



Lighthouse Presbyterian Church

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

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Lighthouse Presbyterian Church · 1402 E. 303rd Street · Paola, KS 66071 · 913.294.2400

Worship: Sunday 10:00am



Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24th

4:00pm and 6:00pm

Communion will be served.

All are invited to worship!

‘Twas the night before Christmas... the perfect time to sing joyfully to the Lord for the precious gift of his Son. Come enjoy all the beauty of Christmas as we worship together in song, prayer, preaching and communion.

Childcare will be available for nursery up through 3 years of age.





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

- **Serena Blaske**
(Erin Capettini)
- **Josh Ferris**
(Chris Capettini)
- **Sherri McBroom-Preston**
(Kay Ufford)
- **Shirley Strack**
(Cindy Walters)



Christian Childcare Needed

Lighthouse Church has a part-time paid position for childcare on a rotational basis on Sunday mornings, and various other evening times during the week.

Days: Sunday Mornings 8:30am to 11:30am
Monday Evenings—Varying
Tuesday Evenings 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Wednesday Evenings 5:30pm to 7:15pm

Wages: 16 yr. old and 17 yr. old = \$10.00/hour
18 yr. old and above = \$15.00/hour



For more information, please contact the Church Office at 913-294-2400 or email tracey@paolalighthouse.com.

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/connect

MONTHLY INCOME REPORT November 2021

GENERAL GIVING

YTD Budgeted Needed	\$ 594,358.16
YTD Actual Giving	\$ 534,028.95
Amount still needed:	\$ 60,329.21

BUILDING FUND

Annual Budget Needed:	\$ 187,085.88
YTD Actual Giving:	\$ 119,882.97

Loan Balance:	\$2,355,438.59
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NewsLetter DEADLine

The next Beacon newsletter will be published on Thursday, Dec. 30, 2021

Deadline for all articles will be Thursday, Dec 23rd.

Thank you in advance for your help.

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:

- ⇒ Facebook—Lighthouse Church Paola
- ⇒ Instagram—[paolalighthousechurch](https://www.instagram.com/paolalighthousechurch)
- ⇒ Twitter—[@LighthousePaola](https://twitter.com/LighthousePaola)
- ⇒ www.paolalighthouse.com
- ⇒ www.kctv5.com
- ⇒ Channel 5 KCTV News





Epiphany will be celebrated on January 2nd along with passing of the stars, including scriptures.



Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for everything you have done for me after my surgery. Visits, prayers, food, phone calls, and so forth. You will never know how much I appreciated it.

God Bless,
Bev Knapp

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AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose Lighthouse Presbyterian Church.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile smile.amazon.com, you need to select a charitable organization (preferably Lighthouse Presbyterian Church) to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation. AmazonSmile will occasionally contact you about donation amounts disbursed to your chosen charity or about the program.

PACA Bell Ringing



Please participate in sharing with others in our community with the annual ringing of the bell at Wal-Mart. Our church will have two dates this year to ring in the blessings for the holiday season and assist with Salvation Army's work in Miami County.

Saturday, December 18th West Door
10:00am-6:00pm

Thursday, December 23rd East Door
10:00am-6:00pm

You may sign up (in one hour time slots) at the Welcome Table on Sunday mornings or call the church office at 294.2400.

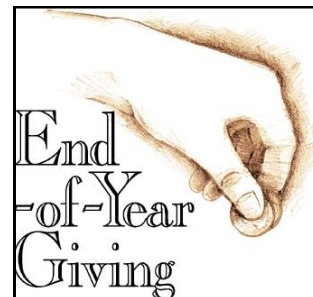
Monies collected in Paola, Osawatomie & Louisburg will be used to help residents in Miami County for 2022.



