

Lakeside Christian Fellowship Ripples



JANUARY, 2022

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Dear Church Family,

People have asked me on occasion about New Year's resolutions. They don't seem to stick throughout the year. I advise that while the resolutions they make are sincere, as the year progresses and other events and things enter their lives their "resolve" fades. I then tell them that my one resolution each year is to not make resolutions.

That said. I try to search the Bible to find a verse or verses that I can go too each day as I start my day. One of the best comes from the Psalmist. *"Show me Your ways, O Lord, teach me Your paths; guide me in Your truth and teach me, for You are God my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long."* (Psalm 25:4-5)

Show, teach and guide me each day all day long the Psalmist prays. Hope it is said, "Is generated through the power of thoughts in our mind, which is guided by positive experiences, optimism about the future and the support of those around us." Our hope is in God who created us and sustains us throughout our lives – day in and day out.

I suggest that every day, you pray that prayer from Psalm 25, verses four and five. Make it part of your routine every day. It is a prayer that will sustain you and give you hope for the future. Not only in the coming year, but in the years to come.

On behalf of Emma, I wish you a very Happy and Glorious New Year in our Lord!

**God Bless,
Chuck**

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LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Leadership Council Report for November 8, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: The Leadership Council meeting was called to order at 1:55 pm, November 8, 2021 by Moderator Donna Nash. Council members present were Donna Nash, Virginia Halsted, Dave Freeman, Wilma Sanders, Rodger Elliott, Genie Carroll, Chuck Smith and Rick Waters. A quorum was present.

INVOCATION: Rev. Rick Waters opened the meeting with prayer.

OPENING REMARKS: Donna Nash – An invitation was extended to Leadership nominees for 2022 to attend the meeting. Attending were Fred Pontesso, Dave Farwell, Page Massey, Jack Tyler and Judy Guthrie.

Approval of LCF Minutes – (1) Minutes were approved by acclimation for meeting 10-11-2021. There were 2 email motions on 10-20-2021. (A) Amendment to motion 8-9-21 by - laws Terms of Office (B) Approval of the list of members for 2022 Nomination Committee. Both unanimous.

COMMISSION REPORTS

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Genie Carroll stated money donations are regular. Expenses still below budget.

STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION: Dan Olson was not present but reported some errors were noted in the new Membership Directory. Plans to audit the entire membership list are in the works for January 2022.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Bill Bush has assisted in plumbing repairs due to LCF water bill increase. The bill has been monitored and currently in line with normal rates. Spectrum Internet Services has been sending bills to old address. Spectrum has been contacted. Plans to have a Church “Clean-Up Day” is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 22 @ 9:30. An email will be sent to invite all members to participate. Rodger is in process of placing a microphone in the choir loft. The outside cross and signage are still in the works.

FAITH IN ACTION: Thanksgiving donations are \$925.00 at this time. Wilma Sanders will be in touch with the School to donate \$50. Gift cards to needy families.

WORSHIP COMMISSION: Chairperson Virginia Halsted reported that the choir has resumed practice and begin to perform on November 21. Jan Robbins has agreed to be chair of Lay Liturgist for 2022. Jean Sholes has agreed to assist with Communion for 2022. Pastor Chuck Smith is in charge of the altar décor. Still in need of a lead usher. Christmas decorations

are scheduled to be done 11-22-21 by volunteer ladies of the church.

PASTORAL RELATIONS: Executive session was requested.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES: Pastor Chuck reported the Alzheimer’s Support Group is presently meeting. Live streaming and Facebook boost have been successful. It has been discussed to research a form of on-line donations. Pastor Chuck and Bill Bush will get details of options available and present it to the Council in December. (IE: PayPal/ Venmo/ credit cards/ electronic transfer etc.)

OLD BUSINESS

Moderator Donna Nash reminded and requested all leadership members to write a brief report on their job completions and performances from 2021: what they have done and suggestions for change. This report will be due by the year end December meeting.

5th Sunday Pot Luck will begin January 30, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Pastor Rick Waters & Pastor Chuck Smith stated there will not be a Christmas Day nor Christmas Eve service for 2021.

FUTURE TOPICS

Next Meeting December 13, 2021 @2 PM

Adjourn

Motions:

Approval of Minutes 10-11-2021 / Email motions (A) Amendment to bylaws –terms of office (B) List of nomination committee members for 2022

Email Motions: 10-20-21 motions passed

(A) Ginger Halsted has made an amendment to the motion made on 8-9-2021 and 2nd by Genie Carroll: “Terms of Office” to include 5.3 Officers, 6.3 Commissions, 7.3 Ministries, 8.3 Pastoral Relations. Motion carried.

