

Lakeside Christian Fellowship Ripples



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REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS!!!

Philippians 4:4

The Lord is doing His wonderful work of transformation in the lives of each individual who is part of the family of God. Walking by faith is not as easy as it sounds because we don't always understand what is happening around us. It is not as easy for us to see things from a spiritual perspective. What is God doing in our lives? How is He working things together for our good? When is He coming again? Can we trust in Him with every aspect of our lives?

We don't need to worry. God is not finished with us yet. He will never leave us or forsake us. We are not yet conformed into the image of Christ. He will finish the job He has begun in our lives. Some of us will take longer in some areas than others, but He is not overwhelmed by the task of sanctification and transformation in our lives. What the enemy means for evil with us, God will use it for good in our lives. He is motivated by a deep and genuine love for each of us. When we learn to trust that He has it all in control, then we will learn to relax in His presence, love and power. When things are broke, we don't need to fix it ourselves, we need to trust that He has it in control. We need to turn to Him in faith and recognize that He is able. It doesn't matter what the world throws at us, nothing catches God off-guard. There is nothing that He can't handle.

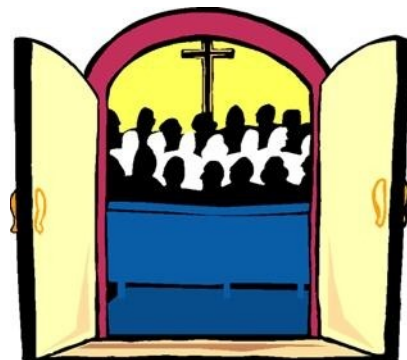
When we can come to this pinnacle of our faith, we can trust that God is indeed in control. We can trust that He knows the plans He has for us, His church and bride. Then we can learn to rejoice in the Lord always. We will rejoice in abundance and we will rejoice in little. We will rejoice when things are going well and we will rejoice in hardships. We will rejoice when we are healthy and when we are sick. We will rejoice when we are strong and we will rejoice when we are weak. We will rejoice because we are **IN THE LORD**. We are His and He is ours for eternity. If God is for us, who can be against us and succeed? The Lord is at hand...He is here and He never gets tired. He is never weak or powerless.

Whatever you are going through right now, choose to trust Him by faith and let Him complete His work of transformation in your life. Then you can rejoice too!!!

AGAIN I WILL SAY, REJOICE!!!

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Annual Congregational Meeting Notice



**Congregational
MEETING**

The annual Lakeside Christian Fellowship
Congregational Meeting will be held on
Sunday, October 29, 2023, following morning worship.

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1) Approve the 2024 Operating Budget.
- 2) Election of Officers and Chair persons.
- 3) Election of Nominating Committee.



**A Big Thank You to
the 2023 LCF
Nominating
Committee!**

Pictured from left to right
are: Ginger Halsted;
Donna Nash and
Linda Brown.

Not Pictured are:
Christine Chapman;
Dawn Thompson and
Paula Tyler.



On Sunday, September 10, 2023 during the Worship Service, the
Nominating Committee announced the list of nominees for the
2024 LCF Leadership Council.

The floor is now open for anyone wanting to nominate themselves or others for a
position. Please contact one of the following committee members or the church office if
you wish to do so. The vote will take place at the Annual Congregational Meeting on
October 29, 2023.



List of Leadership Nominees for the Year 2024:

Commissions:

Moderator - Fred Pontesso
Treasurer - Warwick Andrews
Secretary - Judy Guthrie
Building and Grounds - William Bush
with assistant Jack Tyler
Faith in Action - Carolyn Bass
Stewardship - Ron Zink
Worship - Genie Carroll
Pastoral Relations - Nancy Meierhoff

Members:

- * Janet Cason
- * Lance Bass
- * Ginny Parish
- * Edwina Woolsey
- * Marilyn Hamblin

Ministries:

- * Coordinator - June Freeman
- * New Member Care - Jean Dunham
- * Congregational Care - Patsy Rodgers
- * Fellowship - Gene and Laurie Glass
- * Volunteer Resource - Wilma Sanders
- * Historian - Dave Freeman

Nominating Committee for 2024

- * Linda Brown - Chair
- * Donna Nash
- * Dawn Thompson
- * Christine Chapman
- * Ginger Halsted

These are the names selected by the Nominating Committee to be your Leadership Council for Lakeside Christian Fellowship for the year 2024. Voting for the nominations will be held at the Congregational Meeting on October 29, 2023.

