LAKESIDE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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"All members are ministers in Christ's Service"

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2025 ELDERS & DEACONS

Clerk of Session: Linda Sunkel Elders: Nancy Adams, Lisa Hultman, Joanne Laird, Gerie Morrin, Gary MacDonald, John Sunkel, Sioux Swart, Cindy Wheeler Deacons: Suzy Smith, Joy Wray, Ruth Boudreau, Curt Clark, Chris Crawford, Karen Evers, Marylin Gilbert, Mark Vettel, Jan Warren, Shirley Wilson

Sola Scriptura – Sola Fide – Solo Gratia -

Solo Christo – Soli Deo Gloria

(Scripture Alone - Faith Alone - Grace Alone -Christ Alone - To the Glory of God Alone)

"A Confessing Presbyterian Church"



LAKESIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S CENTER La Teresa Oropeza, Director 619-443-2887

Our Missionaries:

Leona Edic & Jennifer Edic Bryant (Literacy & **Evangelism International**)

Dave & Sylvia Riggs

(Wycliffe Bible Translators, Mexico)

Dave & Linda Ringenberg

(Mission Aviation Fellowship, Indonesia)

Ministries We Support:

San Diego Military Outreach Ministry (SDMOM)

New Day Urban Ministries Lakeside Christian Helps Center Presbyterian Missions (shared) **Sudanese Church of San Diego Daniel Nunez Kingdom Builders**

When you finish reading this newsletter, please share it with family and neighbors.

Titus 3:5

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy, He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, renewing of the Holy Ghost;"



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A WORD FROM PASTOR TIM

Spending Time with Jesus

Summer is a time to do things differently. The weather is hot so we like relaxing in the air conditioning, taking a dip in a pool, or driving to the beach to walk along the shore and see the sunset. It is good to change our routines.

Let me encourage you to make a change on your Wednesday evenings and come to church during the month of July and watch The Chosen in the airconditioned Fireside Room at LCPC.

The Chosen, (if you don't know) is a television series that depicts the life of Jesus. Each television show reveals a different part of Jesus' story, especially as seen through the eyes of His followers. I know that as I have watched each episode, there have been "ah-ha" moments that brought tears to my eyes as I have visually seen what I have read in the Bible so many times. I hope that this time of watching The Chosen together will allow that to happen in your life. Each show will be followed by some Q & A so that questions can be asked and we can learn together more about Jesus.

So, join us on Wednesdays during the month of July. We start with dinner at 5pm (bring your own but we will provide the water) and then at 6pm we will watch The **Chosen** in the Fireside Room. Each episode is about 1 hour long so we are done by 7pm. Hope that you will join us and tell a friend or two that we are going to be viewing The Chosen and learning more about Jesus.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Help support our missionary families by giving a special gift this July. This is an opportunity to say "Thank you" for their service to our Lord Jesus Christ. Your gifts will be divided equally among these workers for Christ. Please put your gifts in an envelope and make checks payable to LCPC. Write on the check memo line. "Christmas in July," then drop off your donations in the Offering at worship, or at the church office. On Sunday, June 29, there will be a Christmas tree and offering envelopes available in the Narthex / Fover.

Thank you for your donations.

Matthew 28:19-20

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

You have probably noticed all the work that is being done around our church campus. So much has been happening to transform and upgrade our property. Thank you to Sheila King, Joe Conard, Mark Vettel and so many of you who have lifted up prayers and provided funding to make these improvements a reality. The following highlights actions of Session to support the vision of our church as a welcoming place of worship and an outreach into our community.

