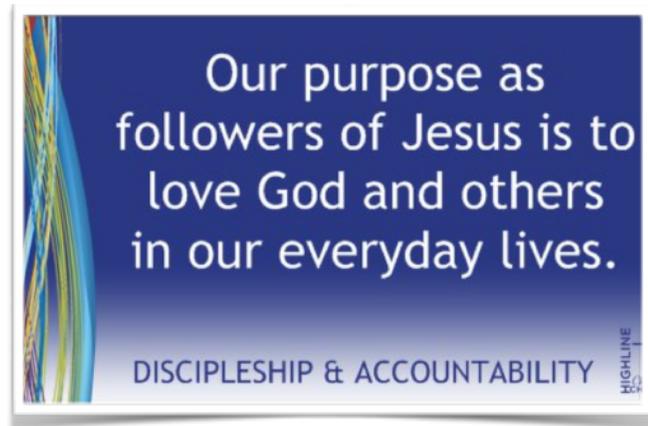


DISCIPLE DIGEST

Highline Christian Church, 14859 1st Avenue South, Burien

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request, our Prayer Team would like to pray for you. You may enter your prayer request on the APP by tapping on “Connect with Us”, through the [HUB](#), or by email at office@highlinechristian.org.



COVID-19 Hasn't Stopped Us!

As strange as 2020 has been thus far, the Property Ministry team here at Highline has been BLESSED!! (and so have most of you ..even though you may not have known it). This facility would NOT be what it is today without the individual



volunteer efforts of many of our members that commit their time, talent and abilities working around Highline Christian Church. Every Monday morning a group of individuals from Highline Christian Church show up and work around the church. We regularly have had 5-10 people doing projects on Mondays and then others that regularly perform other tasks on other days around Highline. It is so encouraging to see individuals using their time, energy and God given abilities to bless the ministry of Highline. Each person has his or her talent and ability that they choose to use to bless our church through maintenance and upgrades around the facility. To name a few - Owen K. has used his abilities to upgrade our HVAC ability to draw in much more outside air into the sanctuary rather than just recirculating the same air. This was done pre Covid-19 but has proven to be a valuable option as we re-start

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Third Saturday Church Work Party



August 15, 8:30-Noon

All are invited to join us for the Third Saturday Work Party. We will be doing general grounds maintenance & fix-its and could use your help. Meet us here in the HCC Parking lot. For any questions, contact Gregg at 206-391-0113

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Fall Classes

September is coming quickly and normally we would be sharing lots of information



about what classes will be available for Sunday School as well as mid-week ministry opportunities. Because everything is in flux, we will all need to be patient as we continue to plan and prepare for what may or may not happen.

As we continue to get used to meeting in person again, we are also making plans for classes to start back up, hopefully in September. Due to current restrictions, we are not sure how many classes will be available, how many people will be able to attend, or if they will be in person, or over Zoom. We will continue to take things one step at a time, and if allowed we will have a Sunday School class or two available for people to participate in, come September.

May you continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory now and forever. Amen.

Moment by moment with Jesus,
Bret

COVID-19 Hasn't Stopped Us!

onsite Church services. Lenny and Donna H continue to use their custodial expertise each week to assist our custodian (Marsha) in regular cleaning and occasional deep cleaning projects. Mike R, Bill J. Bill B, Chuck H. and Reed M. have worked with me doing a combination of the mundane maintenance tasks as well as upgrade and remodel projects. Some projects that we have accomplished this last year... We have removed and replaced the floor in the south building kitchen and small south bldg. bathroom. We have removed and replaced most of the north building main floor Education wing hallway carpet. Another noticeable project that is underway is replacing the exterior lights with new brighter LED lights around the garage and in the parking lot. We have upgraded security by both replacing older locks and adding dead bolts to some exterior doors. Also, we have added a security gate between the two buildings and altered the landscape to accommodate it. We have begun the project of our new LED digital sign on 1st Ave. The area for the base was excavated and then rebar placed and concrete poured...next on this project will be the block columns being constructed by a mason.

A special thanks to Dave R and Larry R for all the great work each week for keeping the parking lot looking great and caring for the landscape. Also Tony B thank you for using your gifts as a painter and painting all the areas of the atrium and entrance that were beyond Marsha's comfort zone ...

