Lighthouse Presbyterian Church · PO Box 404 · 1402 E. 303rd Street · Paola, KS 66071 · 913.294.2400 **Worship: Sunday 10:00am**

VIRTUAL KINGDOM KIDS

We are excited to announce that Lighthouse will be offering a Virtual Kingdom Kids in the month of April! Following the blessed celebration of Jesus' resurrection and our salvation on Easter Sunday, we will learn what it means to walk with Jesus. This will be a 4 week, kidfriendly study called *The Walk* and will include worship elements, Bible stories, fun activities, Scripture memory verses, and prizes!!! The first night of this exciting opportunity will be a kickoff event hosted at Lighthouse from 6-7pm at which we will worship together, complete Lesson 1, and families will pick up all the needed supplies for the rest of the lessons. The remaining 3 weeks will include a Facebook Live event in which families/children will be led through the lessons at home.

The schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, April 7, 6:00-7:00pm - Walking in Wisdom, Kick off event at Lighthouse Church

Wednesday April 14, 6:00 - Walking in Truth, Facebook Live event

Wednesday April 21, 6:00 - Walking in Love, Facebook Live event

Wednesday April 28, 6:00 - Walking in Faith, Facebook Live event

If you would like to participate, please sign up at https://paolalighthouse.com/kingdom_kids by Sunday, March 14th!





The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, March 11, 2021.

Deadline for all articles will be Friday, Mar. 5th.

Thank you in advance for your help.



Generous Church Virtual Retreat

The *Overflow Experience* is a two part retreat that is story-driven and experiential in nature. It includes inspiring stories of generous people, along with lots of good discussion, reflection and Bible study. This experience enables participants to process and practice a whole-life generosity that flows from knowing, studying and living out the gospel.

This retreat is about whole-life generosity, but is *not* part of a fund-raising campaign. Rather, it is a significant step for us to explore what living a generous life looks like as an entire church. We've invited our friends from *GenerousChurch* to bring this spiritual growth experience to us.

Here are the details and how to RSVP:

Dates: February 26-27, 2021

Times: Friday, February 26:

6:00pm – 9:00pm Saturday, February 27: 9:00am – 12:00noon

Location: This entire retreat will take place

virtually through Zoom.

RSVP: Call the Church Office at 913-294-2400 or send an email to:

tracey@paolalighthouse.com

register online www.paolalighthouse.com/generous_church

Check out these videos and you'll be hooked!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eTbs6cZ61I https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vahi77oOsK4

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

- W.T. "Dub" Everette, Sr. (Joel & Sherry Ahlbrandt)
- **Dave Fette** (Carol Knoche)
- John Newell (Dusty Terflinger's grandfather)
- **Diane Jones** (Ron Stiles' sister)
- Frank Mueller (Jason Mueller's father)





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- 04 Cole Bruza
- 05 Lorranda Baldridge Ellie Mueller Bev Scott
- 06 Caleb McHenry Alexis Weidman
- 07 Orval Miller
- 08 Texanna Ollenberger Wyatt Sterk
- Sue Dumcum
 Bill Ufford
- 11 Jack Daley
 Joe Gillespie
 Janet Offutt
 Georgiea Slyter
 Cindy Walters
- 13 Brad Buescher Paula Wilson
- 14 Mike McClurg Tresha Miller Eli Thompson
- 16 Jenny Priest
- 17 Zane Reynolds
- 19 Susan Eppler Matt Ruggles Tricia Sinclair
- 20 Duane Epp Noah Wolf
- 22 Isabelle Nickelson Ivy Poetter
- 23 Jacie Collier
- 24 Mason Barnett
- 25 Kaleb Atkins Alex Weidman
- 26 Jared Sinclair
- 27 Lucille Ufford
- 28 Barb Daley Marilyn Mueller
- 29 Chris Capettini Jill Holcomb Patrick Reeder
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Thursday, March 4th 11:30am-Noon

The First Thursday Team is excited to share that we will have a March First Thursdays Drive-thru on Thursday, March 4th from 11:30am-Noon. Deliveries will also be made.

Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, Mar. 2nd.

MONTHLY INCOME REPORT January 2021

GENERAL GIVING

YTD Budget Needed \$ 54,032.56 YTD Actual Giving \$ 51,447.75 Amount over budget: \$ 2,584.81

BUILDING FUND

Annual Budget Needed: \$ 187,085.88 YTD Actual Giving: \$ 17,448.79

Loan Balance: \$2,502,870.48



New Mexico Mission Trip

(see page 3 for list of items to donate)

When: March 14 - 20, 2021

Where: Navajo Nation: Cuba, New Mexico

Who: Trip Leader - Marcia Scott

913.579.6141

marcia.scott01@yahoo.com
All are welcome to participate

Lodging: Girl Scout Camp near Cuba, N.M.

Cabins with beds, heat and showers

Travel: Transportation is on your own

Cost: Travel to and from New Mexico

Contribute food for the week

Work: Cutting firewood for the Navajo people



An **Interlocking Community**

Christ distributes courage through community; he dissipates doubts through fellowship. He never deposits all knowledge in one person but distributes pieces of the jigsaw puzzle to many. When you interlock your understanding with mine, and we share our discoveries, when we mix. mingle, confess and pray, Christ speaks.

