

**Lancaster
Presbyterian
Church**

*A Congregation of
the Evangelical
Presbyterian Church*

Rev. Dr. Kelly Negus
Senior Pastor

Raffi Wright
*Director of Youth & Music
Ministries*

**The Ten Biblical Principles
of Revitalization:**

1. Remember
God's faithfulness.
2. Repent continually.
3. Be gospel driven
and Christ centered.
4. Pray without ceasing.
5. Minister the word.
6. Cultivate spiritual formation.
7. Engage clear vision,
mission and values.
8. Equip
empowering servant leaders.
9. Build small groups.
10. Pursue
Great Commission discipleship.

Welcome to Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, August 2, 2026

God Sees Our Hearts
1 Samuel 26:1-25 (311)
Why Mercy?
Gaelen Negus

LPC Church Picnic TODAY!!!

Como Park Gazebo Shelter

Starting at 12:00pm, Lunch being served at 1:00pm

Church will provide: meat, paper products and table settings, lemonade & bottled water **Each family please bring a dish to pass!**
Feel free to bring a chair if you would like to sit somewhere other than the tables.

Summer Family Gathering AND Camp Duffield Reunion!

Friday, August 7th

5:30pm to 8:00pm @ the Carlsen's home

Let's reunite and celebrate all God did this summer! Join us for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship. Come reconnect with your camp friends, share memories, and soak up one more night of summer joy! **THE WHOLE FAM IS INVITED!** Let us know if you're coming by signing up on the Information Table, that way we can have plenty of food for everyone.
Bring your camp excitement and your swimming gear!

Optional: bring a dish to pass!

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.**

Welcome to Sunday Morning Worship

August 2, 2026 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome

Please sign the
Friendship pad as it is
passed through the pew,
returning it to the side
aisle.

Large Print Bulletins

and

Hearing Assistance Devices

are available
An usher will assist you.

Child Care is provided
through kindergarten in
room 217 on the 2nd floor.
An usher will guide you.

Prayer Cards are
available for special prayer
requests. Prayer cards can
be found in the pew
envelope holders and as
you enter the balcony.
They can be placed in the
offering basket.
A wooden box in the back
of the sanctuary is available
for confidential prayer
requests.

Please silence your
cell phone.

** Stand, if able*

Prelude

Welcome and Friendship Pad – Kevin Selkregg

Minute for Mission: Eric Ahl

Call to Worship

(From meditations on Psalm 54, 1 Samuel 26, Revelation 4-6)

O God, we know that salvation belongs to those
covered by Your name.

We claim that name, LORD,

as bond-servants in allegiance to Christ Jesus.

We call confidently on You, Lord of heaven and earth.

We place ourselves under Your covenant authority and protection.

And we declare: Jesus is Lord!

...

Almighty God, in the midst of the troubles of this world

Our one true hope is in You.

It is You who brings peace; it is You who brings justice.

And so we look to You, Jesus, to gaze on Your glory.

We look on You with eyes that You have opened in faith,
even eyes that have been opened by Your Spirit.

Help us to be patient in humble obedience, as we await Your return.

And strengthen us to mercy,

Because You alone are Judge, and Your judgement is sure.

*Hymn: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Red Hymnal #608

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Righteous Judge,

All-sufficient Savior,

Constant Comforter,

We humble ourselves in Your presence,

Approaching Your throne as those belonging to Jesus,
confidently standing on His perfect righteousness.



The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,
who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day
our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not
into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all
blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures
here below;
Women: Praise Him above
ye heavenly host
Men: Praise Him above ye
heavenly host
Women: Praise, Father Son
Men: Praise, Father Son
Women: Praise, Father Son
Men: Praise, Father Son
All: Praise, Father, Son, and
Holy Ghost!

LORD, when we were Your enemies
You came to us, You called us, You claimed us,
And you showed us mercy.

We confess, LORD, that we who have received Your perfect mercy
Have failed to extend mercy to others.

We confess that we have broken and unreconciled relationships
with brothers and sisters,

That weaken our families, our fellowship, and our witness.
As we look to You, Jesus, and align our hearts to You in allegiance,
Convict us to repentance, strengthen us to obedience,
and comfort us in Your free grace,
Even as we confess our sins to You in the silence of this moment.

