#### LEADERSHIP LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

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## **CARE GROUPS**

WHEN: Mondays at 7PM HOSTED BY: Ken Menzel

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church 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!

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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

MONDAY CARE GROUP: 7pm in the Sanctuary. TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 9am Tuesdays - Childcare SPRING LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Tuesdays @ 7pm WEDNESDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: 7am @ Sussex Sit n Chat MIDWEEK STUDY: 6:30pm Wednesday in Loffice MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday, April 15th @ 8am - sign up today! NEXT STEPS CLASS: Sunday, April 16th @ 5pm - sign up today! YOUTH DIRECTOR CANDIDATE WEEKEND - April 21-23rd. See our "Who is Aaron Delbury?" page on our website under "Resources" YOUTH GROUP (5th-12th grades) - Saturday, April 21st, 6pm ELDER MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers Appreciated!

#### FINANCES THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

GENERAL OFFERING, March 20023	\$27,554.61
NEHEMIAH FUND, To Date	\$375,831.58
BENEVOLENCE, To Date	\$17,077.13
CEAF, To Date	\$95,810.00
YTD GENERAL OFFERING	\$75,443.62
2023 BUDGET	\$350,670.00

Our giving box is in the back at the welcome table. You can also give anytime online at **www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org** 

Questions? Email us at info@HighlandsBibleChurch.org!

### WORSHIP GUIDE April 9, 2023

### **SERMON NOTES** Romans 1:16-17 | Gospel Power

1. No Shame [1:16; 1 Corinthians 1:22-23; John 3:16; 18; Acts 2:21 ]

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today our sermon passage is Romans 1:16-17. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:



- Call to Worship: 2 Samuel 22:47 (Page 257)
- Easter Sunday Reading: Luke 24:1-12 (Page 831)
- Sermon Passage Reading: Romans 1:16-17 (Page 883)
- Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21 (Page 949)



- Did you (or do you) think the Christian gospel is ridiculous? Why?
- What have Christians been saved from?
- What is the response to the gospel that is required for salvation?
- How can you better walk out the truth "The righteous shall live by faith?"
- Next Week: Romans 1:18-25

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#### Behold Our God | Living Hope | Wonderful, Merciful Savior | The Lord is My Salvation | Death Was Arrested

In the gospel, we see the power of God for salvation.

2. From Faith To Faith [1:17; Romans 3:21-22; Habakkuk 2:4; ]

In the gospel, we see the power of God's righteousness for life.