

LEADERSHIP

LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

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TBD/Help Needed: **WORSHIP**
Brad Wilson, **FINANCE**
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CARE GROUPS

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church
WHEN: Mondays at 7PM
HOSTED BY: Ken Menzel

WHERE: Kuperus' Westtown NY
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: Biweekly
HOSTED BY: Brad & Taylor Wilson
CALL: 973-600-0826 [Brad]
Family Friendly Group!

SOCIAL MEDIA

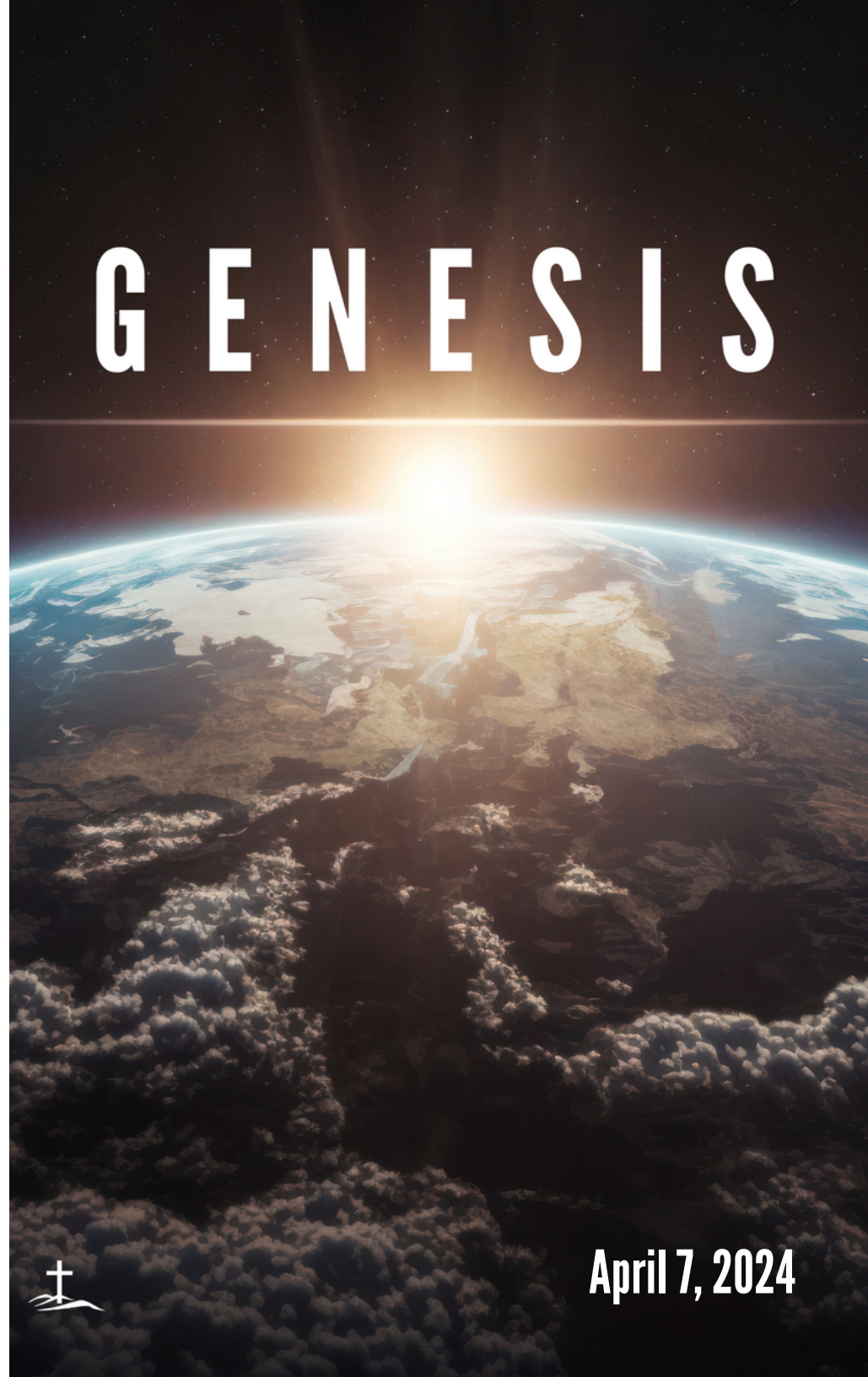
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GENESIS



April 7, 2024

OUR VISION & MISSION

MAKING AND MATURING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our ministry vision is to love God and love others. We do that by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. This glorifies God!

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



FAMILY CARE GROUP - Today after service, See Brad/Taylor Wilson

PRAYER MEETING - Tonight @ 6pm in Loffice

MONDAY CARE GROUP - 7pm at church

TUESDAY AM LADIES BIBLE STUDY - 9am at church, childcare avail.

TUESDAY PM LADIES BIBLE STUDY - Tuesdays @ 7pm

WED MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7am @ Crystal Cafe

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

SPRING FAMILY FEST - Saturday, April 13th @ Brian and Cyndi's

MEN'S BREAKFAST - Saturday, April 20th @ Leuzarders

NEXT STEPS CLASS - Sunday, April 21st @ 4pm in Loffice

YOUTH GROUP - Meeting Fri 4/12, Game Night Fri 4/20 @ 6:30pm

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING



GENERAL OFFERING , Mar 2024	\$31,974.44
NEHEMIAH FUND , To Date	\$450,060.12
BENEVOLENCE , To Date	\$20,062.47
CEAF , To Date	\$10,502.19
YTD GENERAL OFFERING	\$82,390.95
2024 BUDGET	\$334,339.00

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 7 , 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today our sermon passage is **Genesis 1:9-13** As you prepare your heart for worship this morning, please consider reading and prayerfully reflecting on the following:



SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Call to Worship: Psalm 34:1-3
- New Testament Reading: 2 Peter 3:1-9
- Sermon Passage Reading: Genesis 1:9-13



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- What were you taught as a child about the origin of the life? Evolution or creation? Did you think much about the implications of each view at that time?
- Read Ephesians 5:8. Are there other verses that come to mind about how God has brought stability and life in the gospel?
- Think about a place you have visited or a way that you have experienced God's variety in creation. Can you describe it?
- Have you ever thought of the implications of a Godless creation? Which resonated with you and why?
- Next Week's Passage: Genesis 1:14-18



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Wonderful, Merciful Savior | Before the Throne of God Above |
Because He Lives (Amen) | All Hail Jesus Christ

SERMON NOTES

Genesis 1:9-13 | Day 3: Land and Plants

1. Land Ho! [1:9-10; 2 Peter 3:5; Psalm 24:1-2; 104:5-9; 33:6, 9; Isaiah 14:27; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:28]

God's Word creates a world of stability.

2. Species and Reproduction [1:11-12a]

God's Word creates a world of reproducibility and variety.

3. It was good [1:12b-13]

Big Idea: A Godless creation cannot be a good creation.