

Lakeside Christian Fellowship Ripples



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Dear Church Family,

By the time you receive this edition of the Ripples it will be the Easter season. We know from the biblical record and early Church history that the New Testament Christians were inspired and motivated by their unshakeable belief in the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Often in worship they would greet each other with the words "He is risen". This belief coupled with the power of the Holy Spirit compelled these early Christians to move out into various areas of the Mediterranean area to spread the God News of Jesus Christ.

*Christ
the
Lord is*
RISEN
Today

This same belief and power should inspire and motivate us to live vital lives for the glory of God and give an account for our faith when given occasion to do so.

Recently Sharon and I went to the Austin airport to pick up some friends of ours who were returning from a trip. As we approached the terminal we saw a large passenger plane taking off. It always amazes me to see a huge chunk of metal filled with people launch itself into the air at such an incredible angle of ascent. Remarkable power is required to accomplish such a feat.

Remarkable power is generated by the belief in Jesus' Resurrection and the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. This power equips us to live victorious lives each day. Even death, our final foe, has been defeated. Paul said it so magnificently near the end of his 'Resurrection Chapter' in 1 Corinthians 15:55-56 "Death, where is your victory... death where is your sting?. Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Come Easter Sunday as we celebrate His Resurrection.

"He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!"

Pastor Rick

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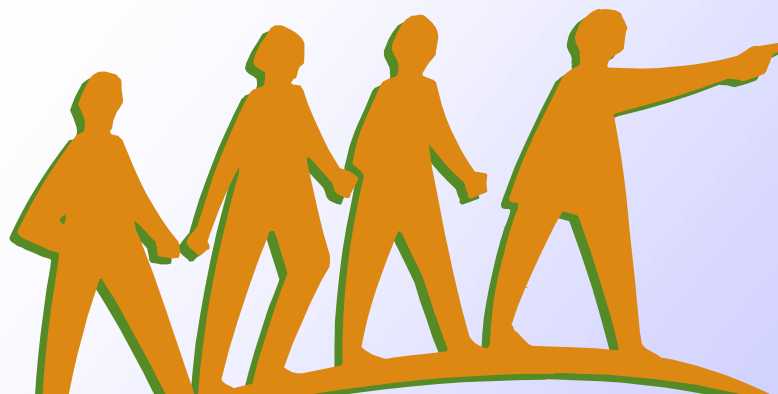
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LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Leadership Council Report for March 9, 2015

In Dan Olson's Opening Remarks, he reported on his meeting with the Nominating Committee. He next went to a recommendation that the church purchase an electronic doorbell for the front door and then leave that door locked at all times. He showed a new idea for the format for the Sunday morning service bulletin, which the Council members liked, so this new format is now being used. He reviewed two recommendations from the Church Growth Task Force, which included: opening up the fifth Sunday pot luck to guests, and a suitable location would have to be found; and the creation of a prayer group.

Under the Financial Update, there was an Executive Summary for January through February, 2015.

Under Faith in Action, there was a decision made to pay Hill Country Ministries \$500, with the money to be taken out of the Power of One. There was further discussion about the balance of funds in the Benevolence Account under Faith in Action and the large balance in the Power of One account. It was agreed to continue to collect the Power of One twice a month. It was determined that the Hill Country Singers may use the church facilities on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday through April. There was a report about the collection of new socks that's going on, and that the Souper Bowl collection was 150 pounds of food that has been delivered.

Under building and grounds and sound system update, it was reported that the progress is good, only microphones must be selected. There was continued discussion about film applications that can be put on the windows to give the church a more "church-like" look. There is a new groundskeeper.

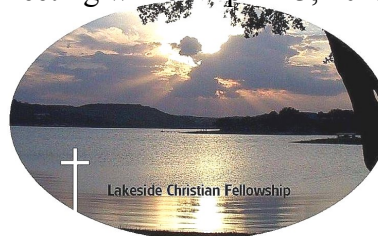
Under Pastoral Relations, it was reported there is an on-going search for a new fulltime piano player, and that the part-time ones are doing excellently and will continue through May.

Under Worship Commission, the upcoming sunrise service was discussed, with the reservation of Hancock Park. The cross will be there.

Under Outreach & Ministries, it was reported that the last Cancer Support Group had 15 people in attendance and that the Alzheimer's group had eight at the meeting. Contributions continue come in to honor Bonnie Rife. The next discussion was about the training Chuck Smith and Shirley Sherwood traveled to Oklahoma to receive, such training being put on by Cancer Treatment Centers of America. There has been developed a new cancer care ministry for churches, and that was what was available. It was reported that one-in-two men get cancer, and one-in-three women get cancer. After the training, our church will be able to meet the needs of these persons.

