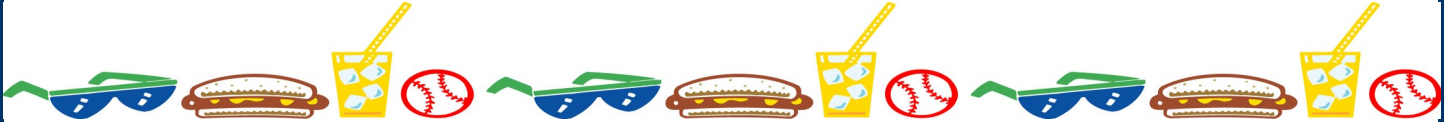


Lakeside Christian Fellowship Ripples



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June arrives like an open hand, overflowing with light, color, and quiet generosity. It is a month when nature feels abundant—lush trees in full leaf, gardens humming with life, sunlight stretching long into the evening. In this season of fullness, give yourself permission to pause and receive. I'd like to provide a couple of suggestions that help me to cope with the hustle of everyday living.

Each day now, since the weather is nicer, I like to just sit outside on my patio. I live on the fourth floor. So in a way, I'm up and out of the chaos that surrounds me in a retirement community with all their group activities. I just close my eyes and just chill out letting my mind flush out all that's been going on around me.

Also, there is a small area outback where we used to be able to go and sit under the trees, but alas progress has intervened and they're building a small shopping center next door and the construction machinery and noise makes it impossible to meditate.

Outside our church is a small meditation garden. It provides a perfect place for reflection and meditation. There are benches underneath the trees, but you don't have to even come here. A simple chair in your own backyard often does the trick. Sit comfortably and allow your body to soften. Gently close your eyes. Let the world introduce itself to you through sound: birds stitching melodies through the air, leaves whispering secrets to one another, the wind brushing past like a tender companion.

Then, breathe in deeply. The sweetness of blooming flowers may drift toward you, mingling with the rich, grounding scent of warm soil. The air itself feels alive – fresh, expansive, generous. Let each inhale anchor you more fully in this moment.

Feel the textures beneath and around you. The firmness of the earth. The cool or sun-warmed grass. The steady support of the ground. Sense the sunlight resting gently on your skin, the breeze tracing its way across your face. There is nothing to achieve here, nowhere else to be.

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Simply allow yourself to inhabit your senses completely. Let the abundance of June meet the stillness within you.

If sitting feels restless, let your mindfulness move with you. Walking offers a graceful union of presence and motion. Choose a quiet path – a winding garden trail, a shaded sidewalk, a familiar route through your neighborhood. Begin slowly. As you walk, bring your attention to the simple miracle of your feet touching the ground. Heel, then toe. Step, then breath. Notice the rhythm forming naturally between your body and the earth.

Whether seated in stillness or moving with quiet intention, these simple rituals invite you back to yourself. They can be woven into any day, any place, any season of life. In June's abundance, allow mindfulness to bloom—nourishing clarity, deepening focus, and reminding you that peace is often just one conscious breath away.

The bottom line is to take a few moments with God and his glory that surrounds you with his richness in the world around you – the quiet, subtle, gentle feeling of his presence will renew you in ways that you cannot imagine.

*Blessings,
Rev. Chuck Smith*



2027 **NOMINATIONS**

We're here to listen to you. The LCF Bylaws, Article IV, 4.2 (b) require the Nominating Committee to make this announcement. The Nominating Committee shall seek names (yours or other LCF members) in identifying candidates to serve in leadership positions. We welcome your thoughts as we consider our task of recommendations for 2027.

You may speak with any member of the Nominating Committee:

Linda Brown
Kari Monahan
Sara Bush
Christine Chapman
Barbara McClaid
Genie Carroll



Nominating **COMMITTEE**

LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Leadership Council Report for May 4, 2026

The Leadership Council Meeting was called to order at 9:30AM by Moderator Bill Bush. Members present were Bill Bush, Nancy Meierhoff, Russell Reese, Judy Guthrie, Wilma Sanders, Laurie Glass, Gene Glass, Ginger Halsted, Warwick Andrews and Fred Pontesso. A quorum was present.

Invocation: Moderator Bill Bush opened with a prayer. **Thoughts to Ponder:** Bill wanted to think about inspiration and motivation. He asserts that the leader of the church can be an inspirational force. He gave an example of the leader of a football team, who motivates others. This motivation is important for our pastors. Bill shared some Thank You cards. One card from Susan Nilsson-Weiskott, Lago Vista Lions Club. She brought a group of ladies to walk the labyrinth here at our church and they were very grateful for the experience. Another card was from The Hope Center Team thanking LCF for our monetary donation to the Hope Center. Bill also relayed that Lisa Weaver gave a \$250 check from the Lago Vista Players for the use of our church. We also received a check from the Veterans Group for their Spring Fling function.