Lots have been done on the facility this past year... and there are MANY projects yet to be started and completed... Again Thanks to ALL who spent time, talent and effort on behalf of the property ministry team this past year..

THANK YOU !!!

Gregg

The Art of Neighboring in July

Wow, that was a fast month. For the month of July a group of us focused on the Art of Neighboring. Covid



has created a unique environment for neighboring: on one hand people are home more and there are more opportunities to meet and engage with your neighbors; on the other hand, because of distancing and sometimes fear, our neighbors may not be very receptive of conversation. This past month we looked at the great commandment to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We asked ourselves the question of what would it look like if when Jesus told us to love our neighbors he was including our actual neighbors? Each week we explored a different aspect of loving our neighbors well including: knowing their names and as the relationship grows, more details about them; lies that prevent us from being present to, with, and for our neighbors; moving past our fears that are driven by media and the unknown; and the importance of putting down our super-neighbor capes and letting the relationships be reciprocal in nature.

As I sought to put what we were learning into practice, I became more intentional to watch for when my neighbors were out and to greet them. I've been building a relationship with one of my neighbors who is often out in his front yard. We've spent time talking about cars, model trucks, drones, gardens, grass, kids, and more. During the past few months our relationship has really started to grow. For the 4th of July our families were socially distanced but out front celebrating and playing with sparklers together. Just the other day I knew our relationship had turned a new corner; I had just gotten home and was walking down the side of my house when

something wet hit my foot. I was so confused, I thought my water bottle had broken or something, then I looked at the ground and saw the orange balloon; I had been hit by a water balloon. My neighbor saw me and tossed a water balloon at me, not trying to hit me directly, but close enough I would feel the water. I don't think I've ever been so happy to be hit by a water balloon. Our relationship has gone somewhere, there is trust being built, a friendship developing that would allow one person to throw a water balloon at another and know that it would be alright.

I don't know what God has in store for my neighborhood, but I do know that the more time we spend hanging out together the closer our neighborhood gets and that community is part of what really makes it a great place to live.

If you are interested in learning more about neighboring and were not able to participate in the class, you still have an opportunity to do so. The Art of Neighboring is a 4 lesson video class on RightNow Media



based on the book by the same title. I recommend signing up for your free RightNow Media account and watching the lessons from The Art of Neighboring, and when you are done with that, there are thousands of other studies you can explore. Links to RightNow Media are available on the church web page and the church app, or you can [click here](#) to sign up.

Loving God by loving neighbors,
Bret

Prison Ministry Needs

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound.

Isaiah 61:1



Evergreen Prison Ministry works with other prison and jail ministry programs to provide Bibles, Study Bibles and Christian growth material into the hands of those incarcerated in jails and prisons throughout the State of Washington.

Needs:

Please donate Bibles, Study Bibles and Christian literature that you are finished using by dropping them off in the Prison Ministry box in HCC's Community Room. (Idea: when you visit garage sales, ask the owners if they would like to donate to you, any Bibles or Christian literature that you see, so you can give it to Evergreen Prison Ministry.)

You may also donate funds to buy Bibles, Study Bibles and Christian literature directly to Highline Christian Church and mark it for Evergreen Prison Ministry. We purchase our Bibles by the case, which reduces the price greatly. 100% of the funds go toward Bible or Christian literature purchases. No money goes toward employees since we are an all volunteer staff.

Any questions, contact Janita Lagasca at 206-295-6848 or janitalagasca@yahoo.com

World Outreach

Sent in by Lyla Moreland

Could you please write a note to encourage all our teams, the peak here is hitting so hard and no one expected it to be this bad. Our teams are losing a lot of family members, pastors and teachers whom they have worked with closely. People are scared and emotionally drained. I'll share that note in all our R4L WhatsApp groups and emails.

This week so far these are some of the close people we have lost.



Teacher at Mkhulunyelwa school, a wonderful friend to our peer educators. Made sure we had R4L assemblies even when the HeadMaster refused.



Pastor Mabena enabled us to launch R4L in Harrismith and Qwaqwa, he was a Police commander in the area and a local Pastor, the first Pastoral training in Harrismith he was one of the organizers.



A mom to one of the R4L volunteers.



Mrs Mkhize, teacher at Douglas Primary school, opened great doors for us in her school and neighbouring schools.



Pastor Lebo Ntate, pastor at Tshepiso township, was a great support for the program in that area and we have volunteers from his church.

