

LEADERSHIP

LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

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KINGDOM KIDS
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

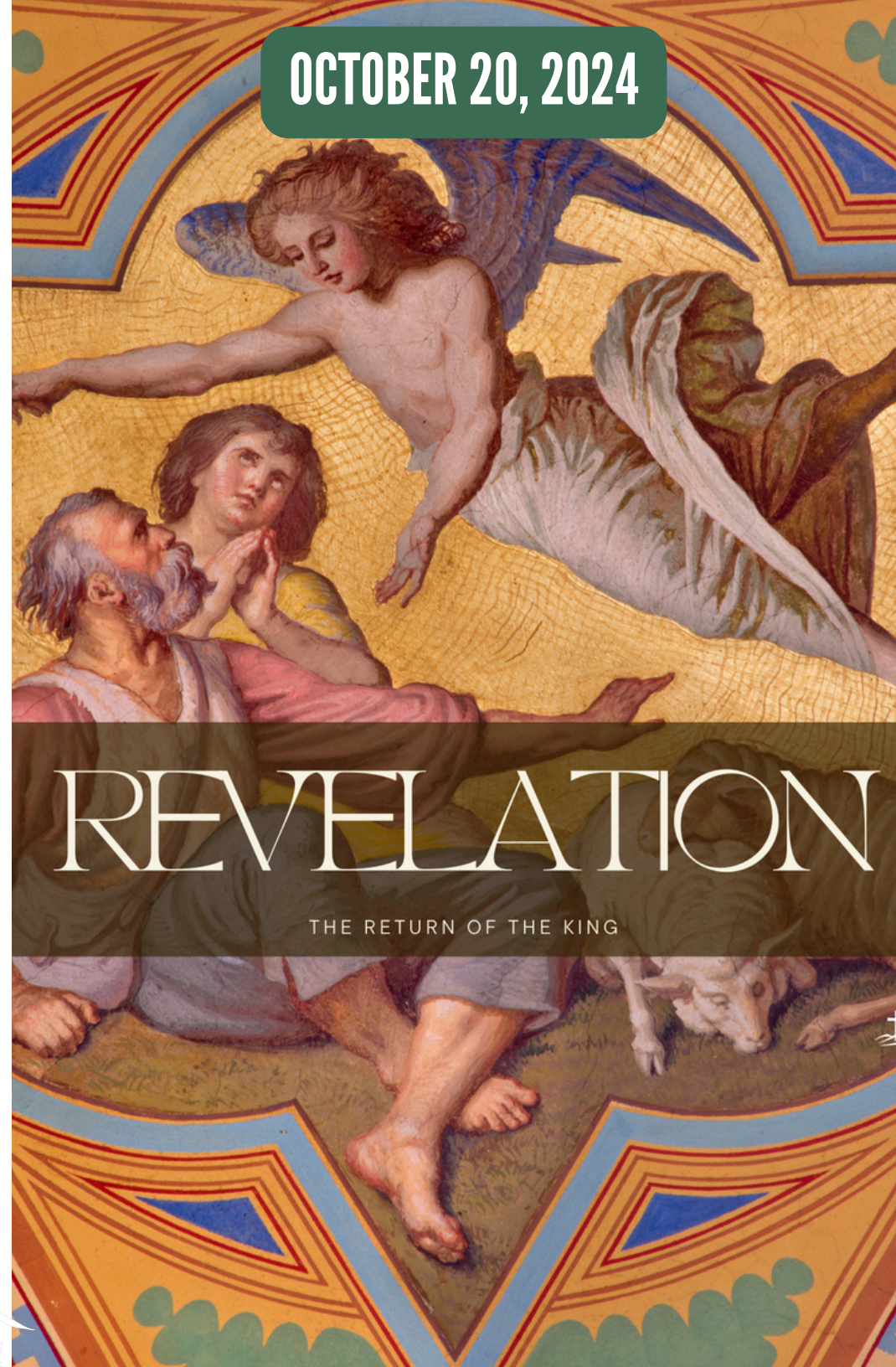
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OCTOBER 20, 2024



REVELATION

THE RETURN OF THE KING

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 - bringing 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

EVENTS, CARE GROUPS, AND MORE



NEXT STEPS CLASS - 4pm today in Loffice. Dinner included - last chance to sign up at Welcome Table!

FAMILY CARE GROUP - Today after service, downstairs

MONDAY CARE GROUP - 7pm in the sanctuary

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

FALL LADIES BIBLE STUDY - Tuesdays @ 7pm in Sanctuary

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

MIDWEEK STUDY - Basic Christianity, Every Wed @ 7pm in Loffice!

YOUTH GROUP - Every Wednesday @ 7pm in Sanctuary

ELDER MEETINGS - 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers appreciated!

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING



GENERAL OFFERING, Sep 2024	\$27,530.12
NEHEMIAH FUND, To Date	\$567,206.33
BENEVOLENCE, To Date	\$18,241.17
CEAF, To Date	\$2,295.32
YTD GENERAL OFFERING	\$227,845.88
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

OCTOBER 20, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Today our sermon passage is **Revelation 3:1-6**. As you prepare your heart for worship this morning, please consider reading and prayerfully reflecting on the following:



SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Call to Worship: Psalm 147:1
- Old Testament Reading: Micah 6:6-8
- Sermon Passage Reading: Revelation 3:1-6



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- What would it look like to be a Christian in name only?
- How can we prevent drifting into nominal Christianity?
- Read Luke 12:35-48. What resonates with you and why?
- Where can you be tempted to be “stained” with sin? What is the remedy?
- Why don’t more Christians connect the spiritual growth in our lives now to the day of reward when Jesus returns? How can we think more Biblically?
- Next Week: Revelation 3:7-13



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Grace Unmeasured | Only a Holy God | Lord Have Mercy |
Great is Thy Faithfulness | Jesus Thank You

SERMON NOTES

Revelation 3:1-6 | Letter to Sardis

1. Wake Up Call [3:1-2]

A complacent church is a dying church.

2. Received and Heard [3:3; 2 Timothy 1:13; 1 Corinthians 11:23-24; 15:1-5; Jude 1:3; Luke 12:35-40; 1 Thessalonians 5:2; 2 Timothy 4:2-5]

A ready church is grounded in the truth of Scripture.

3. The Book of Life [3:4-6; James 1:27; Ecclesiastes 9:8; Revelation 7:9-10; 20:11-12; 2 Peter 3:14; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24]

A faithful church finishes well.

Big Idea: To finish well, we need to be faithful now.