

STUDENT MINISTRIES *EVENTS*

Student Events

Evolve (7th and 8th) and Encounter (9-12th)

Encounter (9th-12th Grade)

Sun., Jan. 14: **Encounter** 7-8:30 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 21: **Encounter** 7-8:30 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 28: **Encounter** 7-8:30 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 4: Rest No **Encounter**
7-8:30 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 5: Feeding Ministry 3:30 -
7 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 11: **Encounter** 7-8:30 p.m.

Evolve (7th-8th Grade)

Wed., Jan. 17: **Evolve** 6:30-8 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 24: **Evolve** 6:30-8 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 31: **Evolve** 6:30-8 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 5: Feeding Ministry 3:30 -
7 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 7: **Evolve** 6:30-8 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 14: **Ash Wednesday**
Pot Luck Dinner at 5:30 p.m.
Service at 6:30 p.m.

Kids' Corner by Ann van der Merwe

Like Sheep...

"Sheep have a strong instinct to follow the sheep in front of them. When one sheep decides to go somewhere, the rest of the flock usually follows, even if it is not a good "decision." For example, sheep will follow each other to slaughter. If one sheep jumps over a cliff, the others are likely to follow. Even from birth, lambs are conditioned to follow the older members of the flock. This instinct is "hard-wired" into sheep. It's not something they "think" about." – www.sheep101.info/flocking.html

Sheep instinctively follow each other. And we are like that, too. We tend to go along with what other people are doing. We want to be normal. But, as the information above tells us, that does not always lead us to good things. It can leave us lost, hurt, or even dead.

Thankfully, we have a shepherd who comes after us. Jesus is our Good Shepherd, and He will risk everything to find us.

Weekly Prayer List

Ron and Debbie Benedict, Claudia and Gary Cunningham, Talitha Colston, Chuck Duerré, Dick Kaufman, Don Lycan and Steve Penrod

Flowers This Morning are Given by

Judy Fisher and family in loving memory of Bill Fisher, Harriet and Meryl Gray and Joe and Rosemary Fisher.

Attendance - January 7, 2018

8:45 a.m. - 239 11:15 a.m.- 121 Total - 360
Sunday School - 158
Offering \$11,529.52

Operating Fund Income thru December 2017 - \$1,178,599.45
Operating Fund Expense thru December 2017 - \$1,071,811.70

For Our Guests

Thank you for taking the time to complete the Guest Information on our attendance registration pad. We value your visit with us and this is a simple way of letting us know how we may better meet your needs. Thanks for visiting! We're glad you're here.

Parking--We have three locations for parking: the side lot on Silver St., the alley lot on Warren St. and the county parking lot directly across East St.

Rest Rooms are located in the hallway by the Welcome Center, on the lower level of the ARK and in the classroom office/wing.

Welcome Center--located in the Narthex area between the Sanctuary and the ARK. Please stop by and check out opportunities open to you here at Lebanon Presbyterian Church.

Sunday School--Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Everyone Welcome

Adult classes located in the Classroom/Office Wing:

Faith Weavers- Jim VanDeGrift in Room 102
Faith Explorers - Gary Ensing in Room 305
Bible in Life - Jim Garrett in Room 306
S.A.L.T. class - in Room 304
Raising Godly Kids - Rachael Earley in Room 311
Vintage - Teens and parents of youth grade 7-12 in LPC Youth Center

Children's Sunday School

Ages 2 - 4th grade on the lower level the ARK
5th and 6th graders in the Rainbow Room

Nursery and Family Room

Ages 2 and under are welcome in our staffed nursery located between the Ark and the Welcome Center
We also have a Family Room with worship audio located next to our Welcome Center

Worship at LPC

Traditional Worship Sunday at 8:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Christian Education at 10 a.m.

Contemporary Worship Sunday at 11:15 a.m. in the Ark

Prayer teams available following worship
for those who desire prayer.

The Facility schedule is available on our video displays
and online at www.lebanonpresbyterian.org

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Lost and ...



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Soul Food: A Word from Andrew

Shrek the Sheep



Shrek was a renegade sheep. He went missing from his flock and remained lost for 6 years. The person who found him living in a cave on a high and rugged place in New Zealand didn't recognize him as a sheep. "He looked like some biblical creature," he said. In a way, he was. Shrek was a picture of what happens to sheep who become separated from their shepherd.

Shrek had to be carried down the mountain because his fleece was so heavy (60 lbs or 27 kg) that he couldn't walk down on his own. To relieve Shrek of the weight of his waywardness, he was turned upside down so that he would remain still and not be harmed when the shearer removed his heavy fleece.

How are you like Shrek?

What have you picked up in your wool?

What heavy burdens are you carrying?

What cave are you living in?

Sermon Notes: Lost and ...



Blood Drive January 20

Join the Race for Life on Saturday, January 20 from 7:30-11:30 a.m. when the Deacons of LPC will sponsor a blood drive in the Ark. We need your help to make a difference in our community. Want to donate? Be sure to bring a photo ID with you when giving blood. Mark your calendar NOW!