- 1 Becky McDowell
- Gordon McDowell
- 3 Stacey Knauss
- Craig Tennis
- 4 Drew Bishop
- Justin Meade
- 5 Ruthie Gillen
- Marge Miller
- Miles Roberts
- 6 Erin Capettini
- 7 Randy Nemeth
- 8 Mike England
- 10 Samantha Green
- Kevin Wiseman
- 11 Sarah Baldrige
- Gannon Miller
- Landen Terflinger
- 12 Jake Gayley
- Pat Hewitt
- Patty Yocam
- 13 Ken Atkins
- Pam Bryant
- 14 Paula Armstrong
- Laura Epp
- Jim Ferguson
- Linda Martin
- Julie Zoller
- 15 Dailey Mitchell
- 16 Ulrike Poetter
- 17 Bob Kirkpatrick
- 23 Leland Blackman
- Jillian Gayley
- 24 Marcia Scott
- 25 David Connell, Jr.
- 26 Henry Baldrige
- 27 Stacy Boan
- Carole Moore
- 30 Jeff Reeder
- 31 Zaydin Reynolds
- Ashlyn Wade

Important Reminder:

Your faithful completion of pledges and your **End of the year giving** is one of the chief ways Lighthouse Church meets its ministry commitments for the year. We normally run at a deficit all year until December and this year is no different. **We are currently about \$60,000 behind where we planned to be.**

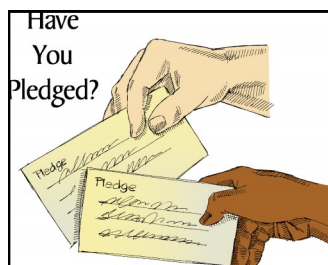


Would you prayerfully consider and remember Lighthouse Church and its work in Christ's name as you come to the end of 2021? Thank you.

**Thursday, January 6th
11:30am**

1st Thursdays 
for Seniors

Begin the New Year with the fellowship of First Thursdays for Seniors — men and women, couples and singles or AARP age that meet on the first Thursday of each month. Join us January 6th for warm soup, meditation by Pastor Kirk and fellowship. A suggested donation of \$3.00 for the meal. Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, January 4th by calling the church office at 913-294-2400, emailing rebecca@paolalighthouse.com or signing up on Sunday morning at the Welcome table.



2022 Pledge Update

	Operational
# of Pledges Rec'd	67
Amount Budgeted	\$658,589
Pledged Amt Rec'd	\$444,460
Difference	\$214,129

For those of you who have turned in your pledge for 2022, we thank you for helping us plan for next year's budget.

If you have not yet turned in a pledge card, we would appreciate it if you could prayerfully consider doing so as soon as you are able.



Holiday Office Hours

Friday, Dec 24th - Office closed

Monday, Dec 27th - Office Closed

Friday, Dec 31st - Office closed

Monday, Jan 3rd - Office Closed

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 are 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.*



**Friday,
December 24, 2021**
Christmas Eve
Worship Services
(4pm and 6pm)

Sunday, January 2, 2022
Epiphany Worship Service, 10am
Everyone receives an Epiphany Star!

coming up in CHILDREN'S CHURCH!



In **JINGLE JAMBOREE**, preschoolers will open surprise gifts (and musical ones, too!) to learn the story of God's greatest gift to the world, His Son Jesus!

12/19/21 ... Baby Jesus is Born

Big Idea: I can tell everyone that Jesus is born
Key verse: Luke 2:12

12/26/21 ... The Shepherds Shout

Big Idea: I can tell everyone that Jesus is born
Key verse: Luke 2:12

We've all shaken a gift before to try and figure out what it is. In our Elementary Christmas series, **SHAKE IT UP**, kids will shake gifts to guess what's inside. Each gift will help tell the story of the God's gift that shook the world, His Son Jesus!

12/19/21 ... The Light of the World: Jesus is Born

Big Idea: Jesus is the Light of the World and I can share the light with others like the shepherds did.

Key verse: John 12:46

12/26/21 ... Mary and Joseph Flee to Egypt

Big Idea: Jesus fulfills the prophecies of the Old Testament, so we can trust that He is LORD.

Key verse: Philippians 2:10-11



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.

Lighthouse Youth



HARBOR YOUTH NEWSLETTER

High School Youth

High School students (Grades 9-12) will meet on Sundays:

High School Youth Group are on pause until January. Leaders will be in touch over winter break with details about a movie night and also a game night. We will begin again January 9th from 7:00pm-8:30pm. We will watch and discuss The Chosen series beginning January 9th.

