

The Highline Connection

Highline Christian Church
Touched by Jesus to Touch Others' Lives
Experience God's Touch

November 2008



Thanksgiving

WORSHIP SERVICE

Thanksgiving Eve
Community Service
Wednesday, November 26
7:00 P.M.
Highline Christian Church
Worship Center

You are welcome to bring a pie to share.



Pastor's Pantry Needs Groceries

With the cooler weather and the current economic times, we are seeing more and more requests for food from the pantry. Our supply is running low of the following items:

- Cereal – boxed
- Canned fruit and vegetables
- Juice of any kind
- Canned meat-Tuna, chicken, turkey, etc.
- Boxed dinners – Mac. & cheese, hamburger helper, etc.
- Pasta

Please watch the expiration dates on groceries. We cannot give out expired foods. We will gladly accept anything you may be able to donate. Please put your donations in the basket in the Narthex in the south building.

We Still Need Your Cans!



Shoemaker Circle is collecting aluminum cans for recycling in support of our commitment to missions. Remember every can counts!

History Books on Display November 2nd



The History books will be available for viewing in the entrance hallway of the North Building. Come and look at pictures and dates from our beginning to the present--1945 through October 2008. Our first worship service was held on Sunday, May 20, 1945, in the study hall of the Highline High School building. There is more information on the display board. See you there!

(The history books are available for viewing in the library in the South Building at any time.)

Nona Denny (Historian Team)

Volunteers Needed for Clothing Closet

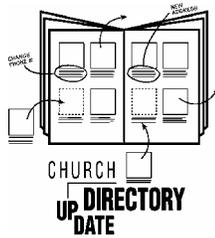
Hope Christian Fellowship has a community clothing closet in their building that serves the neighborhood of Burien. They are open every Sunday afternoon from 3-5 P.M.

We are currently taking all donated items to them because this is a service that serves our local community. Because it takes a tremendous amount of time to sort and hang up these donated items, they could use any amount of help we could give them.

If you would like to donate your time during the week and help on Sunday afternoons, please contact Hope Christian Fellowship. The office phone # is 206-244-1399.



Church Family Information



Change of Address

Carl Montgomery

Dwayne & Cheri Beavers

They are married!

Chad & Jamie (Olsen) Fashant



And the Lord Added

We rejoiced as the Lord added the following people to Highline:

By Transfer

Aioreli (Elle) Fitzgerald

Ken Sanders



Daylight savings time ends on November 2 at 2:00 A.M. Set clocks back one hour.



Annual Bake Sale and Bazaar

Saturday November 15
9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Sunday November 16
8:30 AM to 1 P.M.

Proceeds to benefit Mission 2009 team

Sign up in the Atrium Sunday November 2 and 9 or in the Fellowship Hall (anytime).

Got a favorite recipe you want to share? Donations are gratefully accepted!

There will be tables for HANDCRAFTS, JEWELRY, GENTLY USED ITEMS. Drop off is on Friday, November 14 in the Fellowship Hall.

Sponsored by: Shoemaker Circle-
-Women's Mission Support Group

Need An Entertainment Book?

2009 Entertainment Books
For Sale September—November

Available for \$30

at Jehovah's Java

South Building, Fellowship Hall

Great as Christmas gifts

For more information

Contact Howard Bobbitt

Thank you for supporting the 2009

Adult Mexico Mission Team



Prayer Circle

Praise God

Psalm 105:1 & 2 “Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name, make known among the nations what He has done. Sing to Him, sing praises to Him, tell of all His wonderful acts.”

Praise our Lord for

Bill Brown’s stomach is healing. Chris Moore had a successful hysterectomy surgery and doing well. Phyllis (Georgia Henney’s Mother)—her scans show she is cancer free. Praise for all the people that are feeling better and healing this month, and for all the problems that were solved.

Pray

Philippians 4:6 “Don’t be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving present your requests to God.”

Remember in prayer

Daniel (Reed & Virginia Morrow’s friend’s grandson)—surgery to remove cancerous growth in roof of his mouth; Anne (Margaret Wineman’s daughter-in-law)—severe back pain and unable to work; Dempsey Yarberry—recovering from myasthenia gravis; Walt Perkowski—hospitalized at St. Francis with respiratory problems; Leona (Kathy Eley’s Mother)—had a stroke and learning to walk and speak; Brandon (Jennifer Ray’s friend at work)—pray he will be safe and stay in God’s care; Cindy (Darlene Burrill’s daughter)—mass found on one breast; Max (Marsha Louvier’s Dad)—recovering from pneumonia and heart problems; Diego (7-year-old friend of Maria Michels)—has MRSA and in Children’s Hospital for surgery; Marty Dena’s co-worker’s daughter is preparing for stem cell transplant; Marjorie (George Koontz’s wife)—not eating well and on special nourishment; Dawn Schroeder—MRI will find cause of stomach pains; Bill Brown—vertigo symptoms; Nancy Brown—depression; Jim (Harold Goodridge’s friend)—has lymphoma; Logan (Chad Schnathorst’s nephew)—hospitalized with kidney problems; Cory (Susan Schemp’s 14-

