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Worship: Sunday 10:00am

Wednesday night is Family Night

January 15th to March 11th

5:30pm Family Dinners (\$2.50 per meal)

5:30pm Middle School Youth Group

6:00pm Kingdom Kids - Worship Time in Sanctuary

6:30pm Kingdom Kids - Lessons in classrooms

6:15pm Adult Bible Study - Harbor Shelter Room

6:00pm Grassroots Apologetics for Parents (GAP)



 **Bible Study Fellowship.**

**Bible Study Fellowship
(BSF)**

For Men & Women

Tuesday Evenings
(beginning Jan. 7th)

6:30-8:00pm

*See page 5 for more
details.*

Adult Bible Study



Wednesday Evenings
(beginning Jan. 15th)

6:15pm

Meets in the Harbor
Shelter Room

*See page 5 for more
details.*



**GAP Apologetics
Study**

(offered 2 different
times)

Sundays @ 9:00am
(beginning Jan. 12th)
Wednesdays @ 6:00pm
(beginning Jan. 8th)

*See page 4-5 for more
details.*

PATIO NIGHT



Thursday Evenings
(beginning Jan. 9th)

6:00pm @
The Johnston Home

*See page 5 for more
details.*

NewsLetter DEADLine

The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, January 16, 2020.

Deadline for all articles will be Friday, Jan. 10th.

Thank you in advance for your help.



Ordination & Installation

Ordination and Installation Of Elders and Deacons

Sunday, January 12th
(during Worship)

Join us as we ordain and install our new Elders and Deacons for 2020. We will also recognize and thank our retiring Elders and Deacons for all their hard work and dedication.

A reception will be held directly following worship. Please stay and enjoy as well as taking a moment to thank our Church Officers.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING & LUNCH

Sunday, January 26th
11:30am
(following worship)



Lunch served by Youth Group.

The Congregation of the Lighthouse Presbyterian Church is called for its Annual Meeting following worship on Sunday, January 26, 2020. We will review our year together in 2019 and look forward to 2020.

Meredith Drummond, Clerk of Session



Dear Lighthouse Family:

Thank you for your continued prayers for my continued healing from oral surgery and my overall well being. Also, thank you for the soup, basket of goodies, and the visit from the Prayer Team Member! All the best to everyone in 2020.

Sincerely,
and in Christ's Love,
Doretha Smith

Church Family & Friends Valentine Dinner

Sunday, February 9th

5:30pm

Further details in the next Beacon.





**AMERICAN HEART
ASSOCIATION
CPR / AED / FIRST AID
TRAINING**

**Saturday, January 18th
Firehouse (202 East Wea
Street, Paola)
9:00 am – Noon
\$20 per person (sign up
limited to 20 people)**

**Sign up:
At the Welcome Table**

**Email:
erin@paolalighthouse.com**

**Call:
Church Office 913.294.2400**

Meet Our Newest Staff Member

Katie Short is the new Assistant Youth Director. She and her husband Elijah live in Ottawa, Kansas. They were married in Lighthouse Church in April 2019. During their engagement, they started attending Lighthouse Church and became members. In the past, Elijah has volunteered as a Small Group Leader here at Lighthouse and plans to continue to volunteer in the youth ministry.



Katie works at Baker University as the Department Assistant & Events Coordinator in the Music and Theatre department. She has a bachelor's degree in human resource management from Ottawa University.

Katie's hobbies include spending time with her family, going to concerts, eating great food, going to the lake, country swing dancing, and sitting around talking "solving life's problems".

One of her favorite quotes is by Victoria Erickson; "If you inherently long for something, become it first. If you want gardens, become the gardener. If you want love, embody love. If you want mental stimulation, change the conversation. If you want to fill your world with artists, begin to paint. If you want to be valued, respect your own time. If you want to live ecstatically, find the ecstasy within yourself. This is how to draw it in, day by day, inch by inch."



Community Breakfast for Lighthouse Water Project in Haiti

**Saturday, January 4th
7:00-10:00am
Lighthouse Church
(1402 E 303rd St)**

Freewill donation. All proceeds will go toward our Haiti well repair program. Menu will include: scrambled eggs, link sausage, hash browns, biscuits/gravy, cinnamon roll, coffee and orange juice.



Begin the New Year Blessing Others!

The Lighthouse Church Nursing Home Visitation is this Sunday, January 5th. Please join us at:

1:30 pm Country Club Estates, 2 Lewis Dr.
2:15 pm Vintage Park, 601 N. East Street

Adult Small Groups

Winter 2019

(Updated December 18, 2019)

Adult Small Groups at Lighthouse Church come in two varieties: *Study/Fellowship Groups* and *3D Groups*.

All of our groups have an element of Bible study, discussion and prayer, and are open to couples and singles – men and women – unless otherwise specified. The group atmosphere is conducive to *spiritual growth* and *friendship-building* – our two main goals for group life. So if you are looking for a place to refresh and sharpen your faith, receive and give much-needed support, and/or just enjoy cultivating both new and current relationships, make your way into a Lighthouse Church group!

