

LEADERSHIP

LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

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CARE GROUPS

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church
WHEN: Mondays at 7PM
HOSTED BY: Ken Menzel

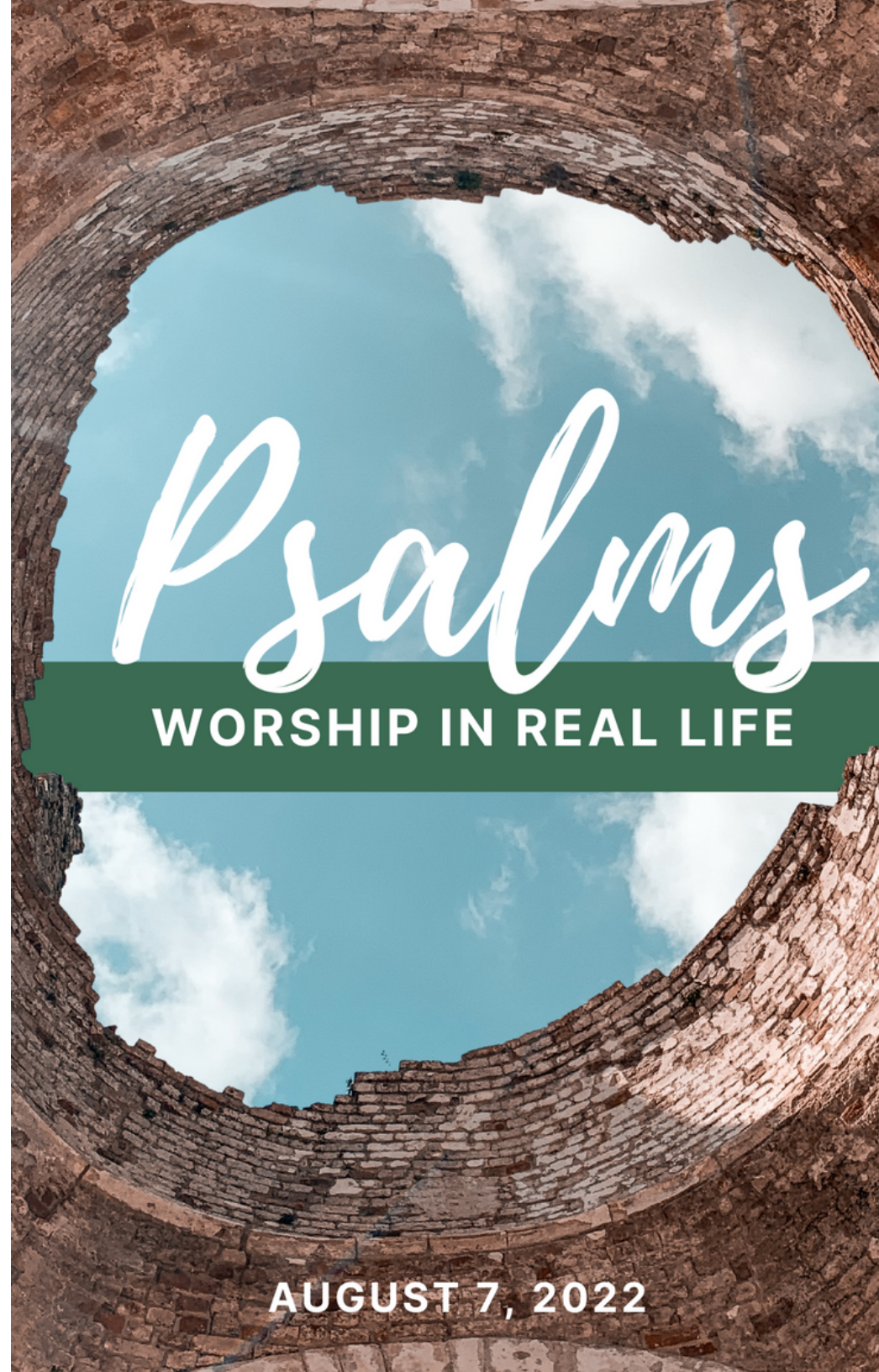
WHERE: Highlands Bible Church
WHEN: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4pm
HOSTED BY: Pastor Mike Ruel

WHERE: Vernon/565
WHEN: First Friday, Monthly
HOSTED BY: The Baxters
CALL: 201-230-7372

WHERE: Branchville/Newton
WHEN: Twice Monthly
HOSTED BY: Paul Fehrenbacher
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Psalm

WORSHIP IN REAL LIFE

AUGUST 7, 2022

OUR PURPOSE

MAKING AND MATURING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

We are delighted that you joined us today! 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

THE CENTER OF EVERYTHING WE DO AT HIGHLANDS

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]

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]

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]

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 LOVE KIDS AT HIGHLANDS!

Kids will be dismissed to downstairs before the sermon. Please see one of our security team at the check-in desk for more info.

CURRENT CLASSES: Explorers (0-2) Discoverers (2-3) and Adventurers (4-Grade 2)

HIGHLANDS HAPPENINGS

EVENTS, CARE GROUPS, AND MORE

PRAYER MEETING: Today @ 6PM in Loffice

MONDAY NIGHT CARE GROUP: 7pm in sanctuary

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Tuesdays at 9AM in Sanctuary

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 7AM- Sussex Diner

MIDWEEK STUDY: Wednesdays at 6:30PM - Sanctuary

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday, Sept 10th at Leuzarder's

MARRIAGE SEMINAR: Saturday, Sept 17th - Sign up online!

MEMBER MEETING: Sunday, Sept 25th, after service

ELDER MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers Appreciated!

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

GENERAL OFFERING, July 2022	\$25,052.57
NEHEMIAH FUND, To Date	\$365,198.36
BENEVOLENCE, July 2022	\$800.70
YTD GENERAL OFFERING Thru July 2022	\$173,445.86
2022 BUDGET	\$335,511.00

Our giving box is in the back at the welcome table. You can also give anytime online at www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org Have you considered giving to the Nehemiah Fund for the next chapter of Highlands? Please select the "Nehemiah Fund" option online or write "Nehemiah Fund" in the check memo line. Questions? Email us at info@HighlandsBibleChurch.org!

WORSHIP GUIDE

August 7, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! The passage today is from Psalm 40. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, in the Lord's Table, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:



COMPLIMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD, I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.”
(Psalm 116:12-14 ESV)

New Testament reading for today: John 6:35-40 (Page 838)



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Why is it so difficult to wait patiently for the LORD?
- Think of a time when you were in the muck and the mire and God pulled you out - can you give a brief testimony about it?
- Why is it healthy for the church to have regular testimonies of God's deliverance?
- Why should we be cautious about listening to counsel from others? (HINT: Think worldview...)
- Read Hebrews 10:5-10 - why does the author of Hebrews quote Psalm 40? How is it related to Christ?
- Look at Psalm 116 - what parallels are there to Psalm 40?
- Next Week's Passage: Summer Psalms Series: Psalm 41



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O Fount of Love | Yet Not I But Christ In Me | The Goodness of Jesus |
O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

SERMON NOTES

PSALM 40 | Muck and Mire

1. God the Faithful [40:1-10; 1:1-2; Hebrews 10:5-10; 2 Corinthians 13:5-6]

When God delivers us, we need to testify to others.

2. God the Deliverer [40:11-17; 116:12-14]

When we are in the mud, continue to call on God for deliverance.

Big Idea: God has delivered us and he will continue to.