



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,

I can't believe it ... I'm depressed ... the grass is dead!
This is the continuing saga of the Lucarelli's front lawn. Back in July I went into much detail about the plight of our front lawn. Yes, in July things were looking up. The grass was green ... looking super! I talked about how *IF* you want grass to grow in Florida it takes a commitment ... a commitment of time, money, water and getting down on your knees (that's prayer!) At the conclusion of my article, I asked you to let me know if you saw any brown spots developing. Well, look at it now ... *IT'S BROWN! All that EFFORT to no avail!*

What to do? Well, we've been told by an "expert" that until the vacant lot to the south of us is nuked (destroyed, burned, cleared, a house built on it, whatever) then we can expect to have bugs and weeds continually infecting (invading, infesting, munching, germinating, whatever) our lawn. So, can you see *why* I'm depressed and basically rather ticked off? Alright, so why am I sharing this with you? Have you ever poured your energy into something; made a major commitment you felt important; prayed that God would help in a desperate situation ... only to have your dreams dashed, your prayers unanswered and your spirit broken? That's happened to me way too many times!

How do I deal with it?

How can you deal with it?

Knowing a simple truth in Scripture that I've shared with you time and time again can make all the difference. My Bible doesn't tell me that life will be simple and always filled with happiness ... no, to the contrary, I can expect life to be difficult. However ...

however ... the promise that I find is: "Lo, I am with you always." That's the promise we've been given! God is there through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit even in our roughest times. I've felt that presence. Have you? It gives me hope.....

Alright, so I was talking about a lawn. That's really no big deal. Each and every day we have things that are so much more horrific (hurt-filled, burdensome, troubling, scary, heartbreaking, whatever) to deal with, but "Lo, I am with you always." God is there to bring us hope.

Yeah, my lawn ... it looks pretty hopeless right now, but I'm *not* giving up! I've had some suggestions of some things to do and I am going to try them (after it cools down a bit). I made a commitment and in spite of the setbacks ... I still have *HOPE*.

How about *YOU* ... in spite of the setbacks do you still have *HOPE*? I sure *HOPE* ...

WITH LOVE,

Terry



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<p>October 2010</p>	WORSHIP SCHEDULE	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	
	8:30	Sunday Service	Our deadline for item submission is the 15 th of the month.
	9:45	Sunday School for Adults & Children	Email Lori@lpcjax.org or place articles in the newsletter mailbox located in the church office.
	10:30	Fellowship Time in Benz Hall	
	11:00	Sunday Service	

P.E.P.S.

October 21: Fall Fun Festival. Whether you like BINGO, want to learn how to play BUNCO...or if you have a table of BRIDGE that would like to gather, come join us in Benz Hall for a morning of frolicking fun. We'll start our day at 10:00 a.m. followed by "Brunch for Lunch." If you are still having fun after we eat, you're welcome to stay and play! Total cost is \$8.00.

Peacemaking Offering

2010 is the 30th anniversary of the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program and the Peacemaking Offering. The theme is "Celebrate Christ, Our Peace." Make 2010 a time to renew your commitment to peacemaking as part of your calling as a follower of Christ, who not only taught us the ways of peace but is our peace. This offering was created in 1980 to support the efforts of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to live out a deeper commitment to peacemaking as part of our faithfulness to God. Lakewood will receive the Offering on World Communion Sunday, October 3. Each congregation retains 25% of the donations it receives to use for local ministries of peacemaking within the church and its community, 25% by presbyteries and synods, and 50% by General Assembly ministries through the [Presbyterian Peacemaking Program](#). Congregations are encouraged to consider directing a portion or all of their 25% of the Peacemaking Offering as a faithful Christian response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic. [Find out what the Presbyterian Church \(U.S.A.\)'s International AIDS Ministries is doing.](#)

Flu/Pneumonia Shots

Lakewood has arranged for flu and pneumonia shots to be given at church on Wednesday, October 6, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in Room #8. Flu shots cost \$30.00; Pneumonia shots cost \$50.00. Medicare Part B (with ID) is accepted; otherwise payment is by cash or check only. Sign up on the Friendship Pad or [contact the church office](#) by the deadline of Monday, October 4.