Study Groups

Sundays

8:45-9:45 am
(child care provided)
Will resume Jan. 5th

Generous Church Devotional Group

Led by Troy & Kim Bruza, Shelly Thomas and Maria Heid. Small group for anyone to attend. Book study following up generosity devotional.

Contact: Maria Heid at meheid@classicnet.net or
Shelly Thomas at shelly.thomasst@gmail.com

Sundays

9:00-9:45 am
(child care provided)
Will resume Jan. 5th

Pastor T.J.'s Adult Bible Study

Led by Pastor T.J. Rose. This class is going through the Bible chronologically.

Contact: T.J. Rose at tjrose20@gmail.com

Sundays

9:00-9:45 am
(child care provided)
Will resume Jan. 12th

GAP-- Apologetics Study for Parents

We will cover 40 of the most important faith challenges parents need to understand today. (This study is also available on Wednesday nights)

Contact: Eli Wedde at eli@paolalighthouse.com or 620.481.7264.

Sundays

4:00-5:30 pm
(child care provided)
Will resume Jan. 12th

Family Life Group

Led by Brad & Michele Buescher and Jonathan & Heather Sterk. Small group for couples and singles in their 30s & 40s. Book provided.

Contact: Brad Buescher at brad@paolalighthouse.com

Mondays

5:00 pm
Will resume Jan. 6th

Prayer Time

This is an open prayer group for all to attend and meets every Monday evening (except Holidays). If you have a request for prayer, please call the church office: 913.294.2400

Contact: Cindy Walters at cindywalters9193@gmail.com or 913.709.7531

Tuesdays

10:00 am
Will resume Jan. 7th

Women's Bible Study & Fellowship

This is a group open to all women, meeting weekly for a time of Bible Study, Prayer and Fellowship.

Contact: Bev Scott at 913.837.2683

Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 pm (child care provided) <i>Will resume Jan. 7th</i>	BSF -- Bible Study Fellowship for Men & Women We will be studying "Acts & Letters of the Apostles". All men and women in the community are welcome to register. Women meet in the sanctuary and men in the Harbor. Women: Roberta Briley at sonicrlb@gmail.com or 816.223.0543 Men: Larry Beyer at larrybeyer1@gmail.com or 913.961.5015
Wednesdays 6:15-7:15 pm (child care provided) <i>Will resume Jan. 15th</i>	Pastor Kirk's Adult Bible Study (During Family Night/Kingdom Kids) Led by Pastor Kirk Johnston on the Book of Acts. Contact: Pastor Kirk Johnston at godsquad@classicnet.net
Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 pm (child care provided) <i>Will resume Jan. 8th</i>	GAP-- Apologetics Study for Parents (same study as the Sunday mornings) Contact: Eli Wedde at eli@paolalighthouse.com or 620.481.7264
Thursdays 6:00 pm <i>Will resume Jan. 9th</i>	Patio Night For singles and couples ages 18-28. We will be looking at the Book of John. Contact: Pastor Kirk Johnston at godsquad@classicnet.net Contact: Eli Wedde at eli@paolalighthouse.com or 620.481.7264
Thursdays 11:30 am-12:45 pm (1 st Thursday of month)	First Thursdays for Seniors A fellowship group of men and women, singles and couples of AARP age who meet monthly for a lunch (provided - \$3.00) to pray for one another and to hear God's Word. Contact: Rebecca Sutton at rebecca@paolalighthouse.com or 913.294.2400
Fridays 8:30-9:30 am (1 st & 3 rd Fridays)	Friday Mom's Meet-Up Moms, come enjoy a cup of coffee and conversation while the children play in the Harbor Gym. 1 st and 3 rd Fridays of each month. Contact: FridayMomsMeetup@gmail.com

****child care is not provided unless otherwise noted for that group or class**

3D Groups

3D Groups consist of either three men or three women who agree to meet once a week for one to one and a half hours at an agreed upon day and time to live out the following with one another:

D1: Direction: Direct one another to seek God diligently. This is *mutual discipleship*.

D2: Defense: Defend each other from Satan's attacks. This is *mutual accountability*.

D3: Development: Develop open, honest relationships w/each other. This is *mutual friendship*.

We have other groups that are currently starting up or may not be listed here. For more information about 3D Groups or other groups, contact Pastor Brad Buescher at brad@paolalighthouse.com or 913.271.2140. For week to week details of each group, go to www.paolalighthouse.com/calendarevents

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Generosity Corner



The giver

Many Christian families struggle with what role — if any — Santa Claus should play in their Christmas celebrations. No matter what you decide, it's fascinating to know the history of the real-life St. Nicholas.

Born about 270 A.D., Nicholas was a bishop in Myra, or modern-day Turkey. In the year 325, he was part of the Council of Nicaea, which produced the Nicene Creed.