Silent Confession

Jesus, You humbled Yourself even as the All-Worthy King,
And You delight in mercy and forgiveness.

As those whose eyes are fixed on You in living faith,
Strengthen us to extend Your forgiveness,
That we might be reconciled with all who truly repent
and trust in You.

We pray, in Jesus' name, AMEN.

Hymn: *No One Understands Like Jesus

Red Hymnal #36

Prayer for Illumination

1 Samuel 26:1-25

Why Mercy?

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Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Affirmation of Faith

The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 26, Paragraph 1

All believers are united to Jesus Christ, their head,
By his Spirit and by faith,
And have fellowship with him
in his grace, suffering, death, resurrection, and glory.
United to one another in love
the saints have fellowship in each other's gifts and grace
And are obliged to perform those public and private duties
which nourish their mutual good,
both spiritually and physically.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *When Trials Come*

Narda Cornwall

*When trials come no longer fear, For in the pain our God draws near
To fire a faith worth more than gold
And there His faithfulness is told, And there His faithfulness is told
Within the night I know Your peace, The breath of God brings strength to me
And new each morning mercy flows
As treasures of the darkness grow, As treasures of the darkness grow
I turn to wisdom not my own, For ev'ry battle You have known
My confidence will rest in You
Your love endures Your ways are good, Your love endures Your ways are good
When I am weary with the cost, I see the triumph of the cross
So in its shadow I shall run
Till You complete the work begun, Till You complete the work begun
One day all things will be made new, I'll see the hope You called me to
And in Your kingdom paved with gold
I'll praise Your faithfulness of old, I'll praise Your faithfulness of old*

