

The Grapevine

April 2026



Celebrate Holy Week

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 29th @ 9:30am

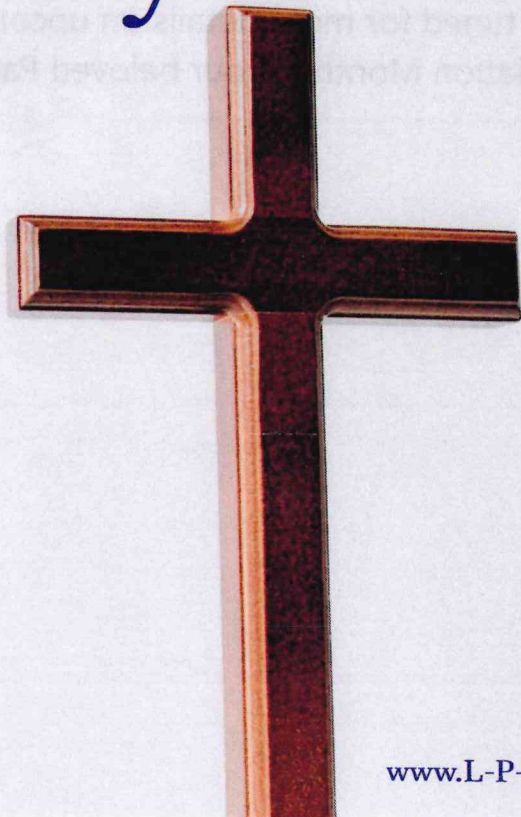
Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 2nd @ 7:30pm

Resurrection Sunday

Sunday, April 5th @ 9:30am

Easter Breakfast @ 8:30am



Childcare is provided at all services.

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No Sunday School & Adult Education Easter morning.

Easter Morning Breakfast: The entire congregation and their guests are invited to gather for this early morning hot breakfast as we remember the joy of that first Resurrection morning! This is our time together as church family and you won't want to miss it!

Call the church office to register your planned attendance and watch for sign-up sheets to help in the church foyer.

See inside for additional details about these services.

April is Pastor Appreciation Month

Please send your own personal letter directly to Pastor Kelly anytime during the month of April. Please write your own thank you in your own words to let Pastor Kelly know how much you have appreciated his ministry at LPC for the last 20 years. Feel free to add a photo, family memory and/or anything that he would find meaningful.

Please send your letter directly to his home.

Our hope is that Pastor Kelly receives the letters throughout April. Please feel free to send the letter anytime during the month.

Stay tuned for more details on upcoming events in April as we continue Pastor Appreciation Month for our beloved Pastor Kelly.



PALM

Sunday

Sunday, March 29th @ 9:30am

All children and teens ages 1 to 18, including Sunday School students, Awana participants, and guests, are invited to meet in the **Waith Hall at 9:15 AM** to prepare to process into the sanctuary waving palms and singing praise for the opening of our church service. Let's fill the sanctuary together!

Hosanna, Hosanna, Glory to God in the highest!



Thursday, April 2nd @ 7:30pm

A special service of remembrance focusing on Jesus' Last Supper with His disciples. Communion will be served.

Childcare is provided.



Friday, April 3rd @ 10:30am

Join us as we participate in the annual Good Friday Cross Walk. During the walk, there will be 15 stops during which scriptures will be read, with a short time for individuals to share thoughts and insights. All are welcome!

Sunday, April 5th @ 9:30am

He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

All are welcome to join us at our Resurrection Sunday worship service as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ!

An Easter morning breakfast will take place before the service at 8:30am. Please call the church office to sign up to attend.

Update from LPC's Session: This is just a note to let people know that the Elders are working to keep the Worship and educational programs on track and focused as we, the congregation of LPC, grieve as we watch our beloved Pastor Kelly, struggle.

The following is a list of actions that are under way:

- Session is working with EPC to determine the best search process for LPC. EPC has been and will be very helpful with our upcoming search process.
- Session is working on a list of people to nominate to a Pastoral Search Committee.
- Session is also about to start work on establishing a committee to hire a "Temporary Pastor". I place this in quotes as I don't yet know the proper title for this person.
- Session is planning on a congregation meeting to elect a Pastoral Search Committee and to review the 2025 Annual report. This can be scheduled once the above items are resolved.

