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## Third Saturday Church Work Party

June 19th  
8:30-Noon

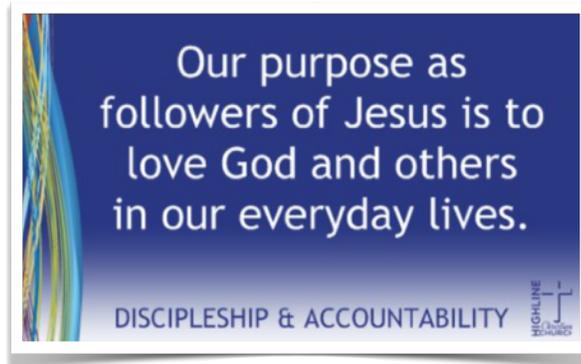


All are invited to join us for the Third Saturday Work Party. We will be doing general grounds maintenance & fix-its and could use your help. Meet us here in the HCC Parking lot. For any questions, contact Gregg at 206-391-0113

## Discipleship Tidbit

Obstacles are an opportunity to grow.

What is Father working on in you?



## Walks of Change

Have you ever noticed there is a lot of walking described in the Bible? I know, walking was one of the main modes of getting around, but it is interesting to notice the way things change while the walking was taking place.



Moses met God while walking in the wilderness. The Israelites were changed and formed while walking around in the desert. The walls of Jericho fell down when Joshua obediently walked around the city. David and Israel stopped to praise God while walking with the ark back to Jerusalem. Jesus called his disciples to follow him while walking along the sea shore. Jesus demonstrated his power of creation while walking on water. Saul became the apostle Paul while walking on the Damascus road and there are many other examples of big moments while walking.

May and June are full of big walking moments as well with all the graduation ceremonies that take place. Graduates will walk into the room, across the stage, and back to their seats. When they walk out of the room they will leave changed, different somehow; they will have passed into a new season of life. Graduation ceremonies are wonderful

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## HS Graduates



We will be celebrating our GRADUATING high school Sr's Sunday, June 6th at our 10:40AM service. We cannot wait to see what God will continue to do through them as we bless them while they walk into there next season! This year our graduating high school Sr's are



Nick Balladone



Connor Bowen



Natalya Myhre



Farrell Sessler

I'd love for you to be praying for them as they follow God and move into the next phase in life!

## Walks of Change...

mile marker moments to remember and celebrate all that was accomplished leading up to that moment and to look forward to what is yet to come.

I'd like to pause here to congratulate all the graduates who already have, or will be walking this season.



Congratulations on all you have accomplished. May the Lord be with you and guide you as you step into this new season of your life. May you be open to the many invitations from God to follow and join him in your days to come. Congratulations!

Like our educational walk, our spiritual walk is full of mile marker moments as well to help us remember and celebrate our growth in Christ as well as God's faithfulness in all things. At Highline we weekly remember and celebrate of the passion of Christ when we gather at the family table for communion. We gather to celebrate new life in Christ as shown through baptisms, of which I also often encourage people to celebrate each year like a birthday party. Annually we celebrate the promotion of students from one grade to the next as well as other annual celebrations such as advent, Christmas, and easter.

This month as you see and hear of graduates and graduations, may you pause for a moment to celebrate their accomplishments and to reflect on your own growth in Christ this year. In what ways have you grown closer to Jesus? What has the Spirit accomplished in your life in the last couple of months? What work has God invited you into? Reflect on your walk, what moments was God faithful to carry you through? As you continue to follow Jesus and walk with him, may you give him praise in all things.

Walking moment by moment with Jesus,  
Bret

*Pleasant Valley Christian Camp*

**SERVE CAMP MAY 28 - 31**  
COME HELP GET CAMP READY FOR THE SUMMER SEASON

**1ST CHANCE CAMP JUNE 30 - JULY 2**  
KIDS GOING INTO 1ST GRADE - 3RD GRADE (1ST GRADERS MUST HAVE A PARENT)

**FAMILY CAMP JULY 18 - 23**  
CAMP FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

**JR. HIGH CAMP JULY 11 - 16**  
STUDENTS 6TH - 9TH GRADE

**JUNIOR CAMP JULY 25 - 31**  
FOR KIDS GOING INTO 4TH - 6TH GRADES

**HIGH SCHOOL CAMP AUGUST 15 - 20**  
STUDENTS 9TH - 12TH GRADE

## Young Adults

Our Young Adults meet every Thursday 7:30 - 9PM and we would love for you to help us get the word out! YA is open for 18 - 28 year olds who are looking to worship, build community and grow with other believers! We play games, pray together, worship together and of course have good Bible teaching.



