

Lakeside Christian Fellowship Ripples



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Dear Church Family,

We are all very concerned about the war in Ukraine and the suffering it has caused their people, not to mention the threat to world peace. I must admit that in the throws of two recent terrors, a plague and a war, I have felt most inadequate as a pastor. What do you say in a sermon or a newsletter article and how do you pray at times like this?

Most church traditions require either seminary or Bible College to become qualified for Christian ministry. In those institutions students are taught various disciplines such as biblical studies, church history, preaching, counselling, church administration, sacred music, theology, Christian doctrine as well as original biblical languages of Hebrew and Greek. However, my seminary education did not adequately prepare me for these trying times. It all comes down to our personal faith in God and His Divine Sovereignty. If we have faith that God Almighty is in control and that He has the last say in all matters of life and faith then we can rest assured that "God Has This".

Dr. Karl Barth was one of the most highly regarded and influential theologians of all time. After delivering a lecture at one particular seminary during the question and answered period one student asked the distinguished scholar if he could summarize his whole life's work in theology in one sentence. Dr. Barth answered, "Yes I can. In the words of a song I learned at my mother's knee, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so." That sums it up quite well for me.

Thank God we are celebrating Easter in April, the crowning glory of our faith. Not even death, the last foe can ultimately defeat us. We have the Victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is my final message for the Ripples. I will have more to say in a few remaining sermons. It has been my honor and privilege to be your pastor. I remember all those no longer with us who did so much to help make this church possible. Thanks to all of you who have done your part in serving Christ through the ministries of this church. Sharon and I are so grateful for the support we have received. Some of the finest people I have ever met have been and still are a part of this church. I have never liked 'Good-Byes', that is one reason why I look forward to the Great Reunion in God's Everlasting Kingdom- there will be no more 'Good-Byes'.

In the Love of Christ,
Rick Waters

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LAKE SIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Leadership Council Report for February 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: The Leadership Council Meeting was called to order at 2PM February 14, 2022 by Moderator Fred Pontesso. Council members present were Fred Pontesso, Judy Guthrie, June Freeman, Genie Carroll, Ginger Halsted, Rev. Chuck Smith, Rodger Elliott, Bill Bush, Dave Farwell, Page Massey, Jack Tyler, and Rev. Rick Waters. A quorum was present

INVOCATION: Rev. Rick Waters opened with a prayer

OPENING REMARKS: Fred Pontesso stated "God loves you because of who God is, not because of what you did or did not do"

Approval of Minutes: (1) A motion was made by Page Massey to approve the minutes of the January 10th Council Meeting. June Freeman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMISSION REPORTS

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Income is stable and in line with 2022 budget. Net income is positive.

STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION: A discussion was held regarding ways to increase our membership. Several good ideas were presented. Dave Farwell suggested the addition of a Communications Coordinator who has excellent computer skills and is adept at ways to increase awareness of our Church among Lago Vista residents and others coming into the area. No motion was made as yet on this position.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Repairs have been made to the deteriorated walkway between the parking lot and the sidewalk as discussed in the January meeting. A suggestion was made to have painted parking lines in the lot and adding several handicapped spaces. No motion was made at this time.

FAITH IN ACTION: Chair Wilma Sanders was

not present. Jack and Paula Tyler have offered to pick up donated items placed in the barrels at the back of the church and deliver them to Hill Country Community Ministries. An announcement will be made at the Sunday service to remind members to bring donations of clothing and food to fill the barrels.

WORSHIP COMMISSION: Ginger Halsted stated that the Worship commission is working on music for the Easter Service.

PASTORAL RELATIONS: The committee has met but no actions have been taken to report. The Search Committee for a new pastor had a meeting and prepared a letter to be sent to seminaries. The content of the letter is in review. No outside advertising has been made yet.

MINISTRIES: – Leader June Freeman reported that this group had a meeting to discuss membership growth and membership activities for our parish. Several suggestions for activities were presented to the council. No decisions were made. The commission is preparing a revised Church Volunteer Questionnaire to be included in new member welcome packets and re-distributed to all current members to obtain an updated list of volunteers.