(B) Nomination Chair Page Massey has presented the list of nomination to the Council for 2022. Nomination Committee: Jean Mangum, Fran Pontesso, Linda Brown, Christine Chapman, Dawn Thompson and Donna Nash, as Chair with approval of Council. Motion carried.

Minutes presented by D. Nash in absence of Jean Sholes

CHURCH



COUNCIL

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Lakeside Christian Fellowship Extended Leadership Council Contact List (January 2022)

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Church Leadership

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A huge Thank You to the volunteers who have worked behind the scenes at Lakeside Christian Fellowship on the Leadership Council. May each of you be blessed for your time, talents and treasures!



Rev. Chuck Smith and Rev. Rick Waters



Pictured from left to right: Incoming—Jack Tyler; Dave Farwell; Page Massey; Wilma Sanders; Genie Carroll; Judy Guthrie; Fred Pontesso; Virginia Halsted; William Bush and Rodger Elliott



Pictured from left to right: Dan Olson; Wilma Sanders; Genie Carroll; Donna Nash; Virginia Halsted; Dave Freeman and Rodger Elliott

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**The LCF Staff would like to thank the Lakeside members
for the Staff Appreciation “Love Gifts”!
Your generosity was greatly appreciated!**

**We wish everyone a healthy and prosperous
New Year in 2022!**



Staff luncheon on December 16 at The Grille at Highland Lakes

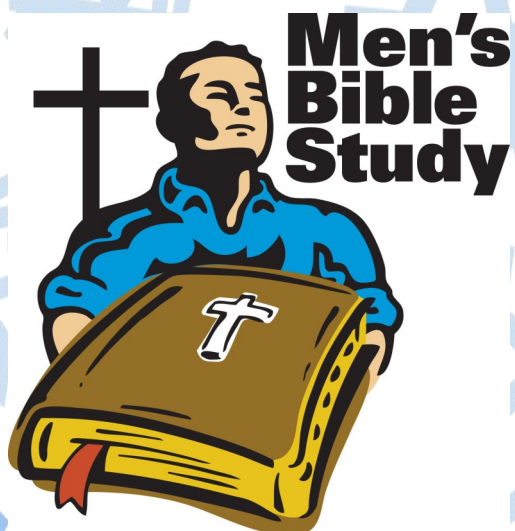
Rev. Rick Waters; Music Director, William Parcher;
Moderator, Donna Nash; Rev. Chuck Smith;
Linda Anderson; Office Manager, Deborah Reed; Pianist, Cindi Brewer;
Incoming PR Chair, Jack Tyler; Incoming Moderator, Fred Pontesso

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On December 15th, following the Women's Bible Study discussion of "Study of Angels", chapter 11, twenty ladies enjoyed a potluck lunch. There were several delicious dishes and a good time was had by all!



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Lakeside Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study is held every Tuesday starting in January.

The men will meet at 8:00 am in the LCF Activity Center for a light breakfast with the study to begin at 8:30 am. We are taking a look at Old Testament—particularly The Torah (1st five books of the Old Testament) and studying “Reading the Old Testament Through Jewish Eyes - A study of the scriptures Jesus read.”

Contact Chuck Smith 512-922-6233 for more information.

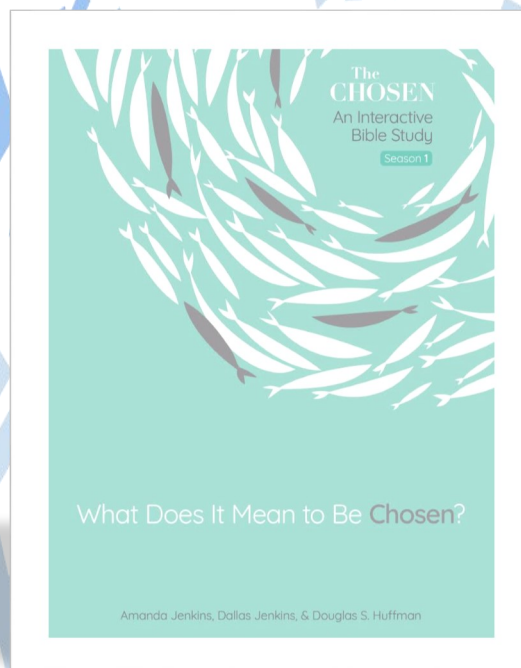
On January 5, Chapters 12 & 13 will complete the "Study of Angels" book. A second study on Angels may be considered at a later date.

