



Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Thinking with Christ's mind • Loving with Christ's heart • Serving with Christ's hands



A Message From Terry

DEAR FAMILY CALLED LPC,

My five-year-old granddaughter, Audrey, has learned to swim this summer. I can't wait to see her next week in Cincinnati and go to the pool with her! She can swim underwater, on top of the water, jump off the diving board. It will be amazing to see ... especially since just last summer she wouldn't even put her face in the water!

Can you remember when you first learned how to swim? (I know some of you haven't learned yet!) I can remember like it was yesterday. The Allen Park Pool in my hometown. It was brand new when I was five years old. Johnny Weissmuller (of Tarzan fame) actually came to St. Clairsville and cut the ribbon for the grand opening of the pool! He rode up to the entrance in a pink Cadillac convertible; jumped out of the car; gave his signature Tarzan call; cut the ribbon; waved to the crowd; and then drove off. It all took about five minutes! That was kind of a letdown ... I wanted his autograph.

Well, the brand new pool was opened and I started taking swimming lessons. First you had to stand and put your face under the water. Then you had to hang on to the side, lift your feet up and put your face under the water. You then added kicking to the equation. Next, one of those foam paddle boards that you hold out in front of you. Before you knew it, you were swimming! Okay, okay, that was a little simplified, I admit.

The hardest thing for me to learn was floating on my back. In order to pass my "swimmers test" I had to be able to float in the water without moving my hands or feet for one minute. There was just something about lying back; trying to relax and let the water hold me up. I

would fight against the water. Relax? Forget it ... then I'd sink!!

The same thing can also be said about our faith at times. Don't you sometimes struggle with your faith, struggle with God holding you up? Do you sometimes think that God CAN'T keep you floating when you seem to be going through difficult times ... feeling like you're sinking? Well, God will hold us up, no matter how deep the water in our lives becomes. That's why we have the Holy Spirit living inside each of us ... a bit of the Divine to help us with whatever comes our way.

Are you sinking or floating in your faith? Are you lying back on the water and allowing God, through the Holy Spirit, to keep you afloat? That is one of the primary promises in scripture: "for thou art with me ..." (Psalm 23).

Yeah, it's going to be exciting to see Audrey swimming! I just hope as she grows into maturity she'll find that God is there for her; to keep her afloat no matter what comes her way!

WITH LOVE,

Terry

August
2010

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30 Sunday Service
9:45 Sunday School for
Adults & Children
10:30 Fellowship Time in Benz Hall
11:00 Sunday Service

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Our deadline for item submission is the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Email Lori@lpcjax.org or place articles in the newsletter mailbox located in the church office.

P.E.P.S.

For our August PEPS meeting, we have invited all declared candidates for the Group 4 At-Large position on the Jacksonville City Council. Jim Robinson has accepted. There are two other declared candidates at this time. We will meet on Thursday, August 19, at 11:45 a.m. for a soup, salad, and dessert luncheon. The program will begin around 12:30 p.m. The cost will be \$10. Deadline to make reservations is Monday, August 16. The church minibus will be available to simplify parking and minimize walking.

Music Notes

If you have ever wanted to try singing with the LPC Chancel Choir and haven't been able to commit to weekly rehearsals, join the summer choir! On August 1, 8 and 15, come to the choir room at 10:15 a.m. and we will put together an anthem for the day. The music will be easy and you will have a great time. No audition or robe required!

Our Music Groups will resume:

GraceNotes	August 16
Hand Chimes	August 17
Handbells	August 18
Children's Choir	August 22
Youth Music	August 29

I hope everyone has had a relaxing summer and is ready to get back to work making beautiful music for worship!

[Rodney Cleveland](#)
Minister of Music

Beth Moore Bible Study begins



Please join us as we explore the life and ministry of Paul; Paul's Conversion on the Road to Damascus – Acts 9:4. This 11 week study will focus on Paul, who served faithfully, loved heartily, and demonstrated what it means to die daily, crucified with Jesus Christ. Join us on a journey to discover a greater appreciation for Paul's unflagging faith and undying devotion to servant hood. This study begins Thursday, August 19, at Robin Momberg's home, located at 5039 Bradford Road. We meet from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and dinner is served each night. Email Robin at scarlet9@comcast.net if you have any questions. Please call the church office to reserve your space.

Advent Devotional



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Calling all writers! The Worship Committee is looking for helpers to create this year's Advent Devotional. Once we have our Advent theme in early September, you will receive your Bible verse and all we need from you is a short devotional and prayer. Please email [Allison Hysong](mailto:Allison.Hysong@everbank.com) at allison.hysong@everbank.com, or call her at (904) 254-8292 if you would like to volunteer.

