

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Encounter (9th-12th Grade)

Evolve (7th-8th Grade)

Sun., Feb. 3: REST: No Encounter

Mon., Feb. 4: Feeding Ministry 4-7 p.m.

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Wed., Feb. 6: Evolve 6:30-8 p.m.

Sun., Feb. 10: Nerf Night 7-9 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 13: Evolve 6:30-8 p.m.

Sun., Feb. 17: Encounter Guys/Girls-Homes

Feb. 15-16 - Evolve Believe Weekend

Sun., Feb. 24: Encounter Service

Wed., Feb. 20: Evolve 6:30-8 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 27: Evolve 6:30-8 p.m.

Kids' Corner by Ann van der Merwe

Moving the Wheel

My family and I have visited a historic sawmill in northern Michigan. We learned about how the sawmill works by using water from a nearby stream to move a waterwheel. When the wheel moves, so does the saw. And then, the saw can cut logs. And it can do it much faster than two people working by hand.

Today's scripture makes me think about that waterwheel. Like the stream at the sawmill, the love in our lives comes from God. Once the love is flowing, its power spreads – to the people around us and back to God. And, just like the strength of the water, knowing God's love makes difficult things easier.

Maybe you're finding it hard to love someone today. Take a moment and ask God to pour some love into you so that it gets easier to love that person.

Weekly Prayer List

Betsy Bollow, Ken Butterworth, and Marianne Duerré

Flowers This Morning are Given by

Harry, Eric, Margot, Victoria and Carl in remembrance of their father, Dean Buckner.

Attendance - Sunday, January 27, 2019

8:45 - 218

11:15 a.m. - 157

Total - 375

Sunday School - 168

Offering - \$15,879.80

Giving 2019

Operating Fund Income thru January 2019 - \$83,122.79

Operating Fund Expense thru January 2019 - \$146,337.27

Giving (General Contributions) 2019

Year to date giving \$52,947.15 - 4.66% of our 2019 goal of \$1,137,030

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.

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

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 313

Bible in Life - Jim Garrett in Room 306

Young Adult Ministry - Andrew Klenk/Rachel Jaynes/Joy Seick in Room 307

S.A.L.T. class - in Room 309

Raising Godly Kids - Rachael Earley in Room 311

Vintage - Teens and parents of youth grade 7-12 in LPC Youth Center

Children's classes located on third floor of the Classroom/Office Wing:

Embrace - Ages birth to 2 years old in the Nursery (main floor)

Explore - Preschool to Kindergarten in Room 301

Excite - 1st through 4th Grade in Room 302 and 304

Engage - 5th and 6th Grade in Room 305

Nursery/Family Room

We have a 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.

Session - (Session minutes are available in the church office)

Garry Benner

Lee Bollow

Shelley Bondurant

Cheryl Bogen

Chuck Duerré

Chris Dorsch

Dave Hanley

Ned Earley

Rita Poth

Larry Oury

Joe McKenzie

Robert Terrell

Bernie Uchtman

Mike Schneider

Elly Wilson

Carolyn Lucke - Clerk of Session

Worship at LPC

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

Christian Education at 10 a.m.

Modern 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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Love

each other as I have loved

You



Loving God

I recently came across this text from author Jon Bloom and wanted to share it with you today as we focus on loving God and loving others.

“If we love God most, we will love others best. I find this to be a convicting and uncomfortable truth: How we love others, particularly other Christians, reveals how we love God. The apostle John puts it bluntly: ‘He who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen.’ Our love for each other is an indicator of the place God is holding in our hearts.

God is very good at designing things this way: our faith is revealed by our works, our creeds are revealed by our deeds, and our love for him is revealed by our love for others. He makes it very hard for us to fake it. And this is a great kindness.

Since the greatest and second greatest commandments are involved in these things, we know they are important to God. So perhaps the best thing we can do today is take an honest, lingering look at the way we love others, allow what we see to have its effect on us, and ask God what he would have us do in response.

We may find that this is the most loving thing we will do for everyone else today.”

Sermon Notes: Loving God

Are You Ready for The Big Game?

If you're between the ages of 18-30, come join the YACHT Club's Superbowl Party! Help us kick the year off right with a pregame celebration, your favorite game-day snacks, and some great football. Invite your friends and join us starting at 6 p.m. tonight at Joy and Joe's house, 9851 Deer Track Rd. West Chester, OH 45069. For more information, reach out to Rachel at 513-305-1076 or Joy at 513-646-1348. Hope to see you there!

This Year in Jerusalem!

The planning is done, seats on the plane to Tel Aviv have been reserved, and a core group of LPC folks are ready for the trip of a lifetime to Israel. ***And there is still room available for you to join us!*** All in the LPC family, including family and friends, are invited to learn more about this life-changing experience, and consider joining us on this amazing tour! Brochures and reservation forms will be available after services on February 3 and 10. For more information go to <http://www.pilgrimtours.com/groups/lebanonpresbyterian2019.htm>. Everyone interested in joining the tour is invited to an informational meeting at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 10 in Room 102.