-Max Lucado, Fearless





Items for donation:

FIRST AID SUPPLIES:

Bandages Cotton balls Gauze, pads & rolls Medical tape Antibiotic salves Rubbing alcohol Hydrogen peroxide Eve drops Acetaminophen Ibuprofen Cough & cold remedy Cough & cold suppressant Benadryl Vicks vapor rub Anti-itch lotion/cream Sore muscle rub Multi-vitamins Antacids/anti-nausea Anti-fungals Pedialyte Lice treatment Alcohol wipes/pads Ace bandages Ankle/knee brace

Thermometer

Eye patches

Vinyl/latex gloves Compound W **CLOTHING:**

GOOD used clothing: PLEASE, ONLY NEW underwear and socks Men's, women's and especially children's in all sizes & seasons.

BABY ITEMS:

Wipes Soap Diapers/diaper cream Clothes Blankets

HYGIENE ITEMS:

Soap Shampoo/Conditioner Toothbrush/Toothpaste Dental Floss Mouthwash Lotions (hand/body) Facial tissue Disposable razors Shaving cream Toilet paper Feminine products

Hair brush/combs Hair ties/head bands Tweezers/Nail clippers Lip balm Hand sanitizer Face Masks

HOUSEHOLD **ITEMS:**

Dish soap Cleaning supplies Laundry soap Sheets/pillow cases Blankets Towels/washcloths

SCHOOL SUPPLIES:

Pencils/pens Erasers Notebooks/paper Markers **Binders** Ruler Glue

FOOD:

Non-perishable only Check expiration dates

Inclement Weather

With winter weather upon us, we would like you to be aware of the following:

You may call the church office (294-2400) during business hours 8:30-4:00 if you have a weather question or a particular need.

If we need to cancel worship or church activities then go to:

- ⇒www.paolalighthouse.com
- ⇒Facebook—Lighthouse Church Paola
- ⇒Fox 4 News
- ⇒KCTV 5 News
- ⇒KMBC 9 News
- ⇒KSHB 41 News





I (Pastor Brad) have been posting some devotions, scriptures and thoughts on our Lighthouse Facebook Page since the pandemic began in March. You can find them <u>here</u>. Or, beginning with this current issue, you can read some of them on this page of the Beacon. Hope God blesses you through them.

Greater Debt = Greater Love

Illuminating story found in Luke 7: At the home of a Pharisee, Jesus was anointed by a woman of ill repute with a very expensive jar of perfume; she then wiped his feet with her tears. The Pharisee, Simon, was repulsed by both the woman and Jesus. So Jesus told him a story:

"Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he canceled the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?"

Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt canceled."

"You have judged correctly," Jesus said.

Here is what I notice about this story: **Both** of them owed money, **neither** could pay the debt. They're in the same boat – just like we're all in the same boat. *The only difference between them is the amount.*

God is the moneylender, and every one of us is one of those two people: In debt to some degree, but with no way to pay him back.

And if you think that somehow you owe him the smaller debt...think again.

That was the error of the Pharisee. He assumed that, because of his devotion to God, he owed the Lord very little. And therefore, he loved God very little. Jesus points this out in the rest of the story.

But the woman. She knows the depth of her sin – the insurmountable nature of her debt. That is why she shows her gratitude toward Jesus with her costly perfume and her free-flowing tears. She is revealing a

heart that has been transformed and renewed, undone in the presence of the Lord who has saved her, as well as those who would condemn her. She doesn't care who is watching.

Let us not make the mistake of the Pharisee: Thinking that we owe God a small debt. For little did he

love God, if he loved God at all. Let us instead follow in the footsteps of the woman: Knowing that we were far beyond his reach, wallowing in pig slop, with no direction home; knowing that the price Jesus paid on Calvary can never be repaid; knowing that all we need to do is look up, acknowledge his gift, and entrust our lives to the One who gave us life.

No, our debt is the same as the man who owed the larger debt. An insurmountable debt. And nothing we can do will overcome that debt, except for placing our faith in Christ alone. All we can do...all we need to do, is to throw ourselves upon the mercy and grace of God.



There is a subtle, but important difference between mercy and grace.

- Mercy: God doesn't give us what we deserve.
- Grace: God gives us what we don't deserve.

Reflect on these. Reflect on this story. Ask God to help you understand the nature of his love. Ask him to help you understand the nature of your sin, your need for him.

Read and meditate on Ephesians 2:8-9 and Titus 3:5.

Which of them will love him more? What can you / what will you do to grow in your love for God?

Lighthouse Youth



HARBOR YOUTH NEWSLETTER

Middle School - 5:30-8:00 Wednesdays

We are discussing the book of Hebrews and breaking it down into meaningful chunks every Wednesday. Come and join us!

Pizza for dinner \$3.

