

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 16, 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

NEXT STEPS CLASS Today, 4 pm in Loffice, SIGN UP NOW!

KINGDOM KIDS VOLUNTEER MEETING: TODAY after service

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: Galatians - Wed @ 6:30pm

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

YOUTH GROUP: Bonfire/Movie - Oct 22nd - See Emily Seely

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 16, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! The passage today is from Matthew 26:17-29. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:



COMPLIMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.” (1 Corinthians 5:7-8 ESV)

Old Testament reading for today: Exodus 12:1-28 [page 50]



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Think of the betrayal of Jesus - what emotions do you feel?
- Consider how God delivered Israel - what does that say of his character, attributes, and perhaps our expectations?
- Have you ever been betrayed? How does the truth of the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross resolve it?
- Read Hebrews 8. What verses resonate with you and why?
- Look at 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 - what specifically is this verse calling you to do today?
- Next week's passage is Matthew 26:30-46.



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All Creatures of Our God and King | How Firm a Foundation |
Wonderful, Merciful Savior | He Will Hold Me Fast | Grace Unmeasured

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 26:17-29 | The Fulfillment of the Passover

1. Passover and Betrayal [26:17-25; Exodus 13:3-10]

God is sovereign over deliverance and betrayal.

2. Communion and Forgiveness [26:6-13; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 8:1-7, 13]

God is sovereign over sacrifice and forgiveness.