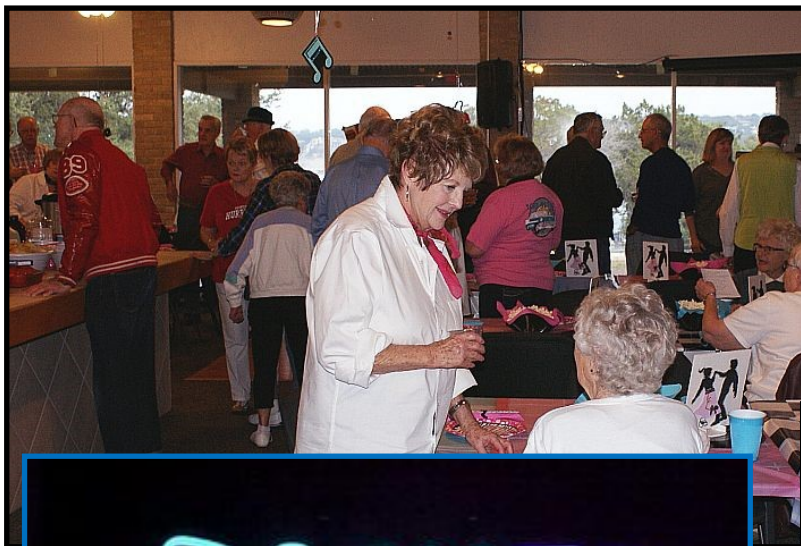
Office Manager: The new hours will be on Wednesday and Thursday; the telephone system is being worked on by Jay Meierhoff; it was agreed that the Lion's Club could borrow our chairs and tables for their fundraiser; the "Before I Go" and "Jesus Christ Superstar" events were very successful.

The next meeting will be April 13, 2015.



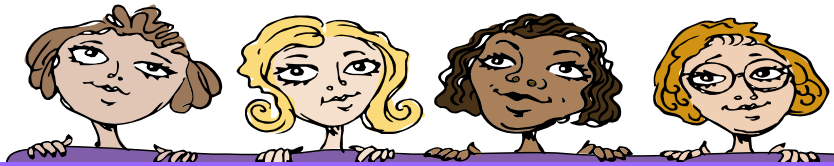
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Christian Women's Fellowship Annual Dinner February 15, 2015



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Lakeside Christian Women's Fellowship

The March 16, 2015 meeting was called to order by President Donna Nash. Edwina Woolsey gave the devotional entitled, "Life Is A Cupcake," and she gave each person a cupcake to eat.

The speaker was Warwick Andrews, giving his program entitled "Life With Hitler," giving a perspective that almost no one had ever heard before. He was six years old when it started; and his family lived in "bomb alley" of the German planes; his preschool classes were held underground, and the children were issued gas masks; his family had a shelter three feet underground, often with six inches of rain in it; they had a Victory Garden that Warwick worked in and then traded produce to the American

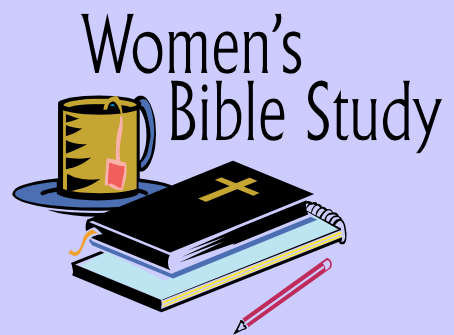
soldiers for chocolate, ham, cigarettes and lemon drops with a fizzy center. This is a sample of the things he told about in his fascinating program.

The business meeting was called to order, and the report was given that there is \$662.12 in the treasury. At the April meeting there will be a clothing drive. A call went out for ideas for future programs.

Dayle Aulds, Publicity Chair

Women's Bible Study

The Bible Study Group has selected to read & discuss the best seller book, "The Harbinger" for several weeks: February 18th - March 18th. The revelation of Shemitah will be revealed to us on March 25th and April 4th. A new series on John, the Apostle, entitled "I Am", will begin in April, date to be announced. All LCWF women, friends and neighbors are invited to meet each Wednesday at 9:30 am in the LVPOA Bluebonnet Room on Boggy Ford & Highland Lake Dr. Contact Lil Burch or Donna Nash for more information.



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Health Watch

Cold vs. Flu: Does It Matter?

Cold? Flu? Over-the-counter drugs and chicken soup help both, right? Not so fast!



Learning whether it is a cold or flu is important because the flu can have serious complications such as pneumonia or even death. Treating flu within 48 hours of symptoms is best. Prescription antiviral drugs may cut the time you're sick.