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***Doxology**

***Benediction**

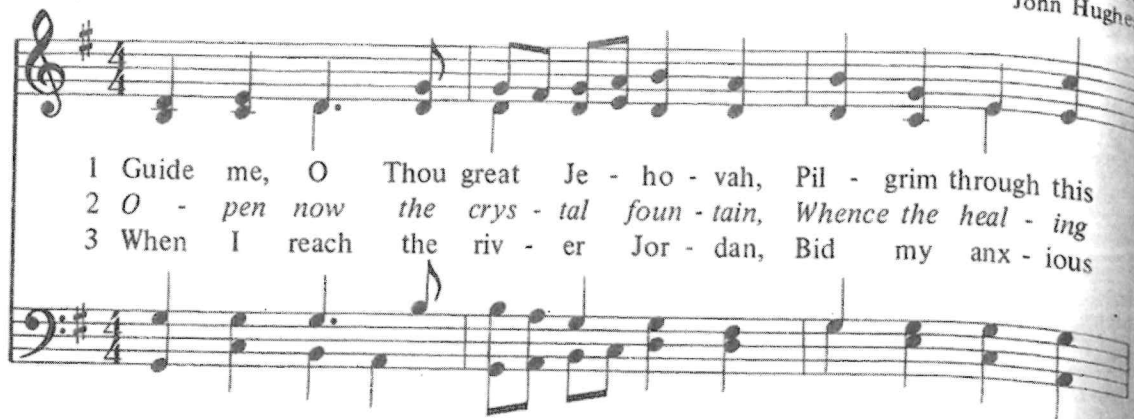
Parting Song: *Because He Lives

Red Hymnal #292

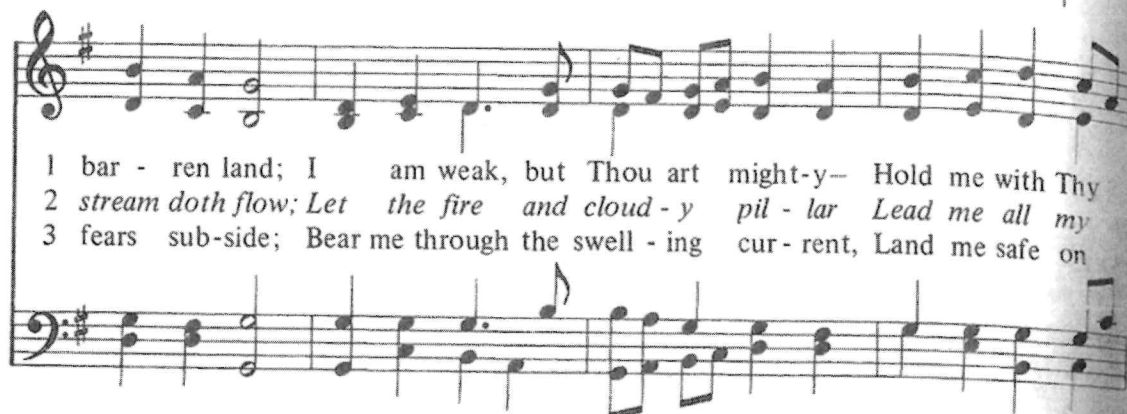
Postlude

Raffi Wright, Director of Youth & Music Ministries

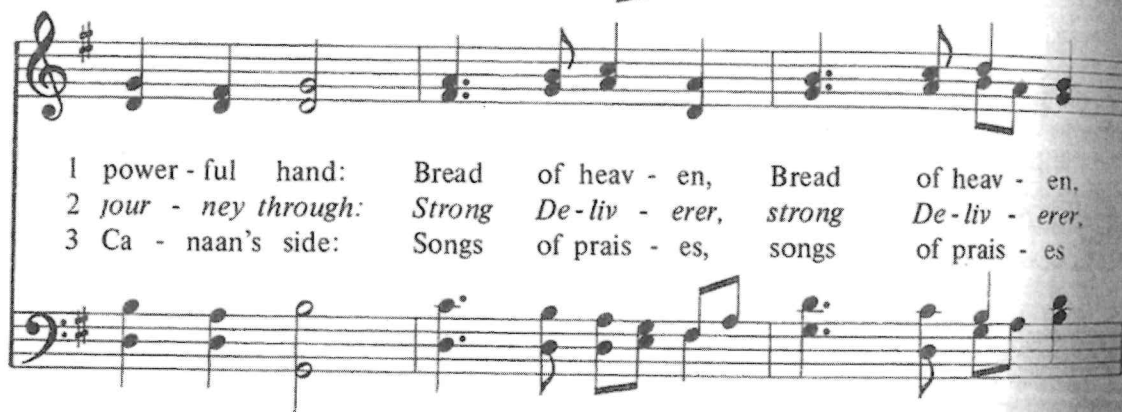
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*He will guide us even unto death. — Psalm 48:14*William Williams
Tr. by Peter WilliamsCWM RHONDDA
John Hughes


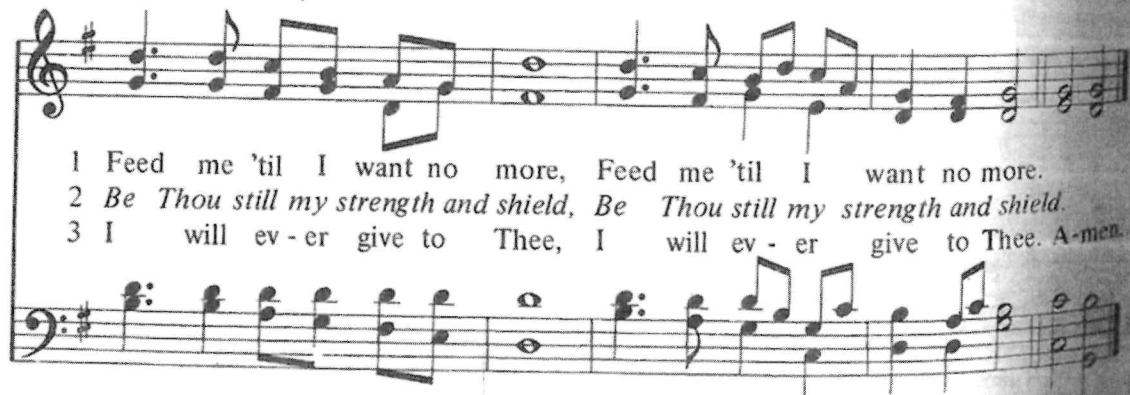
1 Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, Whence the heal - ing
 3 When I reach the riv - er Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



1 bar - ren land; I am weak, but Thou art might-y— Hold me with Thy
 2 stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar Lead me all my
 3 fears sub-side; Bear me through the swell - ing cur - rent, Land me safe on



1 power - ful hand: Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en,
 2 jour - ney through: Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer,
 3 Ca - naan's side: Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



1 Feed me 'til I want no more, Feed me 'til I want no more.
 2 Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.
 3 I will ev - er give to Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee. A-men.

