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Update on the App!

There are over **1394** people that have downloaded and are using our **HIGHLINE CHRISTIAN CHURCH APP!!** We also now have over \$100,000 that has been given through the App to Highline since we started in September of 2016—**WOW—way to go!** We are so pleased that so many of you are benefiting from all the great features of the App. The top five features that are the most used right now are the sermon notes, listen, calendar, connect with us, & PDF resources. If you have yet to use these features, please check them out.



For those of you with a QR reader on your phone, simply scan the QR code and it will take you directly to our app to download it. You can also click on this link <https://a3a.me/highline>

If you would rather download the app from the App Store or the Google Play Store then type in Highline Christian Church in your search bar and you should see it.

We also wanted to remind you that you can give to our campaign "Pay Off the Mortgage" by clicking on the campaign tile in the App and then following the instructions. If you want to know how the "Pay off the Mortgage" campaign is going, there is a bar graph that shows the amount given on the left-hand side with the goal we are reaching for on the right-hand side. We are now at 21% of our goal. Thank you for your faithful giving.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need help with our HCC App. There are so many things you can do through the app, so please explore it and use whatever you like.

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Teaching Talks with Tim –“A Pastor’s Perspective”

In 2018, I want to provide a new forum for teaching and talking about some of the **most important, least understood**, and most **hotly debated** topics in Christianity. Twice a month we will gather for what I’m calling “Teaching Talks with Tim: A Pastor’s Perspective.” Notice it’s “A” Pastor’s Perspective—NOT necessarily Highline Christian Church’s perspective and certainly not EVERY Pastor’s perspective.



We will meet a couple times a month on Tuesday Nights in the Great Room from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. You don’t have to come to every topic. You might want to only come to the topics that interest you the most—but I challenge you to come even to topics you think you’ve got figured out or mastered.

The format will be as follows: I will teach on the topic of the night, giving MY perspective on the hot button issue. Then we will have some time for Q and A or small group discussions.

Here are the dates and topics for this New Year:

January 23 rd	What is the Gospel? (It’s Probably NOT what you think!)
January 30 th	It’s BEAUTIFUL, GOOD and TRUE (It’s supposed to be GOOD News!)
February 13 th	“Getting Saved”—Does “when” matter? (Decisional Salvation vs. Kingdom Living)
February 27 th	What About Homosexuals? (Step Up and Be the Church!)
March 13 th	Is America A “Christian” Nation? (The History)
March 27 th	Christianity and American Nationalism (It’s Idolatry and It’s Dangerous!)
April 17 th	A Woman’s Place Is In The Church (The role of women in the Bible)
April 24 th	A Woman’s Place Is In The Church Part 2 (Women In Ministry—The Hard Texts)
May 15 th	Meditation (Is God okay with that?)
May 22 nd	Meditation Part 2 (Making it Wonderful, not Weird, Christ-Centered not Cultic)
Sept 11 th	God and Guns (Christians and the Military)
Sept 25 th	The Hottest Topic! (Hell, and who’s going there)
October 9 th	God and Genocide (Did he really wipe out whole people groups?)
October 16 th	What About the Age of the Earth? (Is 7 Days the only Way?)
Nov 6 th	Pornography (Fake Intimacy that Destroys our Souls)
Nov 13 th	Has Science Buried God? (Actually, just the opposite!)

There you have it. Sixteen turbulent topics. I ask you to come with an open heart, a gracious spirit, a teachable attitude and a desire to grow in your faith---even if it might mean letting go of some old ways of thinking.

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2017 Outdoor Living Nativity—Thank you!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who helped make the 2017 Outdoor Living Nativity an enormous success.

Thank you to the 35-members of the cast that ranged in age from two months to nearly 70 years old. From the babies who played the part of Jesus, to the shepherds, the angels, Mary and Joseph, the stable boy, the travelers, the innkeeper and his wife, the gift bearers and the wise men, your participation reached the community of Burien (and beyond) in ways that many of us will never know.

