

The Grapevine

July 2026



CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND
Starting at 12:00pm

Como Park Gazebo Shelter

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AT 1:00PM

Church will provide: meat, paper products and table settings, lemonade & bottled water

Each family please bring a dish to pass! Please sign up on the sheet on the Information Table if you plan to attend, or call the church office, so we can plan accordingly for the meat for the picnic. Feel free to bring a chair if you would like to sit somewhere other than the tables.

Come Enjoy... **LAWN GAMES**

music FELLOWSHIP

FUN & MORE!



LPC Church Custodian News...

Mike Bishop has been the Church Custodian since September 2016. Those 10 years have just flown by! On July 31st Mike will be retiring and entering into the next journey that God has planned for him.

Please wish Mike 'Happy Retirement' as you bump into him in the halls here at LPC before his exit date.

And the Good News is that LPC has hired his replacement, Paul Yates, a member here at LPC, as our next Custodian. Please welcome Paul in his new role here and wish him many successful years in filling it.

Join in reading the One Year Chronological Bible during the Summer months!

The daily readings, including the opportunity to listen to the readings along with a brief daily commentary are available at: <https://chronologicalbibleblog.com/>

The summer readings will take us through the Kings and Prophets of the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the Southern Kingdom of Judah that follow Solomon's reign. The Northern Kingdom is idolatrous, lasting approximately 210 yrs under 19 kings from 10 different families. Assyria's conquest of the northern kingdom of Israel began approximately 734 BC (see June 22- 28 readings). The Southern Kingdom of Judah lasts 350 years under 19 kings (and one queen) from one family- David's descendants. The Southern kingdom was exiled in phases (approximately 597, 587, 582 BC) to Babylon (see August 14- 26 readings).

Our Adult Sunday School class resumes at LPC in room 114/115 on Sunday September 13th with the Persian King Cyrus the Great allowing the Jews to return to Jerusalem in 538 BC following his conquest of Babylon.

DaB - Dessert and Bible Young Adult Ministry

Happy summer, gang!

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.



Prayer Gathering—Monday, July 13th @ 1:00pm in the Church Library

Church Office Summer Hours (July & August)

Monday through Friday, 9am - 1pm

MEAL TRAIN FOR THE NEGUS FAMILY: 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>

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection

It is time to begin thinking about packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The collection dates this year are November 16-23. If you bring your boxes to our church, we will be taking them to Eastern Hills Wesleyan, which is the next stop on their journey, on **Sunday November 22**.

Summer is a great time to start purchasing your school supplies because they are all on sale. It is also a great time to start thinking about what you would like to put in your boxes.

Here are some suggestions for things to include in your boxes:

- **School supplies**

Crayons, colored pencils, markers (Preferably Crayola brand items), pencil sharpeners, erasers, rulers, glue sticks, pens and pencils with no business/church advertising logos, small pads of papers/notebooks, small calculators, drawstring backpacks

- **Other suggested items:**

Flip Flops, Personal Hygiene items-Toothbrush, Plastic dish and bar of soap, washcloth, Jump ropes--the longer the better, Deflated soccer ball and pump, A sturdy bowl or cup and a spoon or spork, A plain colored T-shirt, socks, stuffed animals

- **For older children:**

Gardening/work gloves, Sewing Kit, Flashlight-Solar or LED--send extra batteries with the ends taped over

- **A few items that should NOT be included:**

Soap, Toothpaste, Candy and gum (both are no longer allowed and will be removed), Anything that requires an explanation--don't send games or crafts with English directions, Anything that is not brand new, War Toys, Anything liquid, including bottles of glue, anything glass that could break.

If you decide to wrap your box after it has been packed, the top and bottom must be wrapped individually. Every shoe box is looked through at the collection center in North Carolina. The shoe box recipients receive a gospel booklet presented in their own language. Shoe box recipients also receive an invitation to attend a 12 lesson follow-up discipleship program called the Greatest Journey. The cost of **processing each box is \$10.00**. You may include a check for this amount in your shoebox or you may donate this on-line at Samaritanspurse.org and receive a shipping label that you can tape on your box. If you donate on-line, it will also track your box and you can go on-line to Operation Christmas Child, Pack a shoebox, and Label Options. You should be able to see what country your box or boxes went to.

There will be a table set up by the lounge area under the sanctuary where there will be plenty of empty boxes. Help yourself!! Plastic shoe boxes work great as well!! You can also purchase boxes from Samaritan's purse directly if you like. They have 2 kinds--plastic or cardboard. **The website is: Samaritanspurse.org.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office.

Have fun beginning to think about packing your shoe boxes and be in prayer that just the right boy or girl will receive your box or boxes!! I would also ask that if you packed 1 box last year you might consider doing 2 boxes this year. Every box counts and there are lots of children around the world who may only receive this simple shoe box as a gift at Christmas!!

LPC YOUTH

SUMMER IS BETTER TOGETHER!

Let's Stay Connected:

- **June 28th – July 3rd** : Camp Duffield and Outpost (3rd–7th Grades)
- **Weekly Sewing Club (Jr/Sr High)**: Dates/times will be posted on church website. Spots are limited! Email office@l-p-c.org to sign up.
- **Weekly Bible Study (Jr/Sr High)**: Wednesdays, July 8–Aug 26, 10-11 AM
- **Family Gatherings (All Ages!)**: July 24, Aug 7*, Aug 21 | 5:30-8 PM
(locations/RSVP form will be posted on church website in July)
- **LPC Musical Worship Academy**: launches **July 2026** (info/registration will be available online in early July)
- **Save the Dates: Eight Days of Hope (All Ages! Children must be accompanied by parent. Jr/Sr High can attend without parent): July 18-25**
- **LPC Family Picnic (All Ages!)**: Aug 2 at Como Park Gazebo Shelter (RSVP form will be posted on church website)
- ***Camp Duffield 2026 Reunion: August 7 | 5:30-8 PM** (RSVP form will be post on website)
- **Jr/Sr High: join the Group Me** to stay in the loop on pop-up gatherings!

As always, visit our website for more info!



Contact our Youth Director, Raffi Wright: raffi@l-p-c.org

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LPC Library News - Summer Reading Contest for Kids!

We have planned a Reading Contest for our children from June through August. For every **4** books you read from the church library, a prize will be given. Please be sure to date and sign the books out. Return books to the church library after reading.

Certificates may be picked up from the church library starting June 7th, 2026. Your parent or guardian may fill them out and return them to a box placed in the library.

Let's have fun reading this summer!



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JULY 11th ~ 11am - 2pm



Worship



Dynamic Speaker: Julie Palmer
Executive Director: PATH OF WNY



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*****PLEASE RSVP BY JULY 5*****



Call/Text: **KAREN (716) 309-8842**



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:

- Session asks for prayer for the Session as work progresses towards finding a Transitional Pastor to lead LPC.
- Session asks for prayer for the persons [Transitional Pastor and Senior Pastor] that God has chosen to lead LPC.

Deacons: Heavenly Father, Thank you for your unfailing love through Jesus Christ. Remind us daily that we are fully known, fully forgiven and loved by You. Let your love transform our hearts so we may reflect your goodness to others. Lord, advance your kingdom in our community and our church. Open doors for the Gospel to reach those who are hurt, lost, discouraged or far from You. Let your love restore hope, heal hearts and draw people closer to You. Strengthen believers to stand firm in faith and help us walk in humility and love. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

In Your Most Holy & Precious Name, Amen



Praying for our family

Pastor Kelly
Mike Bishop
KC Carlsen
Kathy Pumm
Jan Majors
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.

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