DWELL Audio Bible



“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.”

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

This past month Dwell released a couple of updates to their app making it even easier to listen to, or hear, your favorite passages of scripture. If you haven't already done so, click the link below and download the Dwell app. Dwell has extended the full paid version of the app for free for one more month. Find the link to your free Dwell subscription [by clicking here](#), or on the HCC App.

Dwelling with you,
Bret

Preschool VBS in a Bag

Last Chance to Register

Heads up! **Register by August 3.**

Due to our current circumstances, we're now sending home VBS IN A BAG. We want our families to stay healthy, stay safe, and learn about King Jesus and his kingdom! Here's what to expect.

Intended Target Audience:

Lessons and activities are geared for two-year-olds to those entering first grade.

What's in the BAG:

You'll receive an outline for the day: anticipating play activity ideas, craft materials, worship response materials, snacks, and we'll also provide links to videos with songs, motions, and the Bible story told by people your children know! Links to videos will come to the email account provided on the registration form. Bag pick-up time and date to-be-announced.



Registration:

Be sure to let us know your child(ren) want(s) to participate. [Click here to register](#) by August 3. The cost is \$10/child.

Charlene Crawford

Mixing Pancakes with a Chainsaw & September Sunday School Classes

Early Childhood and Early Elementary plan to resume Sunday school Classes beginning in September. We are excited to continue our usual schedule as outlined below provided certain criteria are met.

9AM Service Time

Children get to hear The Big God Story. This year we will be looking at the grand narrative of the Bible through the lens of **Redemption**. Here's the September Sequence

Lesson Date	Main Truth	Bible Passage	Remember Verse
September 6	God Redeems (Need for a Redeemer)	Genesis 1-3	Deuteronomy 7:9
September 13	God Keeps His Word (The Flood)	Genesis 6:5-9:17	
September 20	God is Lord of All (The Promise)	Genesis 12:1-9; 15-16; 21:1-7	
September 27	God Blesses (Jacob)	Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1-41; 32-33:11	

10:40AM Service Time

Children will continue to hear the same scripture passage that the congregation hears during the sermon time. Children engage with the story through anticipatory free-play, a telling of the Bible story, singing, and craft.

For both the 9am and 10:40am Sunday school times, we will have classes as scheduled provided the following criteria are met:

1. **Our gathering is still acceptable by law as given from the Governor's office.** Laws and requirements are changing so quickly and often. If we can meet, we will meet!
2. **Adequate staffing is available.** Most of our early childhood Sunday school volunteer staff fits into the "high risk" category for COVID-19. We want to love our volunteer staff well, and this means we do not expect them to volunteer during this time. We would love to have willing volunteers teach 1-2 times a month. We love having moms and dads, teens who want to serve, and anybody who has energy to come along side young children.
3. **Our staff is adequately equipped to handle the teaching and safety responsibilities.** It takes some training and equipping to be prepared to be with young children. We want our volunteers to enjoy their time and to want to come back! Can you imagine trying to cut down a tree with a bread knife? Or how about mixing pancakes with a chainsaw. No thank you! **We are committed to adequately preparing volunteers** to serve with necessary tools to make the time enjoyable for children and volunteers.

Charlene Crawford

Pastor Tim's Daily Podcast

Take a moment to listen to Pastor Tim's daily podcast,



The2Greatest (T2G) after the two greatest commandments to love God and others. They will only be about 5 minutes long. We hope they will bless you. Listen in! You may access T2G by Facebook or our APP. [Listen here!](#)

Worship Service Times

Saturdays - 6:00 PM
Sundays - 9:00 AM & 10:40 AM

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Office Hours

Emails and messages are checked on a regular basis. Please leave a message and Kim will contact you when she is in the office.

Next eNewsletter Deadline

September 20, 2020

Sunday, August 23rd Transform Burien HCC Outreach Dinner



Serve a meal and provide food and clothing services to those in need in our community.

The 4th Sunday of each month:

2:30 to 3:30 PM - Set Up and Serve
3:30 to 5:00 PM - Serve
4:45 to 5:45 PM - Clean Up

Opportunities:

Set Up
Kitchen-Cook/Prep
Meal Server
Food Bank
Clothing Bank
Hall Monitor
Prayer and Conversation with Attendees
Clean Up

*****New Location*****

Sunnydale School
15631 8th Ave S

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