# Lakeside Christian Fellowship Ripples



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#### Dear Church Family,

Well, June has finally arrived or will in the next few days. And as you know, Lakeside is going through a transition period with Pastor Rick retiring. This church and I need your prayers going forward. The Search Committee is hard at work and we all have to be patient and wait upon the Lord God and his will.

A couple of things I've learned recently: Transitions aren't always easy. Generally speaking, transitions that involve people and relationships are more difficult than those that simply involve facilities and schedules. Nevertheless, a growing church must learn to adapt through transition.

For the pastor, this means leading the church family through the transition.

For the church staff, this means supporting the pastor as he makes needed adjustments.

For the church family, this means being flexible and remembering that transition is part of the growth process.

Ministry transitions were common in Scripture. Some were incredibly beneficial and wisely handled. Some were disastrous and poorly planned for, but one of the great moments of transition occurred when Moses passed the mantle of leadership to Joshua.

#### Pastor Paul Chappell, through 26 years of pastoring writes:

#### 1. ALLOW GOD TO WORK

Moses really wanted to lead the people into the Promised Land, and Joshua probably would have been happiest to support Moses as he lead the way. But God had a plan that was bigger than either of them could see, and it required that they allow God to work through the transition.

#### 2. ACKNOWLEDGE THE LEADER

The Israelites knew they would miss Moses, yet they committed to follow Joshua: "According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the Lord thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses" (Joshua 1:17).

A family of faith connecting people to Christ and to each other!

Remember that transitions are difficult periods of adjustment for everyone—including the leader. During these times, it is always appropriate to express encouragement and support to the leader. Simply letting him know that you are praying for him and are thankful for his leadership can go a long way in helping to bear the load of the one who is feeling the brunt of the transition.

#### 3. AFFIRM THE PEOPLE

Moses instructed Joshua, "Be strong and of a good courage" (Deuteronomy 31:7). If there is anything I want to be for our church family it is strong and of a good courage! I want to follow the instruction of Ephesians 4:29 and speak "that which is good to the use of edifying" and be a minister of the grace of God.

#### 4. ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY

During transition, it's vital that leaders accept responsibility. This is the time to say, "I will get done what I have been assigned, and nobody is going to have to worry about my responsibilities."

This is also a time to accept responsibility for the needs of others. During transition, it is easy for people to disconnect or to "fall through the cracks." These are times when everyone needs to be sensitive to others and purposefully go the extra mile in helping to bear the burdens of others.

#### 5. ANTICIPATE THE BLESSINGS

Remember, transition is often a part of growth! Difficult as it may be at times, it is part of a larger picture.

Over and over, I have seen that God blesses people who are faithful during transition. These faithful servants are positioned to receive and enjoy the blessings God brings through the transitions!

This is also an excellent time to renew our dedication to the things of God – to the pursuit of sanctification through our actions in support of our Leadership Team headed up by Fred Pontesso. Fach member of the council is dedicated to the well-being of

up by freu rontesso. Each in	ember of the council is	dedicated to the w	an-being of our
church as we transition. Pleas	se pray for them as wel	ll as those on the Pa	stor Search
Committee.	•		

Pastor Chuck

God Bless,

# 2023 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 2023.

You may speak with any member of the Nominating Committee:

Donna Nash
Dawn Thompson
Jean Mangum
Christine Chapman
Linda Brown
Fran Pontesso



# LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Leadership Council Report for April 11, 2022

The leadership council meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM by Moderator Fred Pontesso. Council members present were Fred Pontesso, Judy Guthrie, Donna Nash, Wilma Sanders, Genie Carroll, Ginger Halsted, June Freeman, Roger Elliot, Pastor Chuck Smith, Bill Bush, and Jack Tyler. A quorum was present.

**Invocation:** Pastor Chuck Smith opened with a prayer.

**Opening Remarks:** Thoughts to ponder – "Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting", by Bernard Meltzer.

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Bill Bush to approve the March council meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Ginger Halsted. Motion carried. (1)

#### **Commission Reports:**

<u>Financial Update</u> – Budget and balance sheet for the month of March were reviewed and accepted.

<u>Stewardship Commission</u> – No report. No replacements for previous commissioners have been selected yet.