If you are interested or would like to nominate someone for any of the positions, please contact any of the members of the 2023 Nominating Committee or the church office at 512-267-1700 or lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com.

LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Leadership Council Report for September 5, 2023

The Leadership Council meeting was called to order at 1:59PM by moderator Fred Pontesso. Council members present were Fred Pontesso, Judy Guthrie, Donna Nash, Genie Carroll, Warwick Andrews, Jack Tyler, and June Freeman. A quorum was present. Also attending were Pastor Paul Rodgers, Music Minister Bill Parcher and Nancy Meierhoff.

Invocation: Pastor Paul Rodgers opened with a prayer.

Opening Remarks: "Thoughts to Ponder" – no special message was provided today.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the August 7th council meeting were approved by acclimation.

Commission Reports:

Financial Update – Warwick Andrews stated that although our net income is still negative for year to date, our treasury is still financially healthy.

Stewardship Commission – Warwick Andrews stated that the Stewardship Books had all been distributed and Stewardship shepherds were tracking their delivery to parishioners as scheduled. All books should be completed and returned to the church office by no later than September 20th. The proposed budget for 2024 was presented and reviewed by the council. Warwick Andrews made a motion that the council accept the proposed budget as presented, pending approval from the congregation at the annual meeting on October 29th. Motion was seconded by Jack Tyler, a vote was held and motion carried.

Building and Grounds – Bill Bush was not available to report but Jack Tyler assisted with the

installation of the new front doors to the Sanctuary and reported that along with the doors, new locks were added and were specially set so that the current keys could be used for entry. During the installation a termite problem was found when the old door framing was removed. This was treated and new framing members were installed. The current building owners will pay for the termite repair and for a portion of the cost of the doors. The amount has not yet been determined.

Faith In Action – Although there is not a current chair person for this commission, Christine Chapman has stepped forward to assist and collected all donations left at the back of the church. She delivered the clothing and food to Hill Country Community Ministries. It was mentioned that the liturgist on Sundays should remind people to donate food towards this effort. Donna Nash visited the Hope Center on Dawn Drive. Although the Hope Center is housed in a building owned and operated by North Lake Church, the Hope Center serves all of the community and has no special affiliation to North Lake Church. The Hope Center has lots of programs available to assist our community with a variety of needs and there are many opportunities for volunteer help. Any needy people coming to our church office for help will continue to be directed to the Hope Center for assistance.

Worship Commission – Genie Carroll was present but stated there were no special needs to report at this time.

Pastoral Relations – Jack Tyler reported that he had added pay increases for staff members in his recommendations for the 2024 budget. Paul Rodgers provided a Preaching Schedule for the months of September through November. The council as well as many parishioners have

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COUNCIL

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stated how grateful they are for the blessing we have received by having Paul assisting with the preaching. Paul stated that he and Patsy love being a part of our parish family and that he will assist with home visits to parishioners as needed.

Ministries – June Freeman reported that planning and preparations are in place for Darrell McClaid’s Celebration of Life to be held at the Vista Villa’s Community Room on September 16th. Her committee will help by setting up the event and serving the food and refreshments. June also reported that Brookshire Brothers will provide fried chicken at a good price for our parish picnic that will be held on October 29th in the Fellowship Hall directly after the completion of the church service and the Annual Congregational Meeting. Parishioners are asked to provide side dishes and desserts. As was mentioned at the service on September 3rd, the Lago Vista Players will be presenting their latest comedy play “The Last Roundup of the Guacamole Queens” at the end of September and our church will have at least two reserved tables available for the evening play and dinner event on Saturday Sept. 30th. Tickets are offered to us at a reduced price with \$2.00 off. The per person price is \$33 for dinner and the play so come and join the fun with fellow parishioners.

