

Lighthouse Presbyterian Church

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

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Worship: Sunday 10:00am

LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH POOL PARTY

***SPONSORED BY
OUR DEACONS***

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 8TH
5:45-7:45PM**

**OZONE OUTSIDE POOL
OSAWATOMIE, KS**



NewsLetter DEADLine

The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, July 29, 2021.

Deadline for all articles will be Friday, July 23rd.

Thank you in advance for your help.

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

You may fill out a prayer request:

SIGN-UP:
Welcome Table

CALL:
913.294.2400

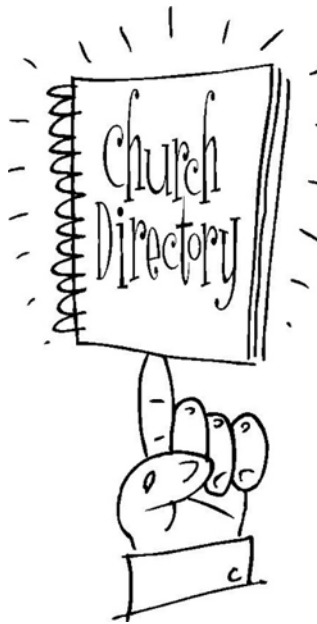
EMAIL:
rebecca@paolalighthouse.com

WEBSITE:
www.paolalighthouse.com/prayer

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Best wishes to Mark & Cindy Noel on the birth of a son, Corbin Lee, born June 16th. Proud grandparents are Mike & Debbie Murdock and great grandma is Dorothy Murdock.

Church Directory



Lighthouse Church will be updating the Database and Church Directory for the first time since 2016. The database is for church staff only. We use the database for birthday cards, mailings, and financial contributions. The printed Church Directory allows our partners to connect with others and assist our Deacons, Elders, and Staff to better serve you.

In order to complete this task, we need your assistance to ensure that our records are up to date. You will receive a letter requesting you to update your information and return it to the church office no later than July 31st.

If you wish to not have your contact information included in our printed church directory, then you will have the opportunity to communicate that with us as well.

New Members

Sonya
Brightwell



Patrick
Sweeney



Dee & Wayne
Young




*"For we are all members of one body."
Ephesians 4:25*

AUGUST Birthdays

- 1 Anita Burdge
Margaret Quintero
- 2 Alice Rose
- 4 Sheri Evison
Heather Simons
- 5 Averly Green
Levi Sparks
Colton Whitney
- 6 Helen Blakeman
- 7 Aidan Hartig
- 8 Calvin Christie
Teagan Sterk
- 9 Denise Debrick
- 10 Greta Achey
Troy Collier
Frederick Poetter
- 12 Terry Robinson
- 13 Danica Trent
Deacon Trent
- 14 Sheila Majors
- 15 Patience Boyd
Alyssa Cole
Megan Olson
- 17 Kaleb Ebeling
Tabitha Foster
Larry Fulk
- 18 Elijah Short
Patrick Sweeney
- 19 Greta Cole
Jed Scott
- 20 Maggie Cole
Brent Eppler
- 21 Tammy Dowd
Tristan Katzer
Kathie Kirkpatrick
Zebaddiah
Reynolds
Mason Sparks
- 22 Landen Hay
- 23 Shonda Dyer
- 24 Susie Porterfield
- 25 Paisley Whitney
- 26 Merilee Baughman
Roberta Briley
Archer Hoffine
- 28 Elizabeth
Sweeney-Reeder
- Eli Wedde
- 29 Haley McDougal
- 30 Joe Schaub
Mary Ann
Thornton
- 31 Izzy Brewer
Jensen Collier
Jimmy Hay
Ron Hinkle

Thursday, August 5th
11:30am

1st Thursdays 
for Seniors

We'd love for you to join us on August 5th as we continue to celebrate Summer with a taco salad menu, Mexican street corn and dessert.

We are delighted that Chris Wheaton of the Paola Adult Education Center will be with us as our guest speaker. She will be sharing on the topic of "Improving Your Memory -- Simple Things We Can Do".