Just for Men



LPC Men's Reserve is a "Men Only" group led by Chris Lawrence with assistance from Alan York. We are beginning the application of Derek Maul's men's small group study "Get Real," a down-to-earth discussion about men's issues and our need to be part of a community of men. We meet during Sunday School in Room #3. Derek explains why God never intended any of us to walk the Christian life by ourselves. There is strength in numbers. We need to be open and honest with each other about our struggles. This eliminates the feeling that we are alone, that no one else is dealing with the issues that we are. It also gives the other men in the group the opportunity to pray for each other. "Get Real" shows the path to living a life that is grounded and spiritually authentic, explaining that the faith journey of the Christian man has many common aspects for ALL men. The most important common thread is honest, sincere, loving fellowship. Through this type of 'real friendship', men are empowered to help lead each other to experience the love of Jesus. "Finally, a book for men's spiritual development that actually starts with Jesus. Not lightly baptized Jungian archetypes. Not secular stereotypes that seek to present Jesus as a 'man's man.' This is good stuff." - John Ortberg, Pastor, Menlo Park Presbyterian Church

Living the Questions class

The Living the Questions class, led by Pastors Terry and Katie, meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Coleman Room.



Mission Faire

The Outreach Ministry is planning a special Mission Faire at Lakewood, November 3 & 7 in Benz Hall. Come and learn about the many groups supported by LPC, such as: Bag Ladies for Hubbard House, The Blood Alliance, CROP Walk, Heifer International, I.M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless, Little Women, Marion Medical Mission, Salvation Army Christmas Stockings, The Sanctuary on 8th Street, LPC Turkey Fund/UCOM and Volunteers in Medicine. This is your chance to get your Christmas "shopping" done early and support many worthwhile causes at the same time. The Faire will be open on Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



E - Corner

On October 17, 2010, we at LPC will celebrate "Evangelism Sunday." But it's not just a Sunday worship theme; it is a campaign that includes our faith community celebrating the "Good News" (the essence of the New Testament's word for evangelism). Here are some of the opportunities we have before us: Prayer: Deliberate prayer by each member individually and in our various groups (i.e. Sunday School classes, Bible Study groups, PEPS, our friends in Christ.) Servant Saturday Event: Saturday, October 16, is a great opportunity to show the face of Christ to our neighbors as we clean up University Blvd. in our church neighborhood. Worship Evangelism Theme on Sunday: Opportunities abound for sharing faith stories, helpful suggestions from the pulpit on how to be a gentle encourager in sharing the Good News. As part of the worship service we can reinforce our hospitality skills to those who are our guests, as well as our old friends. There are also hymn selections available as well as greeting and announcements, call to worship, call to confession, prayers, scripture readings, and an invitation to discipleship, all centered on the evangelism theme. And remember; "The Word took on human flesh and blood and moved into the neighborhood." John 1:14 (MSG)

The Youth Group at Lakewood

Youth Group Regular Sunday Night Schedule 2010-2011

4:30 – 5:30	Middle School Youth Group
5:30 – 6:00	All Youth Music
6:00 – 6:30	All Youth Dinner
6:30 – 8:00	High School Youth Group

October 1-3	Middle School Retreat @ Camp Montgomery
October 3	Regular Schedule
October 10	Youth in Worship-go out for lunch
October 17	Regular Schedule
October 24	Regular Schedule
October 31	TRUNK or TREAT!



Child's Play Preschool at Lakewood

We started our 13th year on September 7 with 125 students attending school at Lakewood in our 2, 3 and 4 year old classes. We also have 35 children (ages 1-2) in our Mothers Morning Out classroom. We have a staff of 22 dedicated teachers working in our preschool, which is a very busy, but diverse area of the church each weekday morning. Please stop by for a visit and enjoy our little ones.