Nominating Committee – Donna Nash, committee chair, reported that the nominating committee met several times and she presented to the council the list of Leadership Council/Ministry Members position nominees for 2024. Committee member Linda Brown will present the slate of nominees at the church service on September 10th. Any additional nominees can be presented from the floor at that time. The list will then be published in the Ripples at the end

of September and a vote will take place at the October 29th Congregational Meeting. A motion was made by Warwick Andrews for the Council to approve the nominees as presented by Donna Nash. The motion was seconded by June Freeman. A vote was held and motion carried.

New Business:

Audio/Visual needs of our church – Warwick Andrews shared that some parishioners who are unable to attend church in person are having difficulty hearing parts of the service on line. A discussion was held at lengths about the need for upgrading our sound system. Warwick Andrews made a motion to form a committee to explore the expense of upgrading our audio/visual equipment and set up. The motion was seconded by Jack Tyler. A discussion was held and Bill Parcher volunteered to chair this sub-committee under the umbrella of the Building and Grounds commission and Jack Tyler also volunteered to assist. A vote was held and motion carried.

Thank You – The family of former parishioner Jim Orr has made a donation to our church of \$5000. The council has signed and sent a Thank you letter to the family on behalf of our church family.

Future Topics: The next council meeting will be held on October 9, 2023.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 3:53PM by moderator Fred Pontesso.

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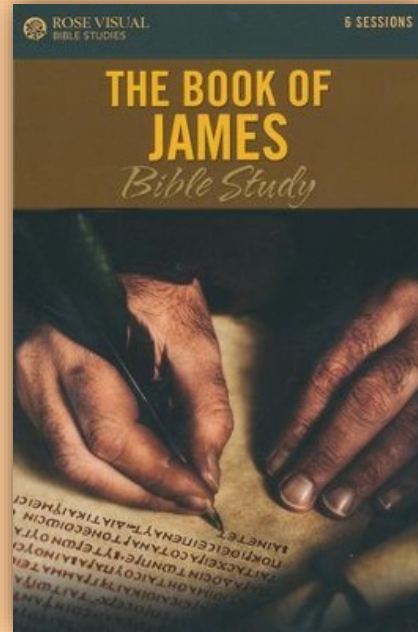


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Lakeside Christian Women's Bible Study

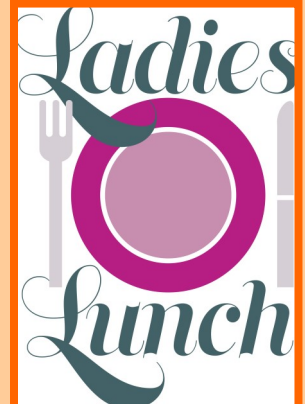
Join us each Wednesday at
9:30 a.m. for
Women's Bible Study
in the LCF Fellowship Hall.
A new study began
September 20, 2023 on
"The Book of James".
For additional information
Contact Sharon Snowder at
snow1025@twc.com
or 713-304-2816.



Women's
Bible Study



The WOW
"Women of the Word"
Bible Study Group
met for lunch
on September 13, 2023.



It has become a fun tradition to have
a luncheon in between studies.

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The New Lakeside Christian Fellowship
Members and Friends Church Directory
will be available at the
Congregational Meeting on
October 29, 2023.



If you are not able to attend the meeting,
you may pick one up in the church office
during office hours,
Wednesdays and Thursdays,
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



The LCF Annual Church Picnic will be held on
October 29, 2023
in the LCF Fellowship Hall
immediately following
the Worship Service and
Congregational Meeting.

Bring your favorite
side, salad or dessert to share!
The main course and beverages will be provided.