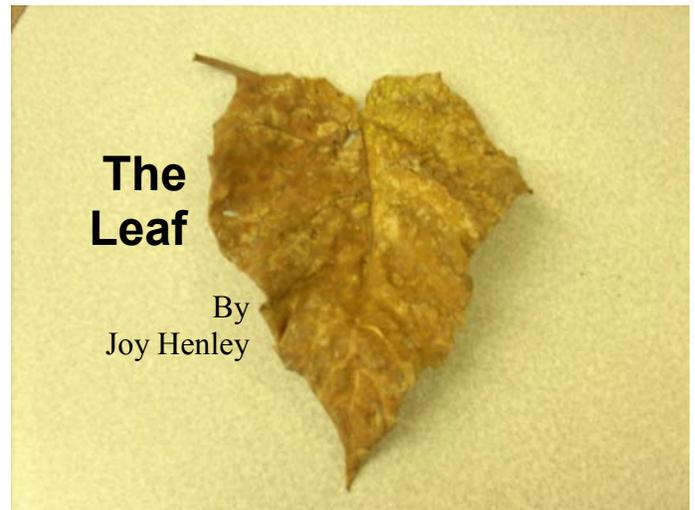
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year-old nephew)—second degree burns on his entire right hand; Jewel Hall—cirrhosis of the liver.

With Sympathy

Tim Crawford—death of his step-father, Larry.

If you have any praises or prayer requests or want to be on the all church prayer chain, please call Barbara Goodridge or Jane Randall.



The Leaf

By
Joy Henley

On the first day of autumn, God gave me one of His glimpses. We know the feeling- it’s when something specific happens, and we feel especially close to God. We look at these moments and can’t help but turn our eyes upward. I love the autumn! This is the time of year when I exhibit a sort of childlike behavior. This year was no different. I even emailed friends, wishing them Happy First Day of Fall! One friend told me I had “lost it” and another said I was silly.

Anyway, I ventured out to my car on that Monday morning, in what seemed to feel like the wee hours of the morning. Groggy, lacking energy, and not exactly bright eyed and bushy tailed, I saw it. As I approached the door, there it lay- as if strategically placed in my path. It was gigantic and comprised of various colors. It resembled a heart. I looked at it, looked up, and smiled. A leaf.

Then, I took the leaf to work. My co-workers flashed me some odd looks. I mean, bringing a leaf to work? It was like a few people “marveled” at the leaf but no one actually had the nerve to ask me why it sat before me. One man pondered, “hmm, a dry leaf,” as he darted out the door. Oddly, I had to wonder if it made a few people nervous. It slowly became a mysterious conversation piece. I think when I took the camera out and took a picture was when people began to worry about me. As the surroundings became more focused on the leaf and people would stop and look at it, the leaf’s mere presence became more prominent and loud. It sort of entranced people. They stopped. They gazed. They looked puzzled. One man shook his head and quipped, “Why do you have a leaf?” I would have told him, but he was in a hurry.

What people didn’t know is, that on that particular day when the leaf appeared, my friend was in her twelfth day of lying in a coma. People were praying from all over the country. I was waiting to hear if she would survive. As she was clinging to God and life, I was clinging to God and a leaf. Amazing, isn’t it? Not just any leaf, I remind you. This one was especially for me, from God.

As I carefully pinned the leaf to my corkboard, I felt peace. Nine hours later, the vivid gold, red and green colors had drained and in their place was a muddy brown tone. The leaf was starting to slightly tear in its form. One man took off his glasses and muttered, “Is that a leaf...?” as he nervously burst into laughter. Another co-worker just had to hear “the story” behind it. It was about time someone asked and listened to the explanation of why this simple object was important. I would look at it throughout the days. It continued to resemble a heart. I thought of what a heart really represents. Love. I understood God’s words loud and clear.

People continued to ask about my friend in the coma. One friend told me to “expect a miracle!”

We got one! My friend awakened from her coma on the fifteenth day- after several of us had prayed again, for a miracle the previous evening. It would be awhile before the phone could be put to my friend’s ear and I could speak to her. I reminded her that God is carrying her through her ordeal with teeny tiny baby-steps. I told her we are going to pray her all the way through it. I could hear the determined sounds of her attempts to speak to me.

Precious sounds. They are forever with me. She will learn to speak again. When I later sat beside her holding her hand, I reminded her when we are speaking from the heart, no words are necessary.

About a week later, the failing economy would touch my life. Out of the blue, I was suddenly laid off from my full-time job.