It is helpful to receive your reservation by August 3rd. Please RSVP to Rebecca Sutton at 913-294-2400 or email her at rebecca@paolalighthouse.com, no later than Tuesday, August 3rd or sign up on Sunday.

MONTHLY INCOME REPORT

June 2020

GENERAL GIVING

YTD Budget Needed	\$324,195.36
YTD Actual Giving	<u>\$290,195.66</u>
Amount still needed:	\$ 33,999.70

BUILDING FUND

Annual Budget Needed:	\$ 187,085.88
YTD Actual Giving:	\$ 69,889.93

Loan Balance: \$2,379,558.70



Saying good-bye is hard to do!

On Sunday, July 25th, we will be saying good-bye to Darin Breeden, who has lifted our spirits with his heartfelt worship skills, both in voice and in guitar playing.

Please feel free to bring in a card letting him know how much we appreciated all he did for us. We will collect these

cards in the church office and will give them to him at worship on Sunday, July 25th.

Best of luck Darin, we will miss you!





You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9:6

Generosity Corner

We are looking for stories to share about “generosity”. In a world of chaos and discontent, isn’t it nice to hear positive stories of what is still going on around us.

Please feel free to share your stories of generosity with us. The Lighthouse Generosity Team has given us ways to be generous. We would love to hear some of the reactions to our “Chicken Soup” give away as well as our “Box Dinners” for the young families and any “Blessing Bags” that may have been distributed. All stories will be kept anonymous, so please feel free to send a letter to 1402 E 303rd St; Paola, KS 66071 or send an email to: tracey@paolalighthouse.com.

Here is our first story...

My friend’s husband has lung cancer. I noticed a facebook post that when she takes him from Mound City, up to the city for treatments, she likes to stop in Louisburg at a coffee shop. I drove to the coffee shop and purchased a gift certificate. After buying a “happy” card, I mailed the gift certificate to her. She was sooo excited to receive this gift. She said it came at the perfect time!

“Like piano playing, giving is a skill. With practice, we get better at it. We can learn to give more, give more often, and give more strategically. We teach the pursuit of excellence in our vocations. Why not make giving something we study, discuss, and sharpen, striving for excellence?”

R. Alcorn, The Treasure Principle



Items for Shoebox Collection

It is so fulfilling to be able to fill a shoebox and know that we are touching the life of a child in a way that has never been touched before, through the love of Christ.

After last year’s challenges with COVID, let’s see if we can increase the number of shoeboxes we fill this year. If you prefer not to fill a shoebox, no problem, just bring in some of the below listed items and I will be more than happy to utilize those items

in the shoeboxes I have made from other donations. Boxes will be filled for either a boy or a girl and in age groups of 2-4 years, 5-9 years, or 10-14 years.

Following are some ideas of items we would like to collect:

Stuffed animals
Pens/pencils
Hot wheels
Slinkies

Wash cloths
Pencil sharpeners
Bar soap
Crayons

Small games
Small craft items
Bouncy balls
Hair accessories



Please drop off any items you would like to donate in the Church Office.

If you are interested in helping with this wonderful ministry or you have any questions, please feel free to call Tracey Hecker at 913-294-2400 or email at tracey@paolalighthouse.com.



First Quarantians



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.

Cross-referencing the Bible

As a student of the Bible, one of the simplest, and best things you can do to avail yourself of the *whole counsel of God* (Acts 20:27) is called *cross-referencing*. If you don't know what I'm talking about, there's a good chance you've missed something quite helpful while reading the scriptures.

Most Bibles have *subscripts* in the text – might be a numeral, but it's usually a letter, as seen at the end of the following example: ¹⁵*On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves,* ¹⁶*and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts.* ¹⁷*And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations' ^[c]? But you have made it 'a den of robbers.' ^[d]"* (Mark 11:15-17)

Easy to miss, right? But maybe you have wondered: *What's with that little c in v.17?*

In the margin or at the bottom of that page in your Bible, there should be the same letter with a verse beside it. In this case – the letter *c* – the verse is Isaiah 56:7. Turn back to that Old Testament book / verse and you will see that Jesus is literally quoting the prophet Isaiah as he is upending tables and forbidding merchandisers to enter the temple courts.