Flu: Comes on Fast and Furious—If you feel like you've been hit by a truck, it's probably the flu. Flu symptoms like sore throat, fever, headache, muscle aches and soreness, congestion, and cough tend to come on suddenly and are more intense than cold symptoms. Colds usually include a runny or stuffy nose. Flu symptoms usually improve over two to five days, but you might feel run-down for a week or longer. Colds come on gradually and last about a week.

Fever: Usually Means Flu—While some people may develop a slight fever when they have a cold, most do not. If you have the flu, you will probably run a fever of 100-102 degrees or higher. Children's flu fevers tend to be higher, and children may be more likely to develop a fever with the common cold.

Flu: Fatigue Can Last for Weeks—When you've got the flu, you likely start off feeling extremely tired and achy all over. That fatigue and weakness may last for up to 3 weeks -- or even longer in the elderly, and people with chronic diseases or a weak immune system. With a cold, you usually feel bad for just a few days.

Colds and Flu: Can Cause Headaches—A headache isn't a reliable indicator of flu because a cold can cause a headache, too. But a headache caused by a cold, like other cold symptoms, tends to be milder than one caused by flu.

Coughs: Sign of Both Colds and Flu—Because both colds and flu are respiratory illnesses, which affect your airways, both can cause coughing. Pneumonia is a lung infection that can be a complication of the flu. Call your doctor if you have a persistent cough, fever higher than 102 degrees and chills, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, or chest pain as a result of coughing, or are coughing up yellow-green or bloody phlegm.

Earaches: Can Come From Colds or Flu—Colds and flu can cause earaches because they can irritate the eustachian tube that connects your throat to your middle ear. That irritation can cause dull or burning pain. Cold and flu-related earaches usually go away by themselves. If pain lasts longer than your sickness or you feel sudden, strong pain, see a doctor. You may have developed an ear infection that needs treatment.

Colds: Often Start With Sore Throat—Most colds start with a sore throat for one to two days. A runny and stuffy nose is also common. Sore throats can be a symptom of the flu -- with flu, a sore throat is accompanied by fatigue and other symptoms that often happen all at once.

Stuffy Nose: May Mean a Cold—Unless you're also feverish, very achy, and just plain zapped of energy, you've likely got a cold -- although many people with the flu also report a stuffy nose and sneezing. Both cold and flu can lead to sinus infections. These are marked by a deep and constant pain in the area of the cheekbones, forehead, or bridge of the nose. The pain usually gets worse with sudden head movement or straining. Seek medical treatment for sinus infections.

Flu Swab Tests Can ID Flu Fast—The quickest and most effective way to know if you have flu or a cold is to get a test at your doctor's office. By taking a nasal or throat swab, your doctor can often tell if you have the flu virus, usually within 30 minutes or less. If you test positive for flu and your symptoms started within the last 48 hours, your doctor may suggest antiviral treatment to help you recover more quickly.

Flu: Start Antiviral Drugs Quickly—The flu can be brutal, but antiviral medications can make you feel better and shorten the time you are sick by one to two days -- if they are started within two days of getting sick. Over-the-counter medications can also lessen some flu symptoms like cough and congestion. Read labels and instructions carefully so you understand what you are taking and how to take it.

Colds: OTC Drugs Can Reduce Symptoms—Drugstore medicines like decongestants, cough suppressants, and antihistamines can help congestion, cough, and nasal symptoms. Acetaminophen, ibuprofen, or naproxen can treat pain or headache. Read the active ingredients and warnings on all product labels. Many cough and cold medicines contain the same ingredients, so you could accidentally overdose unless you're careful. Using aspirin to treat flu has been linked to Reye's Syndrome in children under 18. Talk to your doctor before using aspirin in children.

Cold and Flu Prevention: Hand-Washing—Wash hands well to help prevent the spread of flu from one person to the next. With soap and warm water, vigorously rub your hands together for 20 seconds; don't forget between your fingers and around your nails. Rinse and dry thoroughly. Alcohol-based hand sanitizers also work. Wash often during cold and flu season, especially after coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose. Can't find a tissue? Sneeze or cough into your elbow instead of your hands.

Flu Prevention: Vaccines—Get a flu vaccine. They're made of harmless versions of flu virus to help your body recognize and fight it if exposed to the real thing. Despite what you may hear, they don't give you the flu.

They're especially important for children older than 6 months, pregnant women, adults older than 50, and people with chronic illness or suppressed immune systems.



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Tenebrae Service
April 2nd at 6:00 pm in the Worship Center

This year Maundy Thursday falls on April 2nd. The past three years we have presented community-wide services including “The Living Last Supper” and “The Centurion at the Cross.” This year we are going to hold a Tenebrae Service here at Lakeside in the Worship Center beginning at 6pm.

