

LVC NEWS

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Community

CHURCH FAMILY HIGHLIGHT



Rick Baarman has been part of Lakeshore Vineyard Church since September 1992, first attending with his mom, who had already been going for a few years. At the time, he had no idea how deeply this church would shape his life. Over the years, Rick's understanding of God has deepened, from seeing Him as Creator to knowing Him as Abba Father, someone who desires closeness, openness, and real relationship.

That shift has changed how Rick views life, especially in the challenges people face. He's come to recognize how deeply we all need Jesus in both everyday moments and in life's hardships. This realization even led him to write a tract and recently publish a book to help share that message with others. Check out his book on notgodsfault.com.

One of the things that Rick believes makes LVC special is the authentic, close-knit community. Relationships are built not just on Sundays, but through sharing life together in outreach, picnics, and serving one another. He values the church's strong teaching, heartfelt worship, prayer ministry, and commitment to outreach. With a belief that "everyone gets to play," Rick hopes LVC continues to reach deeply into the community and support other churches, remaining a place that is welcoming, authentic, and committed to making a difference.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

One Community Weekend & 31 Days of Prayer

- ~ Wednesday, May 13 - Community Impact Day
- ~ Thursday, May 14 - Christian Leaders Prayer Breakfast
- ~ Wednesday, May 27 - LVC's day of prayer: Each day in May, a church in the Holland-Zeeland area is praying for our community, for our youth, and for the church to be one! On **May 27th** we will pray both individually throughout the day and corporately with a prayer and worship time in the evening.

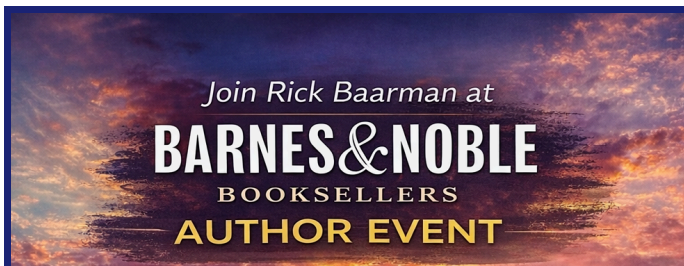


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Upcoming Events



Rick's Book Signing
Sunday, April 12, 1:00 p.m.

Join Rick at the Rivertown Crossings for a discussion and book signing of "Not God's Fault: Understanding God's Goodness in a Broken World."



Spring Cleanup Day
Saturday, May 2, 9:00 a.m.

Please come and help us make our landscaping look nice! Bring rakes, wheelbarrows, and gloves. Donuts, coffee, and pizza provided!

Spiritual Formation

PRAYER PRACTICE

Spring Sermon Series: New Life In The Spirit Introduction

1. As you prepare to read the Bible pause and pray, asking the Lord to show you what He wants you to notice.
2. John 20 is about Jesus' resurrection. Read John 20:19-23 to get oriented to the passage.
3. Take time to read the passage again. What do you notice?
4. Take some time and prayerfully consider how this passage connects with your life.
5. Bring this to God in prayer.
6. Take time to listen to God in prayer.
7. Close in thanksgiving.