



# KAIROS

2021

ALL IN FOR ALL THINGS NEW



HIGHLINE COMMUNITY CHURCH

# a message from our Pastor

Dear Highline Family,

**Kairos** is a Greek word that means "a propitious moment for action," or "the appointed time in the purposes of God." Kairos is the word Jesus used to inaugurate His ministry, in Mark 1:15 for example: "The time is fulfilled (kairos), and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

**I believe we have arrived at a kairos moment for the church. Social unrest, political polarization, family stress, cultural confusion, and the lack of confidence in once trusted institutions (media, government, and academia) has our culture dangerously adrift. As so many are looking for truth, direction, stability, meaning, purpose, and significance, a great opportunity-- a kairos moment --has been created for the church of Jesus Christ.**

**God is at work, a movement of the Spirit is coming, and Highline Community Church is uniquely positioned in this kairos moment: to lead men, women, and children into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ; to be a safe harbor in the midst of this cultural and societal storm; to provide a picture of the Kingdom of God breaking into the world; to point our community to the hope we have in the only One who can restore what is broken and indeed, the One who intends to make All Things New. This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity. This is our kairos moment.**

Kairos 2021 is a church-wide initiative to explore this incredible opportunity and the role each of us has in helping Highline step forward in faith and provide the resources-- in time, treasure, and gifts ---to faithfully be a part of what God is doing and take advantage of this once-in-a-generation opportunity. We need everyone in!

Highline Community Church, this is our moment! God has raised up this unique church for this kairos moment. I'm asking each of you to join me in fresh dedication to seizing this great opportunity that our Father has set before us.

Sincerely,  
Brian Gawf, Pastor



Now to him  
who is able to do  
immeasurably more  
than all we ask or imagine,  
according to his power  
that is at work within us,  
to him be glory in the church  
and in Christ Jesus  
throughout all generations,  
forever and ever!

- Ephesians 3:20-21

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# OUR VISION

To step into this KAIROS moment and seize this unique opportunity by being a church *for* our community, helping our neighbors flourish by being a picture of the Kingdom of God and faithfully partnering with Jesus in His work of binding up broken people and making all things new.



# OUR MISSION

To lead as many people as possible into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.



# OUR

# CORE

# VALUES

## Gospel Centered

We believe the gospel, the good news that we are saved from our sin by grace alone through faith alone, based on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ alone.

The knowledge that we are loved and valued by God because of what Jesus has done for us and not our own effort or goodness frees us to stop taking ourselves too seriously and in humility and gratitude to love our neighbors who far from Christ and invite them to experience His grace.



And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked...  
But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ...

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

- Ephesians 2:1-9

## BIBLICALLY GROUNDED

We believe the Bible is God's self-revelation and thus authoritative over the church and indeed all people.

The Bible is the Truth by which all other truths, words, and wisdom are to be measured and judged.

The Bible is living and active, the ordinary means by which God speaks to His people today.

Therefore our life together is rooted in God's Word.



## INTENTIONAL DISIPCLESHIP

We are in Christ, disciples of Jesus - intentional about growing in faith and love.

As disciples we are committed to encouraging others by inviting them into a relationship with Jesus and encouraging them to grow. The pattern Jesus gave us is one of replication: disciples making disciples.

*Jesus said to him,*

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."*

*- Matthew 22:37*

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*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.*

*- John 13:34*

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## GRACE FILLED COMMUNITY

We believe that the church is made up of very different people (generationally, racially, ethnically, culturally, educationally) who have nevertheless been made into one family in Christ.

Therefore we seek to embody this reality by being a multi-generational church where people from all different backgrounds exhibit God's grace in our common life: encouraging, loving, supporting, and forgiving one another as we share in life's joys and sorrows.



## RELENTLESS MISSION

We believe that Highline Church does not exist for the members of Highline Church. We are a mission community existing to love our neighbors in our neighborhood, city, and the world, by embodying the gospel in deeds of love and words of grace and truth.

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

- Luke 19:10

Go and make disciples of all nations.