For every cast member, there were at least two "behind-the-scenes" volunteers who did everything from distributing flyers to businesses in the community, putting up and taking down the Bethlehem set, preparing and serving hot cocoa, fitting and modifying costumes, preparing and serving the cast dinner, setting up chairs, setting up the lighting and sound systems, providing cast snacks, running lighting and sound, helping with the angels, and so much more. Thanks to each and every one of you.

And thank you Highline congregation for your support in putting on our nativity year after year. This wouldn't be possible without your support.

Every year, I see or hear about what I



like to call a "God moment." That's when I find out how the nativity affected someone in a way that only God could orchestrate. This year, one of our "God moments" came from a lady from a church in SeaTac.

"Now I'm beginning to understand who Jesus is."

As we were taking down the Bethlehem set after the last performance on Saturday night, this lady approached us to thank Highline for putting on our Outdoor Living Nativity. She commented that there is nothing like this in SeaTac. She then shared with us that she had brought a group of Muslims to see one of the performances, and that after the performance was finished every one of the Muslims was crying. One of them said to this lady, "Now I'm beginning to understand who Jesus is."

Don Berg





Many Thanks to our Monday Maintenance Group!



1st row left to right: Marsha, Janet, Donna, Gregg
2nd row: Mike, Bill J., Bill B., Reed, Gail, Lenny

Each Monday morning a faithful band of volunteers comes alongside our facilities staff to make sure the building is looking and functioning its best. As you can imagine -- keeping up with over 50,000 square feet of flooring, dozens of receptacles for garbage and recycle, as well as nearly 20 bathrooms -- keeps them busy! They also repair or replace what is broken, install equipment, paint, and generally help wherever needed, inside and out! Plus, there are always plenty of smiles and laughs to go around!

House of Hope (Prison Ministry)

House of Hope would love to have Christian greeting cards or Christian Christmas cards for use for their pen pal ministry. The Christmas cards often go on sale right after Christmas, so this is a great time to pick some up. They would also appreciate any "used" Christmas cards as they use the picture side as stationery during December. The inmates love displaying all the extra cards. Please bring any donations to the bin in the Community Room—South Building marked "Prison Ministry." Thank you so much.





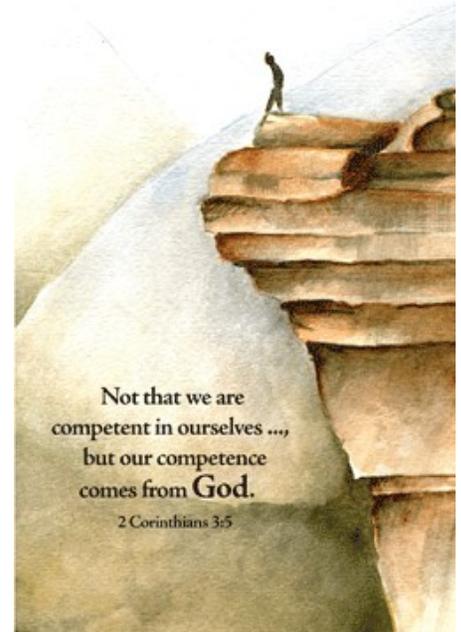
Why I So Highly Value Sunday School Teachers & Church

By Mary Webb

At the tender age of seven, I was ripped from my grandparents and extended family in 75 degrees Los Angeles and transplanted along with my 12-year-old brother and mother into 32 degrees Seattle at Christmas in 1943 to live in a one room, handmade trailer, complete with wood burning stove, bunk beds, and a father I hardly knew. No friends, extended family or winter clothing.

But, I had praying parents and grandparents and

quickly discovered cold, wet, grimy surroundings also had singing birds, guitar strumming, yodeling, close family — and a church within walking distance. CHURCH equals loving, caring “BIG” people to a seven-year-old girl. Operative words—loving, caring, “BIG” people who pray and sing and read and tell Bible stories and who enfolded my shivering frightened soul. Now at 81, I remember... and need to relate it to you. God is LOVE and REAL and living in us all and WHY? Thank you



Jesus! THINK ON IT... PLEASE. 2 Corinthians 3:4-6

Seniors in the New Year

The calendar is empty and ready for some plans! The Sizzler at Southcenter is the chosen venue for food, fellowship and planning, and the date is Wednesday, January 3 at 11:45am. Use your creative mind and high-speed internet to come up with some great ideas!