- 1. Vacation Bible School will be held August 5-7, focusing on our Children's Center / Preschool families. Linda Ringenberg, MAF Papua, and Leona Edic, Literacy and Evangelism International, will visit and give the children insight into their missionary work around the world. Volunteers will be needed to help make this a success for our Preschool families.
- 2. Approved "Christmas in July" (a move from Christmas in October) to ask for donations to distribute an annual gift for our support Missionary families.
- 3. Approved a \$1,000 gift to Ryan Ringenberg for his college education as a high school graduation gift from E114 (Other Missions). Ryan is the son of Dave and Linda Ringenberg whom we have supported for many years. Ryan will be attending a college in California.
- 3. Our annual Prayer Quilt Ministry Sale (PQM) was approved for October 19th to be held before and after Worship. Session also approved the week of October 26th as the kick-off to collect funds for MOM's Thanksgiving Baskets; December 9th is the date for the Christmas Store that we host every year for junior military families.
- 4. Children's Center/Preschool:
- a. Great news! We were approved to open an infant area as part of the Children's Center. There have been many families asking for this addition. We are currently upgrading the Nursery to accommodate 4 babies. Joanne Laird has been working hard to clean and make the Nursery a welcoming place for infants visiting our church and for working families wanting infant care.
- b. Approved a Children's Center website that will enable them to better reach out to the community. Funds will come from the Children Center's budget.
- 5. Church Campus Upgrades we have done a lot of work through roofing, painting, dealing with wood deterioration, etc., and your Session has approved additional improvements. If you see Sheila King, please give her a big "thank you". She is on campus every day opening up for contractors and ensuring they are staying on task.
- a. Approved the Concrete Bid for ADA Compliance of Sanctuary Front Door of \$3,200. Funds to come from C11 Undesignated Memorial Funds. This work is complete, and it makes a smooth flat entry way into the Sanctuary.
- b. Session approved an ADA Bathroom upgrade (both in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall) funds came from C035. Environmental testing exposed a small amount of asbestos, which needed to be remediated. Work has now passed inspection and framing is in progress. This is a much needed improvement to our Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall!
- c. Session approved flooring for new ADA bathroom and extending new flooring into the Narthex.
- d. After much thoughtful discussion, Session approved one door at the front of the Sanctuary, and walling in the other two doors that are currently not used. It will be a seamless wall, painted to match the rest of the church. Money to make this happen came from a generous donor. The church still has enough doors to egress from the church in case of an emergency.
- 6. Church Budget (as of May 31): -\$13,965.75.



JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Richard Bunch
- 3 Mark Noble
- 10 Marcia Sanders
- 12 -Mike Rich **Garry Smith** Nancy Vettel
- 13- Chris Crawford
- 14 Corky Leary
- 14- Cindy Wheeler
- 16 Bob Wray
- 18 Eric Ball
- 20 Heidi Vettel
- 23 Heidi Ball
- 30 Lucille Bauer Janice Warren

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 16 John & Jill Zentmyer
- 20 Pastor Tim & Karyn Avazian

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ed Vacin
- 3 Nancy Britt
- 8 Kristin Riggs
- 9 Dave Riggs
- 15 Jolene Rich
- 19 David Zamora, Jr.
- 28 Jennifer Riggs
- 30 Norma Sibbet

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AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 12 Kevin & Sheila King
- 15 Mark & Shelly Noble
- 23 John & Linda Sunkel
- 30 Richard & Carmen Bunch



Our preschool has been serving our community and nurturing children since 1953.

Call the school office and find out more about our great program at

> 619-443-2887, or preschool@lakesidepc.org. Lic#370800323



SCRIP GIFT CARDS SOLD HERE!

YOUR PURCHASES OF SCRIP GIFT **CARDS HELP TO SUPPORT SOME** OF OUR CHURCH & PRESCHOOL'S **PROGRAMS**

- You pay face value, and the church gets a percentage of the purchase back.
- We have order forms available, and a list of hundreds of cards available.
- Ask Jan Warren, Nancy Adams, or Suzy Smith for more information.
- Orders are placed on the last Sunday of the month, and are available to be picked up the following Sunday.

HOSPITAL STAY & PRAYER

If you or someone you know has a stay in the hospital, please contact the church office, so that our prayer partners will be in prayer for you or for them. It is our desire, as a body of Christ, to look to the wellbeing of our church family. We would like to extend prayer and care in whatever way that we can. Unless we are made aware of a hospital stay, we will not know of the need. We would rather get the same notification several times, than none at all.

PRAY WITH US

Join us this summer as we pray together as a church family. For the months of June, July, & August, we will be praying together as a church, three times each day, once in the morning, at noon, and in the evening. We have Summer Prayer Cards that are available to assist you in praying and they are available in the narthex of the church or in the church office. Our hope is that we would be praying together to make a difference for Christ and His Kingdom here in Lakeside and around the world.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN HELPS CENTER NEWS

The Center needs clothes, blankets, sleeping bags, sheets, pillows, and towels; 16oz, or smaller, bottles of water; easy pop-top cans of chili, pork & beans, and fresh/canned fruit/vegetables.

The Center is open Monday through Thursday, from 10:00am to 12:00pm, and the fourth Saturday of the month, with the same hours. If you know of someone who may need a little extra help, the Center may be reached at (619) 561-3488.

GOLF4GOOD & NEW DAY URBAN MINISTRIES GOLF-DINNER-AUCTION: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

You are invited to the Golf4Good's an annual event, whose sole purpose is to raise funds to benefit New Day Urban Ministries, an inner-city outreach of the Presbytery of San Diego. The event takes place at La Valle Coastal Club (Formerly Morgan Run), 5690 Cancha de Golf,

Rancho Santa Fe, CA. Shotgun Start: 12:00pm.