The Isaacs to Appear at LPC

Thursday, March 14 at 7 p.m. in the Ark! Tickets are \$15 and on sale now at itickets.com. Tickets available for purchase at the church during regular office hours. We are seeking volunteers to help with marketing, tickets, concessions, security, hospitality and roadies for this special LPC event. For more information on how you can help, please contact Charlie Dilbeck at charliedilbeck@gmail.com or 513-623-3497 or Rick McNeely in the church office at 513-932-2751 or you can sign up online via the church website lebanonpresbyterian.org.

Evolve (6th, 7th, 8th) Believe Weekend Feb 15 & 16

Believe is a 24 hour event for current 6th, 7th & 8th graders produced by Christ In Youth, an organization that has been putting together age-intentional events all over the world for almost 50 years. It takes place in a large auditorium, where your child will worship alongside tons of other students their age. It's literally an experience they'll get nowhere else. It's also one of the safest and most well-organized events for students in the country! We will be staying overnight at Woodland Lakes Christian Camp in Amelia. Cost is \$85. Go to lebanonpresbyterian.org/students/evolve for more info and to sign up.

Encounter (9th-12th) on Spring Break! March 22 - 29

Hey high school students! Go hiking with Encounter in Tennessee's Cumberland Mountains for only \$150. ANY current high school student is welcome so invite your friends! Go to lebanonpresbyterian.org/students/encounter for more info and to sign up.

Evolve (Current 6th, 7th, 8th) Stronghold Summer Camp June 8-14

Evolve is a blast! It's fun because it has a purpose! We want kids to meet Jesus Christ through God's Word and through our leaders -- but we need everybody's help to do this! Have your students invite their friends and classmates who need to meet Jesus! Mark your calendars now! Be a missional family and invite your student's friends to camp so that they can meet Jesus at Camp Stronghold in Oregon, IL. The cost is only \$250. Go to lebanonpresbyterian.org/students/summer for more info and to sign up.

Encounter (Current 8th-12th) Yakama, WA Mission Trip June 29-July 7

Each year LPC's high school students (Current 8th-12th graders) go on a mission trip where they learn to serve God and to work in His Kingdom. We intentionally provide a new opportunity each year so that students can experience ways in which God might be calling them to follow Jesus in their future. This year we are planning a trip to Sacred Road Ministries to minister to the Yakama Nation in Washington State June 29 - July 7. LPC's cost before any fundraising is \$750. We plan to lower the cost through fundraising. Current 8th-12th graders are encouraged to go to lebanonpresbyterian.org/students/summer for more info and to sign up.

Women's Retreat 2019

Attention all Ladies, the 2019 LPC Women's Retreat is March 15-17. Brochures with registration forms available at the Welcome Center or you can register on-line at <http://www.lebanonpresbyterian.org/ministries/womens-retreat>. This year, our retreat will be at The Proctor Center in London, Ohio, less than one hour away. The center rests on 60 acres in a simple, peaceful and secluded setting. Perfect for our theme this year "Be Still and Know that I am God." Chaplain Karen Fleming from Mt. Pleasant will lead our teaching sessions and we will have a special guest for our afternoon breakout session. Shannon Jacobs will be presenting "Mindful Meditation." This session is designed to introduce techniques to restore balance and peace to your life one moment at a time. We hope you will attend and invite the amazing women in your life to share in this special weekend of fellowship, a scavenger hunt, the labyrinth walk and more. If you have any questions, please see a committee member: Terri Catanzaro, Mindy Moore, Debbie Snider, Connie Tunison, Debbie Kouns or Renee Lay.

LPC Book Club

The LPC book club will meet February 14, in Room 311 at 7 p.m. We will discuss *Educated* by Tara Westover, a memoir by a Cambridge Ph.D who was raised by Idaho survivalists and did not enter a classroom until she was 17. Call Becky Adams, 513-932-3372 for questions. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday, February 3, 2019

8:45 a.m. Worship Service

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Peter Larson

Ministry Minute
Marriage School Daniel and Rachel Sachs

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

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Prelude in C J.S. Bach

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People: to you our vows will be fulfilled.

Leader: You who answer prayer,

People: to you all people will come.

Leader: When we were overwhelmed by sins

People: you forgave our transgressions.

Leader: Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in
your courts!

All: We are filled with the good things of your house,
of your holy temple.

*Hymn
Christ For the World! We Sing Hymn 743

WE PRAY

Prayer of Confession Larry Oury
Merciful One, you know when we are too afraid to love, and too cowardly to show mercy. Remind us again that perfect love casts out such fears. Forgive us and strengthen us in the face of our imperfections with your perfect love; so that we might be overwhelmed by grace; so that we might cast aside our fear and pride; so that we might truly love others as you first loved us. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

* Response *Gloria Patri*
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost
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O, How I Love Jesus

Hymn 509

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Pew Bible, pages 863-864

Sermon

Loving God

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Ned Earley

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the third day he rose from the dead;

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I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

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Sacrament of Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Upon receiving the bread and cup, please wait before partaking,

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WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

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Hymn 70

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