

leadership

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Worship

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CARE GROUPS

Vernon Center/HBC

Pastor Mike Ruel
Mondays • 7pm
Downstairs Room #1

Lafayette

Andy & Amy Bennett
2nd & 4th Sundays • 4pm
973-886-4679

Vernon/565

Len & Doreen Baxter
June 14th • 7pm
201-230-7372

Branchville/Newton

Ray & Kerry Westpy
1st and 3rd Fridays
862-266-8699

Highland Lakes

Family Focused Dinner
Marc & Stacey Bray
2nd Sunday • 3pm
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Psalm

WORSHIP IN

REAL LIFE

SUMMER SERMON SERIES

JULY 28, 2019

welcome

our purpose

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our purpose is to glorify God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. Our ministry vision is to love God with all that we are, and love others as much as we love ourselves.

As you worship with us today, you'll notice how often we reference the gospel of Jesus Christ. We don't have it all figured out, but we know that God saves sinners through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Please join us as we exalt God by singing about his greatness and as we seek to know more about him from the Bible.

the gospel

You will hear us talk about the gospel a lot. Actually it is the center of everything we do here at Highlands.

1. **God** - the only all-knowing, all-powerful King and Creator of all things. He created us to enjoy and glorify him forever. [Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-32]
2. **Sin** - Yet, we rejected God, and established ourselves as gods of our lives, separating ourselves from Him, and becoming objects of His wrath. In so doing we also unleashed sin, sickness, death and evil. [Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 5:12-14]
3. **Christ** - In God's unparalleled mercy and grace, He already had a plan to reconcile us to Himself. The entire Old Testament points to the coming of the Messiah - revealed in the New Testament as Jesus Christ. [John 1; Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 3:21-26]
4. **Response** - None of this is effective for us unless we respond in two ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], and believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, adopted into God's family, and we persevere in the faith. [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Matthew 24:13; Ephesians 4:1]

kingdom kids

We encourage you to worship as a family, however we provide nursery care [infants - 2.5 yrs] if desired. Kids will be dismissed downstairs before the sermon. Please see one of our security team at the check-in desk by the coffee table for more info.

Explorers	Newborn - 2.5 yrs
Discoverers	2.5 yrs - 3 yrs
Adventurers	Pre-K [4yrs] and Kindergarten
Navigators	Grades 1-5

We are always looking for help in Kingdom Kids. See Alyssa or Kim today to find out how you can help!

calendar

- **Biblical Nutrition Class - continues today after service. [downstairs in Room 1]**
- **Baptism info meeting - today AFTER service [in sanctuary]**
- Men's Bible Study - Wednesdays 6:30am at Sussex Sit n Chat Diner
- Mens Breakfast, Saturday, July 27th, 8am at John Leuzarder's
- Sussex County Church Tent at Fair - See Pastor Mike/Sign up at Welcome Table
- Baptism Service - Sunday, August 25th. ALL INVITED!
- Green Pond 50th Anniversary Weekend - Aug 30-Sept 1 - See Welcome Table
- Fall Kick-Off Picnic - Sunday, September 8th, after service
- Fall ABF Series - Biblical Finances starting Sunday, September 16th

finances

General Offering - Jun '19	\$18,535.06
Designated Gifts - Jun '19	\$953.25
YTD General Offering thru Jun '19	\$118,116.79
YTD Budget	\$135,704.44

worship guide

July 28, 2019

WELCOME! Our passage today is from Psalm 18. As you prepare your heart in prayer, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and said, **“Who am I, O Lord GOD, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far?** And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, O Lord GOD. You have spoken also of your servant’s house for a great while to come, and this is instruction for mankind, O Lord GOD! And what more can David say to you? For you know your servant, O Lord GOD! Because of your promise, and according to your own heart, you have brought about all this greatness, to make your servant know it. Therefore you are great, O LORD God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears.”

(2 Samuel 7:18–22 ESV)

PRAY/CONSIDER

- What does being “delivered” from something mean?
- Consider David’s deliverance from his enemies and the greater fulfillment of God delivering us from our enemies of Satan, sin, and death.
- When you think of praising God, what comes to mind? Why?
- Notice David’s incredibly humble response to God’s deliverance - how can we live more humble lives?
- In what ways do you need to persevere in holiness in light of God’s deliverance in Jesus from sin?

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sermon notes

July 28, 2019

PSALM 18:1-29

God Delivers, We Respond, Part 1

We respond to God's deliverance with...

1. My Rock. [18:1-6]

Praise

2. Who's Victory? [18:7-19; 2 Samuel 7:18-22]

Humility

3. As For Me... [18:20-29]

Perseverance