



HIGHLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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JUNE 21, 2026 • TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As we light candles
on the Retable,
place the Bible at
the Lectern, pour
water in the
Baptismal Font,
and set the
Communion Table,
we are reminded of
the presence of
Christ in Word
and Sacrament.

(*) When this
symbol precedes an
element of the
service, you are
invited to rise
in body or spirit.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 21, 2026

10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

A WORD OF WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Children's Hope Alliance

Lesley Hobbs

PRELUDE

Antiphon III

Marcel Dupré

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;

All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

One: Declare God's glory among the nations;

All: tell all the people of God's marvelous works.

One: Say among the nations: The Lord is sovereign!

All: God will judge the peoples with equity.

All: Let us worship God.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN 2

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

THE CONFESSION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed
to be an obedient church:

we have not done your will;

we have broken your law;

we have rebelled against your love and your leading;

we have not loved our neighbors;

we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The prayer continues in a time of silent confession.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

We must not equate the Christian faith
with any nation's way of life
or with opposition to the ideologies of other nations.
We hold Christians are to be law-abiding citizens
unless the state commands them to disobey God,
or claims authority that belongs only to God.
We must not allow governments
to impose Christian faith by legislation,
nor should we demand undue advantages for the church.
The church must be free to speak to civil authorities,
neither claiming expert knowledge it does not have,
nor remaining silent when God's Word is clear.
Jesus is Lord!
He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end.
Even now he is Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

ANTHEM

As Tenderly as a Father

John Shepherd

As tenderly as a father loves his children, our God loves each one of us.
As warmly as a mother cares for her children, our God cares for each and every
one of us. How beautiful to know that God is always near to love, to care.
Our God is everywhere.

*DOXOLOGY

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The grace of God
calls for a response!
Our giving is
offered in a spirit of
gratitude for
God's blessings.

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

* HYMN 269

Lead On, O King Eternal

LANCASHIRE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

One: Life is short, and we do not have too much time
to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.

All: So let us be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

One: Let us go out into the world in peace, have courage,
hold onto what is good, and return no one evil for evil.

**All: May we strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak,
help the suffering, honor all people, love and serve the Lord,
and rejoice in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

One: May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God,
and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

All: Amen.

*POSTLUDE

Prelude in B Major

Marcel Dupré

Christian worship
and service does
not end at the con-
clusion of the
Service for the
Lord's Day. The
Church is called to
follow its risen
Lord into the
world!

WORSHIP NOTES

Bless You!—Our prayers for one another. FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 21, please pray for Roberts and Judy Bass; Noah Bethel; Chris, Nicole and Grace Gottfried; Richard and Patricia Murphy; Dave and Berrilynn Norman. *The Lord bless you and keep you. (Numbers 6:24)*

Bless Our Neighbors!—Our prayers for our community. FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, please pray for our neighbors who provide support and care for inmates through the *Forsyth Jail & Prison Ministry* program.

That “Presbyterian Rebellion” is our theme for this Sunday and next. The phrase comes from England’s King George III, who used these words to describe the Revolutionary War, noting the leading role that many Presbyterians played in encouraging independence from England, and in shaping the governance of the new nation.

CALENDAR

Sunday June 21

- 9:00 a.m. Present Word, Room 124
- 9:00 a.m. Deeper Dive, Room 126
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery provided), Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Lemonade in the Shade, Patio

Monday June 22–Thursday June 25

Artrageous

Monday June 22

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Parlor
- 5:30 p.m. Long-Range Planning Committee, Library

Tuesday June 23

- 10:00 a.m. Coffee & Conversation, Camel City Coffee
- 1:30 p.m. Moore Food Pantry, Curbside

Wednesday June 24

- 11:00 a.m. Lamentations & Laughter, AB 5
- 5:30 p.m. Highland Ukuleles, Room 126

For more information about the events in this calendar, please pick up a copy of *Highlights*, the church newsletter, in the Narthex or Gallery Hall.
Check www.highlandpres.org, for changes or cancellations.