During August we were able to complete three projects around the church. These projects were made possible by our Annual Dinner Auction fundraiser, which is hosted by our supportive, hardworking parent community. A door to the playground was installed from our Mothers Morning Out Room (Church Nursery); a "window exit slide" was installed from our Weber's Frog room to the Wheel Toy Track for all classes to enjoy; and a large storage closet was built in the former Senior High Room. This enables the Preschool to consolidate all of its belongings in one area. A special thank you to Bob Falls and Larry "Skip" Paylor for their assistance with these projects.

Another new addition you will see on our small playground was made possible by our sweet preschool friend and supporter, Sally Kampfe. Sally donated the wonderful airplane that is now a favorite of all our preschoolers on our Wheel Toy Track. THANK YOU, MRS. KAMPFE!

We still have openings in our 3 & 4 year old rooms – pass the word!

Young Disciples

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

Oct 3.

Remain in Sanctuary to celebrate World Communion.

Oct 10.

Practice parts for leading in worship.

Oct 17.

Young Disciples lead worship.

Oct 24.

Stewardship.

Oct 31.

Daniel in the Lion's Den.

If you have questions, contact:

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Help LPC "GO GREEN"!

To receive a monthly newsletter by e-mail, [tell Lori Appenfelder](#) "I'M GREEN" and we'll take you off the mailing list. In May we mailed 396 copies; in October only 206! We need to reduce our paper mailing to 79-will you be one of the 127 households that help us meet our goal? When mailing less than 200 copies, we can't use the bulk mail rate, so we will have to pay first class postage of \$.44 for each newsletter.

Ministry News and Notes-August 17, 2010

Administration:

Cash position good, but July expenses exceeded projection by \$12,000. Detailed budget reports have been requested from all ministries for planning to ensure expenses are coded to the correct accounts; Discussion held to plan and budget for Terry's Sabbatical next year. If Lily Grant is awarded, \$15,000 will be available to put toward these expenses; Ministry budgets are due by September 8; Ministry recommended Session approve a Special Offering to assist with the remaining cost of new choir robes and the expense for the Christmas Cantata guest musicians. Motion made, seconded and carried to request a special offering for \$1700-\$1800 for remaining cost of new choir robes and cost of guest musicians for Christmas Cantata. All monies collected in excess will be placed in the "guest musician" portion of the budget; any shortfall will be made up from Memorial Funds.

Building & Grounds:

Ann Sory Meadows has resigned from the Committee; new exits and slide have been completed in the Nursery and 3 year old classrooms; Power Lift leaked hydraulic fluid which was removed-affected areas of lawn were replaced; T8 ballast project is half finished; Concrete sidewalk repair and replacement to be completed by August 20. Cost of \$2550 will be shared by painting contractor and Capital Campaign; Landscape proposal is underway to renovate the area in front of the education building; Work Day is rescheduled for September 25; Security camera proposal is \$5295; Security system for Scout Hut will be \$495; Ministry requested approval to complete the second half of the ballasts, fixtures and holders project at a cost of \$1600 to finish transition from T-12's to T-8's with money to be taken from 2009 Reserve. Motion made, seconded and carried to finish the lighting project initiated by the Building and Grounds Ministry. \$1600 will be provided from the 2009 Reserve to cover the expense.

Building Update:

Steeple renovation completed August 16; Building and Grounds Ministry is replacing/repairing the sidewalks out front; Architect is working on the permit; Breaking Ground Contractors assisting with the budget process and material selection as well as a sign quote; Interior renovation to the Scout Hut is almost complete; Building Committee is defining the scope and priorities for work to be done to the kitchen, Benz Hall and the Education Building.

