

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

- PRELUDE
- SON CATCHERS' PRESENTATION
- WELCOME
- *CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)
- *GOD'S GREETING
- *MUTUAL GREETING
- *SONGS OF PRAISE: (*led by the Praise Team*)
 - "Everlasting God"
 - "My Only Crown (Fairest Lord Jesus)"
 - [Children 4 years old-2nd grade are invited to join the Worship Center leaders in the back during the last song]**
- SONG: "Jesus Loves Me" TCH #185:2
- PROFESSION OF FAITH & INTRO OF NEW MEMBERS
- SONG: "Abide with Me" TCH #642:1-3,5
- PREPARATORY FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER (*responsive*)
- CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
- SCRIPTURE:.....Luke 15:25-37 (pg. 1624)
- MESSAGE:.....**THE GOOD SAMARITAN**
- PRAYER OF APPLICATION
- *SONG OF APPLICATION: "Take My Life and Let It Be" PsH #288:1-3,5,6
- OFFERING: *Self Help Jobs*
- OFFERTORY: (*Praise Team*) **Redeeming Love** - Jo Dore
- *GOD'S BLESSING
- *DOXOLOGY: "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" PsH #315:1
- *POSTLUDE

Dr. Bill Sytsma, Worship Leader; Lori Hofstra, Organist
PsH=Psalter Hymnal (grey); TCH=The Celebration Hymnal (red)
**If you are able, please stand*

WELCOME to New Life Christian Reformed Church of Highland. If you are a guest today, please stop by our Welcome Center in the lobby to learn more about us and receive a welcome gift and enjoy some coffee & fellowship after the morning service.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS: This morning before our worship service, we ask all confessing members of New Life, over 18 years of age, to vote for new Council members. Council approved the following nominees for the office of Elder: **Brad Gossman, Richard Hartmann, Mark Hoeksema, and Terry Kuiper.** Please elect 2 Elders. Council approved the following nominees for the office of Deacon: **Bill Fulton, Dale Ketelaar, Moses Martinez, and T.J. Ooms.** Please elect two Deacons. **Please take one ballot for Elders and one for Deacons, found at the end of each pew, mark your ballots, and pass them to the center aisle where they will be collected before the start of the service.**

THIS MORNING we have the privilege to witness the Profession of Faith of **NICK & KELLY-SUE STONE** and welcome them into our church family.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 13, we plan to commemorate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you are unable to come to church & would like to receive communion in your home, please contact your district Elder this week.

Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: The Good Samaritan
 Sermon Text: Luke 15:25-37

Jesus was _____ about the law of love.

The priest and the Levite _____ the injured man.

The Samaritan _____ sacrificial love

Love is seen in _____.

We know what love looks like when we _____ it.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY

PARTNERS IN PRAYER meets in Room 4 in the East wing from 8:45-9:05 am each Sunday. Come join us any Sunday!

GREETERS: 9:30 AM–Erik & Kendra DeVries/Rich & Karen Hartmann

NURSERY: 9:30 AM–Tina Hoeksema & Hannah Kortum

AM & PM SOUND OPERATOR: Craig Menninga/Paul Armendariz

AM POWER POINT OPERATOR: Cameron Zandstra

WELCOME CENTER: Bob Wadkins

COFFEE SERVERS: Jamie Kostelyk

COOKIE SERVER: Larry Moes

NURSERY CARE is available during our morning worship service for children 0-3 years of age. The nursery is located on our main floor in the east wing of the church at the end of the hallway.

EDUCATION HOUR: 10:45-11:45 AM

- **SON-CATCHERS** (4 years old-4th grade) meet in Room 4 for snacks at 10:45. They will be escorted to the sanctuary for singing and then classroom time in Rooms 2 & 4.
- **CATECHISM CLASSES** (5th-12th grades) meet in classrooms in the basement. **Grades 5-8 in Room 9; Grades 9-12 in the old nursery.**

This is the last Sunday for Education Classes. They will resume in September.

5:00 PM SERVICE: Please join us for a combined Ascension Day Worship Service!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

Ted Boomker (76)–5/7

Marlene Bush (76)–5/9

Austin Brummel, Jodi Johnson–5/11

Matt Johnson–5/12

EXPRESSION OF THANKS: Thank you to the Son Catchers for their program this morning and for handing out carnations after the worship service!

Sunday, May 6, 2018–5:00 PM New Life Christian Reformed Church **Combined Ascension Day Worship Service**

PRELUDE:.....**All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name** –*Bish*
Worthy is the Lamb – *Mickelson*

CALL TO WORSHIP:

(Choir).....**Before the Throne of God Above** – *Angerman*

WELCOME

*GOD'S GREETING

*MUTUAL GREETING

*SONGS OF PRAISE:

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” *PsH #481:1-3*

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King” *PsH#408:1-4*

LITANY FOR ASCENSION DAY: (*responsive*)

Leader: Let us gather as they gathered on the Mount of Olivet. Let us remember the teachings of the law, psalms, and prophets.

People: Lead on King Jesus, we gather in your name.

Leader: Let us gather as they gathered when Jesus rose into heaven.

Let us remember that every sin has been forgiven.

People: Lead on King Jesus, you have won the victory!

Leader: Let us gather as they gathered when Jesus was taken up before their very eyes. Let us remember how he promised that we would be clothed in power.

People: Lead on King Jesus, all glory and honor and power belong to you.

Leader: Let us gather as they gathered upon a hill so high. Let us remember the ascension of our Messiah.

People: Lead on King Jesus, no one can hinder you!

SONG: “Lead On, O King Eternal” *PsH #555:1-3*

OFFERING: *Ministry Opportunity Fund*

OFFERTORY: (Choir)**We Fall Down** - *Purifoy*

*SERMON HYMN: “All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name” *PsH #471:1-4*

SCRIPTURE:Acts 1:1-11 (pg. 1690)

SERMON:**HE IS LEAVING**

*SONG: “Jesus Shall Reign” *PsH #412:1,2,3,5*

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

*GOD'S PARTING BLESSING

*DOXOLOGY: “By the Sea of Crystal” *PsH #620:3*

*POSTLUDE:**Hallelujah, Amen** - *Handel*

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