OUTREACH: Pastor Chuck reported that the Alzheimer's Support group continues to meet and is going strong. A question was asked about the Cancer Support group as there is interest in this group meeting at the library but it is difficult to be part of a group like this when immunity is low among some members. There will be an Ash Wednesday service held at 6PM on March 2nd. There will be no church service held on Sunday March 6th due to the Primavera Bike race held that weekend. Pastor Chuck stated that we may have a sunrise service on Easter to be held at Hancock Park. Details on this service will follow. Chuck shared a Lenten Prayer Journal that will be distributed to all church members at the

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beginning of Lent.

OLD BUSINESS: The church potluck will be held on the 5th Sunday in May which is the next 5th Sunday on the calendar.

NEW BUSINESS: None

FUTURE TOPICS: The next Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 14th, 2022.

ADJOURN: 2) Page Massey moved to adjourn the council meeting at 2:55PM. Motion seconded by Judy Guthrie. Motion Carried.

**The Alzheimer's
Caregiver Group
Meets the 1st and 3rd
Thursday of every month
@ 10:30 AM
in the LCF Activity Center**



**Birthday notification in the
Austin American Statesman
for our beloved
Ginger Halsted!
Ginger's Birthday
was March 23, 2022.**



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FYI

**LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
WILL ONCE AGAIN BE HAVING A
“SONRISE” SERVICE
AT HANCOCK PARK IN LAGO VISTA
BEGINNING AT 7:00 AM
EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 17, 2022!**

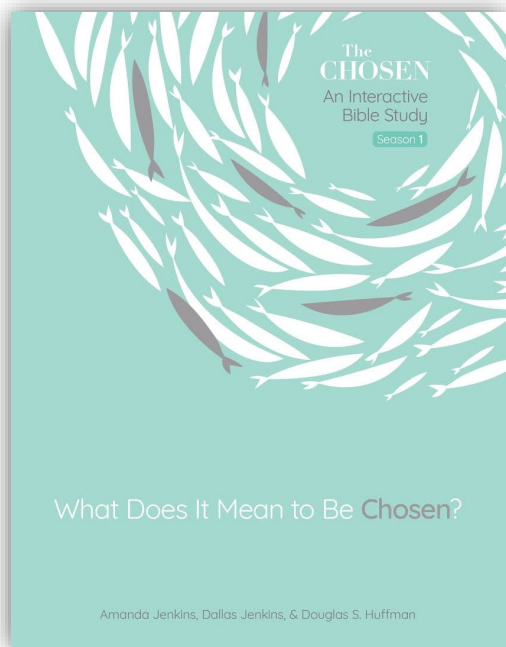


We would love
for you to come
out and join us!



Signs will be
placed around
town to help
guide you to
the park.

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Lakeside Christian Women's Bible Study

The current 8 lesson study "The Chosen" which includes a DVD presentation on a large screen continues each

Wednesday at 9:30 am in the LCF Activity Room.

What does it mean to be chosen? Being chosen by Jesus has beautiful and far-reaching implications—although it says even more about the Chooser than the choosees. We are loved because He's love. We are saved because He's merciful. We belong to the family of God because Jesus invites us, making the Bible and all its promises as true for us today as it was for God's chosen nation.

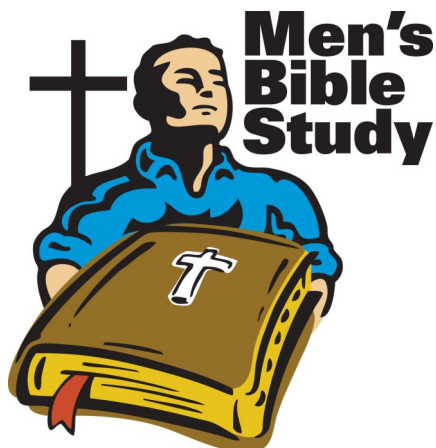
This study looks at Isaiah 43 and its fulfillment in Jesus and the lives of His followers, including us!

This Bible Study will be unlike others you've encountered.

Five chapters remain on "The Chosen". New study information will be announced after selection.

All ladies are invited to join this group and experience the life of Jesus Christ and His disciples.

Contact Lil Burch 512-267-2278 or raylilpv@aol.com for more information.



Men's Bible Study is held EVERY Tuesday!

