

# Children's Ministry AND Youth News

**YOUTH GROUPS FOR AGES 3 - HIGH SCHOOL  
TONIGHT AT 6 PM  
OPEN GYM FOR JR & SR HIGH AT 4:30 PM**



## Upward Basketball & Cheerleading

Upward practices begin the week of January 21st and games start February 2nd and run through March 9th. **Contact Aaron if you can help as a referee. We also need people to clean on Saturdays at 1:00 pm. Sign up if you can help.**

## Jr. High Youth Band for February 10th

Jr. High Students: Please see Tricia if you would like to play or sing in the youth band on Sunday, February 10th. We could use several singers. We will practice on Sunday nights, January 27th & Feb. 3rd, at 7 pm and on Saturday, February 2nd at 8:30 am.

## "Rise": New High School Guys Small Group

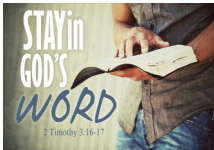
The new HS Guys' Small Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month from 7-7:30am. We have breakfast and a time of devotion and prayer. *(Photograph by Scott Atteberry).*



## Jr. High Girls Mission Weekend in Chicago

All Jr. High Girls are invited to participate in a mission weekend in Chicago on March 28 - 31st. On Friday we will pack food for children in Third World countries at Feed My Starving Children. On Saturday we will take care packages to Downtown Chicago for those that live on the street, and on Sunday we will attend church and head home. The girls will be staying at the home of Paul & Marilyn Collins' daughter Dorothy in Downers Grove. **The deadline to sign up is TODAY!**

**Jr. High Bible Study Wednesdays  
at 6:00 pm at the Shillings.**



## Little Prairie Christian Church

January 13, 2019

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## What's Happening at LPCC

- **ReConnect TONIGHT.** Youth Groups & Bible Study are at 6:00 pm.
- The fish bowl is on the foyer table for our Benevolent Fund. **Our Benevolent fund is almost empty** due to helping with needs of our church family. Please consider giving to help others in our community.
- **Women's Bible Study starts THIS Thursday at 7 pm.**
- Please pray for David Collins and the group from Roads Church that heads to India this Tuesday to do mission work.
- The Jr. High Girls are making fleece blankets for people in need. **If you have a pair of sewing shears that could be borrowed** for a couple of Sunday nights, please contact Diana Knackmuhs. Be sure the scissors are marked with your name.
- **Connection Luncheon NEXT Sunday for all New Members & anyone who has started attending in the last year or so.** If you are fairly new to LPCC, this is a great opportunity to visit with our leaders and staff. It's also a celebration of those who have been baptized or transferred their membership. A Noon meal will be provided after worship. **Today is the deadline to sign up.**
- **Men's Night at Oil Belt** on February 8th. Supper at 6 pm, Program at 7 pm. Theme: "Man Up: Make Disciples" with speaker Jason Poznich. Cost: \$20. Register online at [oilbelt.com](http://oilbelt.com) or call the camp.
- **Prayer Chain for 2019:** We have not been notified of any changes or additions to the prayer chain so it will remain the same as 2018. We will use our same call list and Remind group.
- **The Worship Retreat has been postponed to 1/26 due to weather.**



## Theme for 2019: Choose Joy!

choose joy

Psalm 126:2-3 - "Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, 'The LORD has done great things for them.' The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy."

## Welcome to Little Prairie!

**Guests:** We're glad you're here! If you didn't receive a **guest information sheet** when you arrived, please take one from the folder in the back of the pew or pick up one at the Information Center.

### SERMON NOTES

#### "Joyful Worship" Psalm 43

The Point: Your circumstances should not affect your worship.

Is the Worshiper Happy about His Circumstances? (vv.1-2)

Do the Worshiper's Circumstances Affect His Worship? (vv.3-5)

#### Praise and Prayer List for January 13, 2019

- For our community and the world to be reached for Christ.
- For anyone suffering and lost.
- Stan Mann - chemo & radiation treatments continue.
- Dave Skillman - for finger to heal from operation. Will see Dr. again on 1/17.
- Cathy Smith - knee replacement on 1/14.
- Trudie Lee (Lori Reid's sister) - having thyroid surgery.
- Brenda Swegman - improved health.
- Brenda Morehead (Karen Swain's friend) - suffering with shingles.
- Family of Joshua Melton (deceased from a motorcycle accident 1/8). His mother is a co-worker of Karen Worley's.

#### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

**Today:** 9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship  
7:00 pm Elders' meeting

**Monday:** 7:00 pm Adult Volleyball

**Tuesday:** Men's Basketball 8pm

**Thursday:** 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study

**Saturday:** FLC/MPR/K Reserved

#### SERVING TODAY 1/13/19

**Nursery:** The Speirs/Mary Ruth Johnson & Michelle Sweeny

**2's & 3's:** Lois Mann/Kelly Fryman

**Usher & Comm:** Kevin Schnicker

**Greeters:** (East) Ellen Sams  
(New Foyer) The Schnicker Family

**Valet Parking:** John Garrett

**Counters:** Lawrence Speir/Preston Nelson

**Door Greeters:** The Terrys/Ed Black

**Welcome Center:** Angie G/Lesley Black

#### TODAY'S ORDER

**Welcome & Opening Prayer**

Shout for Joy

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

**Message**

Inv. Close

Shout to the Lord

**Comm:** Forever (Sing Hallelujah)

**The Lord's Supper**

**Off.:** Since Jesus Came Into My  
Heart/I've Got the Joy

**Closing Prayer**

#### Facts for 1/6/19

Sunday School	167
Worship	244
ReConnect	52
General Fund:	\$6,932.58
Building Fund:	\$1,405.00
Bldg balance 11/30:	\$61,121.
Amount to PIE goal:	\$11,121.

### OTHER NEWS

#### 2019 Theme: Choose Joy!

"Choose Joy" is LPCC's theme for 2019. It seems appropriate since we live in a world where negativity is so rampant that it's infiltrated American homes and churches. And we think that seeking after "happiness" will resolve the negativity. What we need is something that brings emotional stability even when our circumstances change. What we NEED is "joy", and that's NOT the same as "happiness", because "joy" is a choice that's not dependent upon circumstances. Throughout 2019, many of our worship services will center around this theme in an effort to teach or remind us of what "joy" looks like and how we can apply it. Aren't you tired of the negativity? Don't you crave emotional stability? Me, too! So, let's choose joy!

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#### Cancellation Notifications

If the weather is questionable, please be sure to check Channel 14 WFIE or LPCC's FaceBook page. Sometimes the radio is slow is listing closings. Those who signed up for the Remind list will receive a text or e-mail. The phone tree will also be called, if you signed up for it. Remember that our gravel parking lot can be treacherous, even if the main roads are clear.