Session is aware that the congregation has concerns and questions. As always, Session invites questions. Please feel free to ask any active Elder any question. You can also submit questions [verbally or in writing] to Session thru the Church Office [Marie Babcock]. If we can't answer a question, we will get back to you.

You can help. Please pray for the Elders, pray for the Negus family, and pray for your LPC family.

Praising God, as we remember His faithfulness!

Bill Stortz

Clerk of Session

Active Elders:

Larry Cornwall	Kevin Selkregg	Jack Manley
Bill Stortz	Dave Young	Nate Fleteau
Ed Carlsen	Rudy Bucci	Jimmie Jackson
Gary Meindl	Mike Eaton	Bill Stortz

Pictures taken at church events are often used for publicity, especially on the church's website.

If you do not want you or your child's picture used, please contact the church office.

It will be assumed that it is okay to use your picture if we do not hear from you.

Please respond no later than Friday, April 10th.

Church Custodian - Lancaster Presbyterian Church seeking Church Custodian.

Prior custodial, janitorial, or basic maintenance experience preferred.

Part-Time; 20-30 hours per week.

Interested parties may submit resume or CV to office@L-P-C.org.

April Missionary of the Month - Gavin Hill

At 12 years old I attended Csehy music camp at Houghton University. This was my first experience in Christian community, this was the first time I learned about God, and the first time I read a Bible. This camp changed my life because I had never been a part of a community full of love and acceptance, even though I knew nothing about Jesus. The other aspect of camp that changed me was the chapel messages, because I had never been told that there is a God who loves me, knows me, and desires to be with me. Before I left camp I made my declaration to follow Jesus, I started attending Church, and was baptized. I serve with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). FCA's vision is to see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes. Our mission to accomplish that vision is to lead every coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church. I mostly serve in Rochester, NY, but occasionally I go to other states in the region to support other FCA camps in the summer. I have been serving with FCA for a year and a half. Currently we are wrapping up the school year and preparing for summer. By the grace of God, we developed two new high school Huddles on the east side of Rochester with a third on the way. Now I am planning three camps, one in Rochester for which I am the director, one in Massachusetts, and one in Albany. I have changed and matured a lot. My understanding of God's goodness and faithfulness has radically matured. I have especially come to understand the love of Christ to a deeper level than I ever had. I heard this quote while in ministry and I will never forget it, "Jesus didn't save you for your future potential, He saved you in your mess because He loves you." Outside of ministry, I like to disc golf, run, read, lift, play board games, and play Mario Kart with friends.

Prayer Requests:

- For the Lord to bless our efforts as we totally restructure our Rochester Power Camp
- For me to rest and refresh in the Lord as last summer I felt drained from all the camps
- For the Lord to provide new leadership for our school Huddles after the school year finishes



Wednesday Family Night: Awana Clubs



Awana Clubs at LPC for:

- **Cubbies** (ages 3 – PreK)
- **Sparks** (K–2nd)
- **T&T** (3rd–6th).

Cubbies will meet in the LPC building from **6–7 PM** while **Sparks/T&T** will meet in the Potter's House across the street from **6–7:30 PM**.

Our family pizza dinner (5:15 PM – 6:00 PM) with pizza from Picasso's will continue on Wednesdays before our Awana Clubs! We ask families to contribute \$1/slice, if possible. We strongly encourage parents to join their children for dinner, as it's a meaningful opportunity to grow in community together!

After dinner, the kiddos will go to Awana, and we welcome parents and guardians to join us for an **adult small group** (Bible study) with dessert and coffee. On select weeks, we'll also offer special activities for adults, such as crafting nights.

Awana is a fun, Bible memory program for kids that helps them grow in their faith through Scripture memory, engaging lessons, and exciting games. AWANA stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed (2 Timothy 2:15). At LPC, we believe that the Word of God is precious and powerful and that the memorization and meditation of it transforms hearts and lives. This powerful ministry teaches young minds and equips parents in leading their children in the way of the Lord!

This is going to be a BLAST! We hope you join us! It's never too late to sign up to attend!

Please sign up to join us by using the link below (this can also be found on our website under Youth Ministry). Signing up ahead of time helps us to plan for accurate materials!

