

# leadership

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### Kingdom Kids

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## CARE GROUPS

### Vernon Center/HBC

Pastor Mike Ruel  
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Downstairs Room #1

### Branchville/Newton

Ray & Kerry Westpy  
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862-266-8699

### Lafayette

Andy & Amy Bennett  
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### Vernon/565

Len & Doreen Baxter  
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### Highland Lakes

Family Focused Dinner  
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# THE CROSS-CENTERED CHURCH

A STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS



NOVEMBER 3, 2019

# welcome

## our purpose

We are delighted that you joined us today! 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]
2. **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 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 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

We are always looking for help in Kingdom Kids. See Alyssa Myhren today to find out how you can help!

## calendar

- **Corporate Prayer Meeting - Sunday, TONIGHT, 6:00pm, HBC**
- **TwentySomethings Bible Study, TONIGHT, 6:30pm, Deming's**
- Men's Bible Study - Wednesdays 6:30am at Sussex Sit n Chat Diner
- Fall Ladies Bible Study - Tues PM or Thurs AM. See Mel or Doreen.
- Member Meeting - Sunday, November 17, 5:00pm
- TwentySomethings FriendsGiving, Sunday, November 17th, 5:00pm
- Thanksgiving Eve Service - Wed, November 27th, 6:30pm
- Advent Series Start - Sunday, December 1
- Ladies Christmas Brunch - Saturday, December 14th

## finances

General Offering - Sep '19	\$24,365.80
Designated Gifts - Sep '19	\$501.25
YTD General Offering thru Sep '19	\$188,792.31
YTD Budget	\$203,549.74

# worship guide

**November 3, 2019**

Our passage today is from 1 Corinthians 15:35-49. As you prepare your heart for worship in song, in His Word, and in the fellowship of the saints, please consider:

## COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.”

[Philippians 3:20-21 ESV]

## PRAY/CONSIDER/DISCUSS

- Generally, do you see our culture focusing more on the here and now, or eternity?
- How does living our life now effect our eternity as believers?
- How do you see a cultural focus on our bodies, in terms of appearance or obsession with health?
- How do we practically balance being diligent while on earth and being mindful of future hope?
- How does the reality of our union with Adam affect our need for Jesus? How does the curse of sin continue to affect us here?
- What about the truth that Jesus was never created - what affect does that have on our faith and life as Christians? [see Col 1:15-20]
- What hope can we take from the gospel freeing us from being united to Adam the man of dust?

## SING

Everlasting God | Prepared a Place for Me |

Living Hope | Cornerstone | Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

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# sermon notes

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November 3, 2019

## 1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-49

*Resurrection, Part 3*

### 1. Good One, Paul... [v35-41]

A focus on the physical above the spiritual is foolish.

### 2. Transformational Experience [v42-44; Phil 3:21]

The resurrection will transform us.

### 3. Adam and Christ [v45-49; Gen 2:7; Colossians 1:15-20]

**Big Idea: Death after life in Adam, life after death in Jesus.**