Summary of Meeting: The LCF Council meeting focused on various church operations and updates. The group discussed promoting the church through events like The Painted Churches Tour and potential new logo designs, though they decided against holding a high school logo contest due to timing concerns. They reviewed the recent Food Drive results and discussed outreach efforts, including plans for a New Member Luncheon in June. The Pastor Relations Committee provided feedback on a potential interim pastor candidate named Eric Haueter, noting concerns about his sermon delivery style and lack of connection with congregation members. Building and Grounds Committee updates included plans for exterior repairs and painting, with a motion approved to proceed with \$2,790 in work. The meeting covered budget planning processes and the need for departments to submit accurate expense forecasts, while treasury matters included moving funds from Men and Trucks to Power

One Fund and addressing an old Christian Women's Ministry account.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the April 13, 2026 Council meeting were reviewed with a correction that June Freeman donated one bench in memory of Dave Freeman. This correction will be made to the minutes. Otherwise, the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Outreach: Pastor Chuck was not available for this meeting.

Promotions & Marketing: Warwick expressed his disappointment that we only had 5 people sign up for the Painted Churches Tour. There was a discussion about this trip. There was a discussion about a possible new logo for the church. He suggested having a contest at the high school with the students to come up with a new logo. Bill introduced several design options for the logo, with the Council expressing preferences for a larger cross and more modern font. There was a lengthy discussion about preferences for modifying the current logo. Nancy suggested that if we change our logo, we need to purchase T-shirts with a colorful logo. Also, they discussed the material to be used and pricing. Laurie provided information on the cost of these T-shirts, ranging from \$12.44 to \$16.65, depending on the style and logo. Russell commented that we need to come up with 2-3 logos before making a decision. Russell made a **Motion (1)** that we consider modifying the current church logo. Judy seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion was approved. Requested that several options of the logo be prepared by Bill for viewing by members of the Council. Laurie will get pricing/options for 80-20 cotton shirts and bring sample shirts for review before ordering.

Faith in Action: Russell relayed that the recent Fresh Food for All Program provided by the Hill Country Ministries (HCCM), along with the help of volunteers from LCF and other churches, was successful as we were able to distribute 983 pounds of food, which was given to 53 families in need.

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There was also a discussion regarding advertising this event in the City Bulletin and have a pamphlet available.

Pastor Search Committee: Nancy says they are continuing to receive inquiries and resumes for this position. She has 28 that the committee will review at their next meeting. They also reviewed Eric Haueter sermon presentation, noting concerns about the length and delivery style, while acknowledging the importance of considering other pastoral attributes. He also suggested that future preachers should be given clearer guidelines on time limits for sermons and encouraged to participate more in church activities. The Council agreed to evaluate additional candidates before deciding whether to invite any back for further consideration. The conversation concluded with a discussion about benefits management, specifically exploring Guide Stone as a potential benefits administrator to handle healthcare and retirement plans for future preaching candidates. He will also look into the costs of certain benefits and explore similar companies for comparison.

Pastoral Relations: Nancy stated that no recent meeting has been held. The Committee is being kept apprised of the pastor search activities. No other issues have surfaced. Future meetings will include working on the budget as it relates to salaries and yearly job reviews. She relayed that Pastor Dale Hill will be preaching on May 17 and Jim Christie will preach on May 31.

Worship Commission: Fred stated that Pastor Chuck had corrected the altar cloths or the colors on the altar. He stated we need to document what colors should be used for different seasons. Ginger will be changing these colors according to the calendar. Laurie stated that a new laminated guide with bullet points for the Liturgists to help them with their duties, including reminders about signing the black book and filling out Newcomer forms. Also, she has talked with Pam on the instructions for the Usher duties, which is forthcoming. Laurie

talked about the details of the Charter Member Plaque regarding costs and specifications, noting that 64 family names would be included, with the option to add a gold plate for \$5. The ladies' name will come first on the plaque and the word "and" will be spelled out on the plaque. Gene made a **Motion (2)** that we purchase a wooden plaque for our Charter Members, which will cost \$199.80. Nancy seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion was approved. However, it was decided to wait for our new logo design to be finalized before proceeding with the plaque. Fred reminded everyone that at last month's meeting he had asked for input and thoughts on the Newcomers Guide. He would appreciate anyone's feedback at the June Council meeting.