- Matthew 18:19

## OUR CAMPAIGN GOALS

- *Provide* resources to lean into this unque moment, seize this opportunity, and live out our mission.
- *Renew* and Build our ministry to children, youth, young adults, and families.
- *Create* opportunities for college students to intern in church ministries (youth, children, and other ministries) that will help students explore ministry voacations and provide help in growing and expanding ministries at Highline for our neighbors.
- *Foster* deeper fellowship and community through intentional processes of mutual care, support, and prayer for members and neighbors.
- *Create* and seed a maintenance fund and include it in the annual budget for known and unknown large building maintenance projects that are needed now or will be in the next 10-15 years (A/C in Youth Outpost, elevator upgrade, boiler replacement, parking lot repave, etc.).
- *Engage* 100% of our members in the joy of sacrificial giving, trusting God to provide, and financially supporting our common mission.



# **YOUR PART**

## **PRAY**

about how God  
would use you

## **COMMIT**

to your support  
of the mission

## **CELEBRATE**

God's provision  
for you  
and our church

## **GIVE**

generously

## SERMON NOTES WEEK 1

AUGUST 29, 2021

### **KINGDOM PRIORITY** | Matthew 3:1-2; 4:17, 23; 5:13-16

The Christian faith is not merely about our personal salvation, but about the Kingdom of God coming into the world, undoing the curse, and making all things new.

#### NOTES:

## PRAYER PROMPTS WEEK 1

AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 4, 2021

(Use these prompts to guide your prayers for Highline and Kairos 2021 each week)

### MONDAY:

Lord, as we look at the world around us, we recognize that you are sovereign in the midst of the turmoil, tumult, and seeming chaos of our times. You are at work and you are doing something. Help your church— Highline Community Church —and the entire Church of Jesus Christ to rise to this KAIROS moment and faithfully proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom of God to a world desperate for purpose, significance, and hope.

### TUESDAY:

Father, help me to recognize that Highline Community Church is not a church I go to, but a church I am *a part of*. Help me to personally take responsibility for the mission and ministry of my church.

### WEDNESDAY:

Lord, I realize that the Christian faith is not just about me and my salvation, but about your Kingdom coming into the world. Help me to realign my priorities in such a way that passion for your Kingdom becomes the central mission of my life.

### THURSDAY:

Father, help me to feel so joyful about what I am doing to make a difference in your kingdom that I can be a witness and encouragement for others.

### FRIDAY:

Lord, as we go through the KAIROS campaign, I want your name to be honored through me. Speak to me and let me know how you are calling me to respond.

### SATURDAY:

Father, let your will be done ... in me and through me. Let Your Kingdom come and let its coming be apparent in my life.

## SERMON NOTES WEEK 2

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

### **GET A LIFE** | Luke 18:18-30

Real life is not found in possessions and wealth but in following Jesus— being willing to lose our life and give up the things we look to for life, in order to find true life in Jesus and the pursuit of His mission.

#### NOTES:

## PRAYER PROMPTS WEEK 2

SEPTEMBER 5-11, 2021

### MONDAY:

Lord, help me to understand the truth that Highline is not an organization but a mission right here in the Denver Metro Area. Change my heart and mind to make that truth an operative reality in my life.

### TUESDAY:

Jesus, the rich young man chose his wealth over running to you for life. Help me to see the things in my own life that I look to for meaning and significance and life other than you. Help me to turn away from those things and turn only to you.

### WEDNESDAY:

Lord, teach me what it means to seek your kingdom before anything else; to truly pray every day, "Give me this day my daily bread," because I know if you don't provide for my needs they won't be met.

### THURSDAY:

Father, I recognize that wealth in our culture has the power to blind us of our real neediness and the reality of our spiritual poverty. Teach me my utter dependance on you and strip me of the illusion of self-reliance.

### FRIDAY:

Lord, as Christians we're not just concerned with "getting to heaven" but with embodying the Kingdom of God coming into the world.

### SATURDAY:

Father, raise in me an increasing awareness of the incredible depth of your graciousness toward me. Remind me that you are indeed a good Father who has already blessed me in greater ways that I can fully imagine and of the inheritance in your kingdom that is mine forever.

## SERMON NOTES WEEK 3

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

### **KEEPING SCORE** | Malachi 3:6-12 & Luke 12:15-21

How do we measure a successful life? What is the world's measure? What is the true measure? How are you measuring up?

**NOTES:**

## PRAYER PROMPTS WEEK 3

SEPTEMBER 12-18, 2021

### **MONDAY:**

Lord, I have heard your word. Help me to be a doer of your word.

### **TUESDAY:**

Father, lead me to find joy and abundant living as I give my life more fully to you.

