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Highline Christian Church, 14859 1st Avenue South, Burien

Third Saturday Church Work Party

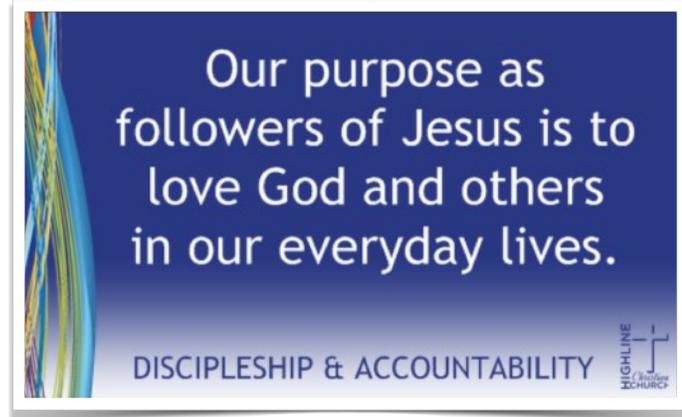
**November 20th
8:30-Noon**



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

You can't do all you know, there is a gap. The gap is what Father and I are working on.



Traditions, Rhythms, Seasons, & Years

How do you track the passing of time? What calendar do you use when planning; annual, scholastic, liturgical, or another type of calendar? How do you prepare for things to come as well as mark things that have passed?

This past year I've had a number of conversations around this topic and it's been something I've needed to clarify in those conversations as it affects when things will take place. For example, what month might it be if something is going to take place at the start of the year? For many the start of the year is January, yet for many others who use a scholastic calendar the start of the year is September. As you can see, clarifying the date is important when planning things. Seasons and traditions also help us mark out the passing of time beyond the use of a calendar. As I write this we are in the thick of fall and there are beautiful reds, oranges, and yellows all around and soon we will enter winter, which for many children is marked by Christmas and the hope for snow (maybe that's just this big kid).

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Traditions, Rhythms, Seasons, & Years....

Let me return to the question I asked earlier, what month is it at the start of the year? As I mentioned



earlier, January or September are often thought of as the start of the year, but what about November or December? How often do you think of late November and December as being the start of the year? My guess is that unless you grew up in a more liturgical tradition, late November and December do not come to mind when thinking of the start of the year, yet that's when the Christian calendar begins.

The Christian calendar begins with Advent, "Adventus" in Latin, meaning "coming." Christians around the globe enter a season of waiting and anticipating the coming birth of Jesus to be celebrated at Christmas. During the time of Advent Christians also draw attention to the waiting for the second coming of Jesus, when He will bring the fullness of the Kingdom of God to earth. Much like the Gregorian calendar, the Christian calendar moves through seasons beginning with Advent and moving through Christmas, Lent, Easter, Pentecost, and Ordinary Time.

This year I would like to invite you to interrupt your normal rhythm of the year and set aside time to celebrate Advent and Christmas in a more intentional and Christ focused way. Advent, the beginning of the Christian liturgical year, begins on the fourth Sunday prior to Christmas and goes until December 24th to be followed by Christmas beginning on December 25th. Each of the four Sunday's of Advent typically focus on a prophetic passage pointing us to Jesus and

life in Him. There is an overwhelming abundance of resources available to help you celebrate Advent and the coming of Jesus. Below are links to a few possible resources you may be interested in to help you create a new, Christ focused rhythm for the new year. May the Lord bless you as you change things up for and with Jesus.

Bible Project - Christian Calendar - Journey with Jesus - Jesse Tree

Moment by moment with Jesus,
Bret Thorson

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 to 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 that is Christ-centered, focusing on the important things of life, we meet in the Youth and Young Adults Worship Center on the 3rd floor in the South building.

We did our YA Encounter Night at Empire Coffee, it was incredible, literally so good! We had free coffee, great worship, a good word and amazing time hanging out and connecting with others. It was our first time ever doing something like this. It was successful and a lot of fun for the worship team, the coffee shop and for our YA group. God restored hearts, healed old wounds and spoke to too many. We really enjoyed doing this, and depending on how things go, who knows we may do it again. Thank you for your prayer! We have been trusting God to do all the growing and seed planting.



Youth



All Jr. high and High school students are welcome and wanted, to join us on Wednesday nights 6:30 - 8:30PM! We play games, worship, life groups, Bible teaching and prayer together. We started a new teaching series called "Safety and Security," talking about the idea of where do we find our Safety and Security.

We also have a few different events happening and happened. We had our first split Jr. High and High school event. Both were amazing, the Jr. High went to laser tag and the High school went bowling. Needless to say we are doing very well and having a great time learning, growing, and having fun!