Building and grounds – The new building lease was received from the landlord and the current rent amount was approved through the end of 2023. Painted parking lines that were discussed in the March meeting will not be supplied by the landlord but he will provide a new set of tire stops for the parking lot. Bill Bush to obtain quotes for the cost of paint to do the striping. The sign in front of the building needs to be replaced and repositioned but a copy of the survey for the property is needed to show the setback lines. The City of Lago Vista will be contacted for a copy of the survey.

Faith in Action – The Lago Vista ISD has stated that there are 15 families in need of assistance this Easter time. A motion was made by Ginger Halsted to take \$200 from the gift card fund and to access an additional \$550 from the "Power of One" fund to purchase \$50 grocery gift cards for each needy family. Motion seconded by Genie Carroll. Motion carried. (2)

Worship Commission - Ginger Halsted stated that there will be two anthems sung by the choir at the 10:30 Easter Service. There will be a Sunrise Easter Service at 7:00 AM in Hancock Park in addition to the 10:30 service. She also stated that no price has yet been received for the cost of the piano that the Hill Country Singers Group wishes to sell to our church. Ginger made a motion to purchase 80 "Worship and Song" books for the congregation and take the \$1200 cost of the books from the Memorial Fund. A discussion was held explaining that many of the songs currently being sung in our services are coming from these books and the cost of printing copies of all songs for the Sunday Bulletins is getting very expensive. Her motion was seconded by Jack Tyler. Motion carried. (3)

Pastoral Relations – Chair Jack Tyler stated that no meetings have been held but everything is running smoothly in this area. The pastoral search is still ongoing and has not been successful to date. Jack stated that funds would be needed from the advertising fund to pay for a visiting pastor. A discussion was held but no motion was necessary at this time.

Ministries Commission – June Freeman stated that the \$270 cost of the posters made for the Easter Sunrise Service came from the advertising budget. She also reported that



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uted with the Sunday bulletins and were all held on May 9, 2022. so placed at the back of the church. Further discussion was held about the May 1st par- Adjourn: June Freeman moved to adjourn the from 12-2:30 PM. The \$100 cost of using the Pavilion will be taken from the Congregational Care Fund. June will be obtaining 15 guest permits from the POA for those parishioners who are not Lago Vista residents.

Outreach Ministries – Chuck Smith stated that the signs have been placed around the community announcing the sunrise service to be held at 7AM on Easter Sunday. He talked about Bill Bush's announcement that there is now a place on the web for people to make on line donations to the church. There will be a pop up during and after the on-line service for people to click on to make a donation. This service is provided by Pay Pal but it is not necessary to have a Pay Pal account to use the service. Donations can be made by credit card through the Pay Pal site. This option is also available when anyone accesses Lakeside Christian Fellowship on You Tube. Chuck mentioned that the Alzheimer's Support Group is still going strong and the current Men's Bible Study course is almost completed.

#### **New Business:**

2021 Financial Review - Genie Carroll moved to approve the Financial Review Report. Roger Elliot seconded the motion. Motion carried. (4)

Donna Nash has reviewed our current membership list for discrepancies and found a sizeable difference between the database and active members. Donna will further review the list and contact inactive members to find out if they still want to be part of the church.

the time and talent sheets had been distrib- **Future Topics:** The next council meeting will be

ish picnic to be held at the Bar K Pavilion meeting at 3:25 PM. Motion seconded by Jack Tyler. Motion carried. (5)



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



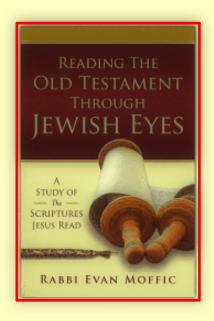
The primary function of ushers/greeters is to welcome

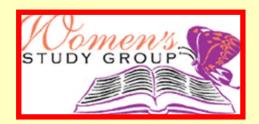
the congregation and visitors as they arrive, as well as passing out bulletins.

A warm, friendly smile reveals the church's personality and makes people feel welcomed.

> If you are interested in being a Greeter/Usher Contact the Church Office at 512-267-1700







Our study began on

May, 11, 2022.

We are studying

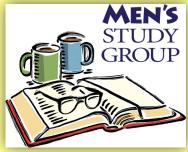
"Reading The Old Testament Through Jewish Eyes"
by Rabbi Evan Moffic.

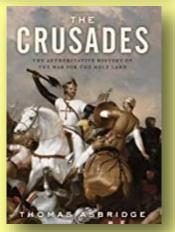
If you are interested in this study of the scriptures
Jesus read
contact Donna Nash at
hilltophappiness@gmail.com.