Ministries Committee: Laurie relayed that the New Member's Luncheon will be held on June 14 to include BBQ pork sandwiches, various sides, banana pudding and ice cream. The Council members are invited to attend and welcome the new members, which are those that have joined since we moved into the new building. We have approximately 25 new members that have joined. Laurie said there will be a Piano Recital with Lisa Jackson's group on May 8 in the sanctuary. Also, on May 31 there will be a Potluck Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall.

Building and Grounds: Gene discussed updates and decisions regarding church maintenance and events. He said the golf cart has now been relocated to the outside front of the church. Bill talked about who will drive this golf cart on Sundays. There was a discussion regarding some exterior building repairs, including painting and fixing damaged areas, for a total cost of \$2,790. Gene made a **Motion (3)** that we proceed with this work with Kyngdom Remodeling for \$2,790. This money will come from the Reserve Fund and Building and Grounds Funds. Fred seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion was approved.

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Stewardship Committee: Ginger relayed that the Budget packages will go out next month. Bill discussed the budget process for the Stewardship Drive, emphasizing the need for accurate budgeting by each individual committees/departments identifying their expense for next year. These budget estimates should include potential salary increases. The final budget presented to the congregation will be adjusted based on the results of the Stewardship Drive. There was a discussion about having a Council meeting in July, which we normally do not. This will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Financial Update (April 2026): Judy made a **Motion (4)** to move the \$448.82 from the Men and Trucks Fund into the Power of One Fund. Laurie seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion was approved. Bill talked about the brokerage account being available soon. When this happens, he will get back with the Council on the process for donors to access it. He said we will not be taxed on capital gains for this account. He relayed that we have to keep \$10 in the account to keep it open and active. There was a discussion about closing the Women's Ministry Fund of \$300, with Jan Robbins and Jeannie Carroll as signers, potentially transferring the funds to Lakeside Christian Fellowship Church. Judy will get with the Women of Worship (WOW) and see if maybe these funds should be transferred to their account. Laurie made a **Motion (5)** to close the Women's Ministry Fund account containing \$300 and possibly transfer the funds into the LCF Account. Nancy seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion was passed.

Old Business:

1. Changes to LCF ByLaws: Fred relayed that the suggested changes to the ByLaws will be presented to the next Congregational Meeting.

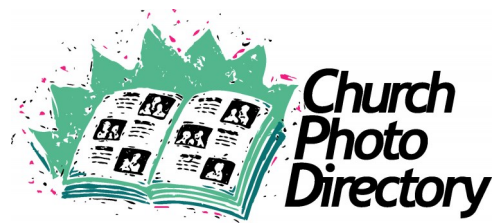
New Business:

1. **Scatter Garden:** Russell talked about the crea-

tion of a Scatter Garden for ashes of loved ones passed. Also, the Council discussed where to locate this garden and whether to have small plaques to stick in the ground for those whose ashes were spread there. The Building and Grounds Committee would take care of this garden. Russell and others will return to our next meeting with written dimensions and proposals for the location and markers. There was a discussion about where to move the painting of Christ from Bill Parcher.

Future Topics: Next meeting: The next regular Council meeting will be on June 8, 2026.

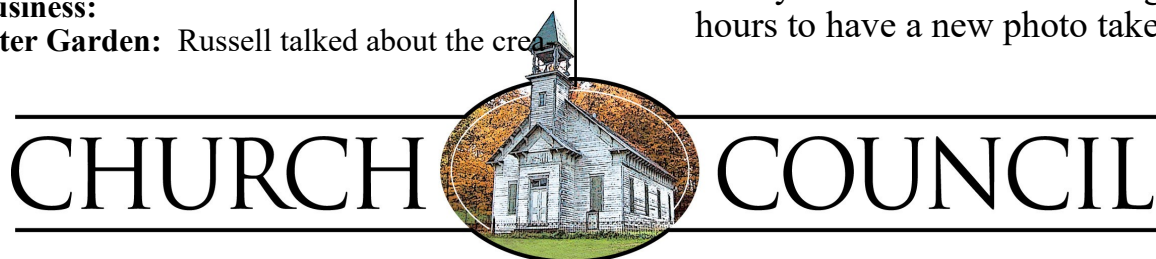
Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 11:38AM.



The Church Office is working on a new membership directory.

If any of your information (phone number, address, email) has changed since the last one, please contact the church office with the correct information.

Also, if you want to update your photo or are a new member and were not in the last directory, you may submit one to lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com, or come by the church office during office hours to have a new photo taken.