One of my favorite events is this Friday, October 29th. We are hosting Portland Bible College Band for our Youth Encounter Night which is a worship and prayer night here at the Church where Jr. High and High school students come together to worship God, pray together and encounter God's presences as a youth ministry. We are really looking forward to this event.

EC & Elementary



Thank you families for registering for class each week! It is helping us make sure we are prepared with enough teachers to welcome all the children and also have a spot for any visitors that may arrive too. You can easily register your children on the app or the website.



Can you Help?

If you have any extra candy left over this month, we could use it for a special December holiday event the kids ministry will be having! Thank you!



Early Childhood Updates:

Early Childhood children are working through the Big God Story as they learn each week a lesson from the Bible. Children are working through the Old Testament each week.



Elementary Updates:

The Elementary Students during the 9:00 service are studying Matthew and matching the adult sermon series. The students are reading their Bible as we learn what God wants us to know. We are learning and looking at different ways to respond to God.

At the 10:40 service,

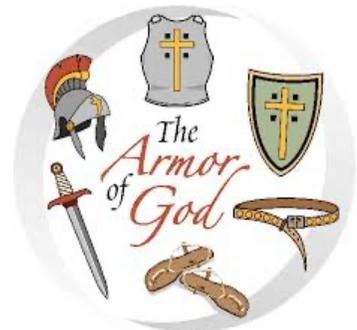
students are looking at the Old Testament as we study God's Chosen People. On October 17th the students celebrated their first Remember and Celebrate



Day. We looked at the festival of Passover. We made this day special with decorations, snacks, drinks, and extra special activities. Passover was a special time people set apart to celebrate what God has done. We did the same! We took time to celebrate what God is doing in our lives today and how he saves us.

Wednesday Nights

Students in grades 3rd through 6th have a special midweek class on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00. We are continuing our deep dive of the Armor of God and looking at how God equips us. We will not be meeting on Wednesday, November 24th due to Thanksgiving week.





Operation Christmas Child

This is a ministry, which began in 1993, and has sent about 165 million shoebox gifts to children all over the world who might otherwise not receive any gift. The boxes, also, include a Bible Storybook in the language of the recipient. While we try to give each child as full of a box as possible, the primary benefit of these filled shoeboxes is that they are door openers to individuals hearing about and receiving the **Gospel of Jesus Christ!** Each box exposes 7-10 people to hearing the Gospel because of how it is shared within families and communities.

Important Dates:

Empty boxes available beginning **October 23**
Filled boxes need to be returned by **November 14**

Ways To Help:

Continue to donate items (see ideas to right)
Donate money for Tammie to shop for you
Donate or send money for shipping
Build-A-Box Online (see insert)
Purchase The Greatest Journey Discipleship Program for shoebox recipients online at www.samaritanpurse.org/thegreatestjourney
Let Tammie know that you can help as needs arise for pencil sharpening, packing, attending to the Atrium table, . . .

Sign up to help "Load Out" on Sunday, November 14 at 2:00.

Build-A-Box-Online

Go to Highline's Goal Page at <https://sampur.se/3hMv9Wq> and follow the steps to have Samaritan's Purse build your box for you for \$25. The benefit of this option is that all items are already approved for shipment to "Hard-To-Reach-Areas" (those more resistant to the Gospel).

Items That Can't Be Included in Boxes:

Candy (or anything edible), toothpaste, gum, used items, damaged items, scary items, war-related items, liquids, lotions, liquid glue, shampoo, medications or vitamins, bubbles, breakable items, glass containers, aerosol cans

Steps to Filling a Shoebox:

1. Get a Box
2. Fill A Box (see ideas below)
3. Label a Box (choose M/F & age 2-4, 5-9, 10-14)
4. Pay for a Box (see insert)
5. Return the Box
6. Pray for Your Box

Individual Items Being Collected/Ideas for Boxes:

Toothbrushes, Socks, Toys such as balls, playdoh, toy instruments, playing cards, craft supplies (short blunt scissors and glue sticks are acceptable), jump ropes, toy cars, solar calculators, play jewelry, yo-yo, Etch-a-Sketch, **Wow items** such as soccer balls & pumps, battery radio, shoes, **Stuffed Animals and small dolls, Flashlights with batteries, Wash Cloths, Bar Soap** (in ziplock bag), **School Supplies** such as notebook paper, notebooks, pencils, pink erasers, pencil sharpeners, crayons, markers, colored pencils

Payment Options

It costs \$9 to ship each shoebox. That shipping cost can be paid in any of the following ways, however online is preferred:

** Go to www.samaritanpurse.org/label to either print a label or to enter the 9 digit code from a provided adhesive label. This option also allows you to **track your box** and be notified of which country the box went to!

** Mail your shipping donation to Samaritan's Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone NC, 28607-9956

** Place a check, payable to Samaritan's Purse (with OCC on the memo line) IN your box on TOP of the items. One check for multiple boxes CAN be put inside one box. Cash is allowed, but is the least preferred choice.