Ladies Bible Study outing on May 4, 2022 to lunch and a movie!

Pictured clockwise are:
Genie Carroll
Donna Nash
Barbara McClaid
Regina Holmes
Sharon S.
Jan Robbins
Lisa F.
Ginny Parrish
Jane H.
Judi S.
Edwina Woolsey





The Men's Bible Study, "A Look at the Crusades" begins
Tuesday, June 14 in the LCF Activity Center.
For those wanting a light breakfast (breakfast tacos)
we will gather beginning at 8:00 a.m.
The Bible Study begins at 8:30 a.m. and will go for an
hour perhaps an hour and a half.

All men are welcome to attend this fascinating look that is still ongoing in the Middle East today.

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

Welcome new member Janet Cason! Janet joined Lakeside Christian Fellowship on May 8, 2022. Janet grew up in Marlin, Texas. She was baptized, confirmed and married a couple of times in the Lutheran church in Marlin. During her teenage years her mom and dad bought a house directly across the street from the church, her dad thinking that maybe by chance he could actually get her mom, sister and her to church on time. Her poor dad, his plan did not work out as expected!

During her second marriage, Janet and her husband lived in the NASA area and joined the Episcopal church in League City, TX. After her husband passed in 1995, she continued to attend Episcopal churches.

After many years a nice man came into her life while in Houston via Match.com. Janet and her husband were both working at the time but very close to retirement. Janet worked for a small boutique law firm (10 years with the small firm but 15 years with Vinson and Elkins) and Jim worked for Exxon Mobil (42 years). Janet and Jim were married in 2013 and moved to Lago Vista in 2014. They have enjoyed living in Lago Vista even though her Houston friends were concerned about what they would do in such a small town. Janet found a community with opportunities, great people, various clubs, dances, parties, church activities and celebrations!

In Janet's search for a more fulfilling church life, she discovered Lakeside and is so glad she did!





Janet Cason pictured with son Troy Yoakum on Sunday, May 8, 2022, the day she joined.

# POP AND DROP



Thank you to Betty Houghton for donating the flowers for
The Sunday May 1st Worship Service in honor of her children's father.
The flowers were "Pop and Dropped" to Sue Weatherly to brighten her day.
Sue has been the president of the LV Garden Club for the past 4 years.



If you would like to participate in this wonderful ministry, contact Donna Nash at hilltophappiness@gmail.com.



A special thank you to Linda & Dan Harding for blessing LCF with the flowers for the May 22 Worship Service in honor of their anniversary, then donating them to the "Pop and Drop Ministry"! Congrats and Thank You!



LCF had their spring picnic at the pavilion at Bar K on Sunday May 1, 2022.

Thanks to all of the "Worker Bees" that helped!
The "Worker Bees" aka June Freeman, Laurie Glass,
Edwina Woolsey and Regina Holmes prepared
a delicious potato bar with all the fixins!







# A Great Time was had by All!



Paula Tyler; Nan & Charlie Knapp; Carolyn Bass



Ken & Deborah Reed; Linda Brown; Rev. Rick Waters



Jack Tyler; Jan Robbins; Lance Bass



Wayne & Donna Nash; Sharon Waters



Elise and Keith Hoaglund; Betty Houghton

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 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	2 Alzheimer Group 10:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	3	4
5 10:00 AM Meet and Greet @ LCF Activity Center 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center & Live Streaming	8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center	7	8 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	9	10	11
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Happy Father's Day	8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Activity Center	Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM @LCF Activity Center	22 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Activity Center	23  Newsletter  DEADLine	24	25
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Joyce Coleman	04
Donna Nash	05
Shirley Sherwood	
Jack Tyler	
Wayne Walker	08
Linda Summers	14
Sharon Waters	
Regina Holmes	16
June Womble	
Barbara McClaid	25



David & Betty Houghton June 14

Gene & Laurie Glass June 19

Don & Sharon Killough June 27

Darrell & Barbara McClaid June 28

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

# Prayer Corner

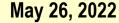
365 Days of Prayer By Oliver Powell

God our God,

Let what we experience and what we see make us grow in wonder and respect, so we can value and be thankful for everything present in our lives everyday.

Let us use Your inspiration to use our positivity and knowledge, our talents and skills, to benefit others and ourselves in the most effective and wise way.

Amen!



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