The new study selection "THE CHOSEN", will begin on January 12th. This two part DVD series will be presented in the Activity Room.

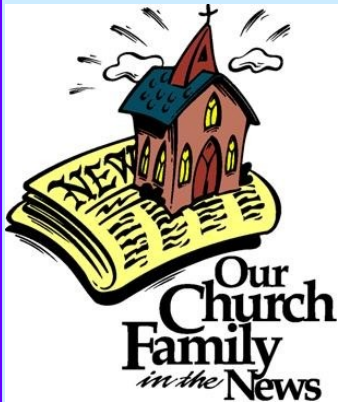
Volume 1 features "What Does It Mean to Be Chosen"? authored by Amanda Jenkins, Dallas Jenkins and Douglas Huffman. "The Chosen" is about the life of Jesus Christ and His disciples. It portrays Jesus through the eyes of those who met him.

All interested women are welcome to join this study group.

*Contact Lil Burch 512-267-2278 or
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Wayne and Donna Nash
“popped and dropped” in on
Tom Gardner with
flowers
and
a goodie bag!



LCF has a
new
church
sign on
the front
of the
building.
Come by
and check
it out!



Joan Neely, Lisa Weaver and Andy Cox sing-
ing the musical offering, “Come Adore Him”
at the LCF Christmas Eve Service.



LCF Pianist, Cindi Brewer, at the
LCF Christmas Eve Service.



Health Watch

Glaucoma



<https://www.nei.nih.gov/learn-about-eye-health/eye-conditions-and-diseases/glaucoma>

January is Glaucoma Awareness Month.

What is glaucoma?

Glaucoma is a group of eye diseases that can cause vision loss and blindness by damaging a nerve in the back of your eye called the optic nerve.

The symptoms can start so slowly that you may not notice them. The only way to find out if you have glaucoma is to get a comprehensive dilated eye exam. There's no cure for glaucoma, but early treatment can often stop the damage and protect your vision.

What are the types of glaucoma?

There are many different types of glaucoma, but the most common type in the United States is called **open-angle glaucoma** — that's what most people mean when they talk about glaucoma. Other types are less common, like angle-closure glaucoma and congenital glaucoma.

What are the symptoms of glaucoma?

At first, glaucoma doesn't usually have any symptoms. That's why half of people with glaucoma don't even know they have it. Over time, you may slowly lose vision, usually starting with your side (peripheral) vision — especially the part of your vision that's closest to your nose. Because it happens so slowly, many people can't tell that their vision is changing at first. But as the disease gets worse, you may start to notice that you can't see things off to the

side anymore. Without treatment, glaucoma can eventually cause blindness.

Am I at risk for glaucoma?

Anyone can get glaucoma, but some people are at higher risk. You're at higher risk if you:

- Are over age 60, especially if you're Hispanic/Latino
- Are African American and over age 40
- Have a family history of glaucoma

Talk with your doctor about your risk for glaucoma, and ask how often you need to get checked. If you're at higher risk, you need to get a comprehensive dilated eye exam every 1 to 2 years.

When to get help right away

Angle-closure glaucoma can cause these sudden symptoms:

- Intense eye pain
- Upset stomach (nausea)
- Red eye
- Blurry vision

If you have any of these symptoms, go to your doctor or an emergency room now.

What causes glaucoma?

Scientists aren't sure what causes the most common types of glaucoma, but many people with glaucoma have high eye pressure — and treatments that lower eye pressure help to slow the disease.

There's no way to prevent glaucoma. That's why eye exams are so important — so you and your doctor can find it before it affects your vision.



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<https://www.nei.nih.gov/learn-about-eye-health/eye-conditions-and-diseases/glaucoma>

How will my eye doctor check for glaucoma?

Eye doctors can check for glaucoma as part of a comprehensive dilated eye exam. The exam is simple and painless — your doctor will give you some eye drops to dilate (widen) your pupil and then check your eyes for glaucoma and other eye problems. The exam includes a visual field test to check your side vision.

Did you know?

Glaucoma can happen in 1 eye or both eyes. Some people with high eye pressure don't get glaucoma — and there's a type of glaucoma that happens in people with normal eye pressure.

Normal eye pressure varies by person — what's normal for 1 person could be high for another.

What's the treatment for glaucoma?

