

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, NOVEMBER 27, 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

SHEPHERDING MEETING: Today after service in Loffice

CARE GROUP: Today, 4pm in Loffice

MONDAY CARE GROUP: 7pm in Sanctuary

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 9am in Sanctuary

FAMILY CARE GROUP: Sunday, December 4th, after service

PRAYER MEETING: Sunday, December 4th, 6pm

MEMBER MEETING: Sunday, December 11th, after service

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: 5pm

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE: 9:30am - Family Service, no Kids Min

ELDER MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers Appreciated!

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

GENERAL OFFERING , Oct 2022	\$30,745.92
NEHEMIAH FUND , To Date	\$369,279.23
BENEVOLENCE , To Date	\$18,911.93
YTD GENERAL OFFERING	\$257,507.51
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

November 27, 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! The passage today is from Matthew 28:16-20. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:



COMPLIMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” (Philippians 2:9–11 ESV)

Old Testament reading for today: Genesis 12:1-3; 15:1-6 [page 8 & 10]



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- How would you define the word "worship?" What has influenced that definition?
- Think of Jesus' claim of authority in v18. What might cause us to doubt this and worry? How can we strengthen our faith in this?
- What is a disciple of Jesus? [read 1 John 3:4-10]
- What is the meaning of baptism? Have you been baptized?
- How is the presence of Jesus with us to empower his mission? [read John 16:4b-15]
- Next week's passage is Luke 1:26-38 [Advent, Week 1]



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O Worship the Risen Christ | God With Us | Only a Holy God | O Lord,
My Rock and My Redeemer | The Goodness of Jesus

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 28:16-20 | The Great Commission

1. The Reunion. [28:16-17]

We should not hesitate to worship Jesus.

2. The Authority. [28:18; 11:27; Phil 2:9-11]

We should not worry about who is in charge.

3. The Mission. [28:19-20]

The church is where disciples are made and matured.

Big Idea: The presence of Jesus empowers the mission of Jesus.