Nicholas, known for his generosity, often gave away his money anonymously. According to tradition, he secretly provided dowries for the three daughters of a bankrupt merchant. Nicholas threw two bags of gold through open windows and placed the third in a stocking hanging by the fireplace to dry. Thus began the Christmas tradition of placing gifts in stockings.

St. Nicholas is quoted as saying, "The giver of every good and perfect gift has called upon us to mimic God's giving, by grace, through faith, and this is not of ourselves."



JANUARY ACTS OF KINDNESS			Wish everyone you see a "Happy New Year"	HELP A NEIGHBOR SHOVEL SNOW OR WITH A HOUSEHOLD CHORE	Invite your neighbors over for dinner	Babysit, dog sit, or cat sit for free
Send an unexpected handwritten letter to a loved one	OFFER HOT CHOCOLATE TO THOSE WORKING OUT IN THE COLD	Send a friend a book or playlist you think they would enjoy	Volunteer at an Animal Shelter	Offer a hug to someone	Visit a Nursing Home	Leave a cheerful, inspiring note
Say thank you	Offer to pay for someone's food or groceries	Pick up random litter	Offer someone a compliment	Smile at everyone you meet today!	Offer to pay for someone's gasoline.	Create a care bag for a homeless person
Donate some winter wear for those in need	Leave a random compliment for your spouse or child	Make someone laugh	Smile at someone who seems sad	Take your pet for a walk	Go visit an elderly neighbor	Share a scripture with someone in need
Send a care package to a college student	Send cheerful cards to someone in need	Leave a random note of kindness on someone's car or desk at work	Donate shoes, boots and warm clothes to a homeless shelter	Surprise your co-workers with delicious donuts or cupcakes	Offer someone help when they are carrying a heavy load	



For the month of January 2020

Miscellaneous Issues

Virginia Ayers (Susan Hime)
Tom Balch (Bob Dameron)
Henry Baldrige
Merilee Baughman
Rick Beamgard
Nancy Bogner (Marjorie Brink)
Pam Bryant
Joe Burke (Terry Robinson)
Wanda Chambers
Ken Cummings
Rosemary Cummings
Ruth Dees (Sherry Ahlbrandt)
Sam Dees (Sherry Ahlbrandt)
Judd Elliott (Linda Gibson)
Billie Fretz
Jan Gillespie
Joe Gillespie
Dick Gilman (Rebecca Sutton)
Willy Glover (Rebecca Sutton)
Mary Guerriero (Jenny Priest)
Daffney Haber (Chris Capettini)
Eunice Haller (Paula Armstrong)
Zoe Harrington (Cummings family)
Jane Hines
Tom Hire (Rebecca Sutton)
Dawn Karns (Theresa Morrison)
Ginger Kelsey
J.D. Knauss
Tim Knoche
Betty Matney (Evelyn Cowden)
Pam Morrison (Theresa Morrison)
Janet Offutt
Rev. Carl Olson

Carol Opprieht
Ellie Owens (Cindy Walters)
Nancy Parker (Stacy Boan)
Susie Porterfield
Rick Priest (Anthony Priest)
Vernon Rausch (Chloe Rausch)
Matt Reynolds' Family
(Denise Reynolds)
Donna Shirley (Kristen Walters)
Marlene Stamm
Ron Sutton
Karen Ulanski (Cindy Walters)
Ginger Warrick (Joel Ahlbrandt)
Bud Watson (Cindy Hebbert)
Hazel Weidman
Angie Wolf (Cindy Walters)
Strong Wright (Bruce Jenkins)

Military

Tony Newman (Bob Paulsen)

Cancer

Lon Boyd
Jim Brisendine (Bob Dameron)
April England
Amber Evans (Jill Holcomb)
Connie Faulkner (Jenny Tennis)
Bud Gullede (Judy Kappler)
Pam Hire (Rebecca Sutton)
Jenni Hunt (Jenny Tennis)
Jim Johnson (Tracey Hecker)
Megan Knoche
Louella Kurtz (Terry Robinson)
Frank Mueller (Jason Mueller)
Laura Park (Rebecca Sutton)
Connie Patillo (Margaret Quintero)
Randy Penner (Pat & Leon Briley)
Doug Pfaltzgraff
(Merilee Baughman)
Russ Porterfield
Jackie Barnard Price
(Mandy Wiseman)
Sue Seely (Cindy Hebbert)

Chuck Smith (Shonda Dyer)
Terry West (Billie Fretz)
Cathy Whitaker (Rebecca Sutton)

(Names in parentheses indicate the church family requesting prayer)

(Names will run for four weeks, so please notify the office if you would like to have a name left on this prayer list.)



Our prayers and sympathies go out to the family and friends of:

- Louise Blumhorst (Rick Blumhorst's aunt)
- Claire Gillen (Terry Gillen's mother)
- Pat Griffin

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