Doctors use different types of treatment for glaucoma, including medicines (usually eye drops), laser treatment, and surgery.

If you have glaucoma, it's important to start treatment right away. Treatment won't undo any damage to your vision, but it can stop it from getting worse.

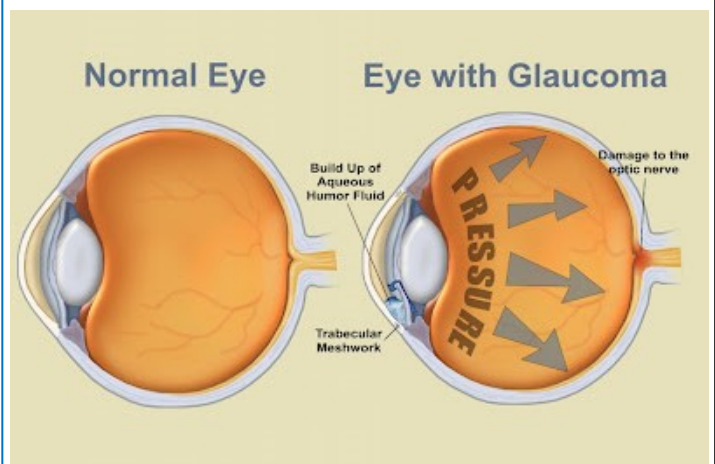
Medicines. Prescription eye drops are the most common treatment. They lower the pressure in your eye and prevent damage to your optic nerve.

Laser treatment. To lower your eye pressure, doctors can use lasers to help the fluid drain out of your eye. It's a simple procedure that your doctor can do in the office.

Surgery. If medicines and laser treatment don't work, your doctor might suggest surgery. There are several different types of surgery that can help the fluid drain out of your eye.

Talk over your options with your doctor. While glaucoma is a serious disease, treatment works well. Remember these tips:

- If your doctor prescribes medicine, be sure to take it every day
- Tell your doctor if your treatment causes side effects
- See your doctor for regular check-ups
- If you're having trouble with everyday activities because of your vision loss, ask your doctor about vision rehabilitation services or devices that could help
- Encourage family members to get checked for glaucoma, since it can run in families



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Church Office Hours:
Wednesday
 and
Thursday
 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
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2 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center & Live Streaming	3 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center	4 Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM LCF Activity Center	5 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	6 Alzheimer Group 10:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	7	8
9 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center & Live Streaming	10. 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center 2:00 PM Leadership Council Meeting @ LCF Activity Ctr.	11 Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM LCF Activity Center	12 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	13	14	15
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Sid McClung.....	6
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Dan Olson.....	17



Frank & Eleanor Smith
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If you would like your dates to be included please send your information to the church office at:
lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com

Prayer Corner

"365 Days of Prayer for Christian
That Bring Calm & Peace "
By Oliver Powell

Lord God,

***Strengthen me in my weakness so I
would be brave and not fearful.***

***Help me to be patient and responsible in
my daily life. Help me not to give in to
discouragements. Give me a peaceful
spirit oh God that I may be strengthened
in my times of need. You are my rock
and my salvation. You are my hiding
place and my succor in times of trouble.
Lord, I know that You are vigilant to all
Your servants who cry out for help. Our
earthly bodies can only be strengthened
when hope is renewed by your presence.
I am fearless as long as I have You.***

***You are my God, to whom shall I be
afraid? Your mighty hand is always
there to catch me when I fall, to
strengthen me when I fail, and to comfort
me in times of distress.***

***In You alone rest my strength Lord,
Amen!***

December 30, 2021

YTD Offerings \$194,644.00

YTD Expenses \$194,170.00

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Happy New Year

FROM THE LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP STAFF:
REV. RICK WATERS; REV. CHUCK SMITH;
WILLIAM PARCHER;
DEBORAH REED; CINDI BREWER; LINDA ANDERSON
AND ROSALINA DIAZ

○ SING UNTO THE LORD
a new song;
FOR HE HATH DONE
marvelous things.

PSALM 98:1, KJV

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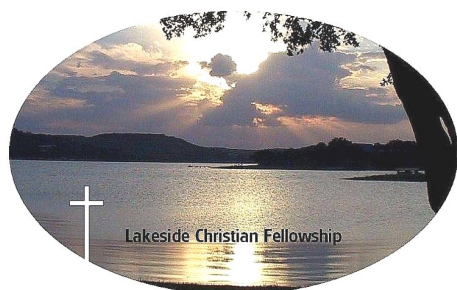
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