

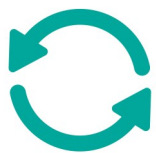
Lighthouse Presbyterian Church

To grow in Christ, becoming like Him, to the glory of God.

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Worship: Sunday 10:00am



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GET IN THE MIX



Let's press the pause button on all the noise going on in the life of a child. It's about blocking out the mixed messages they are receiving when it comes to their identity, belonging and purpose. Let's press the PLAY button on the message of TRUTH.

Join us for an onsite
Vacation Bible School
at Lighthouse Church

JUNE 7TH - 11TH
9:00-11:30AM

No charge for VBS,
but donations are greatly appreciated.

Your VBS Committee this year:

Ashley Blackman
Samantha Green
Kendra Wedde
Lisa Weidman



VBS Work Days

- Jun 5th (Sat) 8:30am-4:30pm
- Jun 6th (Sun) set up after worship
- Jun 13th (Sun) clean up after fellowship

We can use your help!!!



VBS CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Directly after worship on **Sunday, June 13th**, we will have a fellowship for everyone to enjoy!

Sunday evening from
5:45-7:45pm, we will have a
VBS Pool Party
at the Osawatimie City Pool.



VBS POOL PARTY!

NewsLetter DEADLine

The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, June 17, 2021.

Deadline for all articles will be Friday, June 11th.

Thank you in advance for your help.



Brandon and I want to thank everyone for the support and love you have continued to show us through calls, texts, cards, donations, prayer, encouraging words and countless other ways. The support and love from Lighthouse was lavishly poured out on us, and we felt God's care for us through you. We could not go through this alone. Since we got Kaleb while we lived in Paola, it was very special for us to hear stories and memories from friends who knew Kaleb right when we received him into our family. Thank you for loving him from the first day and for loving us. Thank you also to everyone who donated to the GoFundme. It raised so much money, which was immensely helpful. We had some leftover and will be able to put it toward the Kaleb Lowery Foundation, which helps students in our community pursue and experience the joy of music.

Thank you again for all your love.

Love,
Brandon and Rachel Beth Peck

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

You may fill out a prayer request:

SIGN-UP:
Welcome Table

CALL:
913.294.2400

EMAIL:
rebecca@paolalighthouse.com

WEBSITE:
www.paolalighthouse.com/prayer

BUILDING & GROUNDS WORK DAYS

WHO: Anyone able and willing to help
WHEN: Saturday, June 19th
WHAT: 8:00 am to Noon
CONTACT: Jim Adams (913) 731-5252
5afarm5afarm@gmail.com
Church Office (913) 294-2400



Cookie Donations Needed

The Lighthouse Generosity Team is asking for cookie donations for a "Box Dinner" outreach that will be ready to go on Sunday, June 6th.

The Generosity Team will furnish 40-50 meals that will be geared toward young families. We will also include informational material regarding our summer VBS program that will be held from Monday, June 7th through Friday, June 11th.

Please be thinking of some young families that could benefit in some way from a meal consisting of chicken nuggets, mac n cheese, fruit and cookies. These meals will be available for anyone to deliver after worship.

Please bring all cookie donations to the Church no later than Friday, June 4th anytime between 8:30am and 4:00pm.

A SWEET TREAT



What you need:

- Baking sheet
- Parchment paper
- 1 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 2 Tbsp. honey
- ¼ cup granola or cereal

What you do:

1. On a baking sheet covered with parchment paper, spread yogurt in a thin layer, about ½-inch thick.
2. Drizzle honey evenly over yogurt. Sprinkle granola (or cereal) on top.
3. Freeze about 30 minutes, or until firm.
4. Crack frozen yogurt into pieces and peel away paper. Enjoy!

New Mexico Mission Trip

When:	Either July 24-July 31 or July 31-August 7 or anytime within these two weeks
For:	Navajo Nation Firewood
Where:	Rancho del Chaparral Girl Scout Camp near Cuba, New Mexico
Elevation:	7,900-8,200 ft.
Temp. Range:	50-85 F in Summer
Lodging:	Cabins on site with beds/showers or Possible arrangements for bringing your own RV
Transportation:	On your own to and from the camp
Cost:	Travel to and from New Mexico Donation for food while at camp
Work:	Cut and split firewood for Navajo Various other weather-related projects

Anyone interested in going should contact Wayne or Dee Young as soon as possible so plans can be finalized.

Phone: (913) 269-1632 or (913) 307-6662

Email: waynedeeyoung@gmail.com

The Personnel Committee of Lighthouse Church has required each person the age of 18 years or older to complete a background check; therefore, commitment deadline is July 5th.

There will once again be a partner mission trip with the group from the McPherson/Galva area.



Let's do good to all people.

Galatians 6:10, NASB





I (Pastor Brad) have been posting some devotions, scriptures and thoughts on our Lighthouse Facebook Page since the pandemic began in March 2020. You can find them [here](#). Or, beginning with this current issue, you can read some of them on this page of the Beacon. Hope God blesses you through them.

Don't *Hurry*...Be Happy

C. G. Jung once wrote: *Hurry is not of the devil; it is the devil.*

Boy, if the pandemic has taught us anything, it is how difficult it can be to slow down, or stop. Covid-19 has forced us from speeding in the far left lane to move clear over to a complete stop on the shoulder of the highway of life. Not great. But also not all that bad.

As Americans we tend not to like or appreciate silence, solitude and stillness. We prefer to constantly be on the go. Oftentimes when people ask me how things are going, they will quickly fill in the ensuing, silent pause by continuing, “Busy, right?” And most of us feel guilty if we don’t say something like, “Well, yeah, of course, just like always...”

