

Lancaster Presbyterian Church

A Congregation of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Kelly Negus Senior Pastor

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Ministries

The Ten Biblical Principles of Revitalization:

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

Welcome to **Sunday Morning Worship**

Sunday, August 31, 2025

Open Book: Learning from Corinth What's on the Test

2 Corinthians 12:11-21 (1163)

Church Reality

Pastor Kelly Negus

Adult Education Class Learning to Love the Psalms Beginning Sunday, September 7th @ 11:00am

The Adult Sunday School Class will begin a new video series this Fall called "Learning to Love the Psalms", with Robert Godfrey of Ligonier Ministries. The Book of Psalms is one of the greatest treasures the Lord has given to His people. Through these sacred poems, God has given us a rich songbook and a divinely inspired guide for our prayers. Dr. Godfrey provides an overview of the Psalms with the specific goal of learning to love them through a study of their themes, structure, and beauty. Each class centers around the ~ 20-minute feature video by Dr. Godfrey with class discussions around some specific Psalms.

In addition, dispersed throughout the Fall/Winter/Spring terms, there will be 10 single lessons called "Book at a Glance". Five of these lessons will be led by Laurie Muscato and will cover the Old Testament books Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, and Joshua. Each lesson will give a bird's eye view that allows us to see what place the book has in the Bible narrative, why it matters, and how it points to Jesus. The other five books to study are the single-chapter books of the Bible; Philemon, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, and Obadiah led by various members of the Adult Education Committee. These books are often overlooked due to their brevity but are significantly relevant for today covering such topics as avoiding pride, rejecting deception and fighting for the faith.

The class meets in Waith Hall right after church beginning on September 7th. There will be some time to grab a cup of coffee and chat before class begins. To attend this class, you do not have to be a Bible scholar with all the answers; just a hunger to learn about God's Word and to enjoy some fellowship.

Purpose:

Core Values:

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.

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

Welcome to Sunday Morning Worship

August 31, 2025 ~ 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 the preschool wing on the first 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 – Pastor Will Minute for Mission: Raffi Wright, Glenn Tanner

Call to Worship

(Psalm 37:7-11) Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who carries out wicked schemes. Cease from anger and forsake wrath; Do not fret; it leads only to evildoing. For evildoers will be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord, they will inherit the land. Yet a little while and the wicked man will be no more; you will look carefully for his place and he will not be there. But the humble will inherit the land and will delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

*Worship Songs

It Was Finished Upon that Cross~ Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me
Led by the LPC Worship Team

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus, Holy Spirit,
We bow before You
in humble adoration and grateful praise.
We thank You for Your word
and its primacy in our life together.
We all continue to have much to learn
and room to grow in Your service.
Please hear the confession of our sins
in the silence of this moment.

Silent Confession

Holy One, We belong to You, and we desire to be fruitful, profitable servants.

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 All: Praise, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Please continue to humble us; teach us how to walk in Your way, and strengthen us in obedience to Your will. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen!

*Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Red Hymnal #258

Prayer for Illumination 2 Corinthians 12:11–21 Church Reality Pastor Kelly Negus

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

The Affirmation of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 19, Paragraph 6

The law is useful to believers and to others.

As a rule of life,
it informs them of God's will
and of their obligation to obey it.
It also reveals to them the sinful pollution
of their nature, hearts, and lives,
so that,

examining themselves from its point of view,
they may become more convinced
of the presence of sin in them,
more humiliated on account of that sin,
and hate sin the more.
Thus they gain a better awareness
of their need for Christ
and for the perfection of His obedience.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings Offertory *Doxology

*Benediction

*Worship Song: Shout to the Lord

Postlude

Raffi Wright, LPC Youth & Music Director

It Was Finished Upon that Cross

On the Cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished
He has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining
Though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil
It was finished upon that Cross

Now the curse it has been broken
Jesus paid the price for me
Full the pardon He has offered
Great the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father
Clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry
It was finished upon that Cross

Death was once my great opponent
Fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us
Rose that we would be free indeed
Yes He rose that we would be free indeed
Free from ev'ry plan of darkness
Free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen
It was finished upon that Cross

Onward to eternal glory
To my Saviour and my God
I rejoice in Jesus' victory
It was finished upon that Cross
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Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side the Saviour he will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need his power is displayed

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley he will lead Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven The future sure the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And he was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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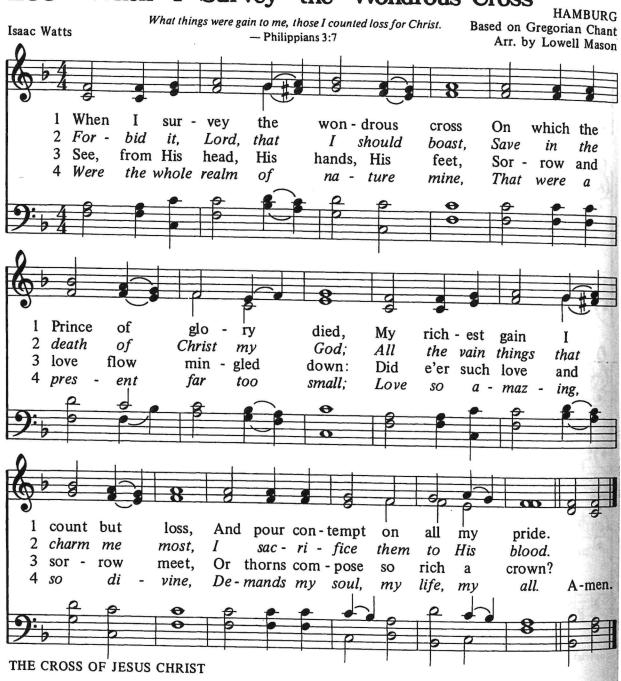
Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, Rich Thompson CCLI Song #7121852 For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com We acknowledge, O Lord, that there is so little in us that is lovable. So often we are not lovely in our thoughts, in our words, or in our deeds. And yet Thou dost love us still, with a love that neither ebbs nor flows, a love that does not grow weary, but is constant—year after year, age after age.