Professional Recognition

Congratulations, Ernst!

"In June Ernst Mueller, a senior litigation attorney with the Office of General Counsel, received the 2010 Justice Ehrlich Trial Advocacy Award for his legal work & professionalism." (Florida Times-Union)
Congratulations – LPC is proud of you, Ernst!

Rally Day



Rally Day is just around the corner on August 22. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for breakfast in Benz Hall. We will begin serving at 9:30 a.m. Enjoy the food, fellowship and a short program that will introduce you to what's what and who's who in Christian Education at Lakewood. Please sign up on the Friendship Pad, or call the church office by noon on Monday, August 16.

E-Corner

"Other Barriers to Evangelism"

It may be comforting to realize there are no perfect Christians – we're all works in progress. We're all on a journey of faith and the process continues all our lives on earth and beyond. Many of us remember incidents when we've been confronted with "religious" people who attempted to force their particular brand of religion on us through intimidation and threats of hellfire. After such experiences we may promise ourselves to never be that kind of Christian. Nonetheless, we should consider answers to questions like these: How do I tell someone about Jesus (especially if they ask me)? What exactly is God's Good News: What if the person wants to know more? How does a person become a Christian? Although no one wants to hear about God through manipulation, embarrassment, or intimidation, some people may be interested in hearing about Jesus in a caring, accepting relationship that allows them to feel worthwhile and valuable to God. So think about the questions. You just might get the opportunity to share your answers someday.

The Youth Group at Lakewood

Upcoming travels:

August 1-6: Middle School Mission trip to work with the CROSS program of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC.

Sunday Schedule:

August 8 Liturgists/Ushers and Lunch
August 15 Beach (after church; home by 4:00 p.m.)
August 22 Sunday School Rally Day
August 29 Sunday night Youth Group resumes

Help LPC "GO GREEN" and "SAVE GREEN"!

To receive your monthly newsletter by e-mail, [contact Lori Appenfelder](#) with your preferred e-mail address and "I'M GREEN" in the subject line, and you'll be removed from the mailing list for the paper version. We mailed 396 paper copies of the May *Herald* and 365 copies of the July *Herald*. Our August count is down to 253! Thank you! To achieve 80% paperless distribution by the end of the year, we need to reduce our paper mailing to 79. Will you be one of the 174 households that help us meet our goal?? The LPC Herald is also posted each month on www.lpcjax.org.



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New Business

The application to the Eli Lily Foundation for the funding of Terry's upcoming sabbatical is due June 18, 2010 and the application must be approved by the Session. Terry explained that he plans to use the time and funds in three ways:

- To do research for a book he plans to write by going back to his previous churches to talk to families touched by gay and lesbian issues.
- To spend time with his family reviewing and rethinking the time they spent with Terry's brother, Mark, prior to his death caused by AIDS.
- Take a trip to the Virgin Islands.

Motion made, seconded, and carried to approve the submittal of the application to the Eli Lily Foundation.

Discussion ensued following the Motion, regarding the Eli Lily Funds and where the funds come from and the lack of time provided to the Session prior to voting on the Application.

Young Disciples

These K-3rd graders meet following The Children's Time during the 11:00 worship service.

Aug 1.

Communion

Dedication/Stewardship

Aug 8.

Sunday School lesson:

Jesus Heals a Sick Woman

Aug 15.

Practice for Worship

Aug 22.

Help in the Sanctuary as
Worship Leaders (Rally Day)

Aug 29.

Remain in the Sanctuary

Our Young Disciples who will be entering 4th grade will receive their Bibles on Rally Day, August 22, at the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

They will also help lead worship.

We congratulate: Olivia Bartlett, Bailey Darner, Courtney DePotter, Rebecca Franklin, Olivia Kato, Zachary Mills, Lindsay Monger, Sebastian Morlesin, Marc Pappas, Kylie Paylor, Matthew Travis, Mackenzie Valent and Wesley Watson. If your child is entering 4th grade and is not listed, contact Doris York. Our new season begins August 29 and we need leaders for K/1st grade and 2nd/3rd grade. If you'd like to help, call Doris.

