

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

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OCTOBER 15, 2023

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.

CONNECT WITH US!



Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Please scan the QR code above to fill out a Connect Card and keep up to date on all our news and events.

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). Infant nursery care is available for the full service, see Check-In Team!

HIGHLANDS HAPPENINGS

EVENTS, CARE GROUPS, AND MORE



MONDAY 7PM - Care Group in Sanctuary | Youth Group

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 9am at church childcare avail

TUESDAY NIGHT LADIES BIBLE STUDY: 7pm at church

WED MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7am @ Sussex Sit n Chat

WED NIGHT MEN'S BIBLE STUDY -7:30pm in Loffice

MOM'S BIBLE STUDY - Fri, Oct 20th 9:30am @ Kim Bennetts

PARENTING SEMINAR - Sat, Oct 21st - Register online today!

NEXT STEPS CLASS - Sat, Oct 22nd - 5pm w/dinner included. Sign up at Welcome Table!

ELDER MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers Appreciated!

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING



GENERAL OFFERING , Sept 2023	\$30,068.09
NEHEMIAH FUND , To Date	\$399,375.10
BENEVOLENCE , To Date	\$20,792.41
CEAF , To Date	\$5,994.06
YTD GENERAL OFFERING	\$229,310.76
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

October 15, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today our sermon passage is Romans 10:14-21. As you prepare your heart for worship this morning, please consider reading and prayerfully reflecting on the following:



SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Call to Worship: Psalm 84:10-12
- Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 30:1-10
- Sermon Passage Reading: Romans 10:14-21
- Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Think about the chain of events in v14-15. What stands out most to you and why?
- How have you proclaimed the gospel lately?
- Why is it not common for people to think of the gospel as a command? Why can it be seen as negative?
- Why do people still claim that they “have not heard” and “do not understand” the gospel? (Hint: see Romans 1:18) What can the church do better?
- Next Week’s Passage: Romans 11:1-10



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O Great God | All Creatures of Our God and King | He Will Hold Me Fast | O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer | Before the Throne of God Above

SERMON NOTES

Romans 10:14-21 | The Nature of the Gospel

1. Beautiful Feet [10:14-15; Isaiah 52:7; Matthew 28:18-20]

The gospel is a message to be proclaimed to all.

2. The Command of Salvation [10:16-17; Isaiah 53:1; Mark 1:15; Romans 2:8; 2 Thessalonians 1:8; Romans 10:10]

The gospel is a command to be obeyed through belief.

3. You Didn’t Hear or Understand? [10:18-21; Psalm 19:1-4; Romans 1:19-20; Deuteronomy 31:29; 32:19-21; Isaiah 65:1-2]

The gospel is an offer to be accepted without any excuse.

Big Idea: We are responsible for the gospel.