Christian Education:

Were thanked by San Jose Episcopal and Kauapa Church for the use of our VBS materials; Volunteer Appreciation dinner held June 29; High School Mission trip was held in Copperhill, TN; Middle School participated in the Cross Mission in Charlotte, NC; 5000 youth participated in Triennium; Rally Day will be August 22 with the traditional pancake breakfast; Fourth graders will receive their Bibles; Teachers and Leaders for 2010-11 need approval. Motion made, seconded and carried to approve the following teachers and leaders for the 2010-2011 school year; Cynthia Graham, Robin Momberg, Gina Coarsey, Diana Allen, Lynn Holmes, Christine Gingrich, Emily Sparks, Lori Appenfelder, Bethany

Atkins, Stacey Berger, Arnie Blevins, Beth Bull, Judy Chrisman, Paul Chrisman, Andrea Kato, Wendy Monger, Nicole Mills, Allison Pound, Doreen Pratt, Meg Sheffield, Sheryl Spencer, Avril Wylie, Susan Keith, Doris York, Barbara Durant, Ben Robinson, Katie Robb, Michele Muskus, Jo Ann Copeland, Karen Green, Linda Allen, James Robinson and Chris Lawrence..

Communication:

Facebook fans total 121; Members have joined due to website; Website is one year old and has received an average of 547 monthly visitors and 2100 page views; 365 copies of The LPC Herald mailed in July, 253 in August; VBS photos were submitted to The Resident News; Monument sign specification submitted to sign companies for quotes; Black and white directory is being coordinated with new members included; Planning underway to celebrate the Sanctuary anniversary.

Congregational Care:

DOVES list was reviewed and modified; VBS participants made notes for the DOVES; "Bread for the World" correspondence was received and reviewed.

Evangelism and Church Growth:

Calls to first time visitors were assigned; "E-Corner" for September will discuss PCUSA Evangelism Sunday Campaign to be held October 17. LPC will be encouraged to conduct a "Servant Day." Plans are to hold a cleanup of University Blvd.

Outreach:

25 blood donations collected in July-next drive is September 26; Two trunk loads of items were delivered to the USO for our military troops; Lucille Hart Fund will be used to buy back-to-school clothing for identified children (\$1,015 was available from the fund); ICARE information will be discussed at September Session meeting.

Program:

Patriotic Concert had 104 attendees; October programs are: 6-Oktoberfest; 13-Stewardship; 20-Service of Wholeness; 27-Ireland Travel log; 31-Trunk or Treat.

Stewardship:

Collected \$650 for Pentecost Offering; Peace Offering will be collected on October 3. Minute for Missions will promote offering; Stewardship Campaign for 2011 is "Now What" - Minute for Missions will promote the campaign; Session members were requested to turn in their "faith promises" by the September meeting; Ministry Moderators asked to create a "Wish List" by September 10 using the questions: What would the Ministry be able to do with an increase in giving: How much would each item cost?

Worship:

Requested submissions for the Advent Devotional Guide. Printing and assembling is scheduled; Communion Table and Flower Stand delivered in July; Coordinating with Program Ministry to provide dinner and decorating on November 27; Large artificial Christmas tree will be sold and two smaller Christmas Trees purchased for the Sanctuary;

See Ministry News on Page 5

Dear Lakewood Presbyterian Church:

Please accept the accompanying check for \$150.00 as a donation to the church and "thank you" for your kind and generous hosting of our Sierra Club meetings. We have long enjoyed a special relationship and want to share this token of appreciation for the church's letting us meet there regularly. We appreciate the congregation continuing to host us on the 2nd Monday evening of each month for the foreseeable future; we start typically at 6:30 p.m. and generally are locked up and gone about 8:30-9:00 p.m. Our meetings are open to the public, so of course, members of the church are welcome to come and participate! Thanks for your assistance. We aim to be neat and responsible as a user of your fine facility. Tom Larson, Chair, Sierra Club Northeast Florida Group