<u>High School – 5:00-8:00 Sundays</u>

We are currently going through the Book of
Psalms discussing everything about God that we
can learn, and learning how to really pray with
and for each other. Come and Join us!
Pizza for dinner \$3

Upcoming Events

NO extra events scheduled at this time due to Covid

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Our Vision

To grow in Christ and become like Him. We seek to teach and demonstrate the gospel each time we gather with children. We pray they may be light in their world and that their light may grow brighter each day with the help of the Holy Spirit. We also dedicate ourselves to supporting the family unit as primary teachers of the faith and the conduit through which God shows His love and reveals His character.

What We Offer

Nursery (0-3) - Nursery is available during worship each Sunday morning and for some special events (dates and additional information will be provided as needed). Our focus is to provide loving care for our youngest children and age appropriate activities introducing them to the God who loves them.

Children's Church (Preschool-5th grade) – Children's Church is offered during worship each Sunday. At a designated time during the service (usually following a children's message), children are dismissed to the back of the sanctuary to meet their adult leaders. Children may be picked up in the children's educational wing following the close of worship. Each week children learn about the Big Bible Story through creative storytelling and extension activities. On months with a 5th Sunday, children remain in worship.

Family Night & Kingdom Kids (all ages) – Two times a year, fall and spring, a midweek program is offered on Wednesday evenings that includes a meal, worship, and Bible-based activities for all ages. Dates, times, and other necessary information will be provided in the weeks prior to each session.

Vacation Bible School (Preschool – 5th grade) – Each summer a Vacation Bible School program is offered. Dates and other information regarding VBS will be provided in the Spring.

Join the Team!

The lifeblood of Lighthouse Children's Ministry are the many adult and youth volunteers dedicated to teaching children about the love of God shown through Christ Jesus and then demonstrating that love as they serve.

Opportunities to serve include ...

- Nursery volunteer or employment
- Leading or helping with Bible story large groups in Children's Church
- Leading or helping with small groups in Children's Church
- Coordinating or Assisting at special events (Family Night, VBS, etc.)
- Gathering supplies and/or preparing materials.

If you would like to join our amazing team, contact Josh Simons, Director of Children's Ministry at 913.406.6137 or email him at josh@paolalighthouse.com.



Discover the identity of a biblical person. First, assign a number value to each letter, starting with M=1, N=2, 0=3,... A=15, etc. Then use the code to complete the clues.

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Who is this person? _

Answer: Moses



For the month of February 2021

Miscellaneous Issues

Lea Anderson (Janell Bouse)
Sue Auten (Pam Bryant)
Virginia Ayers (Susan Hime)
Guy Bourke (Ruthie Gillen)
Jessica Bridgman (Terry Robinson)
Lyle Briley
Charlie Brink
Marjorie Brink
Dixie Brummel (Roberta Briley)
Pam Bryant
Joe Burke (Terry Robinson)

Lynn Caster (Kirk Johnston) Sheila Cleveland

(Bill/Lucille Ufford)

Kristen Cummings Rosemary Cummings

Rosemary Cummings Jack Daley

Preston Dees (Sherry Ahlbrandt) Vicki Eastwood (Sue Dumcum)

Kaleb Ebeling Ben Erwin

Michael Finley (Stephanie Sparks)

Nick & Sarah Foster

(Brad & Kay Phipps)

Billie Fretz Jan Gillespie Joe Gillespie

Deacon Guilbeau (Denise Reynolds)

Lillian Hardwick

(Margaret Quintero)

Harry Hellyer Lue Ann Hellyer

Trevor Horner (April England)

Tim Knoche (Rebecca Sutton) Rene Korsten (Janet Offutt) Betty Matney (Evelyn Cowden)

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Virdie McCormick (Ron Dowd)

Peggy McVey Ruth Morrill

Debbie Murdock (Rebecca Sutton)

Janet Offutt

Margaret Quintero

Adeline & Evangeline Reynolds

(Denise Reynolds)

Verna Rhodes (Robin Motta) Rainey Romine (Janell Bouse)

Shirley Schachle (Rebecca Sutton)

Merle Schick (Cindy Walters)

Ruth Trout (Cindy Reese)

Gail Walter

Bryan Wedde (Eli Wedde)

Daniel Youngblood (Kay Phipps)

Military

Joshua Ales (Theresa Morrison) Christina Behnke Tony Newman (Bob Paulsen) Nick Spencer (Alicia Spencer)

Cancer

Lon Boyd
Vicki Campbell (Tammy Dowd)
Ray Chapman (Lyle Briley)
Johnny Dark (Bob Paulsen)
Darlene Harper (Rebecca Sutton)
Lynita Hayden (Dino Motta)
Jim Johnson (Tracey Hecker)
Megan Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Robin Lutz (Roberta Briley)
Mike McGuire (Kristal Sparks)

Janice McWilliams
(Shauneen Wolf)

Jana Morris (Rebecca Sutton)
Judy Mullenix (Kay Ufford)
Connie Patillo (Margaret Quintero)
Susan Phillips (Fred/Shelly Thomas)

Russ & Susie Porterfield Marcia Scott Chuck Smith (Shonda Dyer) 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.)



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