Coming Alongside

We will meet the third Tuesday, January 16 at noon for a luncheon at the Golden Lamb. Call Becky Adams at 513-932-3372 for reservation and details.

Communion Class Starts January 28

Each year, LPC offers an opportunity for children to learn about the sacrament of Holy Communion and begin taking part in it on a regular basis. This year's class will meet during the Sunday school hour from January 28 through February 25, culminating in a special celebration for our newest communicants in worship on Sunday, March 4. The class is open to children in second grade or above, along with one or both parents. To sign up, please contact Ann van der Merwe via email at ann@lebanonpresbyterian.org.

Family Movie Night



Friday, January 19. The featured movie will be **Nanny McPhee**. Movie Summary: Seven spoiled children that still manage to be not quite Super Nanny material, have managed to chase away their 17th nanny, making the Banks children seem downright well mannered, and coming close to the Addams brood. Not knowing what to do, with the Agency refusing to send any others, their over indulgent father hears a voice directing him to Nanny McPhee, who eventually shows up on her own. We'll have pizza and sodas at 6:30 p.m., and start the movie and popcorn around 7 p.m. The cost is still only \$7 per family. So bring your friends and come on out to join us!

Celebrating the Life of Dr. King

There will be a community walk today at 1 p.m. to celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We will gather at Lebanon Presbyterian Church and walk for several blocks through downtown Lebanon before returning to the church for refreshments. Also, there will be a community service on Monday, January 15 at 7 p.m. at Resurrection Lutheran Church to honor the memory of Dr. King. Please join us for this inspiring and uplifting event.

F3 - Fitness, Fellowship and Faith

Just in time for your New Year's Resolution, all men are invited to participate in F3 Lebanon. The mission is to plant, grow and serve small workout groups for men for the invigoration of male community leadership. Workouts take place at the LJHS Football field, or here at LPC in the Ark when there is seriously adverse weather (or freezing cold). January and February workouts will be in the LPC Ark. Workouts begin at 5:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and 7 a.m. on Saturdays, and last about 45 minutes. For questions, please contact Steve Fennessey at 513-518-5799 or scfennessey@gmail.com.

Grief Share

Grief Share at LPC is a faith-based, small group support network taught by experts in the field of grief (via video) with discussions focused on your own personal experience of loss. Wednesdays we meet in Room 311 at 6:30 p.m. This will largely run concurrently with our regularly scheduled Wednesday Nights Together Program. Workbooks will be provided at no cost to you. You can join us at any time! For more information or to register, contact Rev. Randy Fannin at 513-932-2751 or randy@lebanonpresbyterian.org. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center.

Reading Glasses Needed

The Mexico Missions Team is once again collecting reading glasses of all strengths for our trip to Mexico on Feb. 17. Your donations help people do simple tasks as well as read the Bible, the newspaper, and generally helps make life easier. We will keep a box in the Narthex during Sunday services and will transfer them to the office during regular business hours. **Only reading glasses please.** We have no way to distribute prescription glasses.



Music Makers

If you have an infant, toddler, or preschooler, come join us for the new session of Music Makers at Lebanon Presbyterian Church! In this parent-child class, we sing, play instruments, dance, and learn about God through music and togetherness. All classes are led by Ann van der Merwe, Director of Children's Ministry.

Winter Session January 23 - March 22

Tuesdays @ 10 a.m. or Thursdays @ 6:30 p.m. in Room 301

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:45 a.m. Worship Service

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements Andrew Johnson
Ministry Minute
F3 - Fitness, Fellowship and Faith Steve Fennessey
Lenten Devotional Nina Dorsch

Chiming of the Hour *(Let us prepare our hearts to worship God)*

Prelude Daniel Sachs

*Call to Worship (Luke 15) Andrew Johnson
Leader: When the lost are found,
People: There is joy!
Leader: When Children come home
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Leader: When hope overcomes despair,
People: There is joy!
Leader: When we seek and find God's faithfulness,
ALL: Praise God! There is joy!

*Hymn
God Is Here! Hymn 701

WE PRAY

Prayer of Confession Rick McNeely
Gracious and loving God, Your love is amazing. Nobody loves like you. You are the Good Shepherd. We are silly sheep. We follow our appetites and we get lost. We get scared at the violence, pain, destruction, hopelessness and despair we see in the world. We rely on our own strength, our own plans, rather than trusting in your hand to hold us, your love to sustain us, and your wisdom to see us through. LORD Jesus find us. Find us in the sin we're stuck in and save us. Save us and restore us that we may experience your joy. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

* Response *Doxology*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above, Ye heavenly host
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WE GIVE BACK TO GOD

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 Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon Ann van der Merwe

Children are Dismissed
Preschool - 2nd grade are dismissed to Children's Church-Room 301

*Hymn
Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us Hymn 522

Second Scripture Reading
Luke 15:1-10 Pew Bible, page 740

Sermon Andrew Johnson
 Lost and ...

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

*Closing Hymn
Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound Hymn 502

Charge Andrew Johnson

Benediction Sanctuary Choir
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