With Sympathy

We would like to offer sympathy to the family of Joyce Trueman. Joyce went home to be with her Lord on December 12, 2017. Joyce had been a member of Highline for over ten years. Please remember Joyce's family in your prayers during this difficult time.



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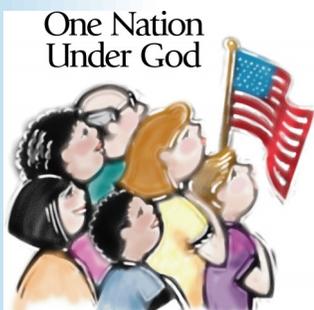


Reformed Reflections

Does Christian America Exist? Part 1

Is America a Christian nation? If you asked the average evangelical Christian

this question, s/he may not be able to provide a definitive answer. For others of us, it might evoke a strong emotional response! If you were to ask influential Evangelical, Dr. Robert Jeffress,



pastor of Dallas, Texas, mega-church, First Baptist, he would tell you, yes, America is a Christian nation. He's preached and written on this.¹ Then, if you were to ask distinguished Evangelical Historian, Mark Noll, he'd argue, "that a careful study of the facts of history shows that early America does not deserve to be considered uniquely, distinctly or even predominately Christian, if we mean by the word "Christian" a state of society reflecting the ideals presented in Scripture."² So, who's right? The question, as we will see, is fraught with controversy on many levels.

If you're like me, you may not have thought too deeply about it but, perhaps had intuitively believed it's true. But, is it? What if your or my assumptions aren't exactly accurate? Should our emotions play a role in determining our answer? Part of the problem here is illustrated by Christian Historian John Fea, as he observes that, "...many average churchgoers are confused about this topic. Unfortunately, those who

dominate our public discourse tend to make matters worse. We live in a sound-bite culture that makes it difficult to have any sustained dialogue on these historical issues."³

As I began to seriously deliberate this question a couple years ago, I was led to engage in further study and reading on the topic to try and uncover the "truth" about it. What I found was that it was a much more complicated question to answer than I'd initially imagined. To add to the difficulty, Fea notes, "It is not just secularists and Christians who disagree. Evangelicals have legitimate differences as well."⁴ Even within the realm of the Christian History profession, there are differences we should be aware of. Jay Green writes, "I have grown convinced that there really can be no such thing as a single or definitive *Christian understanding of history*. And, as far as I'm concerned, this should be no cause for anxiety."⁵ It almost goes without saying that there are divergent views on this topic- ranging from solid scholarship to pseudo-history! From my study of Church History and Historical Theology, I became familiar with and began to read what leading evangelical scholars have said about it. Due to the complexity of the subject matter, I began to develop a growing interest in this aspect of our early-

American history. My continued deeper study of this topic has led

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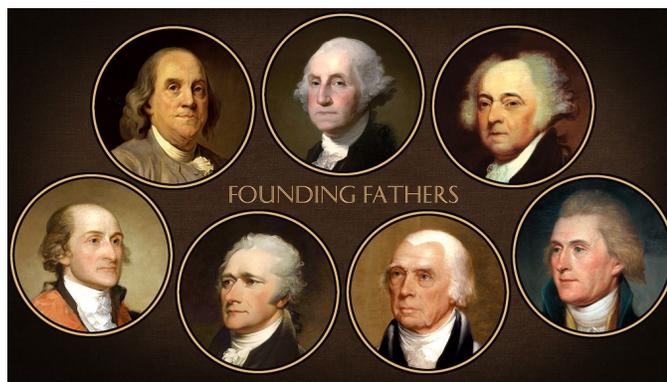




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me to write what follows in an attempt to bring some discernment to the topic. While claiming no expertise, from my examination, I've gained a reasonably informed overview of the subject, it's main views and their advocates. In my quest, I was motivated to go back and re-read both the Declaration of Independence and our Constitution. None of this, of course is done in a vacuum. Objectivity is not neutrality. That is, we can strive to be as objective as possible in presenting a topic, while we may hold our own biases. As Church Historian Carl Trueman wisely observes, "...most historians would, I believe both acknowledge the biased nature of the history they write and also maintain that they aspire to be objective in what they do."⁶ This is my intent as I write this.