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 the 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



Included in/with the Ripples is a Volunteer Time and Talent Sheet. Our data base needs updating, so we would appreciate it if you would mark any areas of interest you would be willing to help out with or have expertise in. We especially need someone who can do some advertising on Facebook or other social media platforms to help grow our church.

Please return the filled out form to the church office at your convenience.

Many hands make light work and as we get older we need that helping hand!

Your Ministries Team,

June Freeman, Laurie Glass,
Regina Holmes, Carolyn Bass
and Paula Tyler

Your Ministries Team has been hard at work making plans to improve Fellowship at LCF.

On April 2, we negotiated with Lago Vista Players to reserve tables at their dinner show of "Exit the Body" for our group and were given a \$2.00 discount off each ticket price.

The grand pavilion at Bar K has been reserved for **May 1** for a church picnic in the beautiful Lago Vista fresh air. Chase away the Co-vid cobwebs and come out and join us!

The church will supply baked potatoes and fixings and we ask you to bring your favorite Pot Luck to share - salads, sides and desserts. Bring a friend or neighbor if you wish to join in on the fun!

Mark your calendars for May 29, 2022!

Rev. Rick Waters, our beloved Pastor, will be preaching his last sermon to us as he is about to retire.

A catered reception will follow the service in our LCF Activity Center where you can say your farewells and visit with him before he leaves.



Lakeside Christian Fellowship

Time and Talent Information

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Date: _____

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. *1 Corinthians 12:4-6 NIV*

Volunteers are defined as member ministers, involved in using their gifts in loving, intentional, meaningful, unpaid work through and within the church.

Below you will find a list of areas at Lakeside that need help from our member ministers. Please check those areas that you feel most qualified to assist by checking the appropriate spaces. We encourage your participation however; if you are unable to serve at this time, put your name in the space provided and place a checkmark in the appropriate place on the form. Thank you for your continued support of Lakeside Christian Fellowship.

Church Office

Communicates the mission and ministries of the church to the community and congregation

<input type="checkbox"/> Videography	<input type="checkbox"/> Photography	<input type="checkbox"/> Basic Computer Skills
<input type="checkbox"/> Typing/Data Entry	<input type="checkbox"/> Web Page Clerk	<input type="checkbox"/> Advertising / Marketing
<input type="checkbox"/> Bulletin Folding	<input type="checkbox"/> Computer Repair	

Congregational Care Ministry

Promotes Christian Fellowship and care within and beyond our church and community

	Hospitality / Fellowship	
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Visitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Table Preparation	<input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Help
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital Visitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Food Preparation	<input type="checkbox"/> Food Service
<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Chain	<input type="checkbox"/> Waiters for Special Events	
<input type="checkbox"/> Attendance Records	<input type="checkbox"/> Hosting Neighborhood Socials	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bereavement Assistance		

Stewardship and Finance

Guides the financial resources for ministry

☐ Audit ☐ Special Fund Drives

Volunteer Resources (Member Ministers)

Matches people's gifts, talents and time with opportunities to serve Christ through ministries

☐ Secure New Member Participants ☐ Maintain Time and Talent Data Base

Plans/Programs and Coordination

Responsible for the coordination of planning for the operation of the church

☐ Long Range Planning ☐ Annual Plan

Christian Education

Designs and implements educational events and programs for spiritual formation

<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School Teacher/Assistant	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Group Seminars	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Projects
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult	<input type="checkbox"/> Women's Bible Study	<input type="checkbox"/> Organize Supplies
	<input type="checkbox"/> Men's Bible Study	<input type="checkbox"/> Crafts

Worship

Plans and produces services, programs, music and other art forms for the public worship of God

<input type="checkbox"/> Ushers/Greeters	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronics Technician
<input type="checkbox"/> Lay Liturgist	<input type="checkbox"/> Christmas	<input type="checkbox"/> Musical Accompaniment
	<input type="checkbox"/> Lent	<input type="checkbox"/> Music Special Projects
		<input type="checkbox"/> Musical Instrument
		(Specify) _____

New Member, Evangelism and Outreach

Promotes Christianity locally, nationally, internationally

☐ Research
☐ Visitor Attendance
☐ Follow-up Welcome Letter

New Member Care Ministry:

<input type="checkbox"/> Biography Profiles	HCCM (<i>Hill Country Community Ministries</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member Mentor	HCCM: <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer <input type="checkbox"/> Delegate <input type="checkbox"/> Board
<input type="checkbox"/> New Member Packet Distribution	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Projects
	<input type="checkbox"/> Alzheimer's Support <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer Support

Building and Grounds (Trustees)

Upgrades and maintains church property and facilities

<input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet Making	<input type="checkbox"/> Event Set-up and Clean-up	<input type="checkbox"/> Men in Trucks
<input type="checkbox"/> Carpentry	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping and Flower Beds	<input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing
<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical	<input type="checkbox"/> Lawn Mower Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Sound System
<input type="checkbox"/> Electronics	<input type="checkbox"/> Lawn Mowing	

☐ I am unable to serve at this time, please call me in six months

Comments: _____

Revised March 9, 2022

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POP AND DROP



March visits went to
Burt & Margy Burchette
&
Dawn Thompson.

Burt is home recovering from a lung procedure, having Margy by his side.

Dawn is recouping from knee replacement. Her sister, daughter and dogs are helping as caretakers and keeping her entertained.

Thank you to Page Massey and Dave Farwell for their donation of flowers to the Pop & Drop Ministry after the March 13th Sunday Worship Service.

Thanks to Dave and June Freeman for the flowers donated to the glory of God on March 27 in honor and memory of June's parents and then donated to the Pop and Drop Ministry.

The Pop and Drops went to Ray and Lil Burch and to Hank and Judy Reimer.



Happy Birthday "Pop & Drop" to
Ginger Halsted
&
Wayne Nash!

Flowers were donated by the Nash's to the glory of God in honor of St. Patrick's Day!



If you would like to be a part of this Ministry, please contact Donna Nash at 512-267-5947.

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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
					1 	2 Lago Vista Players Discount
3 10:00 AM Meet and Greet @ LCF Activity Center 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center & Live Streaming 	4 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center	5 Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM LCF Activity Center	6 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	7 Alzheimer Group 10:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	8	9
10 10:00 AM Meet and Greet @ LCF Activity Center 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center Live Streaming 	11 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center 2:00 PM Leadership Council Meeting @ LCF Activity Ctr.	12 Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM LCF Activity Center	13 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	14	15 	16
17 7:00 AM Sonrise Service @ Hancock Park 10:30 AM Easter Worship Service @ Worship Center & Streaming Live 	18 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center	19 Men's Bible Study 9:30 AM LCF Activity Center	20 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center 	21 Alzheimer Group 10:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	22 	23
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For more information visit the LCF website at www.lakesidechristians.org						



Jan Robbins	04
Eleanor Smith.....	10
Christine Chapman.....	16
Saundra Smith	20
Nancy Wood.....	23
Glynda Wolverson.....	27
Bonnie Walker	29



Brett & Cindi Brewer.....	19
Ray & Lil Burch.....	19

If you would like to be
included please send your
information to the church office!!
lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com

Prayer Corner

<https://www.countryliving.com/life/g30679333/easter-prayers/>

Let Us Have Hearts of Thankfulness

Lord God,
You loved this world so much,
That you gave your one and only Son,
That we might be called your children too.
Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace
Of Easter Sunday, everyday.

Let us have hearts of thankfulness
For your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon
Your grace and rejoice in our salvation.
Help us to walk in that mighty grace
And tell your good news to the world.
All for your glory do we pray, Lord,
Amen.

— Rachel Marie Stone



March 31, 2022

YTD Offerings.....	\$69,951.00
YTD Expenses	\$47,171.00

Lakeside Christian Fellowship

Worship Location

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Rev. Rick Waters, Pastor

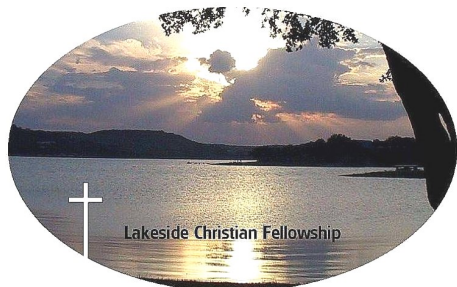
Rev. Chuck Smith, Minister of Outreach & Ministries

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