<https://lancaster-presbyterian-church-505410.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3066277>

No Family Night & Awana Clubs - Wednesday, April 8th

Junior & Senior High Youth Group (7th –12th grade)

Join the GroupMe to stay in the loop!

Saturday, April 18th - Youth Group Dinner, Bible, Games & Small Groups (5:30pm to 7:30pm)

Saturday, April 25th - Youth Group Dinner, Bible, Games & Small Groups (5:30pm to 7:30pm)



Watch for additional details about youth events in our GroupMe!

We are looking for Senior High Helpers/CITs for this summer's Camp Duffield! Please see Raffi if you are interested.

Contact Raffi Wright, LPC Youth & Music Director with questions (raffi@L-P-C.org).

Prayer Page

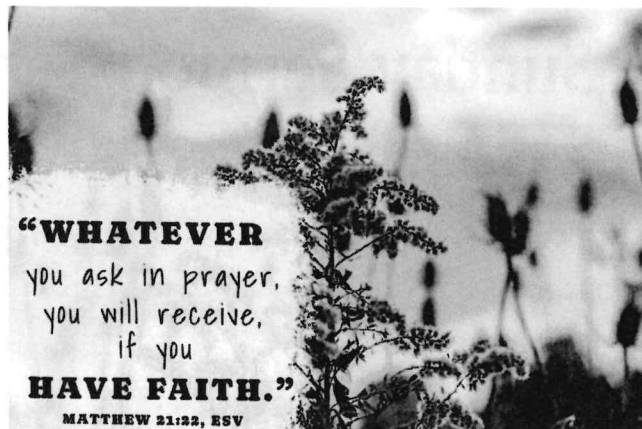
Pray for the pastor: Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus, Holy Spirit, we come before you to lift up Pastor Kelly. We ask that You lay Your healing hands on him, relieving his pain and restoring his body to full strength. Guide the doctors and medical team, giving them wisdom to find the right levels to treat the Parkinsons. We pray for peace and comfort for the Negus family. May this trial bring glory to Your name and allow Pastor Kelly to be strengthened by Your grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Praying for LPC ministries:

Session: The KAP prayer is to be prayer asking for the Lord's blessing upon and His help with the work of Session. Session this month wishes to offer the following KAP prayer requests:

- Understanding and obedience to God's will as LPC moves forward.
- The interim or a transitional Pastor to help navigate LPC through this season of change.
- Those whom God chooses to eventually serve on the Pastoral Search Committee.
- Patience, understanding and help by all, as we walk together through this time of change for all.
- Please, pray for the Reverend Doctor Kelly Negus.
- Please offer praises to God for His faithfulness!

Deacons: Oh, Lord, you know the suffering of those who wrestle with illness, loss, loneliness. Encourage us with the truth that You are the Great Physician, the Master and our Comfort. Help us to trust You with all our lives. And help us be your hands and feet to others who suffer. In Jesus' Name, Amen



Praying for our family

Pastor Kelly
KC Carlsen
Lisa Dunbar
Jeremy Miller
Dianne Perry
Judy Cavanaugh
Bill Stortz
Helen Markham
Carole Schafer
Paul & Carol Welker
Doris Moranski
Violet Chaves
Judy Martin
Don Flaig

Home Members

Shirley Richard
Nancy Patterson
Dave Breckenridge
Millie Epolito
Jackie Harbold
Judy Kish

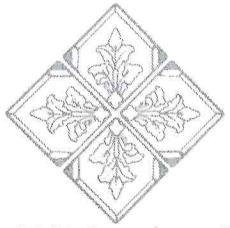
LPC's Military

Personnel:

Thomas Carlsen II

LPC Prayer Ministry:

If you have a prayer request or would like to be part of the prayer email list please contact the church office by email (office@l-p-c.org) or call Marie in the church office at 716-684-2277.



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Purpose:

For God's glory
we are committed
to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ
in all we say and all we do
to make and equip disciples
in our families, our community, and the world.

Core Values:

We believe in the authority of Scripture
and we affirm
the historic teachings
of Reformed Christianity.

Address Service Requested

Worship with us every Sunday!

9:30AM

Sunday Sermon Series

God Sees Our Hearts - 1 Samuel

LIVESTREAM available on our LPC YouTube channel.

Childcare provided.

Sunday School & Adult Education @ 10:45am

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