At this point, you might be thinking that, I already have an opinion, or even, so what? After all, it's certainly not a matter of salvation whether you take one position or another, and it's not even a requirement for Orthodoxy by any standard I'm aware of! Yet, it does fall into the category of what I term "important but not essential." And, because it's important, we owe it to ourselves to be as informed as possible in our understanding. The Institute for Religion and Democracy noted (back in the early 1980's), "Few ideas are so heatedly contested in Christian circles today as the idea of Christian America-



whether America is that, ever was that or should be that."⁷ Perhaps unsurprisingly, I believe this holds even more true today given our current political environment and the close alignment of Evangelical and Republican Party ideologies.

My goal is to survey this topic in two parts. In Part One, I will deal with defining the terms and posing some of the questions that need to- and should be - asked toward developing an intelligent understanding of this topic. In Part Two, I will look at the predominant two views, their respective supporters, and provide a brief critique of the good and bad as well as offering some concluding observations in our endeavor of gaining a better handle of the subject.

Defining Terms and Asking Questions

To illustrate why this task is important, let me provide a caution from Robert McKenzie, Professor of History at Wheaton College, "It is understandable for American Christians to be curious about Christianity's influence on the founding of the United States and its framework of government, but all kinds of historical snares await us when we explore the question. Even with the best of intentions, we will be tempted, subconsciously at least, to distort what we see in order to find what we are looking for."⁸ To work toward avoiding this, it's essential to first define what we're talking about and ask the appropriate critical questions to help gain a proper understanding of this matter. Proper understanding helps us to





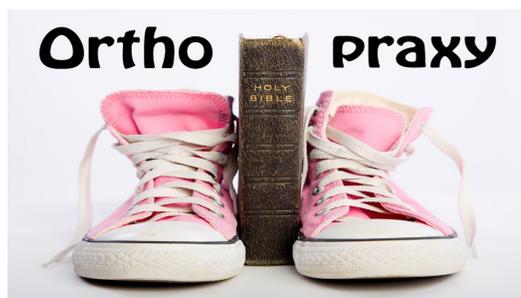
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properly evaluate an idea. Since this idea has its roots in history, it should also be rooted in doing history right.

Was America Founded as a Christian Nation? In asking this question, John Fea notes in the Preface to his book of the same title, "The answer to this question depends on how we define our terms."⁹ I would add, it is one thing to make assertions— it's another to take time and clearly define what we're talking about. "That is why good historians don't simply make assertions; they seek to demonstrate a case through the application of historical method. Historical method begins with a basic question: Why is a certain thing happening in a certain way in a given context? One proposes a hypothesis, which should be tested in light of positive evidence."¹⁰

What do we mean when we use terms such as "Christian," "founding," and "nation"? A close examination of these words and their relationship to one another in the context of early American history suggests that the very question, "Was America *founded as a Christian nation*?" does not do justice to the complexity of the past.¹¹

Was America founded as a *Christian* nation? How should we define the label "Christian" as it relates to the time of the American founding? We can define "Christian" as a body of doctrine- a collection of theological truths that the church through the ages has described as Christian "orthodoxy" (right belief). This would require us to examine either the nations' founding documents or the religious beliefs of the founders to see if those beliefs measure up to the standards of Christian orthodoxy as found in ancient formulations of faith such as the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed."¹²



Another way of defining the meaning of the word "Christian" is through orthopraxy (right practice). "In other words, did the behavior, practice, and decisions of the founders and the governments that they established conform to the spiritual and moral teachings of Christianity as taught in the Bible? Are the actions of the founders consistent with the teachings of Jesus?"¹³

We need to give thought to these. And so the definition of terms, being key, could go on. What about questions we should ask? There are many crucial ones.