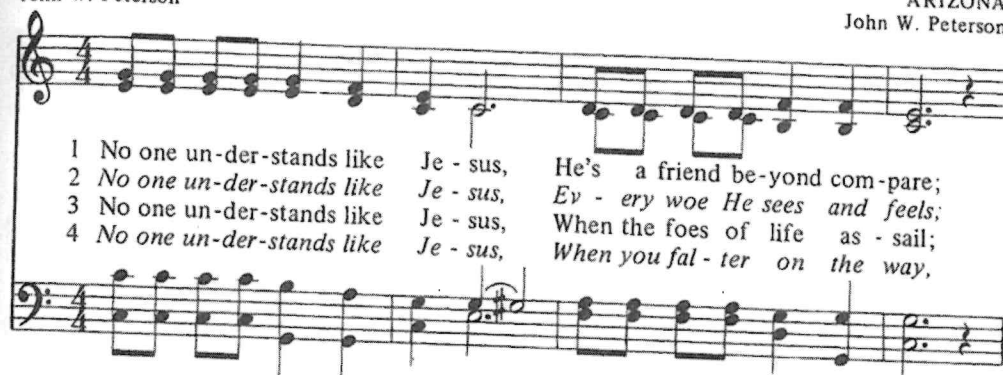
No One Understands Like Jesus

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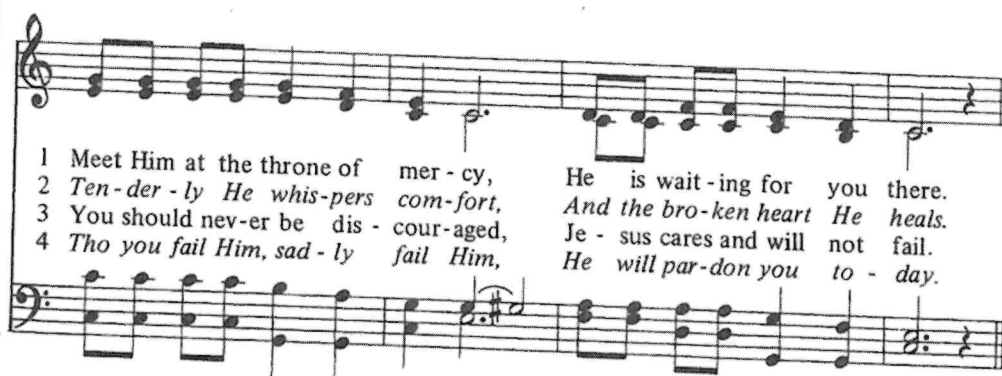
... But He knoweth the way that I take. — Job 23:10

