Vegetable beef, Cream of broccoli and cheese, and Tomato soups. (All homemade!) Brownies and ice cream for dessert and of course, a beverage is included!

Please make your reservations by **noon** on Tuesday, September 1st by calling the church at 485-2147 or on-line at www.hpchurch.org



Youth News and Information Area



Please join us tonight as we will be having our annual Youth Group Planning Meeting. Yes, we need you to bring your parents. We're going to put them to work, too. We've got some great plans for the upcoming year and we want your input on some other ideas we've got floating around.

Tonight's meeting will begin with a covered-dish dinner (drinks will be provided) at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be followed with the meeting. We will also be using this time to sign-up for volunteer opportunities.

All Youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend. Highland Presbyterian; A great place to be in Youth!



Presbyterian Women

The first Presbyterian Women's Council meeting will be Tuesday, September 1st at 9:30am in the Leighton McKeithan classroom.

The Presbyterian Women's Budget meeting will be Sunday, September 13th immediately following the 11:00 worship service. The meeting will be in the Chapel. Do not be concerned if you are planning to stay for First Sunday Lunch, this meeting should not take very long.

Let's have a great year!!

Mon., Aug. 31

9:00 am Darkness to Light Class - John M. Wilson

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

Tues., Sep. 1

9:30am Presbyterian Women's Council Mtg - Leighton McKeithan Rm

Wed., Sep. 2

5:00pm Wednesday Night Dinner - Cameron Family has the program

6:30pm Chancel Choir

Thurs., Sep. 3

6:00pm Worship Committee - Parlor

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

Fri., Sep. 4

Sat., Sep. 5

Sun., Sep. 6

8:45am Worship Service - Chapel - Communion

9:45am Sunday School - all ages

11:00am Worship Service - Sanctuary



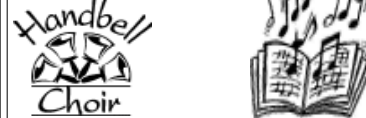
2nd Mile Reminder

In an effort to get everyone back into the swing of things!...

2nd Mile leadership meetings will be held on Thursdays at 5:30pm. 2nd Mile Praise Band rehearsals will also be on Thursdays at 6:30pm. Both will be in the Fellowship Hall.

We had a great summer and expect nothing less for the coming year!

Youth Bells Youth Chorale Kick-off



Come ring, sing and party! Sunday, September 20th. Meet in the choir room.

Bells - 4:30
Chorale - 5:00



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my mother

Penny Clark Leonard

Given by **Gina Keel**

Making Disciples for Jesus Christ

Worship and news of our church family
Highland Presbyterian Church
August 30, 2009



Be There!

Join Us!

It's going to be great!

Everyone is Invited to our Sunday School Kick-off! September 13, 2009

There's no better place to be!



Families are invited to the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 am on Sunday, September 13th for refreshments and songs by the 2nd Mile Praise Band. We will then listen as members of various Sunday School classes tell us something unique about their class or curriculum.

Pre-K children will stay in their room for a special snack. Children K-5 will be dismissed to go to their respective classes after Denise Flanagan gives an overview of our Faith Weaver curriculum.

We hope this time of fellowship and learning about what the different Sunday School classes have to offer will encourage any visitors in attendance to take part in our Sunday morning activities.

Please remember that there will only be one worship service on the 13th, at 11:00 in the Sanctuary. Immediately following the service, please join us once again in the Fellowship Hall for some mouth-watering fried chicken and savory covered-dish sides. (Meat and beverages provided by the church. Please make enough of your side-dish to feed your family and at least 4 others.)

The children are back in school and fall is only a few short weeks away. We have an amazing year lined up for Highland. We hope you will be a part of something or everything!