If you have questions, contact:

Paul Chrisman 737-1293

Doris York 993-2117

Session Minutes - June 15, 2010

Administration:

Preschool account will be moved to Center Bank. Ministry feels current Building Use policies are adequate. May expenses were less than receipts; YTD collections are above expenses by about \$10,000 and up \$4600 over last year. The transition to ADP payroll went smoothly. Preschool will pay their portion of the payroll fee attributable to the Preschool employees. Nancy Brown has transitioned into her position with ease and has been receiving help from Ken Van Landingham to get the reports up-to-date. David Sheffield will provide each Ministry Moderator with a budget spreadsheet to help them set up their budgets for the following year; the hope is that budget information will be completed by September so the numbers can be used in the Stewardship Campaign.

Building and Grounds:

Information on security cameras was given to Rev. Terry Lucarelli to review. Eleven people showed up for the work day; a new work day concept is being discussed. Ministry asked for approval to buy half the ballasts, fixtures and holders at a cost of \$1300 to start the transition from T-12's to T-8's with the money to be taken from the 2009 reserve.

Motion made, seconded and carried to buy half the supplies to start the lighting changes proposed by the Building and Grounds Ministry.

Building Update:

Steeple renovation should be completed by the end of June. A small portion of rotten wood was found after pressure washing; will cost less than \$800 to repair. Painting will begin after VBS ends. New finials have been rebuilt at a cost of \$1900 and will be installed once the roofing is complete. Building Committee has asked Breaking Ground to give a detailed estimate for the work to the exterior of the Scout Hut with the hope of getting started with the work as early as July.

Christian Education:

Confirmands were added as members on May 23, 2010 and were recognized for their faithfulness, conviction of belief and strength of character. High School youth will leave for their mission trip June 20. Youth programs are on the summer schedule with normal youth group meetings to resume around the beginning of the school year.

Communication:

LPC has 108 Facebook fans. 27 families signed up for the electronic version of the LPC Herald. A Minute for Mission is planned to encourage more participation. Our goal is 80% paperless by yearend. Members may sign up for the e-mailed version by contacting [Lori Appenfelder](#). Memorial Day picnic and Munsey Youth Choir concert was photographed; an article was written and submitted to The Resident News. Installation of individual room signs in the Education building was completed in May. The Building Committee will meet soon to discuss the monument sign.

Congregational Care:

Care Visitors have been assigned to members in need. Communion was served to the homebound. Flowers were delivered when available. Large Print editions of Our Daily Bread will be delivered to the DOVES in June. The DOVES will be contacted to determine their interest in receiving CD's of the Sunday service and their availability of a CD player.

Evangelism and Church Growth:

"E-Corner" blurbs will be taken from "Me, an Evangelist?; Every Christian's Guide to Caring Evangelism". "Invite a friend" opportunity will be July 4, 2010. More visitor bags are being prepared. New volunteers are being recruited. The VBS Coffee Cove will provide Starbucks coffee and an opportunity for parents dropping off their children to talk with LPC members.

Outreach:

Undie Sunday collected 215 items of clothing (down from last year); 2011 drive will be held in March. May 23 Blood Drive collected 23 units of blood; next drive is July 25. The Outreach Ministry recommends LPC join ICARE and will host an informational dinner meeting on June 23; Michaela Braddy from ICARE will be the speaker. Robin Momberg will assist Outreach Ministry in dispersing the funds collected as part of the Lucille Hart Fund to purchase shoes and clothing for needy children in nearby school. Details are being finalized. Collection for the troops will begin July 4 and run through the month of July. Sulzbacher Center meal served June 4, 2010.

Program:

Ministry is exploring options for the preparation of Wednesday night dinner when the choir leaves for their September Ireland trip. A dinner and Patriotic Concert is planned for June 30, 2010. Dinner attendance figures: Graduating Seniors-74; Fish Tales with the Darner's-80; Memorial Day Picnic and Concert-150.

Stewardship:

The Pentecost Offering was collected May 23.

Worship:

Allison Hysong will be in charge of developing and publishing and Advent Devotional Guide for 2011. Concerns were raised about lack of communion bread for the choir area. It has been requested that a male elder serve the choir in the future. The steps leading to the choir area are slippery and concern is that women's shoes are more apt to slide on the laminate surface. Communion table has been started by the carpenter and a font selected for the lettering

Unfinished Business:

The installation of a safe instead of taking bags to the bank: deferred to next Session Meeting.

Thanks!