For those of you who may not know about this Holy Week service, the word ‘tenebrae’ is Latin for shadows. The purpose of the Tenebrae service is to recreate the emotional aspects of the passion story, so this is not supposed to be a happy service, because the occasion is not happy.

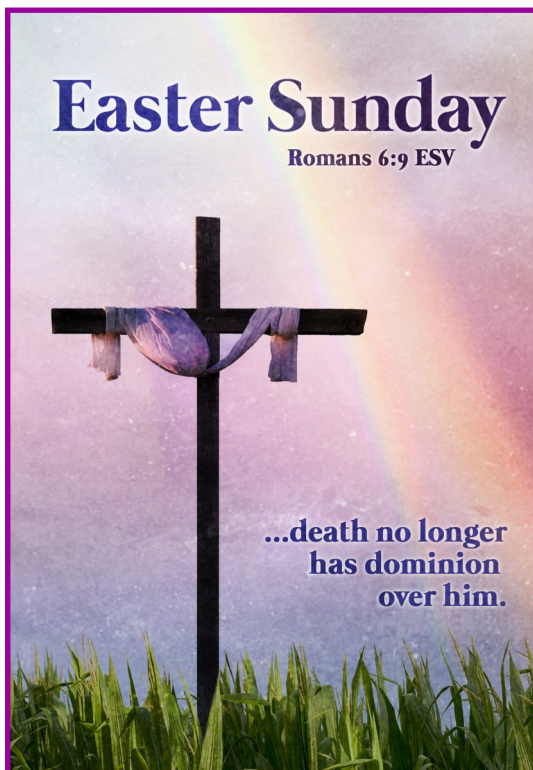
The service was originally designed for Good Friday, but it can be used for Maundy Thursday as well. The service which has readings from the Gospel of John is divided 14 parts, each one assigned to a different reader. A candle is extinguished as each reader finishes.

The purpose of the service is to recreate the betrayal, abandonment, and agony of the events, and it is left unfinished, because the story isn’t over until Easter Day.

We encourage you to attend this service and bring friends.



Service of Darkness

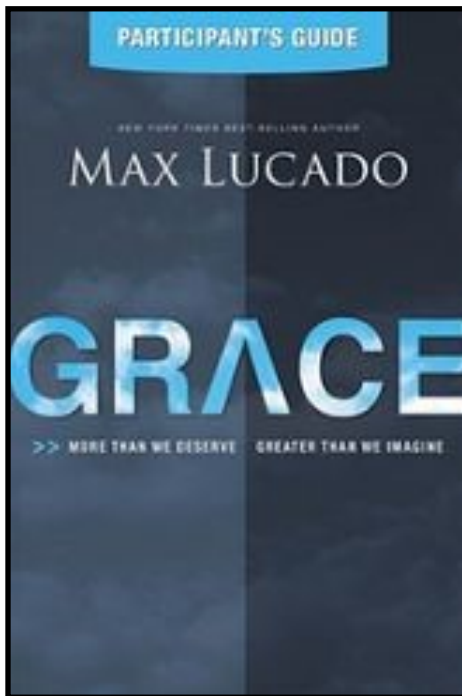


April 5, Easter Services
Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. at Hancock Park
Regular Easter Service at 10:30 a.m.
at Lakeside Worship Center



*Flowers -
One of God's most
beautiful gifts to us!*

Remember your loved ones, celebrate a special occasion, rejoice in our church by supplying the flowers for our worship service. If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday service please sign up on the Flower Chart posted on the bulletin board in the Worship Center and contact Mary Ann Childs at 512-517-3231 to place your order. Let the church office know if you would like something printed in the bulletin for your special occasion!



**Lakeside Christian Fellowship
Men's Study Group**

The Lakeside Men's Study Group will begin a new study based on the book "Grace" by Max Lucado on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. The group meets at the Lakeside Worship Center on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 8:00 am for breakfast followed by a study time. All men of the area are invited to attend!