Upon returning home after quickly cleaning out my desk that day, I discovered I had left something behind. The leaf.

I think my friend and co-worker said it best when she reminded me that perhaps the leaf was left in just the right spot. With it, pinned to the corkboard, shines its wonder, beauty and message. There is no doubt people will take notice. I will never know the message they will receive from it but it is ok. It is between them and God. I know the message I received though- one of God’s promise, love and hope.

That leaf lay before me that morning, so obvious and so perfect. Oh, the miles it traveled- I will never know. Oh, the feet that kicked it because people could not see it’s beauty- what a loss. Of all of the places in the world, it landed before me.

The beauty and love of God are everywhere. Like the autumn changes to winter and the leaves turn to snow, God’s glimpses will be there. In a snowflake. On a cold, crisp, starry night. In the eyes of a child during the wonder of the holidays. Now I get it, when people say to stop and smell the roses. On the first day of autumn I did just that! Sometimes, we just need God to give us a little nudge.

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Early Childhood News

The Early Childhood wing will be open Sunday, November 9th!

What a blessing!

The Early Childhood wing is ready for us! We will have classes in the new rooms beginning November 9th.

NEW CLASS ROOMS! Sunday, November 9th.

Cuddlers: Infant children and nursing mothers only.

Crawlers: Children who can sit or crawl.

Cruisers: Children who are walking through approximately age 2.

Climbers: Children approximately age 2 to age 3. This class has Sunday School both services.

Preschool: This class is for children in preschool. There is Sunday School both hours for this age.

Kindergarten: This class is for children in kindergarten. There is Sunday School both services for this age.

For the month of November, you may drop your child or children off in his or her classroom. Beginning in December, children will be escorted into the class rooms by staff. This is for the safety of all of the children in the ministry.

Serving Kids Together,
Katie Taylor

Early Childhood Information

- ~ We could use some help in moving the classroom supplies to the new building.
- ~ Please keep the Early Childhood children and teachers in your prayers as we transition in to the new classes.

If you would like to help serve in any Early Childhood area, please call or email Katie Taylor

H.Y.M. CHRONICLES

November Birthdays

Kelsey L. 17th
Deontay N. 17th
Kirsten M. 21st

Special Thanks

-Sunday School/YG Coaches/Helpers:
Don Berg, Chris Check, Kris Chow, Carlie Curlee,
Ben Fader, Lucas Heath, Brie Hinderlie, Joseph
Markham, Steve Moreland, Beatriz Schnathorst,
and Jake Straight
**-All of our Albertson's Community
Partners Card Members**

Youth Programs & Events

-Sunday High School 9th -12 grades
Chris Check & Guest(s) **(Open Topic)**
Room 302 9:00 am - 10:15 am

-Sunday Middle School 7th - 8th grades
Chad Schnathorst & Guest(s) **(Open Topic)**
Room 301 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Jr. High DragonRaid RPG
Room 302 7th-8th grades
Sundays 12 pm-2 pm

Jr. High Gals Small Group 7th-8 grades
Sundays @ the Hinderlie Home

Sr. High SWRPG
Room 302 9th-12th grades
Sundays 3 pm-6 pm

Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group
Room 302 7th-12th grades
Wednesdays 6:30 pm-8 pm

High School Small Group-"The New Testament"
Room 302 9th -12th graders
Saturdays 6-7 PM

Youth Programs & Events Continued:

10/31/08-11/2/08

"Jr. High Believe Conference"

A youth conference for 7th - 8th graders, held
at the Convention Center in Portland, OR.
(More info to be posted on the youth news
board!) <http://www.ciy.com/believe/about>
Cost is \$55

(You do not have to pay any tuition costs until
the day we leave.)

11/14/08 Transform All-Nighter

At the "Grace Church" Details on the Youth
News Board, between the Sunday school
rooms upstairs.

11/23 or 11/30? T.B.A. (To be Announced)

Youth Group Outreach Dinner @ Hope

Christian Fellowship (7-12th graders)

We'll be reaching our community by: serving a
meal to those in need, fellowshiping,
ministering to children, and providing child
care.

Meet @ Hope Christian Fellowship at 4 PM,
done by 7 PM (*Eat dinner before you arrive!*)

Hope Christian Fellowship

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website: [http://www.hope-christian.net/
index.htm](http://www.hope-christian.net/index.htm)

1/16/09-1/19/09

Transform Snowblast @ PVCC

Our annual winter retreat with the Burien area
churches. More details coming soon!

You can Help Us

Albertson's Community Partners Card

If you shop at Albertson's and haven't picked
up your Community Partners Card (for HCC)
and would like one, please ask a greeter, check
mailbox #1 or see/call Chad (206) 353-6300.

Up to 5% of your purchase can go towards
HCC Youth Activities, at no extra cost to you.

Any Questions or Concerns?

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