Thank You! Ten years ago, Mike Coldwell and Tony Testino told me that I would enjoy working with the nice people at LPC. Time has flown by, and their words have proven to be true. I want to thank you, the congregation of LPC, for being so supportive of me and of our music ministry. I am blessed to be able to work with many loving, helpful, and talented people. Thank you to the committee (I believe they were nicknamed the "Rod Squad!") for putting together a very special evening to honor my 10th anniversary. I shall never forget the occasion or the love that went into planning and executing it. Now, onward to Advent and Christmas! Rodney Cleveland

LPC Plants Seeds of Love. Thanks to the generosity of our LPC members and other loving hearts outside our church, the Bag Ladies have been able to deliver 40-45 Welcome Bags to Hubbard House each month for the past 33 months. We hope to reach our 1,500th bag goal by the end of this year. Because we are so grateful for your contributions, we wanted you to share in the joy of spreading God's love to children in neighboring counties. Therefore, the Bag Ladies voted to follow the instructions in The Third Letter of John, verses 5-8 by giving some "seed money" to two new Bag Ladies groups. One group in Orange Park is serving Quigley House, the Clay County abuse shelter; another is the Fernandina Beach Presbyterian Bag Ladies who are supplying children's Welcome Bags to Micah's Place, the Nassau County shelter. Because of your ongoing support, children in neighboring communities will now be comforted by the love that is in every bag. And it couldn't have happened without you!

Sanctuary Flower Calendar

- Oct 3 Kathy & Dan Burns
- Oct 10 Sorensen family
- Oct 17 Lori & Andy Patterson
- Oct 24 Roberta Davis
- Oct 31 Rosanna & Jeff Arey
- Nov 7 Judy Phillips
- Nov 14 Gail Baker
- Nov 21 THANKSGIVING
- Nov 28 Robyn Ossi

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



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WN @ LPC

Join us for dinner at 6:00 p.m. and a program at 6:45 p.m. every Wednesday in Benz Hall. Our October schedule is:

- 6 Oktoberfest
- 13 Stewardship
- 20 Service of Wholeness
- 27 Ireland Travel Log
- 31 Trunk or Treat (SUNDAY)

Children under 10 eat free; adult meals cost \$6.00. [Reservation](#) deadline is noon on Monday.

Ministry News (continued from page 4)

Worship (continued) Important dates: September 5-Communion; October 3-World Communion Sunday; November 17-Service of Thanks; November 21-Christ the King Sunday; November 27- Decorate the Sanctuary; November 28-First Sunday in Advent/Christmas Season; December 5-No Communion.

Unfinished Business:

The installation of a safe instead of taking bags to the bank; deferred to the next Session meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



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Birthdays

Tom Joyner, 10/1
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Chuck Atkins, 10/5
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Elizabeth Mai, 10/7
Don Spencer, 10/8
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Robert Serafini, 10/10
Toni Hatchett, 10/12
Gerald Lee, 10/12

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Jenna Goudreau, 10/14
Pam Lawrence, 10/15
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Clayton Green, 10/18
Lori Patterson, 10/18
Jason Chrisman, 10/20
Diana Balow, 10/21
Lynne Fossey, 10/21
Earl Montie, 10/21
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Paula Bartlett, 10/29
Scott Hamilton, 10/29
Bill Hatchett IV, 10/29
Ali Stewart, 10/29
Lynn Bidleman, 10/31
Ann Meek, 10/31

Anniversaries

Toni & Bill Hatchett, 10/2
Terry & Frank Kovach, 10/2
Anne & George Smith, 10/4
Mala & Wayman Hatman, 10/5
Barbara & Carl Leupold, 10/9
Avril & Dennis Wylie, 10/10
Sue & Chuck Mitchell, 10/11
Cathy & Jens Sorensen, 10/12
Paula & Tom Robertson, 10/15
Pam & Chris Lawrence, 10/24
Jean & Ryan Fryman, 10/27
Carol & Peter Stratikis, 10/30

We thank God for you! If your birthday or anniversary is not correct, or if it is not listed, please [contact the church office](#) so that we can update our records.