WELCOME TO HIGHLAND

We extend a warm welcome to all who come to this sanctuary today. May you find in this place and among the people gathered here grace and peace from the living Christ who has promised to be present with us. To learn more about Highland, scan the QR code with your phone.



If you are visiting with us today, please include your contact information on the Visitor Card that you can find in the pew rack. You may place the card in the offering plate when it is passed. If you are a college or graduate school student, add your school name to the card as well.

Large-print Bibles, bulletins, and hearing aids are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

A Loop Assisted Hearing System is in place in Highland's Sanctuary. You can access this service by switching your hearing aid's T-coil to "On" and adjusting the volume control if needed; you may also request a headset from an usher.

Childcare is available during the worship service. Highland has a safe and engaging Nursery for our youngest children (ages 0-5 years) on the first floor of the Education Building. We have a professional child care provider along with several volunteer Highland members who have all been trained with our Child and Youth Protection Policy. Age-appropriate toys, books and activities keep your child engaged as parents and grandparents attend the worship service. If you need help locating the Nursery, please ask a Greeter.

We offer online ways to give in addition to our traditional giving in the offering plate. To give via smart phone, you may text the word *highland* to 73256 or scan the QR code. We are thankful for your generous sharing!



We are a Matthew 25 Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Matthew 25:31-46 calls all of us to engage actively in the world around us, helping our faith come alive. As a Matthew 25 congregation we pledge to work on *building congregational vitality*, *dismantling structural racism*, and *eradicating systemic poverty*. Learn more at pcusa.org/matthew25.

We are an Earth Care Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). We pledge in our *worship* and discipleship to celebrate God's grace and glory in creation. Our *education* strives to encourage and support each other in keeping and healing the creation. We seek to manage, maintain, and upgrade our *facilities* to respect and cherish all creation, and our *outreach* will encourage community involvement and public policy to protect and restore the earth.

LIFE AT HIGHLAND



Churchwide

Lemonade in the Shade: During the summer, following worship all are invited for fellowship and lemonade on the Narthex Patio. This is a wonderful, informal way to meet other Highlanders and greet visitors.

Join the Summer Choir! Now through July, meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in the choir loft to rehearse easy-to-learn anthems and to sing hymns as we worship together. No prior choral experience is required, no robes are needed, and participation is flexible.

Last Chance, ArtRageous: Signups are here! We have a full set of offerings once again. Please mark the dates on your calendar: June 22-25. You can sign up through the link in our weekly email or by visiting Highland's website.

Summer Documentary Series: June 28, 4:00 p.m., Ardmore Room. Together we will watch an episode from The Trevor Project's *Sharing Space* series focusing on conversion therapy. Valerie Glass, Director of Triad Restorative Justice, will lead the conversation following the film.

To sign up for meals, service work, and more, scan this QR code.



Service

Moore Food Pantry: For the month of June we are asking for donations of oatmeal.

Diaper Drive concludes today! Our annual diaper drive, benefitting Shalom Project and Clemmons Food Pantry ends today, Father's Day. We are grateful for all the donations you have provided!



Children

Sunday Mornings, 10:00 a.m.

Children, join us in the PrayGround! This is a friendly space in the balcony for children ages 5 and up to worship while enjoying quiet and engaging activities such as puzzles, storybooks, and coloring sheets.



Youth

Youth Service Week Sign up today to serve mornings June 29-July 2 as we serve with ministry partners.

Quest for the Best: Pizza continues June 28 at Cugino Forno in Clemmons.



Adults

Summer Sunday Church School Offerings:

9:00 a.m. *The Present Word*, Room 124

9:00 a.m. Deeper Dive: A Summer Series of Faith-Shaping Video Podcasts, Room 126

Coffee & Conversation,

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.

Camel City Coffee, 110 Oakwood Drive
Join us for drop-in conversation with friends and Highland staff. All are welcome!