

Touched by Jesus to Touch Other's Lives...
Experience God's T.O.U.C.H.

What is the Kingdom of God?

"No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

Luke 9:62, NIV

For the past few months I've been reminding you of your identity with the words of James Bryan Smith: "You are a child of God, one in whom Christ dwells and delights. You live in the strong and unshakable kingdom of God." But what does that mean? What does that look like in real life? Thankfully, Jesus tells us...but maybe not like you would think!

Jesus was a master story teller; we call His stories, parables. They are not just cute little ditties. They are not "earthly stories with a heavenly meaning." They are not small vignettes on living the moral life. Instead the very theology (yes, THEOLOGY) of God's Unshakable Kingdom is to be found in these stories.

Jesus used the themes of everyday life---farming, money, fishing, building, family life and more to illustrate what our lives are to be in this upside-down Kingdom of His. His parables teach profound theology. They are "houses" we are invited to step into so we can see the world differently, through God's eyes. Then we can go out and live that difference.

Beginning March 4/5, I'll be preaching the theology and ecclesiology/"kingdomology" of Jesus. I'm excited to explore with you what it means for us to live in the unshakable Kingdom of God.

Your Fellow Citizen of the Kingdom,

Pastor Tim

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Daylight savings
time ends
Sunday, March 12.
Remember to set your
clocks forward!



CONNECT 2017 MEN'S RETREAT

Click here to
Register Now

It's the final week to register for the Men's Retreat coming up March 2-4. Connect with brothers from Highline as we connect with God. Our speaker is Brian Sharpe and our worship leader is Nathan Champneys. Meals and sessions run from Thursday, March 2nd (beginning with dinner) thru Saturday, Mar 4th at 3 PM. If you

can't make the whole time come Friday night after work and stay thru Saturday. If you can't make it on Saturday join us for Friday night for dinner, session, campfire & dessert. Registration forms available on HUB & on HCC App and are due Sunday, February 26th.

Remember! Download & Check out Our App!

We are so excited about our **HIGHLINE CHRISTIAN CHURCH APP!!** Almost 850 people have downloaded it and are using all the great features. The top five features that are the most used are the sermon notes, check-in, calendar, Bible and listen. If you have yet to use these features, please check them out as so many people are already benefiting from them.

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 do it from the App Store or the Google Play Store then type in Highline Christian Church in your search bar and you should see it.

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



All are Invited to Attend!

*Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan
Scholarship Fundraising Event for Pacific Northwestern Students
Saturday March 4*

11:30 a.m.

Worship Center

Speaker: Jack Simpson

Vice President for Institutional Advancement Milligan College

Please RSVP to 206-243-4333 or office@highlinechristian.org





Prayer for our Nation

*“Evening and morning and at noon
I will pray, and cry aloud,
And He shall hear my voice.”*
(Psalm 55:17)

We’ve all heard the phrase, “Freedom is never free.” Franklin Graham agrees. He says, “Throughout the history of our country men and women have been called to make great sacrifices and give their time and sometimes their very lives, that we might enjoy freedom, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. With every challenge we have faced, we have risen to defend the nation we love and cherish.

Today we find ourselves facing many of the same challenges of our

forefathers. We have been at war with those who wish to destroy our land and jeopardize our religious freedom for many years. We find ourselves at the crossroads of determining the direction of our country’s future and the role of Christianity in our nation.

The devoted prayers of all Americans will impact the future direction of our beloved country.”

For this reason, we must pray fervently. We continue to pray every Monday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the South Building in room 201. For any questions call Cathy Womach or Connie Egger. You are welcome to join us.



Photographic Memories

For the month of March, Photographic Memories will be meeting on Friday, March 10, 6-11 pm. Come join us as we scrapbook and organize our photos. Tools are available to share. Bring your own consumable supplies. Let Tammie Lindblom know if you have questions or if you plan to attend.



Encore Ministries (Seniors) March Events

- ➔ Wednesday (March 1) – Come join the Seniors for lunch at Wally’s Chowder House in Des Moines. Meet at the restaurant at 11:45 a.m. or call Dianne Barnes to arrange carpooling from the church building parking lot at 11:30 a.m.. PARKING IS LIMITED at Wally’s.
- ➔ 2nd and 4th Thursdays (March 8 & 22) - Encore Encounters, 11:30am – 1pm. All Seniors are invited to join in for an informal get-together over coffee (optional – bring your own mug and/or sack lunch if you wish). Use the south door of the Atrium and feel free to drop in.
- ➔ 2nd Thursday (March 9) – Retirees Breakfast at 8:30am at the Pancake Chef.





