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Building Relationships with Christ, One Another, and the World

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FEBRUARY 28, SUNDAY

Sunday School 9:00 - 9:45 AM

Worship Service 10:00 –11:00 AM

Finance Committee Meeting 11:00 AM

Parenting Conference 2:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3 (LIMITED SEATING)

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM

MENU: Chicken and Dressing, Butter Beans,
Rolls, Salad, Dessert

CHILDREN'S MENU: Chicken Nuggets or Hot Dogs

\$5.00 for Adults (6th Grade and up) \$3.00 for Children

\$20.00 Family Maximum

- Prayer Meeting (6:00-7:00 PM)

- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)

- Kidz Praise (6:00-6:30 PM)

- Kid's WOW (6:30 -7:00 PM)

- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...

I don't know about you but sometimes I can be completely caught off guard by how expensive something might be. I remember getting my driver's license in high school and having to buy my first car. Drained almost all my savings and I still had to pay for gas, insurance, and the many, many dates I was planning on going on. Truthfully, the last part didn't work out quite how I had planned. I remember moving out of my parents' house after high school and having to pay for groceries and rent for the first time. I couldn't believe how much things cost! I remember planning a wedding with Susanna and having several private meltdowns and I cut checks and swiped credit/debit cards to pay for the wedding. I vividly remember Susanna telling me that we were having a child and after the initial shock and celebrating with her, realizing how expensive babies are. In fact, one of the biggest mistakes of my life was looking at how much college costs even before Leia was born. I'm still working through that shock.

I had another shocking moment recently. Susanna and I sleep in a queen size bed and it is perfect for us. However, if you throw in a 4-year-old who likes to climb in our bed on Saturday mornings and a dog who considers it a personal insult if she isn't allowed to lay on the bed, all of a sudden that queen sized mattress starts shrinking drastically. That being said, Susanna and I decided a couple months ago to start looking to upgrade to a king-sized bed. When we first started looking, we went to a couple different furniture stores and shopped around. When mattress shopping, the salesperson wants you to lay on every mattress they have in the store to find one you like. I remember laying on the first mattress, liking the feel, and asking the salesperson how much this bed cost. Her response, "The mattress STARTS at \$3,300. If you're willing to buy a deluxe, we'll knock \$50 off an adjustable base. Those start at \$1,800." I just lay there for a moment thinking surely I had fallen asleep on this mattress and was dreaming. Long story short, we're still shopping around.

Sometimes in life, we can be caught off guard by the cost of something. Many times, we as believers lose sight of the cost of grace of Christ. Yes, it is a free gift that we can receive. However, to receive His grace costs us everything. I love what Dietrich Bonhoeffer says on the subject of costly grace in his book *"The Cost of Discipleship"*. He says, **"Grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a man his life and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life. It is costly because it condemns sin, and grace because it justifies the sinner. Above all, it is costly because it cost God the life of his Son: 'we were bought at a price,' and what has cost God much cannot be cheap for us."** The temptation for us is to accept the free gift of salvation without truly surrendering our life to Christ. When we choose self over others, that cheapens His grace. When we choose our will over God's, that cheapens His grace. When we try to take ownership of what is rightfully God's, that cheapens grace. What is grace to you? Is it cheap or is it costly?



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**HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH HONORS
IN HONOR OF THE MEN'S MINISTRY BY:**
Mr. and Mrs. Bo Reece
Designated to Capital Improvements by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Fleming

THANK YOU NOTES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM:
...the family of Tony Clark.
...Elliott and Fran Fleming.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:
...Mrs. Wanda Vick and family in the death of her sister.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FEBRUARY 21, 2021

Budget	14,416.25	CDC Req. to date	186,736.64
Child Development Center	.00	(8@ 23,342.08)	163,394.56
Designated	97.00	CDC Receipts to date	97,667.50
Total	14,513.25		
Budget Req. to date (8@ 23,309.06)	186,472.48	SUNDAY SCHOOL	184
Budget Receipts to date	236,252.09	MORNING WORSHIP	230

**PARENTING AND BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION
IN A NEW GENERATION**

A Class led by
Dr. Stephanie Miles Cooper

Sunday, February 28
2:00-5:00 PM
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