

The Grapevine

June 2026



Camp Duffield 2026!

Summer is right around the corner which means our Summer Youth Camp at Camp Duffield is quickly approaching! Preparations are underway and we can't wait to spend this week learning about the love of Jesus with your children!

Fishing, swimming, hiking, singing, outdoor games and campfires will fill our week all while enjoying God's beautiful creation!

This overnight camp is open to those children finishing 3rd through 8th grade.

Registration is open and spots are filling quickly! Registration closes June 1st.

Kick off your summer vacation with a week of camp with your friends!

Visit <https://l-p-c.org/ministries/summer-camp/> for all registration details and to register your child online.

We are looking forward to a wonderful week together at camp! Please join us in praying for the youth and staff as we ask the Lord to meet us in a powerful way at Duffield this year.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

A Special Thank You

Dear brothers and sisters of LPC, We are beautifully overwhelmed at the love that you have poured out for us. Your recognition and appreciation for Kelly's ministry and leadership and friendship over the last 20 years was so loud and clear at the awesome ice cream social! The kind (and funny) words, the heart felt expression of memories, the ice cream and beautiful cake, the decorations...the cool ice cream parlor costumes...the gathering of a lifetime of meaningful scripture...all those who planned, organized, spoke, served, worked in the kitchen ...and the absolutely gorgeous quilt!! (Winnie's too)! --everything was fantastic.

Your generous gifts overwhelmed us yet again as we opened each card and envelope, on top of receiving packages of supplies, delicious meals, gift cards and dangerously addicting desserts. There have been more cards and letters of genuine appreciation than we can count. They mean more than you could ever know. Many have visited also, bringing smiles and cheer to our home. Your self-sacrificing support of our family during this time of upheaval has been a tool in the hand of God, showing us he will provide and be present.

THEN, on top of all of this joy, we had the experience of an enormous work crew coming out to our property to do Spring clean-up. There are no sticks! Everything is raked and sawed and piled. We were all treated to a picnic lunch, hot off the grill. The fellowship around work, and between adults and kids, was fun and uplifting. It was an amazing day!

Each member of our family feels loved and honored. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Please know that we feel your affection and we treasure it. We treasure you. We love you.

Kelly, Lisa, Gaelen, Gabriel, Graeme (and Winnie) Negus

Meal Train for the Negus Family

A Meal Train has been set up for the Negus family to help them during this time. If you would like to provide a meal for the family, use the link below for all details. If you have any questions please contact the church office (716-684-2277 or office@L-P-C.org).

<https://mealtrain.com/r0gv9l>

Session Update

Session currently has three [3] Transitional Pastor candidates that were recommended to LPC from EPC's national organization. Session is in the process of conducting an initial video conference with each of the three.

People have been asking me, "how soon will it be before LPC has a transitional Pastor on site daily"? That question is impossible to answer at this time as there are so many interlocking variables. Each of these three candidates are serving elsewhere full time at various churches as a Transitional Pastor. Each expects to be available at various times in the upcoming months.

Please help by praying for the candidates [and their families], praying for the Elders and praying for patience and wisdom for all who are involved with this seeking process. We know that God is faithful to His church. Let's praise God for that faithfulness!

Bill Stortz, Clerk of Session at Lancaster Presbyterian Church.

Upcoming in Adult Education, meeting at 10:45am

- **Sunday, May 31st** is an opportunity to **Know Your Elders**. Each member of Session acts as Moderator for different committees important in the ministry of our church and will share their responsibilities and visions.
- **Sunday, June 7th** is dedicated to **Know Your Ministries** at LPC. This is the opportunity to learn about the activities of such groups as DAB, the Mighty Warriors, Youth and Family, Music Ministry, Men's and Women's ministries, Summer Youth Camp, and Small Groups. Representatives from each will update on their activities and visions.

There will be opportunities to ask questions of each on both Sundays.

The last Sunday of Adult Education & Sunday School is Sunday, June 7th.

Prayer Gathering—Monday, June 8th @ 1:00pm in the Church Library

Child Care - Summer 2026

- We are looking for 2 adults & 1 teenage helper each Sunday throughout the summer.
- 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!

SAVE THE DATE - Church Picnic!

**Sunday, August 2nd at the Como Park Gazebo Shelter,
following our Sunday Worship Service**

More details to come.

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!

DaB - Dessert and Bible Young Adult Ministry

Happy (almost) 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 starting June 15 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:



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

Join the GroupMe to stay in the loop for all upcoming events!

Saturday, June 6 - Summer Kick-Off! Beginning of summer cookout and pool party at the Carlsen's! (5:30pm to 7:30pm) *Address available in GroupMe*

ANNOUNCING Summer Bible Study! All 7th through 12th graders are invited to a Bible Study focusing on 1 Corinthians, meeting weekly on Wednesdays from 10am to 11am beginning Wednesday, July 8th. Come for food, friendship and faithful living in Jesus!

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



Summer Youth Fun at LPC!

Summer is heating up, and so is the fun at LPC Youth!

Let's Stay Connected! This summer, Gaelen and Raffi will be hosting three gatherings at various homes as an opportunity for our youth to connect intergenerationally across the life of the church. Locations are coming soon, but for now, save the dates so you can be part of it!

- July 24, 2026 | 5:30–8 PM
- August 7, 2026 | 5:30–8 PM
- August 21, 2026 | 5:30–8 PM

We hope your whole family can join us for evenings filled with food, games, singing around the campfire, and fellowship! We hope all ages across LPC can join us.

You'll be able to RSVP for each gathering via Planning Center as we get closer.

Congratulations Raffi!

Raffi graduated from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity [M.Div.] along with an Advanced Certificate in Biblical Worship.

We are excited to have Raffi as a part of LPC as he shares his gifts and love for the Lord with us all!



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.

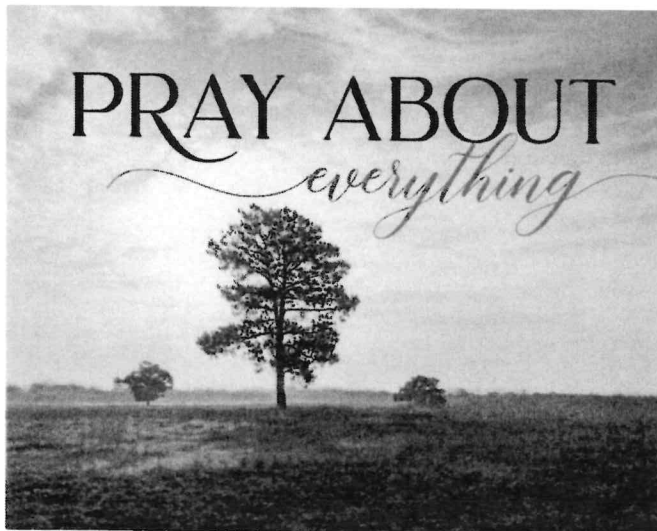
Praying for LPC ministries:

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:

- Please pray for the Elders as they work to utilize the EPC's established transitional process at LPC.
- Please pray for all the EPC personnel who are involved with and supporting LPC's transitional process.
- Please pray for God's chosen Transitional Pastor.

Deacons: Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus, Holy Spirit, We thank you Lord for your gift of Love, thank you for bringing us together this evening, bless this meeting tonight, all those present as well as the lives of those we seek to serve. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve you and the members of our congregation. Lord guide our efforts; help us to carry out each task ahead with love, humility, and the spirit of service. Lord lead us in all we do to further your kingdom.

In Jesus name we pray - AMEN



Praying for our family

Pastor Kelly
KC Carlsen
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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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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