



The Highline Connection

Highline Christian Church

Touched by Jesus to Touch Others' Lives

Experience God's Touch

September 2009

Sunday School Starts September 13th

Adult Sunday School Classes

Highline Christian Church has a variety of Sunday school classes available in the North Building Adult Education Wing during the year. The following are the ones that will be available starting September 13, 2009. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Pastor Kurt Bennett.

9 A.M.-Foundations of Faith (in the Great Room)

Foundations of Faith is a twelve week study into some of God's principle revelations found in both the Old and New Testaments. This study will be led in alternating weeks by Pastor Kurt and Galen & Carole Marcille. Kurt's lessons will explore the depth and exposition of God's nature and God's message for His people as revealed through the Old Testament stories of Creation, the Ten Plagues in Egypt, the Giving of the Law, the Tabernacle, Gideon, and Balaam. Galen & Carole Marcille's lessons will explore New Testament passages that show the fulfillment of the Old Testament promises and prophecies in the words and deeds of Jesus and the apostles.

9 A.M.-Women's Bible Study Class—Genesis—The Journey Continues (in the North Classroom)

Last year Kathy Bledsoe led the Women's Sunday School class on an amazing journey through the

book of Genesis. This year she will continue the journey with the second half of Genesis as they continue to learn about God and how He works with the patriarchs He called to lead His people. This class is designed to be user friendly and welcoming. It is not necessary to have completed the first year to join in for the second part. God always has something to teach each person on any day and reveals himself constantly.

10:40 A.M.-A Discussion of the Sunday Sermon (Room--TBD)

Questions from Pastor Tim are provided to help us delve deeper into the sermon and ideas that were presented. Come join us for a deeper understanding of God's word.

10:40 A.M.-Heroes of the Faith – a study of Hebrews 11 (in the North Classroom)

Heroes of the Faith will be a 12-14 week expositional study of Hebrews 11 led by Brad Krantz using the book "Great Cloud of Witnesses" by Bullinger as the text. It is a tremendous resource, both solid and devotional. The class will also incorporate the related sermons of Spurgeon which participants will find a rich resource for growth and reflection on this chapter of God's Word. For those willing, there will be a small group "workshop" with some required reading that will further explore these areas.

Preschool through High School classes also begin.



And the Lord Added

We would like to welcome the following people who transferred their church membership to Highline:

Joel & Stacy Scholten

Anthony Kellington

Church Family Information



Change of Address

Pamela Kerns

Oren McGonigal

Debbie Officer

They are married!

Chas & Chandra (Stacy) Andrus

Jeff & Gina (Anderson) Rowlee

Tim & Leslie (Loken) Shuck

Fall Men's Retreat

Pleasant Valley Christian Camp
Friday & Saturday, September 18 & 19
"Indestructible!"

This year's overnight Men's Retreat will be packed with activities, food, worship and godly messages for all men. Retired Army Chaplain Colonel Chip Fowler will be the main speaker along with a great worship band, break-out sessions and sporting activities. Cost is only \$55. Check out www.mansman.net for additional camp details. See Tim Crawford for more information and registration forms.

Communion Servers Needed!

If you would like help serve communion during the Sunday morning worship service, we would love to have you. It is a great way to serve and an important way to take part in the worship service. I am getting ready to make a new schedule and would like more helpers on it. Please give me your name and telephone number by calling me, e-mailing me, leaving me a note in my Family Mailbox #113. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

Ida Andersen
Communion Coordinator



Lost and Found

After all the summer activities that have already gone on, please remember to check for any items you may have lost in the church lost and found. Lost and Found is located in the entryway to the South Building. Items remaining unclaimed for a month will be donated to the local outreach or an appropriate ministry. Items left around the buildings, including the Family Mailbox Room without a name on them will be moved to the lost and found. Thank you for your help in keeping our buildings free of clutter!

Please Join Us!

Transform Burien is sponsoring a community-wide prayer event called "The Waiting Room." This will be an Ingathering of the Church of the South End. It will take place Friday, September 25th and Saturday, September 26th at Hope Christian Community. We are calling on the believers in our churches to come together for worship, teaching and prayer! There will be four sessions: one on Friday evening and three on Saturday. Transform Burien will cater a free lunch on Saturday for all who come. We hope you'll mark your calendars now and join us in prayer for our community! To reserve your spot (and catered lunch!) please call the church office at 206-243-4333 or e-mail office@highlinechristian.org.

