

Highlawn
Presbyterian Church

JULY 17, 2022
6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“Traveling Light”



**Those who wish may stand*

** Words in **Bold** are Congregational Responses*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude : “Rain Down” by Jaime Cortez
Alanna Cushing, piano Arranged by Mark Hayes

Rain down

Rain down your love on your people

Rain down

Rain down your love, God of life

***Call to Worship**

Your church gathers, Lord,
**in West Virginia and Mozambique,
in Brazil and to the ends of the earth.**

Your church gathers, Lord,
**in city and country, in suburbs and slums,
in sanctuaries and buildings,
under trees and by streams of water.**

Your people gather to praise you, Lord,
**in English and in Portuguese,
with organ and guitar and drum,
with voices of young and old,
with song and with silence,
with dance and with prayer.**

Your people praise you, Lord,
**for hope in the midst of despair,
for strength in times of weakness,
for justice in situations of oppression,
for courage in the face of fear,
for life in the midst of death.**

We are the people who call you Lord.

Let everything that breathes, praise you Lord!

***Hymn #37 “Let All Things Now Living”**

1. Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God’s banners are o’er us;
pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
till shadows have vanished,
all fearfulness banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

2. By law God enforces,
the stars in their courses,
the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration, a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving;
to God in the highest,
hosanna and praise.

Call to Confession

We come to confess the ways that we have fallen short of the standard you have given to us. Yet we come with grateful hearts because we know that your forgiveness and love are a well that never runs dry.

Prayer of Confession

Gracious and Holy God, we make no pretense about our lives.

We forget, even deny that we were created with wonder and delight in our souls.

Yet, we go through life anxious and serious, seeking to get ahead, striving to make ends meet.

We rush and hurry and fill up our calendars.

Where is the joy? Where are the days of summer rest?

Where is our sense of delight?

Forgive us, Lord, for failing to be the people that You created us to be and remind us that we are loved for who we are, just as we are.

Help us to remember that, in Christ, we are forgiven.

Grant us Your peace as we look to You for the strength and courage to resist further temptation.

We lift our prayer in the Name of Your Precious Son, Jesus our Lord. (time for silent reflection and personal confession of sin)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Amen**

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Time for Children and The Young-at-Heart

SARAH's back!!!

Sarah Specht—Director of Christian Education

Anthem "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Tom Mitchell

Scripture: Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon: Series: *"Traveling Light"*

Title: "Losing Control "

Rev. Sharon Bell

***Hymn #175 "Seek Ye First"**

1. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And his righteousness,
And all these things
Shall be added unto you,
Allelu, alleluia.

2. Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of God
Allelu, alleluia.

3. Ask, and it shall be given unto you.
Seek and ye shall find.
Knock and it shall be opened unto you
Allelu, alleluia.

***Offering**

Presenting God our tithes and offerings

***Doxology #606**

**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 Thanks for the offering by God's people

Sharing Concerns and Joys

Please wait for one of the ushers to hand you a microphone so that all may be able to hear your prayer request. If you are joining by Zoom or Facebook– please send your prayer requests to the office at: office@highlawnpc.org

Pastoral Prayer/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.**

***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 Spirit,**

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.

***Hymn #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
mount of God's unchanging love.

2. Here I raise my ebenezer;
hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,

safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!

Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

***Benediction**



**Wed: Christmas
Packing Party 10:00
Thurs: Session 6:00**

Liturgists

7.17 Nan P.

7.24 Nan P.

7.31 Avery M.

August Anne M.



In appreciation, donuts have been provided by:

7.17 Schurman

7.24 Reynolds

7.31 Aulick

8.7 Meyers/Lamp

8.14 Browning/Hatfield

8.21 Musgrave

8.28

For the Month of **July**

We are collecting **School Supplies** for our **Christmas Missions**