



Most Recent & Acute Needs

Ryan Moore, Tonya Bailey, Burley Lamb, Kenneth Campbell, Tammie Dick, Linda Warren, Jonathan Stone, Mary Lou Lout, John Walker, Sequinn Lee, Sherry Lawson, Pat Adams, Yancy Boyd Fleming Bradford, Jamie Evans, Garrison McIver, Dwight Preston, Buddy Hancock, Mikey Hughes, Bristell Andrews, Jonathan Statler, Stephanie Autery, Elexis Walters, Margaret Ihlo, Bonnie LeRoy, Scotti Smith Castro, Louise Huff, Cliff Porter, Jennifer Alsdorf, Joyce Cogswell, Clyde Samford, Jimmy West, Linda Holly, Craig Halton

Healing and Recovery

Joyce George, Doug Heilmann, Donna Holt, Winnie Preston, Janice Aykey, Eleanor Ginn, Tammy Bohannon, John Griffin, Cecil & Virginia Watlington, Randy Bush, Alice Sue Howard, Robert Ortigo, Jeannie Moody Taylor

Long Term Need for Healing

Howard Logan, Charlie Dina, Jeri Frank, Kevin Blake, Paula Kimbro Black, Kevin O'Conner, Lynn Fox, Debbie Mercer, J.W. & Bobbie Braden, Brooklyn Swann, Charles Hall, Jay Teske, Beth Kell, Patti Ballard Martin, Orval Headley, Billy Wayne Williams, Roy Masterson, Zac Day, Martin Jones

At Home & Nursing Home Members & Friends

Bea Mettauer, Lyndell Griffin, Minnie Lovejoy, Mae Dell Brannen, Gwendolyn Crawford, Margaret Henry, Yvonne Permenter, Doris Wennerbom, Edith Franks, Billy Williams

Those Serving Our Country

Robby Hughes, Wade Angelo, Josh Nobles, Jimmy Crocker, Jason Adams, Chris Bentley, Stephen Bentley, Kirk Cogswell, Cpl. Dustin W. Osgood, Caleb Rasmussen, Trey Taylor, Jason Peveto, Josh Waller, Kyle Bell, Robert Shaun Johnson, Rebecca Kruger, David Johnson, Anthony Johnson, Major Jonathon Welborn, Lt. Cody Dobiyaniski, Staff Sgt. Hannah Wilkins Saunders, Dylan Barbee, Jacob Jones, Caleb Jones, Thomas Bartle, Dallas Osburn, Daniel Fox

Comfort & Peace

The Families James Moore, Weston Burnaman

*We are working to update our prayer list. If you see names listed above that need to be removed, please contact the church office.

UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday, June 27

8:00 am Wonderful Wednesday-Lufkin Zoo
9:00 am Ladies Exercise in the Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm MYF/Handbells
6:00 pm Choir

Friday, June 29

9:00 am Ladies Exercise in the Fellowship Hall

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH

**Church Camp starts NEXT SUNDAY (July 8th)!!!!!!
Lakeview Methodist Conference Center
Attending 8:30 worship
Loading luggage @ 10am
Pulling out of the parking lot @ 11am**

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Arthur James Balfour once wrote that “ the best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to a mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all people charity.”

Scripture sums it up by calling us to love God with all our soul, strength, mind and heart and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Norman Vincent Peale said that if “we lived up to this majestic utterance, our responsibility to history will be fulfilled and nation prosper.”

De Tocqueville saw the greatness of our nation in a place he didn’t expect to find it.... In our nation’s churches. He said that “America is great because she is good and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great.”

What makes our nation great? The question has gotten a lot of press over the last few years. Answers vary. There seem to be as many different answers as the number of people you ask. But I think it goes back to what the first settlers came to this land to find and establish. It goes back to what de Tocqueville saw: her “(America’s) churches aflame with righteousness”. For America to be great, the church must be righteous and good and a shining example. ...As Matthew said to be a city on a hill, a light on a lampstand. How are we doing friends?

A prayer by Peter Marshall states it all very well:

May freedom be seen, not as the right to do what we please, but as the opportunity to please do what is right. May it ever be understood that our liberty is under God and can be found nowhere else. May our faith be something that is not merely stamped upon our coins, but expressed in our lives... To the extent that America honors Thee, wilt thou bless America and keep her true as thou hast kept her free, and make her good as thou hast made her rich. Amen Have a blessed birthday America!

Pastor Karen



NO NEWSLETTER THE WEEK OF JULY 1st

Memorials

Bishop Samford

Mike & Keela Johnson

Pauline Lorah

Mike & Keela Johnson
Suzanne Ihlo

Lou Ella Menefee Langston

Vickie Warr
Suzanne Ihlo

Tim Boyd

Suzanne Ihlo

Pat Brittain

Suzanne Ihlo

Barbara Windham

Suzanne Ihlo

July Schedules

Acolytes

July 1st – Special Volunteer
July 8th -8:30 am-Ty & Grant Gregory/11:00 am-Easton and Emi Kate Wulf
July 15th - 8:30 am-Jaxon Goings/11:00 am-Hudsyn Wulf
July 22nd -8:30 am-Ty & Grant Gregory/11:00 am-Logan Galindo & Tristan Carlton
July 29th -8:30 am-Jaxon Goings/11:00 am-Rex & Zac Payne