Mark Noll asks, "One set of questions has to do with how much Christian action (*orthopraxy*) is required to make a whole society Christian? Another way of stating the same issue is to pose it negatively- how much evil can a society display before we disqualify it as a Christian society? When we look at the Puritans of the 1600's, do we emphasize only their manifest desire to live by the rule of scripture? Or, do we focus rather on the stealing of Indian lands, and their habit of displacing and murdering these Indians wherever it was convenient?"¹⁴ Then what of the Quakers

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who also wished to be free to worship God in Massachusetts?

Finally, two additional questions should be asked:

Were the founding fathers orthodox Christians? While the depth of this question is far beyond the scope of this article, we should touch upon it briefly. (Gregg L. Frazier has devoted an entire book to this subject, and I would commend the reader to his book in the recommended resources in Part 2.)

Frazier states, "The Founders of the United States believed that ideas have consequences. Some of the most important and powerful ideas held by men and women concern religion or religious belief. Because they are so important and powerful, religious ideas inevitably influence political thought and practice. That was certainly true with respect to the American Founding. The founders were religious men who believed that religion was a crucial support for free societies. Yet even though religious ideas played a significant role in the Founding era, a profound misapprehension of those ideas pervades twenty-first-century America. Thomas Pangle, distinguished scholar of

American political thought, wrote what serves as a virtual commission for this book when he observed: "What is needed is a more sustained attempt at interpreting the few greatest Founders in their own terms and spirit."¹⁵

As Matthew L. Harris and Thomas S. Kidd observe in their anthology *The Founding Fathers and the Debate Over Religion in*



America, "None of the Founders were atheists . . . but none of the most famous Founders were 'evangelical' Christians of the sort produced by the Great Awakening, either." Many of the Founders were significantly influenced by the Enlightenment, most notably in their frequent willingness to let reason trump revelation when they seemed to be in conflict. On the other hand, as Harris and Kidd note, "Hardly anyone during the revolutionary

era doubted that religion, and especially moral virtue, was important to the life of the new American republic." Citing such complexity, they conclude that any broad generalization of the Founders as either "secular" or "Christian" is problematic at best.¹⁶

Was the United States established as a Christian nation? To answer this we need to examine our original documents such as the Declaration of Independence and Constitution. Do these documents support this contention? Keeping in mind the Declaration is a political document, not a theological one and that the only said reference to "God" is that in the opening paragraph mentioning *Nature's God!* What are we to make of this? Then, the Constitution as our founding document, makes no mention of God. How are we to understand or interpret this? Then, to really stir-the-pot, we have this, "*The Government of the United States of America is not, in any sense founded on the Christian religion.*" So

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begins Article 11 of the Treaty of Tripoli, a 1797 agreement between the United States and Tripoli, a Muslim nation located on the Barbary Coast of northern Africa."¹⁷ How do we integrate this into our understanding?

Since we are examining a historical question, I want to conclude Part 1 with remarks by both Mark Noll and John Fea. Noll writes, "Our historical research has convinced us that two contrasting dangers lurk in wait when we attempt to put the past to use for present purposes. The first danger comes as a result of treating the naturalistic political ideals of American history as if they were on par with scriptural revelation. This leads to idolatry of our nation and an irresistible temptation to national self-righteousness. The second danger comes from the failure to establish an independent scriptural position over against the prominent values of the culture, a position which allows for selective approval and disapproval of the culture's various values."¹⁸

John Fea makes the plea that one of the goals in writing his book was, "to

get Christians to see the danger of cherry-picking from the past as a means of promoting a political or cultural agenda in the present."¹⁹

One of the biggest obstacles is distinguishing between falsehood and opinion. We are primed to make emotional judgments and to be attuned to those "facts" that support the judgments to which we are disposed."²⁰

Brad Krantz

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At the start of December, we shared a great gift and resource available for all who are connected to Highline called RightNow Media. RightNow Media is an online video library of Bible studies, conferences, book studies, topical studies, children's videos and more and is available on your computer, phone, tablet, and TV via devices like Apple TV.