The Importance of Repentance

By Lowell Hall

When we are born, we are completely dependent upon someone to take care of us. A baby has some instinctive actions and can respond to certain stimulus such as pain, hunger and attention. The baby is soon aware that they are the center of activity and they develop ways to get attention. This is perfectly normal, but if allowed to continue uncorrected or unrestrained, the individual child can become completely self-centered. Some children continue to be self-centered, believing that the world revolves around them. Many children, young people, and adults never outgrow this self-centeredness. This condition can have serious consequences for the individual and for those people around them. Everyone has some degree of self-centeredness. This condition is known as self-awareness.

When an individual hears the Gospel Message concerning Jesus and they believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of living God and they want to accept Him as their Lord and Savior, they are ready for the next step which is "The Step of Repentance". The Step of Repentance involves the complete turning of one's life away from an Old Way of Life to a New Way of Life. It involves a person's total being, physical, mental, and spiritual. The New Way of Life focuses on God and His will for their life. They are no longer self-centered but God-Centered. The Bible contains all the information they would need to make their lives God-Centered. Repentance is the vital step in a person's coming to receive **God's Great Salvation**.

God in His wisdom sent His Son Jesus Christ to earth to show us the Perfect Way to live. Jesus teachings and His example of life clearly show us the Perfect Way to Live. We must put God first in our lives. He will lead us into

loving our neighbors and the correct way to love ourselves. Our lives will be God centered and filled with contentment, peace, and joy. Repentance is an important step in our coming to salvation in God. It is an action of the individual who desires and longs for a new, living and loving relationship with God.



Is the act and the action of repentance only for nonbelievers coming to God?

Sometimes Christians are accused of being "hypocrites" and "hypocritical." We are accused of "not living what we are preaching". Some Christians have been accused of being sinners. **As Christians we are not perfect and we do sin.** We are *doing our best* to live this "New Way of Life." We are trying to change our lives day by day to be more "Christ-like." We are trying to "become perfect as our Heavenly Father is perfect."

As Christians our lives are like a great ocean liner that leaves the harbor with a set destination. As it journeys across the sea, storms, currents, and wind blows it off course. Corrections must be constantly made to guide the ship to its destination. As Christians we must constantly make corrections in our lives to keep us focused on God and our destination. We need to repent and turn our focus back on God.

Repentance is important in coming to God and for Christians as we live for God. We must focus our lives on God not focus on ourselves. This is pleasing in God's sight. God bless and guide you on your journey of life.



NW Christian Women's Conference

Who: All women from Highline (including friends and family members), college-age and above, joining women from Christian churches throughout Western Washington and beyond.



What: A main speaker (this year it is Christine Fairchild), breakout sessions (you choose 4 out of 12 options), worship, relaxation, meals prepared for you, a "masquerade" themed Saturday dinner, free time, and time built right into the schedule to be with just the women of Highline!

Where: Warm Beach Conference Center in Stanwood, Washington

When: April 28-30, 2017. The **deadline** to have registration forms turned in to Tammie Lindblom is **Sunday, March 19!** (If you need to apply for a partial scholarship, please do so in advance of March 12 so there will be enough time to process the scholarship).

Why: To grow in our relationship with the Lord and with others!

Cost: \$145 for the entire weekend in Economy Housing. (Partial conference attendance is an option. A limited number of partial scholarships are available by application.)





Registration forms and scholarship applications are available from Tammie Lindblom or at a weekend Atrium table.

Contact: Tammie with any questions.

Registration Details: Even if you have attended the conference in the past, please turn your registration forms into Tammie Lindblom rather than mailing them in directly as this will help the committee more easily house you with Highline women.

At the time of registration, please be prepared to tell Tammie the following: **1)** Will you be staying in Standard Housing, need Quiet Housing, or require ADA Housing? **2)** *Do you need or prefer a bottom bunk (they are limited).* **3)** *What are your carpooling needs (can you drive?, do you already have a carpool organized?, do you need to be placed in a carpool?),* **4)** *Conference Wear can only be pre-ordered, so payment for Conference Wear must be included with registration costs.*

Theme and Theme Verse: Our theme this year is **BECOME!**" We have been planted in good soil by abundant water so that we would produce branches, bear fruit and become a splendid vine." Ezekiel 17:8 (paraphrase)

Women in Touch Brunch

Join us for our Monthly Bruch



We look forward to seeing you at our monthly brunch **Saturday, March 11** from 9:30-11 a.m. in the North Building Atrium.