This quick and easy reference, done on a regular basis as you read, will greatly enhance your overall understanding of both the Old and New Testaments. And it just might increase your appetite for God's Word, especially in regard to the Old Testament. (Numerous Christians fail to regularly read the OT for various reasons, which is unfortunate.)

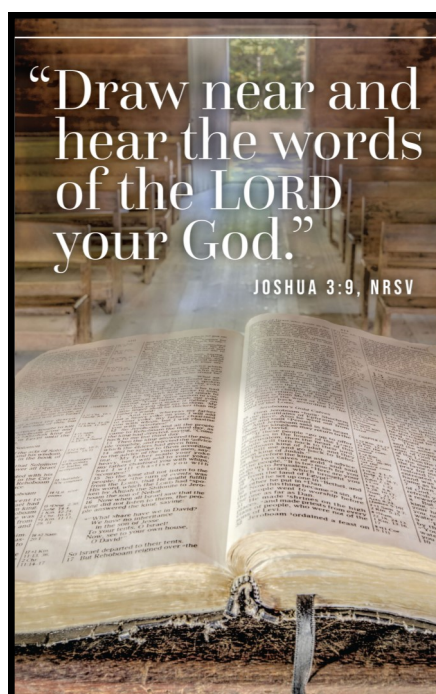
My hope here is to encourage you to make it a practice to look up or *cross-reference* some, or all of the places you come across in your daily reading. In this way you can become like the Bereans in Acts 17:11: *Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.*

Not only did this group of people receive the message with great eagerness, but they also did a fair amount of *cross-referencing* to make sure Paul's words agreed with what had been written.

In regard to the verse in the Gospel of Mark – Jesus' quote of Isaiah – do yourself a favor and read that whole chapter, not just v.7...context is everything.

Should you read chapter 56, you will notice that Isaiah is addressing his comments to foreigners. This is significant: When Jesus quotes v.7, Mark – the author (probably Peter recalling his experiences to Mark) – includes the phrase: *for all nations* (or people groups). The other three gospels do not include this phrase. Must have been significant to Peter, more so than the other writers.

My point here is not necessarily to go deeper into Peter's reasoning, but to help us gain a sense of value for the discipline of cross-referencing the Bible. It has been said that the Bible is its own best commentary; looking up these quotations in the Old Testament, or sometimes in the New Testament will expand your knowledge base, whet your appetite for God and his word, and heighten your faith in God and his promises.



Children's Ministry

Our Vision



- ♦ To grow in Christ and become like Him.
- ♦ To teach and demonstrate the Gospel each time we gather with children.
- ♦ To pray that children may be light in their world that grows brighter each day with the help of the Holy Spirit.
- ♦ To support the family unit as primary teachers of the faith and the conduit through which God shows His love and reveals His character.



Sunday Mornings:

- ♦ Nursery is available for ages 0-3 during worship.
- ♦ Children's Church is offered during worship for children age **Preschool-5th** grade. At a designated time during the service (usually following the Children's Talk), children are dismissed to meet their adult leaders in the back of the sanctuary. Following worship, children may be picked up in the children's educational wing. *There is no Children's Church on 5th Sundays.*

Midweek:

- ♦ Twice a year (Fall & Spring), a mid-week **Family Night and Kingdom Kids** is offered on Wednesday evenings that includes a meal, family worship, and Bible study activities for all ages. *Dates, times, and other necessary information will be provided in the weeks prior to each session.*

Special Events:

- ♦ Vacation Bible School for ages **Pre-school-5th** grade is offered each Summer. *Dates and details is provided each Spring.*
- ♦ **Seasonal Family Events** (onsite, online, or at-home) occur throughout the year. *Info is provided in the weeks prior to each event.*



Sunday, August 22, 2021
Children's Church Move-up Day

Sunday, August 29, 2021
Confirmation Parent Meeting (9:00am)

Sunday, September 12, 2021
Confirmation classes begin (8:30-9:45am)
2nd Grade Bible Presentation (during worship)

emoji madness

in
Children's Church



Emotions are real and God's Word helps us learn how to deal with them in a God-pleasing way. In **Emoji Madness**, children will learn from Biblical characters how to know and show God's love when overcome with various emotions.