Since the initial, invitation email from RightNow Media was sent, 214 people have activated their free accounts and accessed the video library. If you didn't respond to the email invites, or if you didn't receive an email invite and you would like to make use of this great resource you can click on the link below to get help setting up your account. Likewise, if you are having a hard time setting up RightNow Media on a specific device or are unsure how to use the

resource you can click on the below link for help and we will follow up as soon as we can.

Already this December my family has used RightNow Media to learn more about Christmas traditions and to help us prepare our hearts for Jesus. One quote my children keep reciting from one of the videos we watched is "It's not important that we don't know the exact date Jesus was born. What is important is knowing THAT He was born." What a faith statement for children and adults to grab hold of. Their faith is being shaped not just by facts we know, but also by the greater narrative of God and the truth that Jesus was born, lived, died, was buried, raised to life, ascended, and is coming again. RNM

I'm thankful for this resource and the faith

conversations already made possible by it. My prayer for you is that you too would be challenged in your faith and would be drawn deep with Jesus RightNow.

[Click here for help getting started with RightNow Media](#)

Moment by moment with Jesus,

Pastor Bret





Reflections on “A Vintage Christmas” Dinner



Women in Touch invited Highline ladies & friends to kick off December with an elegant evening of captivating Christmas carols, delicious dinner, and festivity with friends and family. Indeed, the setting was gorgeous with Christmas Red highlighted all around, and ladies dressed in all kinds of finery. Over 200 guests were treated with tasty food served by attentive servers, lovely live background music by our beloved Saxophone Quartet, and a decadent chocolate dessert. The decorative efforts of table hostesses were enjoyed and awarded. Hearts focused on one songwriter’s story – the touching tale behind “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear,” as read by Jennifer (Kemp) Standlee. Finally, the assembly took in the sounds of Christmas by Dickens Carolers who skillfully performed various tunes, traditional and modern, ranging from Coventry Carol and the Hallelujah Chorus to a hilarious rendition of “The Twelve Days After Christmas.” The buzz of a

wonderful evening continues with ladies describing the evening “encouraging,” “entertaining,” and “magical.”

Many thanks to all who volunteered, making the evening so special!

- ★ Mighty Maureen & her marvelous decorating team!
- ★ 26 Terrific table hostesses!
- ★ Our wonderful wait staff team, organized by Jack Fratangelo!
- ★ The incredible cleanup crew!
- ★ All of the ladies that hosted a table for our Christmas Dinner this year. The tables were just beautiful.
- ★ And especially Alan and Val Thompson of DigiPointe LaserWorks for making beautiful ornaments as thank-you gifts for our hostesses.



Dickens Carolers



WiT Team



Big Thanks!

Ladies of Highline,
Big thanks to you all for providing
the surprise gifts for our
YoungLives mommas. Teamwork
really does make the
DreamWork!! Have a wonderful
Christmas season, and know that
you blessed these young
mommas with Christmas
blessings!!

Maureen & Younglives team



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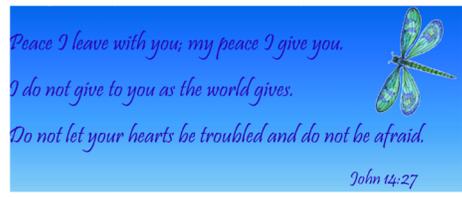
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**Northwest Christian
Women's Conference**

Save the dates for the Northwest Christian Women's Conference that will be held at Warm Beach Christian Camp & Conference Center in Stanwood, WA on **April 27-29, 2018**. For those who have attended in the last three years, you will receive your registration form in the mail. For those who will be attending for the first time or for the first time in a while, registration forms will be available at the beginning of February. Contact Tammie Lindblom with any questions.



