

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
CALL: 973-948-5909

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church
WHEN: Varies
HOSTED BY: Brad & Taylor Wilson
CALL: 973-600-0826 [Brad]
Family Friendly Group!

MATTHEW

Truly I Say To You

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2022

For Prayer Needs, Please Email Us at
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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-Kindergarten) and Navigators (1st-3rd grade).

HIGHLANDS HAPPENINGS

EVENTS, CARE GROUPS, AND MORE

CARE GROUP - Today, 4pm in Loffice

MONDAY NIGHT CARE GROUP: 7pm in Sanctuary

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Tuesdays at 9AM in Sanctuary

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

MIDWEEK STUDY: Resumes THIS Wed @ 6:30pm

MOM'S GROUP: Friday, Oct 7th & 21st, 9am-11am downstairs

TODAY'S CHOICE WALK FOR LIFE: Sat Oct 15th - info in Lobby

KINGDOM KIDS VOLUNTEER MTG: Sunday, Oct 16th after service

NEXT STEPS CLASS: Sunday, Oct 16th 5pm in Loffice

ELDER MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers Appreciated!

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

GENERAL OFFERING, Sep 2022	\$29,201.51
NEHEMIAH FUND, To Date	\$367,293.45
BENEVOLENCE, Sep 2022	\$305.95
YTD GENERAL OFFERING Sep 2022	\$226,761.09
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

October 9, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! The passage today is from Matthew 26:1-16. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:



COMPLIMENTARY SCRIPTURE

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." [Matthew 13:44 ESV]

"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money." [Matthew 6:24 ESV]

Old Testament reading for today: Isaiah 45:1-14 [page 567]



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- What does Jesus' sacrificial death accomplish for you?
- What hope and joy is there to know that man's schemes cannot thwart God's sovereign and good plan?
- What would it look like for you to worship God with all that you have and all that you are? (Consider: your family, finances, work, health, neighbors, time, energy, personal devotions)
- In what ways do you see Christ as a threat? Consider: those threatened things are likely an idol. Take time to repent of them and ask God for help in loving Him with all you have and are.
- Next week's passage Matthew 26:17-29.



SING

How Great Thou Art | The Lord is My Salvation | Turn Your Eyes |
Behold the Lamb | Hallelujah! What a Savior

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 26:1-16 | Give Us What is Due

1. Plans and Plotting [26:1-5]

2. Funeral Preparations [26:6-13]

3. Betraying One Master for Another [26:14-16]

Big Idea: True worship is costly, but God is worthy.