

# 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:** Vernon/565  
**WHEN:** First Friday, Monthly  
**HOSTED BY:** The Baxters  
**CALL:** 201-230-7372

**WHERE:** Mason's Westtown NY  
**WHEN:** 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4pm  
**HOSTED BY:** Pastor Mike Ruel

**WHERE:** Highlands Bible Church  
**WHEN:** Biweekly  
**HOSTED BY:** Bryan & Alyssa Beadle  
**CALL:** 845-707-5965 [Bryan]  
Family Friendly Group!

## SOCIAL MEDIA

**FACEBOOK:** HighlandsBibleNJ  
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# DEUTERONOMY

Living in Covenant with God



**FEBRUARY 8, 2026**



## OUR VISION & MISSION

We are delighted that you joined us today! Our ministry vision is to love God and love others. The best way to do that is through our mission - bring glory to God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ.

## 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

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR FULL INFO!



**SUNDAY CARE GROUP - TODAY @ 4PM**

**MONDAY NIGHT CARE GROUP - 7PM** in the sanctuary

**TUES MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY - Tuesdays @ 9AM**

**WED AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7am** at *Sussex Queen Diner, Wantage*

**YOUTH GROUP & MIDWEEK STUDY - Wed** at 7pm

**FRIDAY AM MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7am** at Crystal Cafe!

**NEXT STEPS CLASS - Next Sunday** at 4pm. Sign up today!

**MEN'S BREAKFAST - Saturday, Feb 21<sup>st</sup>** @ Highlands Sign Up Today!

**YOUTH GROUP RETREAT (REGISTRATION NOW LIVE) - 2/27-3/1**

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY BEGINS MAR 4<sup>th</sup> - SIGN UP ON APP**

## FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING



<b>GENERAL OFFERING, Jan 2026</b>	(Goal \$33,000 /mo)	\$28,558.32
<b>NEHEMIAH FUND,</b>	To Date	\$566,855.14
<b>BENEVOLENCE,</b>	To Date	\$17,353.16
<b>CEAF,</b>	To Date	\$3,832.38
<b>YTD GENERAL OFFERING</b>		\$28,558.32
<b>2026 BUDGET</b>		\$405,007.00

Our giving box is in the back at the welcome table. You can also give anytime online at [www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org](http://www.HighlandsBibleChurch.org)

Questions? Email us at [info@HighlandsBibleChurch.org](mailto:info@HighlandsBibleChurch.org)

# WORSHIP GUIDE

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** As you prepare your heart for worship this morning, please consider reading and prayerfully reflecting on the following:



## SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Call to Worship: Psalm 9:1-2
- New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15



## CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- How can remembering our past help us trust God today?
- Why should God's people freely give back to Him? In what ways can we do this today?
- Why is it important that we never forget what God rescued us from?
- In what ways can we remember God's provision in the past? Testimony? Bible Reading? Fellowship?
- Next Week: Deuteronomy 16:18-17:20



## SING

O Great God | The Goodness of Jesus |  
O Fount of Love | Great is Thy Faithfulness |  
Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

# SERMON NOTES

Deuteronomy 16:1-17 | Three Feasts

1. Feast 1: Passover [16:1-8; Exodus 12:1-14; John 19:14-16; 1 Corinthians 5:6-8]

God's people remember God's deliverance.

2. Feast 2: Pentecost [16:9-12; Leviticus 23:9-11; 15-21; 2 Corinthians 9:6-15; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3]

God's people remember to give back to God.

3. Feast 3: Booths [16:13-17; Leviticus 23:33-36; 39-43; Psalm 40:1-3; Colossians 2:12-13; Galatians 4:4-7]

God's people remember where he has brought them from.

Big Idea: God's people regularly remember how good God has been to them.