Children's Church

July 1st - No Children's Church
July 8th -8:30 am-Mary Pigg & Sally Windham/11:00 am-Ashley Wulf
July 15th -8:30 am-Becky Parfait/11:00 am-Renee Verdine & Keela Johnson
July 22nd -8:30 am-Terri Lacher/11:00 am-Mary Lynn Tinkle
July 29th -Special Volunteer

Coffee Fellowship

July 1st -OPEN FOR VOLUNTEERS
July 8th -OPEN FOR VOLUNTEERS
July 15th -MYF
July 22nd – OPEN FOR VOLUNTEERS
July 29th – 5th Sunday-Covered Dish Lunch to follow combined worship service
***Please note if spots are not filled there will be no food served on that day.**

July 18 – Wonderful Wednesday: trip to Longview to visit the homeless mission and learn about the variety of programs that they offer to help individuals improve their lives

(morning). We will be having lunch in a local park.

Ages: **children entering 1st grade – finishing 4th grade**

Children entering Kindergarten are welcome to come along, but must be accompanied by a parent or grandparent.

Meet at the church at 8:00. . . bring a sack lunch and a drink.

The church will furnish coolers for lunches and drinks.

Normal summer clothing will be appropriate for this trip.

Nancy Dickerson



July 1: Movie Night @ 6:00 pm
July 4: No Youth
July 11: No Youth
July 8-13: Church Camp



Dear Kids 'N Christ,

Thank you very much for cleaning our front steps. It was difficult for us to do. It was fun to just see you and it was very thoughtful!

From, Mr. Roy Masterson & Lyn Logan

July 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 *Altar Flowers Patriotic Service Rita Danner 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 6:00 PM Youth Movie Night	2 3:00 PM Staff Meeting	3	4 No Choir No Handbells No MYF OFFICE CLOSED	5 Nancy Dickerson	6 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise	7 Liam Windham
8 Jimmy McSwain Lakeview Church Camp 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship	9 Lakeview Church Camp Sally Windham	10 Lakeview Church Camp 1:30 PM BINGO	11 Lakeview Church Camp No MYF 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise 5:00 PM Handbells 6:00 PM Choir	12 Dean & Dane Walker Lakeview Church Camp Larry Cruse	13 Guy Griffin Lakeview Church Camp 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise 2:30 PM Green Acres	14 Cliff Wilkinson Luke Mooney
15 Camper Sermon 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship	16 Tanner Peace 3:00 PM Staff Meeting	17 Andi Foster 5:15 PM Finance Committee	18 8:00 AM Wonderful Wednesday 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise 5:00 PM Handbells 5:00 PM MYF 6:00 PM Choir	19 5:30 PM Trustees Committee Meeting-Parlor	20 Becky Maidic Luke Fausett 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise	21 9:00 AM Pineywoods Photography Club
22 Anna Jones 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship	23 Connie Mettauer 3:00 PM Staff Meeting	24 Sammy Arnold 5:15 PM Church Council Meeting	25 Cindy A. Griffin Kenneth Hardy 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise 5:00 PM Handbells 5:00 PM MYF 6:00 PM Choir	26 Tom Hairgrove	27 Philip Crelia Rob Payne 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise 2:30 PM Holiday	28
29 Melba Williams Top 10 Hymn Sing 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Combined Worship Covered Dish following service 6:00 PM Choir Concert	30 Evelyn Adams 3:00 PM Staff Meeting	31 Kwayde Lucas	1 Spence Dance 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise 5:00 PM Handbells 5:00 PM MYF 6:00 PM Choir	2 Alec Lucas 6:00 PM DePelchin Post Adoption Training in Fellowship Hall	3 9:00 AM Ladies Exercise	4 Jason Bobbitt



“There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.” Romans 8:1 (NIV) Did you ever notice that one of the hardest things to overcome for young people is shyness and low self-esteem? They live in a world where they are put down by their peers and lacking the approval and acceptance by their parents. Left to their own, they develop into neurotic adults who don't know how precious they really are. But our Heavenly Father tells us in His Word over and over again how valuable and loved we are. Charles Wesley made it his life's work to share God's love with the common people as he rode through small villages and hamlets sharing through over 5,000 to 6,000 hymns he had written. He wrote about how much God loves us through the sacrificial death of His one and only Son, Christ Jesus! “And how can it be...” he wrote, that our Lord and Savior should die for us? It is through the unfailing love of our Heavenly Father that we can once again learn to love ourselves! Father God, we thank You for Your unfathomable love! Help us today to throw off the chains of feeling unworthy of Your love. Give us the strength to lift our hearts in the fullness of Your love, and teach us through Your Holy Spirit how to love ourselves and others as You have first loved us. AMEN

You may send your prayer requests and praises to Terri Lacher at btlacher@sbcglobal.net or at (936) 598-3484 or (936)332-2717

Celebrating a special occasion?
Honoring a loved one?

Say it with
FLOWERS
Sign up to provide flowers for the altar

Contact Kelli in the church office to reserve your spot.

Sign-up to Serve for Coffee Fellowship

We have several dates available in July for Coffee Fellowship. If those dates are not filled then there will not be food served that day.

Contact Kelli in the church office!