Our topic will be: "What does Real Community mean to me?" We will have a time of encouragement and sharing from ladies who attended our WIT Conference. Please come, we miss connecting with you ladies! Sure it's early, but we have childcare and great coffee!! Bring a brunch dish to share (fruit, yogurt, muffins, casseroles, it's all good) and connect with some new (or old) friends from Highline.

It's always a good time. WIT provides coffee and beverage service, childcare up to 5yrs of age, and no dishes to do!

Please RSVP on the HUB or on the sign-up sheet at the table in the Atrium.

NEXT Monthly Brunch—Saturday, April 8th



Light up your city for Christ

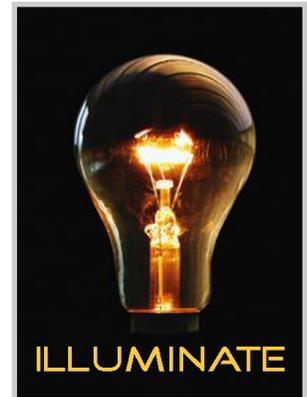
Matthew 5:14

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Update Letter March 2017

Where has this year gone? Seems like we were just ringing in the New Year and now Spring is almost here. This reminds me of life. Although you might think you will have time, the truth is that before we know it our life here on earth will come to an end. This begs the question, am I living my life right now fully devoted to God?

Blessings, Pastor Steve, Nicole, Jayden, Riley &



News Updates

- We are very pleased with how our Barnabas Groups are going so far. And we are looking forward to how God will use these groups to grow relationships and cultivate Christ like lifestyles. If you would like more information on our Barnabas Ministry please contact Pastor Steve.
- We have our iY Bus Lock-in coming up March 10-11 7pm-7am. We will be combining with Grace Lutheran for an all night lock-in were we will be bussed around the city to do different activities before heading back to HCC for the remainder of the time. For more info please contact Pastor Steve.

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YESM 2017

Training #3:

Sunday March 19th: 12:00 – 2:30 pm
(Team Lunch at 12pm)

Training #4:

Sunday April 23rd: 12:00 – 2:30 pm (Team Lunch at 12pm)

Training #5:

Sunday May 7th: 12:00 – 2:30 pm
(Team Lunch at 12pm)

YESM



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Parent Partners

We value you as our parent partners so if you have any questions or comments about the youth program or would like to join the illuminate Youth Leadership Team, please contact Pastor Steve!

E: Steve@highlinechristian.org

Prayer & Praise Partners

We appreciate your prayers for:

- Barnabas Groups
- YESM Trainings
- For purity & holy living

When We Meet

Junior High (7-8 Grade)

- Sunday Morning Up-Word 10:40-12:00pm
- Wednesday Night Youth Group 6:00-7:45pm

High School (9-12 Grade)

- Sunday Morning Up-Word 10:40-12:00pm
- Wednesday Night Youth Group 6:00-7:45pm

**Sixth grade students have the option to move up to iY. Please talk to Pastor Steve for more info*

Upcoming Events

- March 8th – iY Fellowship Night (Dinner Provided)
- March 10-11th – iY Bus Lock-in / 7pm-7am
- March 19th – YESM Training #3/ 12-2:30pm

Look for more events on the HUB and Facebook Page!

#illuminateHCC - [facebook.com/illuminateHCC](https://www.facebook.com/illuminateHCC) - @iYHCC



Sunday Morning Up-Word: *March 2017*

- Junior High – A Walk Through the Bible
(*Pastor Steve Teaching*)
- High School – Today's Issues
(*Tiffney Cowan Teaching*)

Wednesday Night Youth Group: *March 2017*

- Junior High – Spiritual Disciplines
(*Pastor Steve Teaching*)
- High School – The Purity Code
(*Mary Packard & Jordan Larsen Teaching*)

**Parents if you would like to receive an emailed handout of our teaching material please contact Pastor Steve*



Worship Service Times

Saturdays—6:00 P.M.

Sundays—9:00 A.M.
& 10:40 A.M.

Sunday School –
9:00 for all ages;
10:40 Adult Studies &
Base Camp

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Save the Date

August 26th

Tom Barnes Classic
Golf Tournament



Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Friday
8:30 a.m.-Noon



Welcome to Highline!

By Transfer:

Teresa McDermott

By Baptism:

Veronica Gines

**Next
eNewsletter
Deadline:
March 26**





Our
2016-2017
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