John W. Peterson

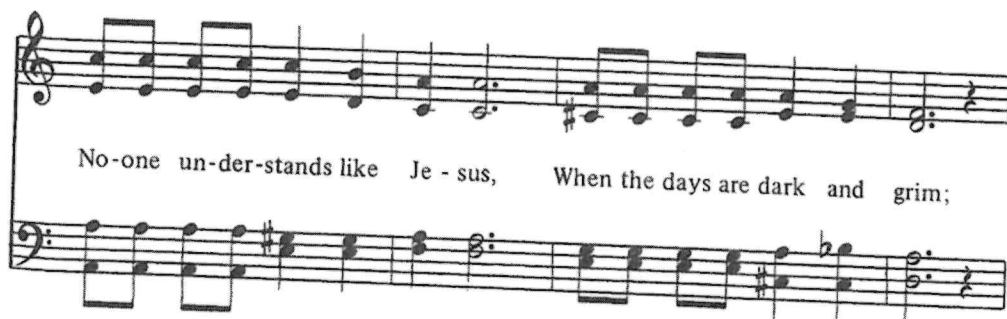
ARIZONA
John W. Peterson



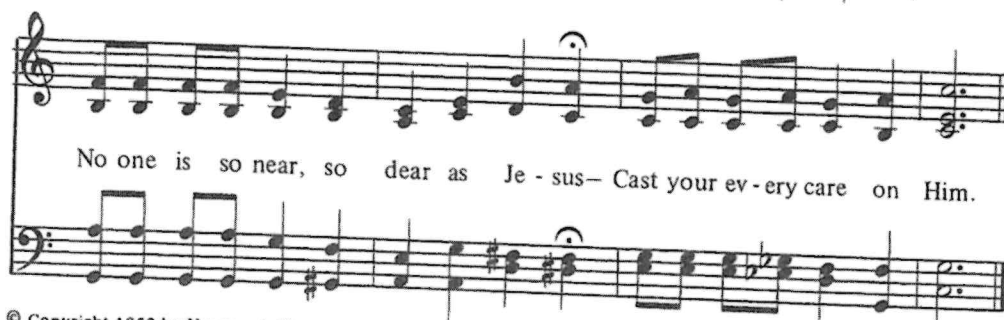
1 No one un-der-stands like Je - sus, He's a friend be-yond com-pare;
 2 *No one un-der-stands like* Je - sus, *Ev - ery woe He sees and feels;*
 3 No one un-der-stands like Je - sus, When the foes of life as - sail;
 4 *No one un-der-stands like* Je - sus, *When you fal - ter on the way,*



1 Meet Him at the throne of mer - cy, He is wait - ing for you there.
 2 *Ten - der - ly He whis - pers com - fort,* *And the bro - ken heart He heals.*
 3 You should nev - er be dis - cour - aged, Je - sus cares and will not fail.
 4 *Tho you fail Him, sad - ly fail Him,* *He will par - don you to - day.*



No-one un-der-stands like Je - sus, When the days are dark and grim;



No one is so near, so dear as Je - sus— Cast your ev - ery care on Him.

Because He Lives

Because I live, ye shall live also. — John 14:19

RESURRECTION

Gloria Gaither
William J. Gaither

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Final chorus arranged by Ronn Huff

1 God sent His Son, they called Him Je - sus, He came to love,
 2 How sweet to hold a new-born ba - by, And feel the pride,
 3 And then one day I'll cross the riv - er, I'll fight life's fi -

1 heal, and for - give; He lived and died to buy my
 2 and joy He gives; But great - er still the calm as -
 3 nal war with pain; And then as death gives way to

1 par-don, An emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives.
 2 sur-ance, This child can face un - cer-tain days be-cause He lives.
 3 vic-tory, I'll see the lights of glo-ry and I'll know He lives.

Be-cause He lives I can face to - mor-row, Be-cause He lives

all fear is gone; Be-cause I know He holds the

fu-ture. And life is worth the liv-ing just be-cause He lives.

Congregation sing melody in unison; accompaniment play as written.

3 lives. (Be-cause He lives I can face to -

mor - row; Be-cause He lives all fear is

gone; Be-cause I know He holds the fu - ture,

And life is worth the liv-ing just be-cause He lives!)

Praying for Our Family

Pastor Kelly
Mike Bishop
Irma Zimpfer
KC Carlsen
Kathy Pumm
Mike Eaton
Jan Majors
Dianne Perry
Judy Cavanaugh
Bill Stortz
Helen Markham
Carole Schafer
Doris Moranski
Violet Chaves
Judy Martin
Don Flaig

Home Members

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

Military Personnel:

Thomas Carlsen II

Prayer Ministry:

All prayer requests can be emailed to the church office at office@l-p-c.org, or simply complete the form on our church website.

Meal Train for the Neguses We have extended the Meal Train calendar. Please continue to help the Negus family in this simple way that eases the challenges they have at home. God bless all you do in the name of our loving Father, His Son and the Holy Spirit. <https://mealtrain.com/r0gv9l>

Church Office Summer Hours (July & August)
Monday through Friday, 9am - 1pm

Communion in August will take place on Sunday, August 16th.

Pastor Kelly has a new email! Please use the following email to reach out to Pastor Kelly: knegus65@gmail.com

Child Care - Fall 2026

- We are looking for 2 adults & 1 teenage helper each Sunday throughout the fall.
- If you are able to help with this special ministry please sign up on the sheet provided on the Information Table outside the sanctuary.

A special thank you to all who volunteer their time during our worship services!