Attention Women

"Don't Worry, Be Happy!"
A Fall Retreat for the Women of
Highline Christian Church
October 9-11, 2009
Sound View Camp, Longbranch, WA

Come join us on a fun-packed weekend with your fellow women friends of Highline Christian Church. When you arrive Friday night, kick off your shoes at the door and just enjoy yourself! Fun and exciting things are in store with plenty of time for relaxation!

Early Registration: \$89 before September 6
Late Registration: \$105, after September 6
Space is limited and must be 18 and over.

Important Information: \$25 (non-refundable) will reserve your place for the retreat. NOTE: No refunds will be given after September 6, 2009.

For more information, contact
Michelle McCarthy or
Linda Fontejon.



Fireproof Free Movie Night Saturday, September 19th 7:00 PM in Worship Center

Come join us for a free viewing of "Fireproof," the high-impact Christian film that continues to touch hearts in every showing. This action-packed love story has theater audiences laughing, crying, and on the edges of their seats as they are drawn into the world of a firefighter, his wife ... and a marriage worth rescuing. Come see the movie for the first or 21st time and invite another couple to come with you. Childcare will be available for toddlers and young children. Small groups will be forming in early October (which you can sign up for the night of the movie) with studies specifically designed for couples using Fireproof movie clips and thought-provoking discussion questions.

Fun, Festive BBQ



Come support the F2 Family Mission participants for a fun, festive BBQ on September 20th in the South Fellowship Hall right after second service! Donations greatly appreciated.

"The King will reply, I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25: 40).



The Ladies Morning Bible Study will be starting on Thursday Sept. 10th at 10 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall (South Building). We

will be studying the book of Hebrews. All Ladies are welcome who are looking for fellowship and a desire to grow closer with the Lord as we study His Word and share and care for one another. For more information, please contact Gayle Wylie.



We would like to welcome Allie Rae Louvier who was born on August 22, 2009 at 12:56 A.M. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 19

½ inches long. Her parents are Nathan & Jenny Louvier and her big sister is Baylee. Her grandparents are Gregg & Marsha Louvier and Tim & Jane Knight and her Great Grandparents are Jim & Jeanne Louvier. Welcome to Highline Allie!

Photographic Memories

Photographic Memories is a group of scrap bookers that meet together once a month at the church building to scrapbook photos. You are welcome to join us regardless of how long you have been scrap booking and regardless of how organized or unorganized your photos are. You are welcome to come socialize with us as you get your photos organized, gather ideas, or scrapbook your photo albums. Please bring your own scissors and any consumable supplies. Other tools and idea books are available to share.

We meet one Friday each month, 6-11 P.M., in Room 101 of the South Building. Please contact Tammie Lindblom if you have any questions. The next three gatherings will be:

Friday, September 25

Friday, October 16

Friday, November 20



Ministry at Highline

One of our dreams at Highline is that all members would be personally involved in ministering to the Burien community and beyond! If you would like to know more about the organizational structure of our ministry teams or would like to contact a ministry team leader, use the list on the next page.

The layout of Highline's ministry teams reflects our Purpose Statement: "Touched by Jesus to touch other's lives . . . Experience God's TOUCH!"

If you have questions, or concerns of a spiritual nature, that cannot be answered by a Ministry Team Leader, feel free to contact the ministry's Lay Pastor. Lay Pastors are Elders who serve as liaisons and shepherds to the ministry teams.

In His service,
Scott Barnes, Elder Chair

What is Highline About? TOUCH 1 Class Coming

"TOUCH" is an acronym for our purpose statement. We have a series of three classes that we call TOUCH 1, 2, and 3. TOUCH 1 is ideal for new members or those considering membership at Highline. We also encourage long-time members to take it so we all have the same foundation. The class covers what it means to be a Christian, what it means to be a member in the church universal, and what Highline is about. We will be offering the TOUCH 1 class this Fall on **Thursday evening, September 24th**. The class will be **5:55-9:00**. Please call the church office to register or look for a sign-up table in the Atrium starting on Sept 13th. If you have questions about it, you can call the church office or Scott Barnes.

TOUCH 2 and 3 will be coming in October and November.