Contact Information: Please contact Tammie Lindblom, Highline's OCC Coordinator, with any OCC question ktsralindblom@comcast.net or 253-670-2386

Are You Struggling?

Stephen Ministers are lay congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, relocation and more.



Stephen Ministers come from all walks of life, but they all share a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need.

If you would like to receive a Stephen Minister or would like more information regarding Stephen Ministry please contact the church office by [email](#) or phone, 206-243-4333.

Prayer Requests



If you have a prayer request, our Prayer Team would like to pray for you.

You may enter your prayer request through our APP, the [HUB](#), or by email at office@highlinechristian.org.



By God's grace, we reopened our Seattle mobile!

We're now serving Renton on Thursdays and Seattle on Fridays with hopes of expanding these hours soon!



Despite much spiritual warfare leading up to the launch, God has been faithful.

We've already been honored to offer life-changing care to the women who have stepped aboard our mobile and we look forward to serving more in the weeks and months to come!

One of our biggest needs for the mobile right now is volunteer support. We have wonderful drivers who transport the mobile from storage to it's service spot each week, but we need more.

Drivers only volunteer twice a month. They pick up the mobile from storage in Renton, drive it to Renton or North Seattle, then park and stay with the mobile during service hours (9:30-2:30), and return it to storage.

If you're interested in volunteering as a mobile driver, please contact us at administration@carenetps.org or 253-383-6033.

Thank you for your generous support and prayerful partnership over not only our mobile but over all our locations and the women we serve! You make this work possible, and we are so grateful for your support!

[Email us](#)

World Outreach

Pioneer
Bible Translators



God has used your compassion to bring the Good News to the Dekamo people!

You provided the New Testament for the Dekamo people of East Africa!

The Dekamo live in an area with very few Christians. It has been tough for missionaries and local evangelists to reach them with the Gospel.

Missionaries had their residency permits revoked. Local authorities banned Christian activities. The Bible translators struggled with chronic health problems.

Meanwhile, the Dekamo continued to live without God's Word in their language.

"There is a battle at hand here," said missionaries Stephen and Joscelyn Hill. "We know that Satan does not want the Dekamo people to worship and praise their Creator."

But God is stronger than Satan, and He has used your generosity to bring His Word to the Dekamo!

On August 7 the Dekamo people celebrated receiving the New Testament in their own language. They are grateful for your faithfulness.

Your investment began bearing fruit even before the New Testament was complete. As passages were drafted, the Dekamo translators read Scripture in villages with anyone who would listen. Sometimes

people reacted with hostility, but others were eager to hear God's Word for the first time ever.

One village leader at first refused to read Scripture. But eventually he changed his mind and the power of God's Word cut to his heart. God convicted him for kicking his wife out of their home. His marriage was restored, and he testified to the whole village about what God had done.

A woman in another village had always refused to listen to anything about Christianity. But when she heard God's Word in Dekamo she felt deeply moved, and she decided to follow Jesus.

Thank you for caring about Bibleless people. Your compassion has enabled 1.2 million Dekamo speakers to have eternal hope through God's Word.

Please Pray

- » Thank God that the Dekamo now have His Word in their own language.
- » Pray that Dekamo believers will be bold in sharing God's Word with their neighbors.
- » Pray for the Dekamo team as they continue translating the Old Testament.

FYI's

Sermon Discussion Study

Wednesdays
9:30AM
Room S-203



Come fellowship, learn and grow with us Wed's, 9:30am as we delve into the sermon from the previous Sunday.

Touching Community

amazonsmile

If you plan on doing your holiday shopping on Amazon, login to [AmazonSmile](#), choose Highline Christian Church as your charitable organization and .5% of your eligible purchases will be donated to HCC at no extra cost to you.

Thank you for making a difference in your community.

Reminder Daylight Saving ends Nov 7th



set your clock back 1 hour

Retirees Breakfast
Encore (Seniors)

Join us at Pancake Chef for Fellowship & Breakfast

Thursday, November 11th
8:30am

Ladies Quilting & Fellowship
Friday, November 26th
10:00am - 10:30pm
S - 203

Iron, ironing board, cutting mats & rulers will be provided



**Welcome New
Member's by Baptism
& Confession of Faith**

Doug Harrison
Daniel Lauer
Bella Lauer
Audrey Snell
Beth Stuart

In Loving Memory



Yvonne Marie passed from our presence Sept 2, 2021. Please keep her daughter Diana and family in your prayers.

Worship Service Times

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

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Office Hours

Sunday - Wednesday 8:30-2:30
(Out for lunch 12pm - 1pm)
Thursday 8:30-Noon

Next eNewsletter Deadline

November 21, 2021

**Sunday, November 28th
HCC Outreach Dinner
Transform Burien**



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

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