Leader Contact Info:

youth@paolalighthouse.com
Jonathan Sterk: 913.244.6584
Lisa Weidman: 913.731.6312

Middle School Youth

Middle School students (Grades 6-8) will meet on Wednesdays:

Middle School Youth Group are on pause until January. We will begin again January 12th from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

Leader Contact Info:

youth@paolalighthouse.com
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder: 913.709.2165

High School Leaders

Ryan Haupt
Heather Sterk
Jonathan Sterk
Lisa Weidman

Middle School Leaders

Mike Bayles
Sara Gayley
Kirk Johnston
Maggie Koechner
Oliver Sparks
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder
Jennie Terflinger

Youth Director Search Committee

Tresha Miller, Chair
Erin Capettini, Secretary
Benjamin Sparks
Jonathan Sterk
Elizabeth Sweeney-Reeder
Jennie Terflinger

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For the month of December 2021

Miscellaneous Issues

Dale Achey (Greta Achey)
 Janet Ahlbrandt (Joel Ahlbrandt)
 Joel & Sherry Ahlbrandt
 Mike Bayles
 Susan Bayles
 Stacie Boehm (Troy Collier)
 Dorothy Boyd
 Jessica Bridgman (Terry Robinson)
 Sonya Brightwell & Mission Team
 Troy Bruza
 Pam Bryant
 Evelyn Cowden
 Millie Sue Cox (Linda Gibson)
 Kristen Cummings
 Rosemary Cummings
 Dees Family
 (Joel & Sherry Ahlbrandt)
 Jean Driskell (Theresa Morrison)
 Jan Gillespie
 Joe Gillespie
 Jamie Glenn
 Arlyn Hanquist (Rebecca Sutton)
 Zoe Harrington (Cummings)
 Amy Herron
 John Hieber (Tracey Hecker)
 David Hime
 Scott Hines
 Ron Hinkle
 Gary Keller (Kirk Johnston)
 Bev Knapp
 Tim Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
 Rene Korsten (Janet Offutt)

Chloe Majors Family
 Gina Mangels (Rebecca Sutton)
 Betty Matney (Evelyn Cowden)
 Russ & Joyce Mayer
 (Tammy Dowd)
 Jim McCauley (Samantha Green)
 Karen Miller
 JoAnn Moss (Rebecca Sutton)
 Jayde Moss (Rebecca Sutton)
 Adam Murphy
 (Bob & Jenny Paulsen)
 Janet Offutt
 Anita Ohland (Terry Robinson)
 Rev. Kermit Opprieht
 (Mike Gibson)
 Jim Paulsen (Sherry Ahlbrandt)
 Shirley Phipps (Brad Phipps)
 John Rhea
 Verna Rhodes (Robin Motta)
 Fran Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
 Joel Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
 Scott Riggs (Theresa Morrison)
 Terry Robinson
 Elijah, Katie Short & Arianna
 (Kirk Johnston)
 Palmer Swafford (Tracey Hecker)
 Gary Tostenson (Debbie Ebeling)
 Marlene Voigts
 Reta Wadley
 (Amy Herron)
 Julane Williams (Cindy Walters)
 Nadine Zemp (Marilyn Roberts)

Military

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

Cancer

John Ahlbrandt (Joel Ahlbrandt)
 Lon Boyd
 Carolyn Bulcock (Tauna Connell)
 Richie Gillen (Terry Gillen)
 Tommy Gillen (Terry Gillen)
 Ashlee Guthrie (Roberta Briley)
 Delores Herrs (Denise Reynolds)
 Megan Knoche (Rebecca Sutton)
 Chuck Lane (Bob Kirkpatrick)
 Mike McGuire (Kristal Sparks)
 Cindy Morriaella
 (Theresa Morrison)
 Jim Moscript (Leon Briley)
 Jim Paulsen
 (Joel & Sherry Ahlbrandt)
 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.)



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Erin Capettini, PT Office Admin:	erin@paolalighthouse.com
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