leadership

Pastor Mike Ruel
Paul Fehrenbacher [Secretary]

Rob Downs [Chairman] John Lisa [Treasurer]

DEACONS AND STAFF

Building and Grounds Fellowship

Benevolence Technology

Finance

Kingdom Kids

Jr & Sr High Youth

Worship

Financial Admin

Len Baxter Kerry Westpy Jeff Lukawski Ray Westpy TJ Walsh [Interim] Alyssa Myhren Kim Bennett

Pastor Josh Barlow Steve and Ally Gunther Pastor Jesse Morgan

Ron Vreeland Carinne Downs

CARE GROUPS

Vernon Center/HBC

Pastor Mike Ruel Mondays • 7pm Downstairs Room #1

Branchville/Newton

Ray & Kerry Westpy 1st and 3rd Fridays 862-266-8699

Lafayette

Andy & Amy Bennett 2nd & 4th Sundays • 4pm 973-886-4679

Vernon/565

Len & Doreen Baxter 1st Friday • 7pm 201-230-7372

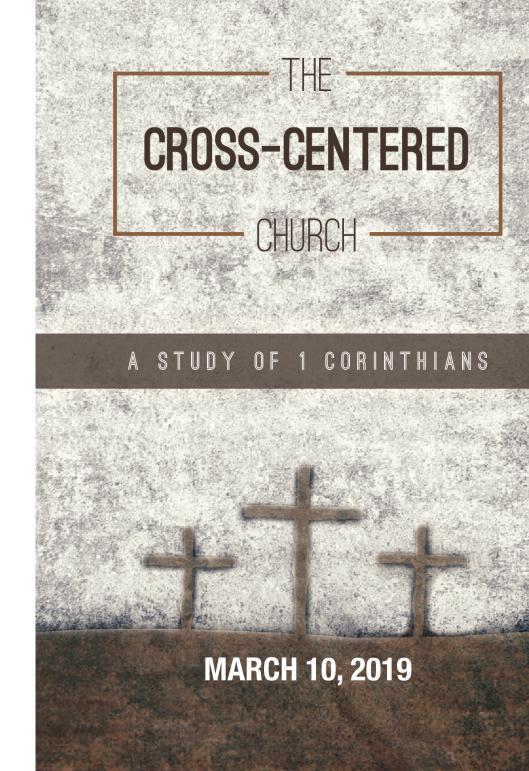
Highland Lakes

Family Focused Dinner Marc & Stacey Bray 2nd Sunday • 3pm 973-477-9340



307 NJ-94, Vernon, NJ 07462 (973) 764-7506 Highlandsbiblechurch.org Info@highlandsbiblechurch.org

For Prayer Needs - Send Email To: PrayerChain@HighlandsBibleChurch.org



our purpose

Our purpose is to glorify God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. 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

You will hear us talk about the gospel a lot. Actually it is the center of everything we do here at Highlands.

- 1. **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]
- 3. 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]
- 4. **Response -** None of this is effective for us unless we respond in three ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18], persevere [Ephesians 4:1; Matthew 24:13]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, and adopted into God's family forever! [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17]

kingdom kids

We encourage you to worship as a family, however we provide nursery care [infants - 2.5 yrs] if desired. Kids will be dismissed downstairs before the sermon. Please see one of our security team at the check-in desk by the coffee table for more info.

Explorers Newborn - 2.5 yrs

Discoverers 2.5 yrs - 3 yrs

Adventurers Pre-K [4yrs] and Kindergarten

Navigators Grades 1-5

calendar

- Men's Bible Study Wednesdays 6:30am at Sussex Sit n Chat Diner
- Youth Group [6th-12th grades] Thursdays 7:00pm in Roadside Bldg
- Corporate Prayer Sunday, March 10th 6pm at HBC TONIGHT!
- New Member's Class Sunday, March 17th 6pm at HBC
- Member Meeting Sunday, March 24th at 5pm at HBC
- Spring Ladies Bible Study Starts March 26/28th See Mel or Doreen
- Missions Series April 28th May 12th
- Men's Saturday Breakfast Saturday, March 30th 8am at Leuzarder's
- Good Friday Service April 19th, 6:30pm at HBC
- Easter Sunday, April 21st 2 services 9:30am and 11:00am at HBC
- Work Day Saturday, May 4th 8am-12pm at HBC

finances

General Offering - Jan '19 \$16,729.53

Designated Benevolence - Jan '19 \$549.50

YTD General Offering thru Jan '19 \$16,729.53

YTD Budget \$19,993.75

worship guide

March 10, 2019

Our passage today is from 1 Corinthians 8:1-6. As you prepare your heart in prayer, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

"Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love."

[1 John 4:8 ESV]

PRAY/CONSIDER

- Even if we think we are right, is forcing our opinions and convictions on others loving? Why or why not?
- What should be our goal in relationships with each other, especially among Christians - being right or building each other up?
- Why is being unloving an indicator that someone doesn't truly know God?
- Spend time reflecting on 1 Corinthians 13 the 'love' chapter.
 What things jump out at you?
- What does the Bible claim about who God the Father is and who Jesus is?
- Praise God for the perfect love he shows us in Jesus!

SING

Come Praise and Glorify | All Creatures of Our God and King |
Grace Alone | Living Hope |
His Mercy is More

Sermon notes March 10, 2019

1 CORINTHIANS 8:1-6

Knowledge vs. Love, Part 1

Knowledge without love is empty.

2. Yeah...And? [8:4-6]

Even true knowledge is still partial knowledge.

Main Point:

Let love lead knowledge.