### **WEDNESDAY:**

Lord Jesus, everything I have is a gift from you— not to store up for my own well-being but to be used by you. I am a steward of the resources you have given me. Teach me to let go of my stuff, to be generous and ready to share and thus to store up treasure in heaven rather than here on earth.

### **THURSDAY:**

Father, give me the grace to give to you as lavishly as you have poured yourself out for me. Let me bless you, even as you have blessed my life.

### **FRIDAY:**

Lord Jesus, you came into the world to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:1-10). I know that I was once included in that number— I was lost. I praise you for coming into the world to seek and to save me. I know that there are others who are lost around us. Would you strengthen Highline and give us the resources to be useful in your mission of seeking and saving those around us who are now lost, that they may be found and brought into your family forever.

### **SATURDAY:**

Father, grow my passion for your purposes in my life and in Highline. You have brought me here for a reason, show me what you would do through me. You have planted Highline here for a reason, show us what you would do through us.

## SERMON NOTES WEEK 4

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

### **A WELCOMING CULTURE** | 1 Peter 2:9-10; Romans 15:1-7

Christ calls us to be a new people who love one another and our neighbors, welcoming all whom God calls into the family.

#### NOTES:

## PRAYER PROMPTS WEEK 4

SEPTEMBER 19-25, 2021

### MONDAY:

Lord, help me to feel so joyful about what I am doing to make a difference in your kingdom that I can be a witness and encouragement to others.

### TUESDAY:

Father, you are the true welcomer, welcoming all who would come into your kingdom through your church. Make Highline a welcoming community infused with your grace and love, a place where those beaten and battered by life in this fallen world find a taste of heaven.

### WEDNESDAY:

Lord, I pray that you would expand opportunities for me, and everyone at Highline, to bring healing to those who are broken, to bring light to those who are in darkness, to speak words of grace those crushed under the weight of their own burdens, for your glory Father.

### THURSDAY:

Father, I recognize that my Christian faith isn't one part of my life, among others, but must be at the very center of who I am. Teach me to be so affected by you and your truth that every part of my life would be shaped by your gospel truth.

### FRIDAY:

Lord, you have much to say about the importance of children and young people. Throughout your word, over and over, you have taught us teach the next generation about you. Help me to make giving Jesus to the next generation as a critical mission in my life. Move me to sacrifice my time, my talents, and my treasure to help make it happen.

### SATURDAY:

Lord, with your blessing and your grace, multiply my gifts to make more difference than I ever imagined.

## SERMON NOTES WEEK 5

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

### THE NEXT GENERATION | Deuteronomy 6:4-6;

Matthew 19:14-15

Christ calls us to be a church who makes bringing children and the next generation to Jesus a mission critical priority.

#### NOTES:

## PRAYER PROMPTS WEEK 5

SEPTEMBER 26-OCTOBER 2, 2021

### MONDAY:

Jesus, abide more fully in me. Help me too prune and manage my life better. Re-shape my living to gear good fruit that would glorify you (John 15:1-9).

### TUESDAY:

Lord, first let me give myself more fully to you. Then let my decisions grow out of what I believe ... and out of what you call me to be and to do.

### WEDNESDAY:

Father, if I give myself in ways that mean little to me, how would that honor and worship you? Let my giving honor you as my Lord and my God.

### THURSDAY:

Lord, lead me to find joy and abundant living as I give my life more fully to you.

### FRIDAY:

Father, teach me greater joy and abundant thanksgiving in a meaningful, purposeful, committed life.

### SATURDAY:

Thank you Lord for the inexpressible grace you have given to me. Bless my giving and use my giving to bless others in your name.

## SERMON NOTES WEEK 6

OCTOBER 3, 2021

### GRACE ABOUNDING | 2 Corinthians 8-9

Christ was rich but became poor for our sake in order to give us immeasurable riches. We're called to be generous and sacrificial givers, not out of obligation or duty but joyfully out of gratitude and trust recognizing of all that God has done for us.

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## WHERE ARE YOU NOW ON YOUR GENEROSITY JOURNEY?

We must always remember there is much more to generosity than just a financial transaction.

**In God's eyes our growth in generosity is less about a financial transaction and more about a transformation. It is truly a matter of the heart!**

The Generosity Journey can help us think about this transformation. Make no mistake; to move along this path requires a heart change. Moving along the path does not make us super Christians; it brings us to a greater understanding of God, not a greater view of ourselves. As you look and think about this journey, ask yourself, "What drives you to be generous?"