We have been serving Transform Burien and helping them clear out their courtyard space and clean different areas inside the building. It has been really beneficial for Transform Burien and the school district has noticed that churches care and are willing to help them (Transform Burien) take good care of the building and the space that they do have since the move!

We just hosted our "Night of Worship" last week and it was absolutely incredible! We had Young Adults apart of set up, tear down, and leading the actual service. Stephanie Lindblom and Devon Proszek shared how we create space for God, in our minds, heart, soul and spirit and to fill it with the Gospel of Jesus! It was such a wonderful night of worship and prayer together, we are excited to see what God will do from this event.



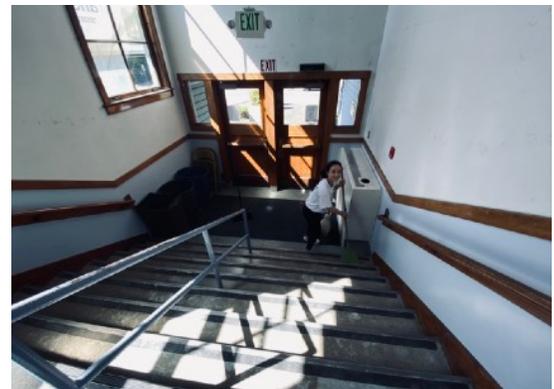
# Youth

We want to invite all Jr. high and High school students to our Wednesday night Youth service! Game time starts at around 6:40PM, but our official start time is 7:00PM. We just started a new teaching series called "Personal". The idea being, God is personal, and wants to connect with us personally on a daily basis. Over the next few weeks we will have different Youth leaders sharing their heart and how they connect with God in various ways like community, the Bible, music, nature and prayer.



When we went out to Pleasant Valley Christian Camp in April, we had a great time working together cleaning up different spaces and areas of the camp to help them get ready for Summer Camps. It was a blast, we even played some valley ball before we left. We also were at Transform Burien a few weeks ago helping them clean different rooms, area and spaces that they want to use. Our heart is to support the new director as he leads Transform Burien. He has

been such a blessing to us and us to him. The goal is to get Students to serve local communities, love on people and work together to grow in our walk with Jesus.



Friday, May 21st we hosted a Youth and Young Adults worship and prayer night. Right here at the Church and it was amazing! We had a guest worship pastor, Grace Savage. She was awesome! The night was full of prayer and music. We had such a good time praying together for all kinds of things. Our

main theme was "Creating Space For God To Move In Your Life", it was really good. So far we have had a lot of good feed back and look to see how this heart of worshipping and praying can take a new and or a different form in the coming years.





Register for camp at <https://www.pleasantvalleycamp.org/>  
First Chance Camp is June 30-  
July 2 for students entering into  
1st through 3rd grade. (parents  
must attend with 1st graders)

Junior Camp is July 25-30 for  
students entering into 4th  
through 6th grade.

Contact [Katie](#) for the promo  
code to register your student  
and receive a discount for being  
a member of Highline!



Please help welcome Leah Ambrose as the Next Generation Kids Ministry assistant! She will be overseeing the Early Childhood Area on Sunday mornings as well as helping midweek to connect with parents as we begin to plug everyone into serving opportunities!



## Early Childhood

On June 13th, students will be promoted! The children going into Kindergarten will be checking into class in the South building.



Thank you to all families for continuing to sign up for your child's class. Each student birth through 6th grade will continue registering for class ahead of time. This helps us have enough volunteers for our classes. If a classroom has reached capacity, any unregistered children can sit in the service with their parents.



24 Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

25 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

June Remember Verse



## Servants in the Kingdom

### Don & Charlette Berg voted 'Citizens of the Year' by Burien City Council Monday night



**At Monday night's Burien City Council meeting (May 17, 2021), Roxana Pardo Garcia, along with Don and Charlette Berg, were voted as joint 'Citizens of the Year' for 2020.**

After a brief discussion, the idea for a joint nomination was presented by Councilmember Nancy Tosta, and the vote to award both was unanimous.

The Citizen of the Year award recognizes participation and commitment to the community by public, private, and non-profit entities during the previous calendar year.

These two choices were made because both "demonstrated commitment to the public during the COVID-19 pandemic."

About the Bergs:

*"Volunteer countless hours at Transform Burien serving our city's homeless and low income residents. They both have a passion for helping needy individuals in our community and getting to know them as people. They have both worked for Transform Burien for 13+years. In that time they have cooked, served meals, handed out food and clothing and helped the homeless wash their clothes, Transform Burien serves close to 30,000 meals to the homeless each year and Don is there to help get that food out to the homeless. "*

The award(s) will be presented at the June 7, 2021 Council meeting, subject to change due to the recipient's availability.