Being busy, though, is not some badge of honor, even if we are talking about being productive. (Activity does not always equal productivity.) Although there are times being busy can have a good place in our lives, generally it tends to suck the life right out of us – exactly what the devil wants to do.

Rather than focus on things that are valuable, we are constantly distracted by shiny objects that yearn for our attention: make more money, join this or that board – *hey, I still have one night of the week left; maybe I'll...and on and on it goes.*

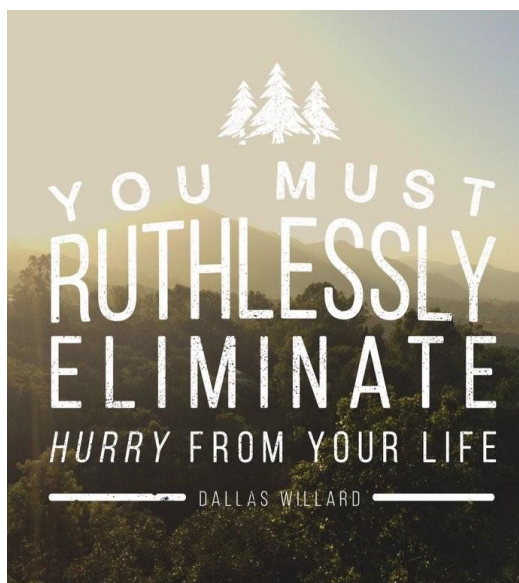
Jesus reminds us: *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you* (Matthew 6:33). Fix your eyes first and foremost on God and his ways; the rest is just icing on the cake.

Dallas Willard puts it this way: *Ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life.*

Try taking that seriously and see what happens.

I wrote that quote on a post-it note (now *that* is poetry at its best, eh?) when our kids were little. Apparently my youngest, Luke, decided to write something on this post-it note: *Dad, Love you Form Luke.*

I think he meant to write *From Luke*, but that only made his note more precious to me.



And even more so, what a perfect combination: *Ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life / Dad, Love you Form Luke.* Our kids were a constant reminder to me of what really is most valuable in life: *relationships.*

Your relationship with God. Your relationship with your spouse, children, parents, friends, co-workers, neighbors, acquaintances, and even people you don’t know, and even your so-called enemies.

I challenge you to look for ways to *ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life.* Search and destroy the things that bring little or no value, or even make you lose ground in the realm of relational development.

Ask yourself: What does this activity truly add to my character, or to my faith, or to my walk with God, or to my capacity to love others?

Here’s the ruthless part: If you take an honest look at some activity and determine it is of little, or no, or even negative value, throw it out. Then ask the Lord and maybe a good friend what might be a positive and encouraging thing to do – something that adds life and godliness so that you will not only refresh yourself, but so that you can also be a blessing to someone else.

Children's Ministry

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 mid-week 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.

Lighthouse Youth



HARBOR YOUTH NEWSLETTER

Middle School – 5:30-8:00 Wednesdays

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

Pizza for dinner \$3.

June & July Classes will meet:

June 16th

July 14th

July 28th

High School – 5:00-8:00 Sundays

We are discussing the treasures we have in Christ as believers, and learning how to really pray with and for each other.

Come and Join us!

Pizza for dinner \$3

Upcoming Events

Middle School Camp
July 18 – July 23rd – Packets
are available at youth
group or in church office.

High School Mission Trip
Anchorage, Alaska
June 19-26th.

Pool Party
June 13th
Osawatomie Pool (Ozone)
5:45—7:45pm

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**For the month of
June 2021**

Miscellaneous Issues

Lea Anderson (Janell Bouse)
Merilee Baughman
Tina Blanck (Karen Blanck)
Dorothy Boyd
Dixie Brummel (Roberta Briley)
Pam Bryant
Kristen Cummings
Rosemary Cummings
Maria Domnanish (John Rhea)
Erin Dulgarian
Kimmie Eastwood (Janell Bouse)
Kaleb Ebeling
Jim Galemore (Cindy Walters)
Krystal Gibson
Jan Gillespie
Joe Gillespie
Zoe Harrington (Cummings)
Sophia Haupt
Cindy Hines (Scott Hines)
Ron Hinkle
Bill Kidwell (Debbie Ebeling)
Rene Korsten (Janet Offutt)
Sheila Majors
Betty Matney (Evelyn Cowden)
Jake McGuire (Jackie Brewer)
Orval Miller
Steve Miller (Linda Gibson)
Janet Offutt
Sadie Olson
Margaret Quintero
Terry Reed (Rebecca Sutton)
John Rhea

Verna Rhodes (Robin Motta)
Fran Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
Euphemia Sargeant (Judy Kappeler)
Megan Sutton
Gary & Sherri Tostenson
(Debbie Ebeling)
Marlene Voigts
Carol Walker (Linda Gibson)
Helen Willard (Linda Martin)
Daniel Youngblood (Kay Phipps)

Military

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

Cancer

Lon Boyd
Ray Chapman
(Lyle & Roberta Briley)
Jack Daley
Verna Garrett
(Mary Ann Thornton)
Tommy Gillen (Terry Gillen)
Carolyn Hightower (Sue Dumcum)
Jim Johnson (Tracey Hecker)
Megan Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Mike McGuire (Kristal Sparks)
Steve Minor (Cindy Walters)
Cindy Morriaella
(Theresa Morrison)
Jana Morris (Rebecca Sutton)
Susie Porterfield
Jonica Sauce (Sheila Majors)
Deb Schindler (Rebecca Sutton)
Donna Turner (Theresa Morrison)
Blythe White (Theresa Morrison)

(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:

- **Sutton Lamb** (Samantha Green)

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