## LEADERSHIP

LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

#### **ELDERS**

Dr. Mike Ruel, **PASTOR**John Lisa, **SECRETARY**Paul Fehrenbacher

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Tina Nause, OPERATIONS
MANAGER

Cyndi Hochstaedt & Alyssa Myhren, **KINGDOM KIDS** 

TBD/Help Needed: WORSHIP
Brad Wilson, FINANCE
David Baxter, BUILDING & GROUNDS
Steve & Noelle Barlow - YOUTH

#### 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: Kuperus' Westtown NY WHEN: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 4pm HOSTED BY: Pastor Mike Ruel

WHERE: Highlands Bible Church

WHEN: Biweekly

**HOSTED BY:** Brad & Taylor Wilson

**CALL:** 973-600-0826 [Brad]

Family Friendly Group!

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

**FACEBOOK:** HighlandsBibleNJ **INSTAGRAM:** HighlandsBibleChurch

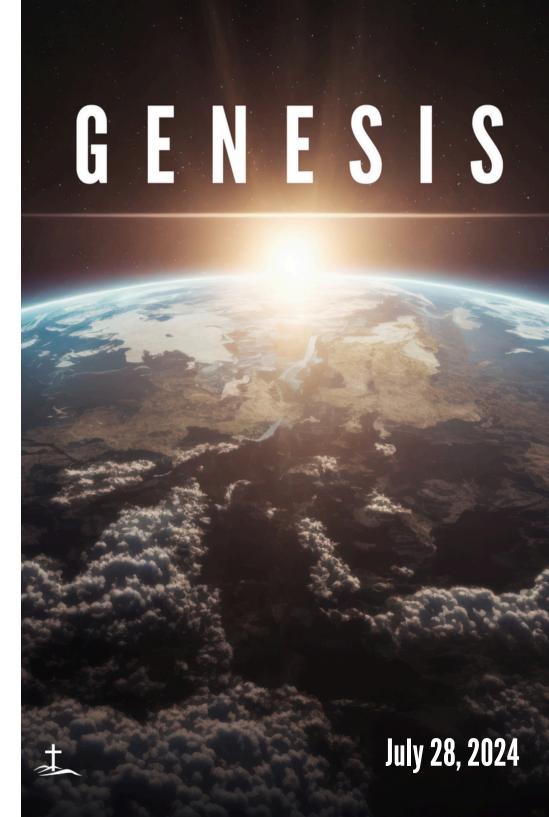
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# OUR VISION & MISSION

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 worshiping 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

MEMBER MEETING - Today after service!

SUNDAY CARE GROUP - Today, 4pm @ Nick and Jolene's

MONDAY CARE GROUP - 7pm in the sanctuary

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

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

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

PRAYER MEETING - Sunday, August 4th, 6pm in Loffice

YOUTH GROUP LAKE DAY - Saturday, August 10th

NEXT STEPS CLASS - Sunday, August 18th, 4pm in Loffice

**ELDER MEETINGS - 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers appreciated!** 

# FINANCES



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING

 GENERAL OFFERING, June 2024
 \$24,452.07

 NEHEMIAH FUND, To Date
 \$492,750.46

 BENEVOLENCE, To Date
 \$17,845.97

 CEAF, To Date
 \$12,490.99

 YTD GENERAL OFFERING
 \$152,471.75

 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**

JULY 28, 2024

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today our sermon passage is Genesis 9:1-29.** As you prepare your heart for worship this morning, please consider reading and prayerfully reflecting on the following:



#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

• Call to Worship: Psalm 29:1-2

• New Testament Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

• Sermon Passage Reading: Genesis 9:1-29

• Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21



#### CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Imagine yourself surviving the flood, what would you prioritize doing first?
- Why do you think that God repeats the Creation Mandate for the third time in this passage? What does that mean for us today?
- What practical implications of the supremacy of human life do you see around us in our culture? How are they disregarding it?
- Where has the evangelical church not engaged cultural issues and how has that affected culture?
- Next Week's Passage: Genesis 10:1-32



Come Thou Fount | Be Thou My Vision | Speak O Lord | Doxology

## SERMON NOTES

Genesis 9:1-29 | Post-Flood Mission

1. Lex Talionis [9:1-7; 1:29-30; Leviticus 17:10-12; Acts 15:19-20; Exodus 21:23-25]

God grants us supremacy.

2. The Real Rainbow [9:8-17; 1 John 2:2]

God protects us from his wrath through his covenants.

3. Drunkenness, Blessings, and Curses [9:18-29; Deuteronomy 20:16-18;

God ordains our spiritual destinies.

Big Idea: God rebuilds what sin has destroyed.