The purpose of the Citizen of the Year award is to foster a strong commitment to the community by its citizens and encourage participation among public, private, and non-profit entities in community-based activities. While the resolution specifies that the recipient should be chosen in January and presented in March, due to competing priorities, and the fact that COVID delayed the issuance in 2020, this item has been delayed until this time.

## Community Outreach



### HOUSE OF HOPE Unchained for Christ Ministry

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# SPRING 2021 NEWSLETTER

HoH MINISTRY

MICHAEL AND MARGIE

As most of you can probably imagine, the Covid-19 pandemic which has forced most of us into spending more and more time isolated at home has also had quite a dramatic effect on the House of Hope ministry.

With the restrictions that have been in place for the last year, in many jails and prisons no one is allowed to visit those who have been incarcerated, not even their own family members. Thus, many of the inmates feel very isolated. Also, the Bible teaching that is so important to them is either not being done, or is being led by other Christian inmates.

And although Michael has often not been able to visit and conduct Bible studies personally, the amount of mail coming to him has increased dramatically. Both Michael and Margie have been very busy answering letters from inmates.

Mike has also been getting a lot of phone calls from inmates. One individual calls him about three times each week.

Michael and Margie have begun helping at "The Collective Adventure", which is an outreach in Ritzville serving the homeless and those living on the fringe. He sometimes preaches, and also acts as an encourager to the leaders of the outreach. Michael is a strong encourager to a multitude of other ministries that he comes into contact with.

A lot has happened health-wise for Mike and Margie since their move to Odessa.

In September of 2019, Michael was crossing the street in Odessa when a car came around the corner and ran over his foot. He was also knocked to the ground, injuring his shoulder and his knee. As a result of that accident Mike had shoulder surgery in November of 2019. He subsequently had knee surgery in February of 2020. Just this month, the doctors suggested that Mike is probably going to need hip surgery and possibly back surgery.

In May of 2020 Mike had a heart attack, and was airlifted to Spokane. The doctors put in three stints and Michael has recovered well from that.

In January of this year, both Mike and Margie tested positive for Covid-19. They received prompt treatment so their symptoms were not too bad, although both of them are still experiencing fatigue.

Satan is definitely on the offensive against the Sgobbas and their service to the Lord. We are earnestly requesting your continued earnest prayer for their full recovery and protection from Satan's plans to slow or halt their ministry

Sincerely,  
House of Hope Board of Directors.

*Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.*

Ephesians 6:10-11

## World Outreach



Emmanuel Christian Seminary at Milligan is a graduate seminary located near Johnson City, Tennessee, in the heart of the spectacular Blue Ridge Mountains.

Established in 1965, the school seeks to fulfill the mission of the Church by preparing men and women for effective ministry.

Emmanuel is committed to the lordship of Jesus Christ, the authority of Scripture, and the vision of Christian unity arising from the work of such thinkers as Thomas and Alexander Campbell and Barton W. Stone. Though students from a variety of denominational backgrounds come to study at Emmanuel Christian Seminary, the school has a relationship with churches of the Stone-Campbell Tradition (Disciples of Christ; Christian churches/churches of Christ; and Church of Christ). The graduates of Emmanuel go on to work in a variety of ministries, including preaching, pastoral care, Christian education, campus ministry, hospital and military chaplaincy, and cross-cultural missions. In order to provide the students with the best possible preparation for any ministry experience, Emmanuel has assembled an outstanding faculty. The Emmanuel Village helps to create a deep sense of community and mutual support. The chapel has services to provide spiritual refreshment as well as experience in leading worship. Emmanuel believes a good ministerial preparation needs to touch every aspect of life.

Emmanuel offers four degrees in order to help students learn to become effective ministers of the Gospel: Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Religion, Master of Arts in Christian Ministries, and Doctor of Ministry.



**Our own Pastor, Dr. Tim Knight, is a graduate of Emmanuel Christian Seminary and Highline Christian Church is honored to partner with this institution that is a vital tool to preparing future Christian leaders.**

*Lyla Moreland*

## Congratulations New Member by Baptism

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Christina Fox

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### Worship Service Times

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Saturdays - **6:00**pm  
Sundays - **9:00**am, **10:40**am.

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### Office Hours

Due to the pandemic, our office is temporarily closed. Emails and messages are checked on a regular basis. Please leave a message and Kim will contact you in a timely manner.

### Next eNewsletter Deadline

June 20, 2021

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## Sunday, June 27th 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

### **Location:**

Sunnydale School  
15623 Des Moines Mem Dr  
Burien WA

### **Contact**

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## 2020-2021 Elders



**Bruce Ernst, Elder Chair**



**Ray Adams**



**David Cowan**



**Les Fader**



**Tim Knight**



**Konrad Lindblom**



**Dave Rogge**



**Paul Smith**



**Bret Thorson**

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