Dear Lakewood Family,
Many thanks for all your support during my recovery from shoulder surgery. The cards, prayers, calls, food and offers of transportation were appreciated and uplifting. We are fortunate to belong to this congregation. In Christ's Love, Kris White



Dear LPC Family,
Thank you for your prayers, cards, and phone calls. Bruce and I know that our LPC Family care. Gerry Roberts

Dear LPC Family,
Thank you for all your prayers, calls, visits, cards and beautiful flowers. This does mean so much to our children and us. Again thank you. Love to everyone and take care. Donalea & Tom Bush

Dear LPC Friends,
What a wonderful time I had at my 80th birthday party, thanks to all of you who came to help me celebrate this milestone. Some folks disobeyed my "no presents" order, but they are totally forgiven, because they made financial gifts to the Bag Ladies Welcome Bag Project, which are always welcome and reserved for an especially worthwhile project. I hope that all of you who might not look forward to getting older will know that the journey can be a great one—especially if you are a member of LPC! Pat Bloebaum

Thank you, Good Samaritan,
On July 4, I wore one of my favorite patriotic pins to church. It is an eagle with a flag. Somehow the pin fell off my blouse and we couldn't find it. I was very disappointed. Thank you, whoever you are, for turning the pin in to the church office. After I called the office Tuesday morning, we were reunited. Thank you, very much, Good Samaritan! Mary Abboud

Thank you to the VBS volunteers who so generously and graciously presented me with a gift card. I was able to enjoy part of your gift prior to our vacation and I look forward to using what is left on the card very soon. We have an awesome team of volunteers and every year I am amazed at how hard everyone works to make our VBS program the best in Jacksonville. Blessings and Love, Doris York

Please note this change:

Kathryn Stater
Cell: 904.236.9980

Presbyterian Women

If you are interested in, or even curious about, the Book of Revelation, you'll want to join us Tuesday, August 3, at 10:30 a.m. in Benz Hall, as Linda Allen and Debby Moon introduce us to our Bible Study that begins in September. After the program you are invited to join one of the circles that meet monthly to dig into one of the most difficult books of the Bible. Impressions of the book are that it is violent, fearsome, mysterious, intimidating, etc, BUT it is rich in songs of praise to God, inspiring "Holy, Holy, Holy", Handel's "Hallelujah" chorus and African spirituals. Come with us as we journey through this Christ-centered book full of worship and praise leading us to the throne of God. A light lunch will be served. Call Rosanna Arey at 737-6650 if you have any questions.

Sanctuary Flower Calendar

Aug 1	Lori Overstreet
Aug 8	Vickie & Jim Robinson
Aug 15	The Corner's
Aug 22	Saundra Farhat
Aug 29	Peggy B. & Don Rawlins
Sept 5	Kay & Ruth Odenwald
Sept 12	Rosanna & Jeff Arey
Sept 19	Kathy & Don Foster
Sept 26	Janet & Will Dickey

\$40.00 First Sunday/\$55.00 All other Sundays

Submit Prayer Requests

The support of a loving family of God is important at all times but particularly when we're faced with life's challenges.

If you need to speak to or visit with one of our pastors or request prayer, we welcome you to contact the church office at (904) 733-8055, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or enter your request on the LPC website, www.lpcjax.org.



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Birthdays

Clint McNair, II, 8/1
Kendyl Nealey, 8/1
Kathryn Nealey, 8/1
Harriet Newkirk, 8/1
Gary Soud, 8/2
Preston Stater, 8/2
Marilynn Anliot, 8/3
Dana Jewell, 8/4
Janet Dickey, 8/6
Karen Green, 8/7
Mala Hatman, 8/11
Sammy Soud, 8/11
Dodie Walker, 8/11
Amand Gallogly, 8/13

Marge Backus, 8/15
Mary Eleanor Roth, 8/15
Chris Hysong, 8/16
Ann Sory Meadows, 8/16
Jo Anne Estes, 8/17
Scott Griffin, 8/17
Dan Burns, 8/18
Barbara Leupold, 8/19
John Nicolson, 8/19
Christina Griffin, 8/20
Barbara Van Landingham,
8/20
Marlene Griffin, 8/22
Ryan Fryman, 8/23
Betsy Crews, 8/24
Rachael Franklin, 8/24
Lori Appenfelder, 8/25

Elaine Thompson, 8/25
Pat Eisinger, 8/27
Jennifer Arey, 8/28
Debby Moon, 8/28
Mandy Ruland, 8/28
Jim Coarsey, 8/29
Virginia Fleming, 8/29
Jim Robinson, 8/30

Anniversaries

Brad & Lisa Corner, 8/11
Dan & Maggie Palopoli, 8/11
Steve & Barbara Matheson,
8/12
Clayton & Jo Anne Estes, 8/16
Scott & Debbie Wallace, 8/18
Ralph & Lynne Fossey, 8/19

Tom & Donalea Bush, 8/21
Robert & Carrie Franklin, 8/24
John & Nancy Klein, 8/24
Joe & Kathy Williams, 8/31