O God, may our hearts be opened to that love today. With bright skies above us, the fields and woods and gardens bursting with new life and beauty, how can we fail to respond? With the clear notes of bird songs challenging us to praise, with every lowly shrub and blooming tree catching new life and beauty, our hearts indeed would proclaim Thee Lord, and we would invite Thee to reign over us and make us truly Thine own. May Thy healing love invade our inmost hearts, healing sorrow, pain, frustration, defeat, and despair.

May this day create within us a love for Thee of stronger stuff than vague sentimentality—a love which seeks to know Thy will and do it. So grant that this day of hallowed remembrance may be the beginning of a new way of life for each of us, a new kind of living that shall be the best answer to the confusion and to the challenge of evil in our day. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

-Peter Marshall





Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like You, All of my days, I want to praise, The wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, Tower of refuge and strength. Let every breath, all that I am, Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing,
Power and majesty praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar;
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

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Praying for Our Family

Marsha Haas
Judy Cavanaugh
Jeremy Miller
Bill Stortz
Al Martin
Helen Markham
Carole Schafer
Mike Eaton
Doris Moranski
Violet Chaves
Ron Stasiowski
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.

Wednesday Family Night 2025: Awana @ LPC!

HUGE NEWS: Awana is coming to Lancaster Presbyterian Church!

We are thrilled to be launching Awana at LPC for **Cubbies** (ages 3 – PreK), **Sparks** (K–2nd), and **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**.



Before Awana each Wednesday, we will have a **family dinner** (5:15 PM - 6:00 PM) with pizza from Picasso's! 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!

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

LPC T-Shirts

LPC has new shirts available! We believe that wearing the shirt provides a great way of both showing your love for the church while also providing an opportunity to share the love of Christ with those you see in your day-to-day lives. Both kinds of shirts are \$15 each with kids shirts being free! Go to Marie in the main office after the Sunday Service or you can come by the church during office hours (9am-1pm) to get them. Cash or check will be accepted for payment.

Weekly and Year to Date Giving

August 24th Gifts \$5,413 Weekly Required Budget

\$10,519 x 18 remaining

2025 Received \$280,658 **2025 Annual Budget**

\$470,000



How to Give Online

- 1. Scan the QR code
- 2. Visit l-p-c.org/give/

Sermon Series for 2025

Overall Theme for the Year: Church Health and Vision

Open Book: Learning from Corinth What's on the Test (21 weeks)

Sunday, Sept. 7th Scripture: 2 Corinthians 13:1-10

Sunday, Sept. 14th Scripture: 2 Corinthians 13:11-14



Sunday School (nursery to 8th grade) Meeting weekly on Sunday mornings 11:00AM

Beginning Sunday, September 7th

Ladies Bible and Brunch Journals

With a new season of Ladies Bible and Brunch beginning September 20th, we invite all interested women to join us in the Library from 6-7:30 pm September 10th, during Wednesday Family night, to prepare our new journals. Feel free to bring a journal to personalize if you have one. Scrapbooking decor, extra journals, and light refreshments will be provided free of charge.



Lancaster Presbyterian Church

Ladies Bible and Brunch Series

Discerning the real Jesus from the counterfeits: Lessons from the Gospel of John

Mark your calendars for the following Saturdays starting this Fall:

9/20/25, 11/15/25, 1/24/26, 3/21/26, 5/16/26

Time:

10-11:30am

Where:

Lancaster Presbyterian Church

What to bring: A friend

Cost:

a donation of \$13 for brunch if able

Ladies Bible and Brunch Series

Survey says:

Jesus is: a great moral teacher

Jesus is: a social activist

Jesus is: an unconditional lover of people

Jesus is: nonjudgmental

Jesus is: a great therapist - "live your best life."

How good of a detective are you? Can you spot the

error?

Partial truth is deadly truth. Recalibrate your spiritual senses and hear Jesus describe himself in his own words. Nothing matters more!

John 20:31 – "But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."



SIGN UP FOR A SMALL GROUP!

Brothers and sisters, if you are ready for some deeper Christian fellowship, the discipleship of one another, and an opportunity to be in prayer with other believers, then a Small Group is for you. In case you are new to Small Groups, they are groups of 8 to 12 adults (plus whatever children belong to those adults) who gather twice per month in a host home in order to share fellowship over a meal, discipleship in the Scriptures and prayer, and laughter over relaxed conversation (and sometimes games J).

Please watch for a sign up table on September 7th through 14th. Or call the church office during that week in order to sign up. We look forward to hearing from you!