

LEADERSHIP

LOVING GOD AND LOVING PEOPLE

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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

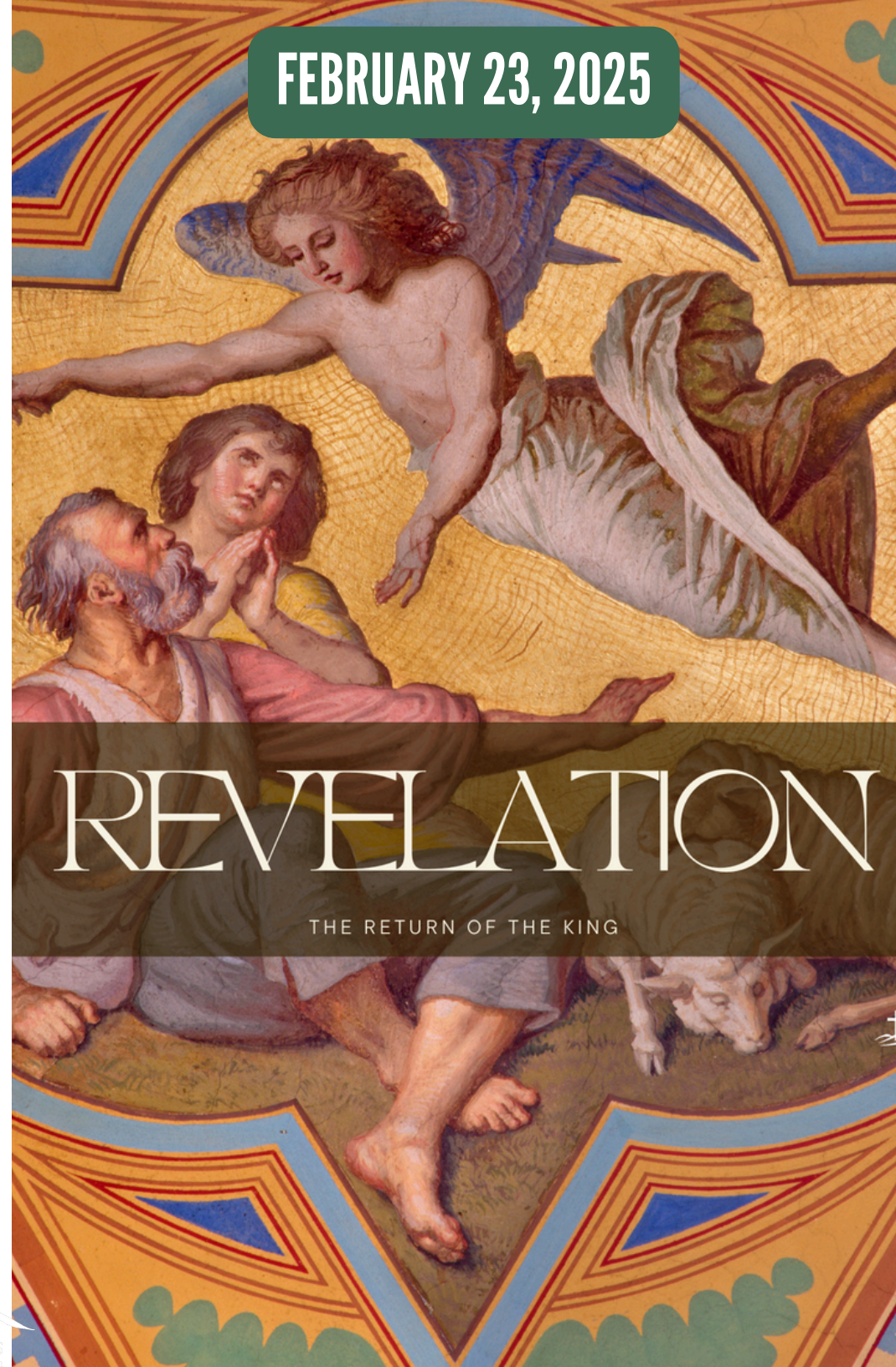
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FEBRUARY 23, 2025



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



Please return your Baby Bottles by TODAY!

Care Group - Today at 4pm at Nick and Jolene's

MONDAY CARE GROUP - 7pm in the Sanctuary

TUESDAY AM LADIES BIBLE STUDY - 9am downstairs

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

MIDWEEK STUDY - 7pm upstairs in Loffice

YOUTH GROUP - Wednesdays at 7pm in the sanctuary

FAMILY CARE GROUP - next Sunday, March 2nd after service

PRAYER MEETING - next Sunday, March 2nd @ 6pm in Loffice

SPRING LADIES BIBLE STUDY - Starts Tuesday, March 4th

ELDER MEETINGS - 2nd Tuesday Monthly - Prayers appreciated!

FINANCES

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING



GENERAL OFFERING , Jan 2025	\$21,694.20
NEHEMIAH FUND , To Date	\$588,129.49
BENEVOLENCE , To Date	\$18,464.00
CEAF , To Date	\$10,473.22
YTD GENERAL OFFERING	\$21,694.20
2024 BUDGET	\$384,546.00

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

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

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 111:1
- Old Testament Reading: Exodus 20:1-6
- Sermon Passage Reading: Revelation 13:11-18



CONSIDER - DISCUSS - PRAY

- Why do we tend to either avoid or sensationalize passages like this in Revelation? Which do you tend towards more?
- Read 1 John 2:18-25. What is relevant to our passage and also our culture at large today?
- Why do people fall for false prophets? How can you help someone who has?
- What are some ways that you have been tempted to take the “mark of the beast” in our culture?
- Next Week: Revelation 14:1-13



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A Mighty Fortress is Our God | Before the Throne of God Above |
Glorious Day | He Will Hold Me Fast | The Lord is My Salvation

SERMON NOTES

Revelation 13:11-18 | The Unholy Trinity

1. Beastly Lamb [13:11-12; 19:20; Daniel 8:2-4; 23-25; 1 John 2:18-25]

The church must be on the lookout for false apostles.

2. Deceptions [13:13-15; 1 Kings 18:21; Deut 13:1-3; Revelation 19:20; Matthew 24:24; 7:15-20]

The church must be on the lookout for false prophets.

3. The Mark of the Beast [13:16-18; 1 Corinthians 15:2]

The church must be on the lookout for false allegiances.

Big Idea: Satan attacks the church through false apostles, false prophets, and false allegiances.