Highline Christian Church Ministry Teams

July 2009 - June 2010

Fellowship (Together with Family and Friends)

Seniors Ministry – Steve Moreland (Lay Pastor: Ken Beagle)
Men's Ministry – Tim Crawford (Lay Pastor: Ken Beagle)
Women's Ministry – Kathy Bledsoe (Lay Pastor: Ken Beagle)
Membership – _____ (Lay Pastor: Ken Beagle)
Sports Ministry – Bill Gross & Nathan Louvier (Lay Pastor: Bill Gross)
WALK (Young Adults Ministry) – _____ (Lay Pastor: Ken Beagle)

Evangelism (Overcoming the Past)

Local Evangelism – Dave Schroeder & Al Chance (Lay Pastor: John Davis)
World Evangelism – Dave Schroeder (Lay Pastor: John Davis)
Greeters – Kurt Wallin (Lay Pastor: John Davis)
Web Site – Don Berg (Lay Pastor: John Davis)

Discipleship (Understanding God's Word By His Spirit)

Life Development (Birth – 6th grade) – Bret Thorson (Lay Pastor: Scott Barnes)
 Birth – Kindergarten – Katie Taylor
Life Development (Jr & Sr. high school) – Chad Schnathorst (Lay Pastor: Scott Barnes)
Curriculum Director (Birth – Adult) – Marsha Louvier (Lay Pastor: Scott Barnes)
Political Education – Sarah Schaper (Lay Pastor: Scott Barnes)

Worship (Celebrating God's Love)

Weekly Worship – Teresa Barnes (Lay Pastor: Bill Gross)
Audio/Visual Services – Bill Gross & Les Fader (Lay Pastor: Bill Gross)
Prayer Ministry – Carole & Galen Marcille (Lay Pastor: Bill Gross)

Ministry (Helping Others Through Hope)

Community Action – Art & JoAnn Taylor (Lay Pastor: Les Fader)
 Evergreen Prison Ministry – Janita Lagasca & Ruthie Goetz
Hospitality – Marie Ross (Lay Pastor: Gregg Louvier)
Property Maintenance – Gregg Louvier (Lay Pastor: Gregg Louvier)
 Transportation – Rick Pringle
 Landscaping – Jane Docherty
 Security – Chuck Hansen
Finance – Konrad Lindblom (Lay Pastor: Les Fader)
Staff – Tim Knight (Lay Pastor: Les Fader)

Elders: Scott Barnes (Chair), Ken Beagle, John Davis, Les Fader, Bill Gross, Tim Knight, Gregg Louvier,
 Chad Schnathorst, Bret Thorson

Ministry Team Forum: Chair – Tim Crawford;

Vice-Chair – _____ Secretary – _____ (Lay Pastor: Les Fader)

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

Abigail Barnes (Dianne Barnes' granddaughter)—home from the hospital and doing great. Kathy Evans does not have to have chemo as chance of the cancer recurring is low. Don (Jeff Ray's grandfather)—had stint put in and doing well. 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

Janette Williams—low blood pressure, Ecoli showing up; Donna (Janette Williams' friend)—perforated bowel and pleurisy; Alex (3-year-old son of friends of Ken Beagle)—fell in swimming pool and undergoing brain scan and MRI; Melissa Peterson—struggling with insecurity and looking for work; Olivia (Terry Clark's daughter)—pray for spiritual, emotional, mental and physical health; Chris (Gina Anderson's friend)—ran over his dog; Kaitlyn (Dianne Barnes' granddaughter)—painful abscess; Bill Brown—dizziness; James & Maria Michels—pray for financial management; James Michels—ultrasound in groin because of cyst; Violet McComb—return of cancer in several organs; Carrie (Dianne Barnes daughter-in-law)—having more headache episodes and fluid leaking in her blood stream; Ellen Gores—surgery for a blood clot; Linda (Marie Ross' friend)—has cancer and needs to have a relationship with Jesus; Janet Fritts—surgery to remove a mass in her abdomen.

With Sympathy

Linda Rome's cousin Kolleen passed away.

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Joyce (Draggoo) Thompson's mother Wilma Draggoo passed away.

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. Please make sure that when you are giving a prayer request for the prayer chain, that you okay it with all the parties involved to make sure that they do in fact want it on the prayer chain. Thank you.

With Sympathy

We would like to offer sympathy to the family of Hyam Cohen. Hyam went home to be with the Lord on August 8, 2009. Hyam and his wife Diane were missionaries for Jews for Jesus many years and Highline was very pleased to be one of their supporting churches. Please keep Hyam's wife Diane and the rest of the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

We would like to also offer sympathy to the family of Dale Swearingen who went home to be with the Lord on August 18, 2009. Dale had been a member of Highline for a little over a year. Please keep Dale's family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Shoemaker Circle Starts Up Again

After meeting for some 40 years, we will once again meet together on Sept. 16, 2009, at 10:30 P.M., in the Fellowship Hall. Our aim is to help missions, and encourage each other in Biblical living. Our guest speaker will be Jo Ann Taylor telling and presenting pictures of the Mexico Mission trip, July, 2009. Our meetings are the third Wednesday of the month, September through May. "All" women are cordially invited—please bring a sandwich — dessert is provided. Contact Nona Denny or Alice Webb for information.