### INITIAL

*2 Corinthians 8:7-15*

Not yet giving

You can take your first step and emerge into giving

### EMERGING

*2 Corinthians 9:6-8*

Occasionally giving

You can take the next step to give intentionally and proportionally

### INTENTIONAL

*Luke 14:28-35*

Giving regularly, but less than 10%

You can step up to honor God with your first 10%

### TITHING

*2 Samuel 24:18-25*

Giving 10% faithfully

You can go the next step and give extravagantly for the Kingdom

### EXTRAVAGANT

*1 Timothy 6:6-19*

Giving above the tithe

You can ask God to guide you into a new place of joyous generosity

# Frequently Asked Questions

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## **What is the KAIROS Campaign about?**

We believe we are at a KAIROS moment in which God is at work in a special way. In this time it is more important than ever for Christ's church to be strong and engaged in our mission. The KAIROS Campaign is about engaging 100% of the body of Highline in the mission of the church through sacrificial giving to fund our ministry in the years to come.

## **How are we seeking God's guidance in these efforts?**

The mission and values for this season of Highline's life have been steeped in prayer for God's direction among staff, elders, and members of Highline Community Church.

At a retreat in March 2021 nearly 100 members spent the day prayerfully reflecting on what it would look like if we fully live out our mission and core values, giving direction for our ministry focus and beginning to define a vision for our life together.

We have plans to continue with congregational visioning retreats through the next year as we continue to focus our efforts to respond to God's calling by leading as many people as possible into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

We know that Jesus intends to make all things new (Revelation 21:5). We are asking God to use Highline in His renewal work for the building of His Kingdom, the proclamation of His gospel, and the healing of the nations as He makes it all come to pass for His glory. "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain." (Psalm 127:1)

## **How do we see God working through Highline Community Church during KAIROS 2021 initiative?**

In the Bible, there are accounts of God visiting his people and bringing powerful corporate renewal. Very often, this involved people turning from their idols and giving God first place in their life. Corporate renewal in our time and place comes when Americans are taken with the beauty of Jesus and devote their resources to His work and His glory rather than their own comfort. Thus, our longing for KAIROS 2021 is nothing less than revival and renewal in HCC and through HCC in our city, our nation, and the world!

## What if I can't afford to give or increase my giving right now?

Even in times of scarcity, God wants our hearts. It is easier to give when there is abundance, but lean times prompt us to trust God at a greater level. The widow who gave her last mite did not make a very big financial contribution, but Jesus said she gave the largest gift of all. KAIROS 2021 is about all of us coming together, giving generously, and trusting God to do the rest.

It may mean that God is asking you to trust him by making a faith commitment that you do not know how to fulfill right now. God has supplied our every need in Christ, and we trust that he will honor a heart that wants to give generously in response to the gospel. KAIROS means all of us, together — for God's glory, for our neighbors, and for our world.

There may also be ways to be sacrificial with your lifestyle to create margin for generosity in your life. Some will cancel cable, and some will ditch the smartphone plan and return to a basic flip phone.

Others will play a little less golf and still others will forego a few expensive coffee drinks every week. Some will buy a smaller home or rent a smaller apartment to be able to give generously for the progress of the gospel.

Find ways to involve the entire family in the process of giving generously. Use this as an opportunity to teach children and grandchildren to obey the Lord with a generous heart and to trust Him. This is a great opportunity to take a look at our overall stewardship of all that God has entrusted to us.

## Will I be asked to make a financial pledge to Highline?

Yes and no. On October 3, the final day of the KAIROS Campaign, we will all be asked to fill out a card indicating how much each household is committing to give over and above what you have given in the previous year.

On the cards we are asking each household to specify a dollar amount. This is important to helping us be intentional in our commitment and giving to the Lord's work. However, putting a name on the card is optional. Some will prefer to keep their commitment between themselves and the Lord. Others will find it helpful for accountability to sign their name to their commitment. Either way is up to you.

One half of the commitment card you'll keep to put in your Bible or somewhere where you'll see it often as a reminder of your commitment. The other half we will bring forward and place on the Communion Table during worship as a way of consecrating our commitments to the Lord— and then we'll go share a meal together and celebrate the goodness of God.

**KAIROS 2021 COMMITMENT CARD**

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\$\_\_\_\_\_ per week/month/year (circle one).

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(optional)



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