Upcoming Youth Service Project at the Bishops' Home

On **Saturday, August 8, 10 AM – 3 PM**, our Youth Ministry will be serving the Bishops with a yard work project. There are a variety of projects to tackle, including digging holes and planting trees, splitting and stacking firewood, cleaning gutters, moving pallets, and other outdoor work. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers.

If you are a youth or parent who would like to lend a hand, we'd love to have you join us. Children would be welcome but must be supervised by parents as light machinery will be used by adults and the work will be physically demanding (Jr/Sr High do not need parental supervision). Please wear old clothes, work/garden gloves, and sturdy closed-toe shoes/work boots.

If you will join us, please contact Raffi Wright. Thank you for helping us magnify Jesus by serving one another in love!

Sound Room Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help with the LPC Worship Service Livestream, Sound Board control and Screen Presentations during our worship services.

Any eager young men or women who would be interested in doing any of these functions during the worship service; please provide your name and contact information to Marie in the Office, or send an email to Office@l-p-c.org so we can reach out to you and arrange training.

LPC Musical Worship Academy

Greetings, beloved LPC families ~ We are thrilled to launch the LPC Musical Worship Academy this month!

You can sign up your child(ren)/teens who would like to begin lessons. I am hoping we can coordinate one or two mornings per week when I can teach the lessons consecutively at the church. Once the school year starts, we can figure out lessons time that work for each family based on public/homeschooling schedules. I'm hoping to begin formal lessons as early as next week, if we get folks on board this week.

As a reminder, this is a no-cost ministry only for **members of LPC**. Registering the kiddos will help me with parent communication on weeks/days when I might have to cancel or need to plan recitals and special events. When you register, one of the options is a Music Theory/Music History class; feel free to select that as well as an instrument if your child(ren) might be interested in a music theory/music history class at the church this fall! I'd love to give them exposure to music theory, history and some of the foreign languages. Voice is an option, and can be paired with any instrument.

Sign up online here: <https://l-p-c.org/ministries/youth-ministry/>

Any questions, please contact Raffi at raffi@L-P-C.org.

DaB - Dessert and Bible Young Adult Ministry

The young adults of LPC are excited to jump into another season of DaB (Dessert and Bible) with fun food, fellowship, and time in the Word together. If you're a high school graduate, a college student, a young career-age professional (or even just young at heart) and a LOVER OF JESUS, we would love to see you this summer!



DaB will meet each week on Monday evenings @6:30pm throughout the summer for a fun dessert, lesson-time, and games. We'll be jumping around a little bit between Ryan and Kayli's and Dave and Becky Young's (and who knows where else!) so if you're interested in joining us, the best way to stay in the loop is to join our GroupMe. We are SO excited to see what God will do in our time together as brothers and sisters in Christ! We hope to see you!

Join our GroupMe.

LPC Ladies Ministry - Coffee and Connections with dessert!

Join us for an informal time of coffee and fellowship at the home of Becky Young (call the church office for the address)

Date: Wednesday, August 5, 2026

Time: 6:30 pm

What to bring: bring yourself and a friend

RSVP with the church office 716-684-2277, or email office@L-P-C.org

Hope to see you then!!

Prayer Gathering—Monday, August 10th @ 1:00pm in the Church Library

FILL A BARREL FOR GBENEKORO

As you know, LPC has adopted and supports an EPC church plant in the village of Gbenekoro, Sierra Leone. Gbenekoro is one of the villages where the Kuranko tribe lives. They are an unreached people group, and a very closed Muslim group to the gospel. This year we were able to come alongside the Gbenekoro Church in their outreach into the surrounding Kuranko villages by supporting six church planter/evangelists working in six different villages. Asking each of them how LPC could help support their ministry in practical ways other than prayer and financial support their responses were almost unanimous. "The communities we work in are extremely impoverished and what would help our missionary work the most would be resources to carry out the good news of Jesus Christ, bibles, bible learning and activity materials, clothing, and food." How our congregation can be directly involved, by filling a barrel to send to the church planters to encourage and help them in their work.

So, Let's Fill a Barrel for Gbenekoro! There will be a blue barrel in the hall adjacent to the church office.

What to include slightly/good used or new: bibles, bible teaching materials, kids and young adult clothes, shoes, sandals, tennis balls, deflated soccer balls, frisbee, and reading glasses.

Your mission committee thanks you for your continued support in making the gospel known.

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