



Life @ LAC

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Here's what is happening at Lancaster Alliance Church!

SERMON RECAP

Incapable (unqualified), unwanted, alone and afraid. These four words describe a common set of feelings in life. One or more of these are at the bottom of our deepest struggles in life. These aren't new. We reviewed places in Daniel chapters 1-6 where Daniel would have been familiar with each of these terms. They are powerful feelings and frequently are the ones that call us to consider what our faith is in. It's not so much a matter of how much faith we have, but rather what we put our faith in to solve these words/feelings. We are often guilty of putting our faith in ourselves, or maybe something or someone, or even just the ability to forget that we even feel them to begin with.

The truth is that the gospel answers these questions and more. Jesus is sufficient in every way.

1. His words "It is finished" from John 19:28-30 describe the full completion of a sacrifice that qualifies us before our heavenly faith; so in Him, we are capable.
2. His words to a thief in Luke 23:43 picture for us what it means to be wanted. That Jesus would lay down His life and give Himself confirms it.

3. Matthew 28:20 declares that we are not alone as we represent Him to a fallen world.
4. Luke 12:32 as well as 2 Timothy 1:7 describe Jesus addressing being afraid.

As we took communion we remembered together. We don't rehearse this just to remember facts about the death and resurrection of a historic Jesus. It's important to remember that His work addresses our deepest needs; even feelings as deep as incapable, unwanted, alone, and afraid.

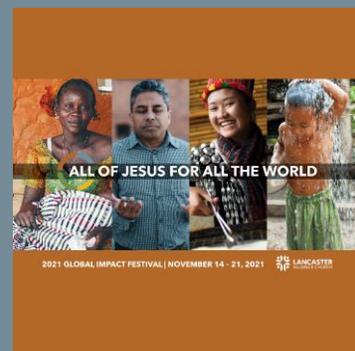
May we be a people that remember.

Pastor Bear

PS - The next two Sundays we focus on the life transforming work of Jesus around the world during our Global Impact Festival. We hope you're able to engage with us throughout the week.

GLOBAL IMPACT FESTIVAL 2021

Our annual Alliance Global Impact week will take place starting this Sunday, **November 14-21** at LAC! Please join us for a number of opportunities to hear from international workers, share meals together, participate in the Parade of Nations, and ask God how He would have you support Alliance workers in the coming year through a Faith Promise. Childcare and a special Kid's missions program will be provided each evening Sunday through Wednesday. Click [HERE](#) for detailed information and registration for meals and childcare **by end of day TODAY**. Let's come together to celebrate



All of Jesus for All the World! Questions? Contact the church office.



ADULT GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

Join us for our Adult Growth Opportunities class, Advent, 9:00am, **November 21-December 26**. Advent is a time to focus not only on the coming of Christ as a baby as foretold in God's Word, but also on those scriptures that foretell of His coming return. Join us as we explore some of the many prophecies about our Lord, those already fulfilled, and those yet to be fulfilled. Yes, Christmastime and those weeks leading up to it should be a time of great joy, but let's be sure we remember the real source of that joy, both the baby in the manger, and "the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory" (Luke 21:27). This class will be led by Kent Brusstar in room D1.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. They partner with global organizations and provide shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. The shoeboxes are shipped to children outside of the U.S. who are affected by war, poverty, diseases, etc.



Interested?

Step 1: Find a shoebox.

Step 2: Decide if it's for a boy or a girl, and the age category: 2–4, 5–9, or 10–14.

Step 3: Fill with gifts. Aim for one “wow” gift, followed by more fun toys, schools supplies and/or hygiene items (see exclusions on www.samaritanspurse.org).

Step 4: Pray for the child that will receive your gift.

Step 5: Drop off your box at the table outside the Gathering Room. Boxes must include the shipping fee.

Collection week is through November 21.

Questions? Contact Patty Schappell at pschappell@lancastercma.org.



CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Christmas is just around the corner, with the Advent season beginning Sunday, November 28. If you like to decorate or are willing to help us "deck the halls" at LAC, you are most welcome! No skill set is necessary - sometimes it's hanging wreaths on the posts, fluffing wreaths, or decorating a tree - and any amount of time helping is greatly appreciated. Decorating will occur **Monday & Tuesday, November 22 and 23 from 9:00am until 3:00pm each day**. If you're willing to assist, please contact ahatch@lancastercma.org or call the church office.

INFANT & CHILD DEDICATION

Infant & Child Dedication is scheduled for Sunday, **November 28**. If you would like to have your precious blessing dedicated, please contact the church office.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Minis & Me Christmas Breakfast and Silent Auction, Tuesday, December 7.** Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.
- **An Evening of Scrapbooking and Fellowship, Saturday, December 4.** Click [HERE](#) for more information.
- **Women's Retreat, March 4-6, 2022.** Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.

BAPTISM

Have you been baptized since trusting Christ as your Savior? Our next opportunity for baptism will be Sunday, **January 16, 2022**. Contact the office if you would like to be Baptized. An



informational brochure can be found at the “New Here” area or on our [website](#).