For questions or to register, please contact:

Bruce Huebner at (858) 354-9871, or bahuebners@gmail.com.

EAST COUNTY TRANSITIONAL LIVING CENTER

A place where lives are transformed from homelessness and hopelessness to a life of dignity and purpose. 1527 East Main Street, El Cajon, CA, 619-442-0457.

LCPC FINANCIAL UPDATE

Here is a summary of year-to-date finances (thru May 2025) for LCPC:

Donations/Receipts \$112,538 Disbursements/Expenses \$126,503 Year to Date Balance -\$13,965

We appreciate your prayers and financial support for the ministries of LCPC.

Note: Funding for the ADA Bathroom upgrades is not included in our 2025 Year-to-Date finances. These improvements have been funded by the proceeds from the sale of the 2 preschool houses and special donations from individuals and families in our congregation. Thanks to all who have made these improvements possible.

BATHROOM RENOVATIONS

Renovations continue for two of the LCPC bathrooms. The bathrooms will be unavailable, for use for several weeks, as we upgrade to ADA compliance. Thanks for your patience as we go through this construction process. If you would like to make a contribution to our Building Fund, to help defray the costs of these upgrades, any amount would be greatly appreciated.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - 11:00AM IN ROOMS 1 & 2 EXPLORING EPHESUS: CITY OF APOSTLES

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY MONDAYS, AT 3:00PM, IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM

Join us for our current 6-week study by Lysa TerKeurst, Finding I Am. We are exploring the I AM statements of Jesus, found in the Gospel of John. Ultimately discovering the beauty and depth of these "I Am" scriptures will help us to see how we can trade feelings of emptiness and depletion for the fullness of knowing who Jesus is. Please, no dogs in this class.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ON THE PSALMS

All men are invited for our study, every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, at 7:00pm, in the Fireside Room.

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY, JULY 4.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

We are incredibly grateful to God for you and your loving service to the church and the community. We want you to know that your work has not gone unnoticed.

God bless you and for your generosity, and thank you for being a blessing to others.

TITUS 2:11-14

"For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.



If you have not yet experienced the ambiance of gathering at our Eat & Greet monthly lunch with our neighbors and community, you are missing out on great live music, fun games, door prizes, and lunch! It is all free, and everyone is welcome. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for fun, festivities, and food!

Lakeside Community Presbyterian Church live-streams our services and engages in social media platforms as a means to engage and communicate church activities. This means your image may be visible to the public. Participation in worship or other church events shall be considered consent to the use of the photo as described, unless written notification to prohibit is received by the church office. Contact us at: (619) 443-1021, or at office@lakesidepc.org, or visit our website: lakesidepc.org.

CAN YOU HELP?

PEOPLE WANT TO ATTEND CHURCH, BUT NEED A RIDE. If you can help, please call the Church Office, 619-443-1021.

LCPC IS GOING TO THE PADRE GAME

Join others from church and bring your family and friends, as we go to watch the Padres play against the Philadelphia Phillies on Sunday, July 13. The game starts at 1pm and the cost per ticket is \$42. Space is limited and carpooling is encouraged.

If you have questions, contact the church office or Pastor Tim.

WOMEN'S EVENT - FRIDAY, JULY 18, 7PM

All women are invited to join us for a night of Bunco and potluck appetizers in the Fireside Room.

Come and enjoy a great time with other women in an atmosphere of laugh out loud fun and fellowship, with lots of yummy food! We hope to see you there!

BOX TOP\$ NEWS - KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Helping our preschool is as easy as scanning receipts from select purchases you already make! The beauty of this easy program is to simply turn in your receipts to the church within 14 days of purchase. The church will submit your receipt and if any item you purchased was identified with



a Box Top\$, the preschool earns money. If you download the Box Top\$ APP, you can submit digital receipts too. Remember there are over 80 brands and 350 participating products that have the Box Top\$ logo. Thank you for your continued support.

PRAYER QUILT NEWS

The Prayer Quilt group has added several new members recently. We continue to make Prayer Quilts, items for San Diego Military Outreach Ministries (SDMOM), and other items for our annual sale. Our annual sale will be October 19th in rooms 1 & 2 as it has been for the last few years. The support of the congregation at this sale allows our group to cover necessary expenses. We also were able to make a contribution to the building fund for the bathroom renovations.

We have now completed 816 Prayer Quilt dedications. We appreciate members of LCPC who pray for the recipients of these quilts and tie their knot with the prayer. We receive frequent thank you notes from the recipients with validation that the Prayer quilt is both comforting and healing. Our group is one which is dedicated to our purposes and also enjoys the comradery.

Norma Sibbet, Coordinator