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On June 3, 2026 the WOW Bible Study Group will begin a new book by popular author, Liz Curtis Higgs. She has written over 30 books and her goal is to apply humor and joy while embracing the grace of God. The book we will be studying is titled, "It's Good to be Queen".

Come and join us as we learn about the queens of the Bible, both good and bad.

The WOW Group meets every Wednesday at 9:30 am downstairs in the Fellowship Hall in the WOW Room.



On Wednesday, May 20, 2026, after completing their bible study series, 18 women of the WOW Group gathered together for fellowship and lunch at the Eggs Up Grill in Cedar Park.



The Men's Bible Study Group
Meets downstairs in the Fellowship Hall
In the WOW Room
On Tuesdays at 9:30 am.

Come and join this fantastic group of
GEMS! (God Empowered Men)

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**Join us on June 25, 2026
At 2:00 pm in the
Fellowship Hall
For a church safety and security training**

The training is led by Captain Michael De Leon, a 19 year Master Peace Officer with multiple instructor certifications. The training is designed to help enhance preparedness, improve safety protocols, and respond effectively in the event of an emergency.

Topics include situational awareness, emergency planning, brief CPR instruction, and best practices for maintaining a safe and secure environment for church members and guests.

The training is free to anyone wanting to participate. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 512-267-1700 or lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com, to sign up.



**New
Member
Luncheon**



New Members mark your calendars!

**A New Members Luncheon will be held for
the new members of LCF along with the
Leadership Council on
Sunday, June 14, 2026,
immediately following the
Sunday Worship Service.**

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MUSIC MINISTRY

Lakeside Christian Fellowship's very own Minister of Music, Dr. Jim Christie, and members Julie Christie and William Bush sang in the Lago Vista Barbershop Quartet Singers at New Hope Baptist Church on April 30, 2026.



Guest Pastor, Eric Haueter preached and his wife Trish attended LCF on May 3, 2026.

Rev. Haueter is being considered for the Pastoral position at LCF, so if you were able to attend the service, please let the Pastoral Search Committee know your thoughts about the sermon.



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**Church
Office
Hours:
Wednesday
and Thursday
from 9:30 am
to 3:30 pm.**



Please remember
that all church
activities should be
scheduled on the
master calendar in
the church office.
Thank you!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 9:30 AM Choir Practice @ WS 10:00 AM Meet and Greet @WS 10:30 AM Worship Service @ WS Live Streaming 5th Sunday Pot Luck	1	2 9:30 AM Men's Bible Study Downstairs in WOW Room	3 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study Downstairs in WOW Room	4	5	6
7 9:30 AM Choir Practice @ WS 10:00 AM Meet and Greet @WS 10:30 AM Worship Service @ WS Live Streaming	8 9:30 AM Leadership Council Meeting @Fellowship Hall	9 9:30 AM Men's Bible Study Downstairs in WOW Room	10 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study Downstairs in WOW Room	11	12	13
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For more information visit the LCF website at www.lakesidechristians.org						



Joyce Coleman.....	04
Donna Nash.....	05
Jack Tyler.....	06
Wayne Walker.....	08
Linda Summers.....	14
Sharon Waters.....	15
Regina Holmes.....	16
Melinda Sebesta.....	16
Julie Christie.....	24
Barbara McClaid.....	25
Pamela Thyssen.....	29



Scott and Lisa Weaver
June 7

Gene & Laurie Glass
June 19

Jay and Nancy Meierhoff
June 26

Don & Sharon Killough
June 27

If you would like your dates to be included, please send your information:
lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com



Prayer Corner

<https://christianstt.com>

Gracious God, I pray for Your blessings to be abundant in June. Prosper the work of our hands, enrich our interactions with Your love, and fill our homes with Your peace.

Let this month bring forth new opportunities, achievements, and joyful experiences. May this month be a time of renewal and growth in our faith, a time to deepen our relationship with you.

May we recognize every blessing as a gift from You, using them not only for our own benefit but also for the enrichment of others and the glorification of Your name. Help us to manage with wisdom and generosity all that You entrust to us.

Amen!

Deuteronomy 28:12 *The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of His bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands. You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none.*

2 Corinthians 9:8 *And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.*

May 28, 2026

YTD Offerings \$98,348.00

YTD Expenses..... \$78,522.00

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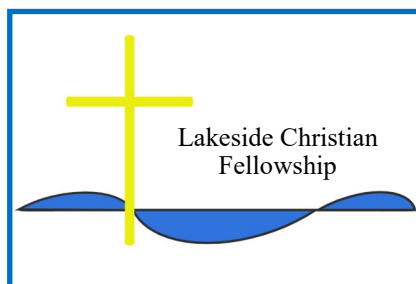
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