7/18/21 Lesson 12.1 Elisha's Servant is Afraid
Big Idea: God is with us when we're afraid, so we can pray that He'll open our eyes.
Bible Basis: 2 Kings 6:8-22

7/25/21 Lesson 12.4 Making Peace with Others
Big Idea: Jesus is the Good Shepherd who makes peace with us, so I can make peace with others.
Bible Basis: Matthew 18:10-20

2 THINGS!!!

Second Grade Bibles

Second graders will be gifted a Bible from the Children's Ministry committee during worship on **Sunday, September 12**. If you have a child going into 2nd grade who wants to receive a Bible, contact Josh!

Confirmation

Confirmation classes will begin this fall for youth who are at least in 6th grade. A parent meeting will be held on **August 29 at 9:00am**.

If you have a youth (going into grade 6+) interested in being Confirmed, contact Josh!

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

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.

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.

Come and join us!

Pizza for dinner \$3.

July Classes will meet:
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

Pool Party
August 8th
Osawatomie Pool (Ozone)
5:45—7:45pm

LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH

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**For the month of
July 2021**

Miscellaneous Issues

Lea Anderson (Janell Bouse)
Dorothy Boyd
Dee Brandt
Dixie Brummel (Roberta Briley)
Pam Bryant
Janice Burmahn (Shonda Dyer)
DeBok Family
Nelva Drummond (Pat Briley)
Erin Dulgarian
Lexie Dyer (Chris & Shonda Dyer)
Jan Gillespie
Joe Gillespie
Patsy Gliem (Rebecca Sutton)
Catherine Glover (Rebecca Sutton)
Zoe Harrington (Cummings)
Lawson Hay
LueAnn Hellyer
Ron Hinkle
Lee Horner (April England)
Julie Katzer (Rebecca Sutton)
Gary Keller (Kirk Johnston)
Karen Loar (Tammy Cole)
Jeremy Martin
(Doug & Linda Martin)
Josh Meyers
Barbara Moscript (Leon Briley)
Debbie Mueller (Rebecca Sutton)
Adam Murphy
(Bob & Jenny Paulsen)
Mark Newton (Cindy Walters)
Janet Offutt
Sadie Olson

Susie Porterfield
Margaret Quintero
Verna Rhodes (Robin Motta)
Ginny Samuelson (Rebecca Sutton)
Gary Tostenson (Debbie Ebeling)
Tyler Vannatta (Sonya Brightwell)
Marlene Voigts
Richard & Reta Wadley
(Amy Herron)
Gail Walter
Lisa White (Rebecca Sutton)

Military

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

Cancer

Lon Boyd
Jack Daley
Tibby Fort (Linda Gibson)
Verna Garrett
(Mary Ann Thornton)
Tommy Gillen (Terry Gillen)
Carolyn Hightower (Sue Dumcum)
Megan Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
Mike McGuire (Kristal Sparks)
Steve Minor (Cindy Walters)
Jana Morris (Rebecca Sutton)
Jim Moscript (Leon Briley)
Father Pete O'Sullivan
(Rebecca Sutton)
Cody Pixler (Haley McDougal)
Joel Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
Jonica Sauce (Sheila Majors)
Deb Schindler (Rebecca Sutton)
Chuck Smith (Shonda Dyer)
Sabrina Thomley (Denise Reynolds)
Donna Turner (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:

- **Brant Domnanish**
(Rebecca Sutton)
- **Tom Hire, Sr** (Rebecca Sutton)
- **Bill Kidwell** (Debbie Ebeling)
- **Arthur Marmon** (Karen Blanck's brother)
- **Becky Swanson** (Jackie Brewer's sister-in-law)
- **Ray Chapman** (Lyle & Roberta Briley)



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