2018
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Shoemaker Circle News

Our monthly meeting will be held Wednesday January 17, 2018 in Room 201—South Building from 10:30-Noon. Members (and visitors) will be making valentines for staff and friends for delivery in February. Bring a sandwich and a Bible verse and enjoy our Christian Women's Fellowship Group. Questions? Contact Mary Lathan or Kathy Evans our hostesses for this event.



Hello Families!

With the New Year about to ring in, its time to start looking ahead to the things to come. There are a lot of exciting things coming up here in the children's ministry to have on your radar.

Winter Retreat



As we do almost every year, we will be heading up to Pleasant Valley Christian Camp for a winter retreat. This year we are going to dive into what it looks like to be a super, sold-out follower of Jesus.

Date: February 16-19

Grades: 4-6

Cost: \$99 per student

For more info visit:

[www. Pleasantvalleycamp.org](http://www.Pleasantvalleycamp.org)

Summit Trekkers-

After taking December off, Summit Trekkers is ready to roll once again. We'll see you on January 7th for our first meeting of the New Year. We start at 6:00 P.M., but feel free to come at 5:30 for extra hang out time!



STUDENT
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Spring Parent Meeting

On February 25th at 12:30 P.M., we will be having a joint Illuminate Youth and Ascension Kids Parent Meeting. We will be going

over the exciting things that will be happening in both ministries as the school year closes out and Summer begins. Be there!

Summer Camp

Join us for the biggest event of the Summer in the Children's Ministry. This year, the camp out will be broken up into two parts. Sunday through Tuesday morning will be camp for our 1st-3rd grade students. On Tuesday afternoon, our 4th-6th grade students will come up and have camp through Saturday morning. More concrete details to follow!



Summer Camp

1ST-3RD: JUNE 24TH -26TH
4TH-6TH: JUNE 26TH- 30TH

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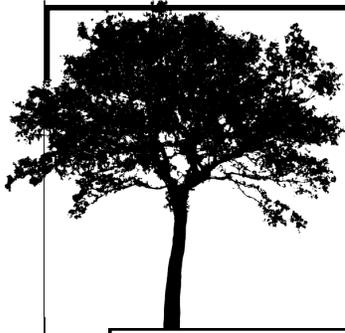


I'm sure 2017 was as wild for you as it was for me. In the same way, I'm sure that you have seen God move in some pretty amazing ways. Through people and relationships, new opportunities, and experiences, most of all His Spirit. He has made this year one to remember. Join me in dedicating the next to Him and His kingdom.

**Grace and Peace,
Tyler Mosier**



January 2017

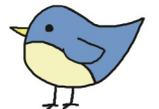


Preschool Park

Right Now Media

I hope you have been able to check out Right Now Media at your homes! One of my favorite resources on the site is the "What's in the Bible" video series! [Think Bible College for Kids!] The videos show that God's Word is a story and God is central. The videos are an amazing resource to have. They go deep in theology presented in a way that young children can understand. This video series is by far one of my family's favorites!

I hope you are using the site to find shows and movies that inspire your family to have some conversations about God.



Coffee/Cocoa for the Helpers!

We have a new Keurig Coffee machine that was donated by a wonderful person so that each teacher, helper, or junior helper can have a cup of coffee or hot chocolate .

Thank you to those who have brought in K Cups! The teachers appreciate them a lot! We love all types of K-cups so feel free to donate any kinds.



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Welcome to Highline



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8:30 a.m.-Noon

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The Meaning of Epiphany

Epiphany, which comes from the Greek word *epiphaneia*, means "an appearance" or "a

revealing." Centuries ago, the church set aside January 6, the 12th day after Christmas, to mark the revealing of Jesus as Christ to the wise men, who were Gentiles. Jesus' first followers were Jewish, so the revelation of the divine Christ to the non-Jewish magi reminds us that Jesus came to earth to save the whole world.

Symbols of Epiphany include light, a star, a crown (or three crowns) and a globe or stylized portrayal of the world. The color of Epiphany is green to symbolize life, growth, hope and eternity.



On the church calendar, the Epiphany season lasts until Ash Wednesday, which is determined by the date of Easter.





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