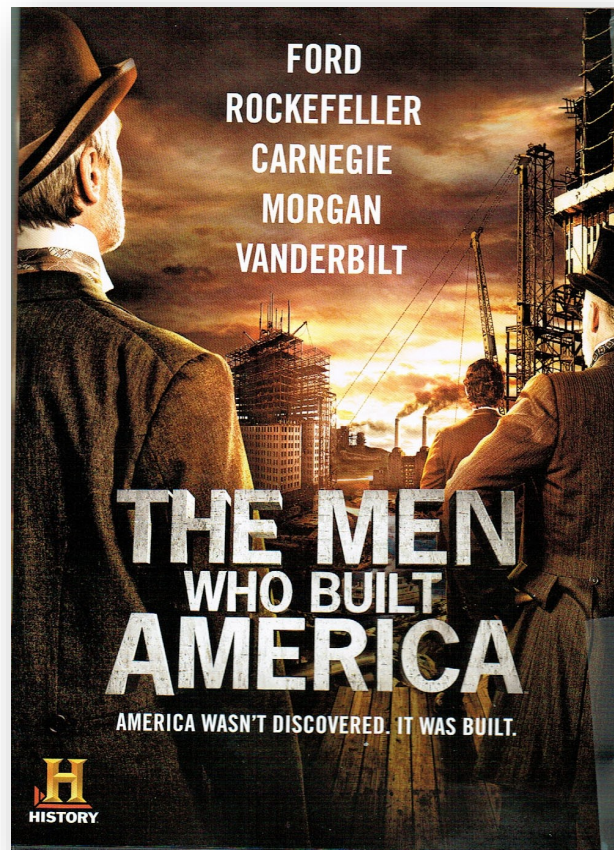
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Men's Point Venture Breakfast Group 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 8:30 AM Point Venture POA Club Room



The Point Venture Men's Breakfast Group resumed on Tuesday March 3rd. We had a guest speaker, Cindy Fronk, from Balcones Wildlife Refuge. She spoke about the role of the park in conservation, the mission to preserve the endangered species of the Golden Cheek Warbler and the Black-Capped Vireo, and their plans to add more land to the refuge.

On Tuesday March 17, we continued with the program "The Men Who Built America", the titans who forged the foundation of modern America and created the American Dream. "The Men Who Built America" mini-series shines a spotlight on the influential builders, dreamers and believers whose feats transformed the United States, a nation decaying from the inside after the Civil War, into the greatest economic and technological superpower the world had ever seen. "The Men Who Built America" is the story of a nation at the crossroads and of the people who catapulted it to prosperity." All men of the area are invited to attend. Come and join us for food, fellowship and educational videos.



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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 9:30 AM CWF Bible Study @ Bluebonnet Room	2 10:30 AM Alzheimer's Support Group @ LV Library 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service @ Worship Center	3	4
5 7:00 AM Sunrise Service @ Hancock Park 10:30 AM Worship Service @ Worship Center	6	7 8:30 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ Point Venture Club Room	8 9:30 AM CWF Bible Study @ Bluebonnet Room	9 6:30 PM Cancer Support Group @ LV Library	10	11
12 9:30 AM Sunday School @ ReMax Bldg 10:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 & 11:45 AM Choir Rehearsal @ Worship Center	13 3:00 PM Leadership Council @ Worship Center	14 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast/Bible Study @ Worship Center	15 9:30 AM CWF Bible Study @ Bluebonnet Room	16 10:30 AM Alzheimer's Support Group @ LV Library	17	18
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				<p>For more information visit the LCF website at www.lakesidechristians.org</p>		

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Bette Green.....	01
Jan Robbins	04
Violet Bunch.....	20
Sandra Smith	20
Nancy Wood	23
Bonnie Walker	29
Jerry Fuller	30

Birthdays &



Anniversaries

Ray & Lil Burch
April 19

If you would like your dates to be included please send your information to the church office!!

E-Mail to Linda at:
office@lakesidechristians.org

Prayer Corner By Dayle Aulds

Dear Jesus, Holy Week is coming up. The question you directed to the Pharisees you still put before us. "What do you think about the Christ?" There's no more important question for us to wrestle with in life.

But what do I think about You today, Jesus? What do I believe in my heart? You are the Creator, Sustainer, and Restorer of all things. What stuns me the most is to realize you are always thinking about us. We are in your heart and on your mind all the time. You're the One who knows us the best and loves us the most. With fresh gratitude and awe, we worship you. We make our prayer in your gracious name and for your everlasting glory. Amen.

March 26, 2015

Average Sunday Attendance.....	86
Membership.....	129 (82 families)
YTD Offerings.....	\$43,361.
YTD Expenses	\$37,296.

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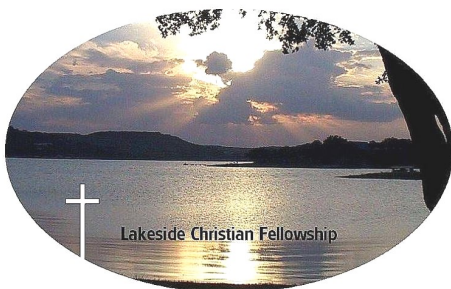
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