The Prayer Closet

By: Galen & Carole Marcille

I'm writing this primarily for the men, but you gals can read this as well. When Carole and I were dating, we would pray together before we ended a date. It was very easy to remember to pray together most of the time. But then we got married, and for some reason I'm not sure I can explain, we didn't pray together every night like we did when we were dating. This isn't to say that we didn't pray with each other anymore, just not every night. I must confess, I didn't initiate it as I had in the past, but I never objected to praying together when Carole suggested it.

Skip ahead from those days to about seven years later. We had our first son, André. Carole made a couple of suggestions that I really felt silly about doing. But the Bible tells us to honor our wives, like Abraham and Sarah, so I started to do them.

Her first suggestion was to tell André I loved him. He was three months old. He wasn't old enough to know what I was saying to him or respond. I felt so weird about telling this little baby that I loved him—even though I did. Her other suggestion was about praying over them with a blessing every night. Carole would bring André to me and I would lay my hand on his head and say, "The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you in your going out and in your coming in, in your lying down and in your rising up, in your laughter and your tears, in your work and in your play, and may He give you peace." Then she'd go put him in his crib to sleep. That felt just as strange. He couldn't react to it, smile at me, say, "I love you" back. Why was I doing these things? But as I did it each night, the easier it became and the more it meant to me. I kept it up, and when my second son was born, he heard "I love you" from the beginning and he got his blessing right alongside my oldest. I was so grateful for her suggestions, because when my boys were older, it was as natural as could be to pray over them, express my love for them, and bless them, both in my conversation and in the nightly ritual.

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With Pastor Tim's challenge to pray five minutes a day, we've expanded that to praying together. We probably fail more than we succeed at this, but we keep at it. And, men, I'd like to suggest that you, if you're not doing it already, offer to pray with your wife. If you're dating, pray with your sweetheart. If you have children, read the Bible to the children and pray with them, if you aren't already. And I encourage you to start blessing them before they go to bed. It might feel a little awkward at first, but it gets easier as you keep it up. I encourage you husbands out there to take the lead on this. And you wives, you can ask them if they hesitate or forget—gently, lovingly, and without criticism.

Even though I have shared this with you, I am not perfect in this. But I still don't mind when Carole suggests praying together. The most important thing is not who starts it, but that it gets done! ~
Galen

Senior Saints

Camp is upon us!

Among the activities for our mature members of Highline this month is the Senior Saints Camp at Pleasant Valley Christian Camp. The dates are Sept. 10 – 12. There is no registration fee, just a freewill offering taken to cover expenses. Several of us are already registered, and YOU can join in by picking up a registration form in the Social Hall, filling it out and sending it in.

Our potluck has been moved to accommodate a special program which will be held September 30th. Georgia Henney will give a presentation on arranging your late in life decisions.

Our first Wednesday of the month schedule for special outings will resume October 7 with a "leaf peeper" trip to view our beautiful outdoors and share in a special luncheon at Whistling Jacks Diner. Be sure and sign up!

HIGHER GROUND KIDS SPOT

SUMMER IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE

What happened to the days when summer seemed to go on forever and the adventures went on for days? This summer flew by in the blink of an eye. As I sit in my office, which is a complete mess filled with odds and ends from each of the summer ministries, I'm reminded of all the ministry that took place. God blessed us with a great week for our campout where children, teens, and adults were challenged to walk a little wiser. The water bottles sitting on my floor remind me of how well the Trail Trekkers and the staff did at braving the hottest days of the summer to explore the beach and the zoo as we learned to live wise lives. Sound equipment, a snow cone machine, and a treasure box remind me of camp. The snow cone machine stayed in it's box since we had rain every day except the day the boys and girls were separate all day. The boys started our day at the foot of the cross and spent the day outside, so thank you God for giving us a break in the rain to learn about being godly men. The treasure box reminds me of all the kids who memorized Eph. 4:21-5:2 and had their names drawn from a fish bowl to choose prizes. More sound equipment, glue, and tape remind me of the preschool VBS and how many times we had to tape and re-tape posters to the walls. All the taping was worth it to see the 3, 4, and 5 year olds singing, dancing, and learning about Jesus. God is good and time really does fly when you're having fun. Thanks to all who helped make it such a great summer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS FALL

Starting September 13th, graded Sunday School Classes will resume during the 9:00 worship service. Please plan on helping your child check into the ministry in the Activity Center, then escort them downstairs to help them find their classroom. First through fifth grade will meet downstairs and sixth grade will meet in room 201 on the main floor. Volunteers will be available to help point you in the right direction.