For more information contact June Freeman at
sfreeman12@austin.rr.com or 512-267-0809

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Pop and Drop Ministry



**The Pop and Drop Ministry popped in to visit
Wayne and Bonnie Walker.**

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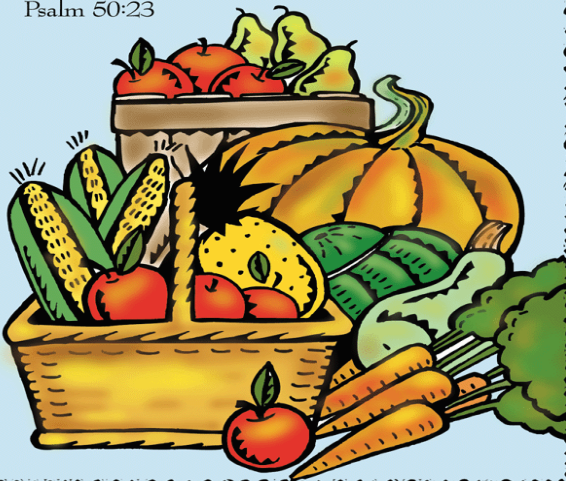
If you would like to help sponsor a Lago Vista family Thanksgiving dinner, please fill out this form and return it to the back of the Worship Center, in the basket on the cabinet or to the Church Office no later than November 12, 2023. Thank you!

Lakeside Christian Fellowship will be working with the Lago Vista School District to provide grocery shopping gift certificates to Lago Vista families for their Thanksgiving dinners.

Yes!, I wish to sponsor one family Thanksgiving dinner!

Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice honor me.

Psalm 50:23



Name

\$ 25.00 Suggested Gift

Name

\$ 25.00 Suggested Gift

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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
1 9:30 AM Choir Practice @ WC 10:00 AM Meet & Greet @ LCF Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center Live Streaming	2 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Fellowship Hall	3	4 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Fellowship Hall	5	6	7
8 9:30 AM Choir Practice @ WC 10:00 AM Meet & Greet @ LCF Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center Live Streaming	9 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Fellowship Hall 2:00 PM Leadership Council Meeting@ LCF Fellowship Hall	10	11 Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM @LCF Fellowship Hall	12	13	14
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29 Same as Above and Immediately Following WS Congregational Meeting & Church Picnic	30 8:00 AM Coffee Klatch @ LCF Fellowship Hall	31				

For more information
visit the LCF website at ww.lakesidechristians.org
To contact the church office
email lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com



Nalda Daigle.....	1
Edwina Woolsey.....	4
Lance Bass.....	19
Paula Tyler.....	20
Elyse Ernst.....	22
Chuck Smith.....	30



- Dick & Jean Hemer
October 1
- Chuck & Marilyn Hamblin
October 9
- Jack & Paula Tyler
October 9
- Richard & Linda Brown
October 19

To be included, please send
your information to:
lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com

Prayer Corner

Stewardship Network Resource Book

*Almighty God,
Whose Holy Spirit equips
the Church with a rich
variety of gifts;
Grant that we may use
them to bear witness to
Christ by lives built on
faith and love.
Make us ready to live his
gospel and eager to do his
will,
That we may share with all
your Church in the joys of
eternal life; through Jesus,
Christ our Lord.
Amen*

September 28, 2023

YTD Offerings.....	\$108,283.50
YTD Expenses	\$121,228.00

Lakeside Christian Fellowship

Worship Location

1922 American Drive, Lago Vista

Office

1924 American Drive, Lago Vista

512-267-1700, lakesidechristianfellowship@yahoo.com

Mailing Address

P. O. Box 4874, Lago Vista, TX 78645

Rev. Chuck Smith, Pastor

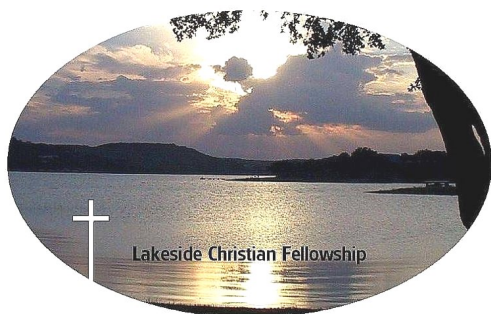
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