During the 10:40 service we will resume our Base Camp program for children 1st-6th grade. We will meet in the Activity Center for worship, then will split into Trail Trekkers and Summit Seekers for lessons and games. The lessons will continue to follow Pastor Tim's sermons. For more information please contact Pastor Bret.

F2 FAMILY MISSION

The F2 Family Mission Team would like to invite you to join us for our BBQ following second service on September 20th to help raise funds for our trip. Please invite your family and friends to enjoy a wonderful BBQ and some bi-lingual worship in English and Spanish.

We will also be selling Christmas trees and wreaths again this year, so please plan on supporting us and getting a great tree at the same time. Thank you.



Early Childhood News



Preschool Vacation Bible School

Our Lava Lava Preschool VBS was amazing! We had 37 children attend. It would not have happened without the support of 30 volunteers.

The children learned about Jesus and how much he loves them. Hosting the VBS in the new building was such a blessing. There were a lot of happy children learning through Bible lessons, puppet shows, crafts, games, and snacks.

Thank you Highline for praying for us and donating our supplies.



An especially big **thank you** for all of the staff! You are all a huge blessing! The week would not have happened without you!



Fall Sunday School

Highline begins Fall Sunday School classes on Sunday, September 13. We are offering classes for all ages birth through Kindergarten both services.

There is still a need for some help in the Early Childhood area. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Katie Taylor.

If you have not turned in your family biography page, please turn it in at the Early Childhood counter.

Serving Kids Together,
Katie Taylor

*If you would like to help serve in any Early Childhood area, please call or email Katie Taylor
Katie@HighlineChristian.org*

H.Y.M. CHRONICLES

September Birthdays

Paul S.
Ben F.
Thomas H.
Tyler H.
Savannah S.

Special Thanks

-Sunday School/YG Coaches/Helpers:

Ryan Barnett, Don Berg, John Check, Ben Fader, Brigitta Fader, Brianna Forkell, Esther Foster, Doug Gustafson, Sharon McCandliss, Steve & Lyla Moreland, Sam Reash, Beatriz Schnathorst, Jake & Angelle Straight, and Chris Terry

-All of our Albertson's Community Partners Card Members

Youth Programs & Events

-Sunday High School 9th –12 grades
Doug Gustafson & 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. & Sr. High Youth Group in the Park

Who: (7th-12th grades)

When: Wednesdays 6:00 pm—8 pm
Starting 9/9/09 6:30 pm—8 pm

WHERE: Lake Burien School Memorial Park,

(<http://www.burienparks.net>) located at
SW 148th & 16th Ave SW, Burien, WA 98166

Bring your friends; this is going to be fun!

You never know what we're going to do, so wear your shorts and be prepared to get wet! Remember, youth need to be dropped off, and picked up at the park. *Youth Coaches will be there a little before and after the program starts, and ends. Talk to Chad if you need a ride home.*

Exception to meeting at the park: If it is raining the night of Youth Group, we will meet at HCC, (in the activity center) as an alternative during these times, but only if it is raining. Note: September will be the last month that we attempt to meet in the park for Youth Group. October will mark the beginning of meeting indoors once again, unless the weather turns bad sooner.

Youth Programs & Events Continued:

13th
18th **Tuesday 9/8/09: Transform Worship Night @**
26th **Boulevard Park Presbyterian Church**
27th **7th-12th graders** Start the new school year off right
29th by joining the other Youth Groups in our area, with a night of fellowship and praise. You may even see some of the people you met at Snowblast last winter!
Where: **Boulevard Park Presbyterian Church**
www.bppc.org
1822 S 128th St. SeaTac, WA 98168
(206) 243-2600

Wednesday 9/23/09: See You At The Pole **7th –12 graders (7 AM at your school!)**

See You at the Pole™ connects believers together at the beginning of the school year, so you can stand strong together throughout the year. See You at the Pole™ is all about prayer. It's about you coming together and laying aside all of the labels and groups for one day, to simply engage with God in prayer and connect with fellow Christians in unity around the flag pole.

(For more info go to: <http://www.syatp.com/>)

Sunday 9/27/09: Youth Group Outreach **Dinner @ Hope Christian Community** **(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 Community at 4 PM, done by 7 PM

(Eat dinner before you arrive!)

Hope Christian Community 206-244-1399

632 SW 143rd Street, Burien, WA 98166

website: <http://www.hope-christian.net>

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?

Please Contact Chad:

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Cell: 206-353-630

E-Mail: Chad@highlinechristian.org