

**LAKESIDE COMMUNITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Sola Scriptura – Sola Fide – Solo Gratia -
Solo Christo – Soli Deo Gloria

(Scripture Alone - Faith Alone - Grace Alone -
Christ Alone - To the Glory of God Alone)

“A Confessing Presbyterian Church”



**LAKESIDE PRESBYTERIAN
CHILDREN'S CENTER**

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When you finish reading this newsletter,
please share it with family and neighbors.

Genesis 3:15
“And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
He will crush your head,
and you will strike His heel.”



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December 2024, Newsletter



A WORD FROM PASTOR TIM

AN INVITATION TO INVITE

The Christmas Season offers each of us a unique opportunity.

There is no other time of year when people we know are more open to being invited to a church Christmas event. Our friends, neighbors, and extended family are all open to coming to church.

I want to encourage you to invite people you know to our church over the next month. We are hosting a variety of activities from Sunday morning church services, to a Christmas concert, serving our active military families to Christmas carol sing-a-longs at the Olde Church on Maine Ave throughout December. Some are taking place on our church campus while others are taking place in our community but each them provides an opportunity to invite. Check out the newsletter for details about these Christmas events.

Finally, not only do I want to encourage you to invite, I also want to encourage you to pray. It is through prayer and the prompting of the Holy Spirit that people will attend and people will meet Jesus, maybe for the first time!

Thanks for being willing to invite during this Christmas Season as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us.

Merry Christmas.

Isaiah 7:14

“Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel.”

Luke 1:35

“The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the Holy One to be born will be called the Son of God.”

Isaiah 9:6

“For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Jeremiah 23:5

“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land.”

BEST WISHES TO YOU!

WISHING YOU A CHRIST-FILLED CHRISTMAS IN THE GLORIOUS NAME OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

'TIS THE SEASON!

ADVENT TUESDAYS

We hope that you can join us for one or all of the Advent and Christmas activities that we will be having in December as we prepare for the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, December 3 @ 6pm:

Christmas Sing-Along with Jukebox Generations, at LCPC

Tuesday, December 10 from 3-8pm:

San Diego Military Outreach Ministries Christmas Store

Tuesday, December 17 @ 6pm:

Christmas Caroling at the Olde Church Patio

Tuesday, December 24 @ 4pm:

Christmas Eve Service of Lessons & Carols



PLEASE INVITE FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS, AND JOIN US FOR OUR CAROLS OF CHRISTMAS – A COMMUNITY CANTATA SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, at 4:00PM & OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT 4:00PM.

Birthdays

- 18 - Mike Smith
21 - John Sunkel
27 - Pauline Tagney
30 - Bret Ball
Kevin King

Anniversaries

- 1 – Declan & Kristyne Krebs
2 - John & Eileen Neumeister
14- Bob & Marie Hart
31 - Frank & Gerie Morrin



DECEMBER DEACONS REPORT

The Deacons are thankful and grateful for your continued monetary donations each month which enable us to carry on the work our Lord and God has charged His church to accomplish. There was one E-Poll financial request for \$300 assistance which was denied, and \$245 in various food gift cards purchased; donations to Neighborhood Health, Eat & Greet, and medical transportations continue.

Your Deacons had their final meeting Sunday November 10th where the outgoing Deacon class members were thanked for their dedicated service Sioux Swart, and Chris Crawford, Ruth Boudreau, and Mark Vettel for extending their Deacon service, and the three incoming Deacons (Curt Clark, Karen Evers, and Jan Warren) were welcomed. The work continues despite no meetings in December with preparations for the Memorial Services for Katy Milroy and Jo Savage going forward. Church member Carmen Bunch continues the ministry of sending greeting cards out to members of our Church family who are on the prayer list.

May God bless and keep you and your families in good health in 2024-25 and continue to bless His church in Lakeside.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS YOUR SUPPORT HELPS SOME OF YOUR CHURCH & SCHOOL'S SMALL PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

- ✓ You pay face value, and the church gets back a percentage of the card purchases.
✓ We have order forms and a list of hundreds of cards available.
✓ Ask Jan Warren, Nancy Adams, or Suzy Smith for more information.
✓ Orders are taken usually on the last Sunday of the month, and are ready for pick up the following Sunday. However, there may be changes in the date orders.

Thank you for you continued support!

Lakeside Community Presbyterian Church livestreams our services and engages in social media platforms as a means to engage and communicate church activities. This means your image may be visible to the public. Participation in worship or other church events shall be considered consent to the use of the photo as described, unless written notification to prohibit is received by the church office. Contact us at: office@lakesidepc.org, or visit our website at: lakesidepc.org.

LPCC TIMES

Lakeside Presbyterian Children's Center

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Merry Christmas!

Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year. Particularly when we get to celebrate it with our children. The wonder and excitement on their faces is magical.

As 2024 comes to an end, we want to thank you for all your support over the year. We have enjoyed being part of your lives and are looking forward to another great year!

May you all enjoy this Christmas season and create memories that last a lifetime.

La Teresa Oropeza,
Director



YOU ARE INVITED!
Thursday,
Dec. 12,
at 6:00pm
in the Sanctuary.

PRESCHOOL SEE'S FUNDRAISER

This is the last week to place your orders. See's Candy fundraiser ends December 6. The orders will be available for pick up before Christmas. The school is saving up for an outdoor exploration center. Order forms are available in the foyer and church office; for online orders, contact the school or church office for the link.

Thank you for your generous support!

THERE'S SO MUCH GOING ON! DON'T MISS OUT ON THE WONDERFUL SEASON AND ACTIVITIES!



Tuesday, December 3 @ 6pm:
Christmas Sing-Along with
Jukebox Generations, at LCPC



MEN'S LUNCH AT
BROKEN
YOLK,
SANTEE
11:30AM
THURS.,
DEC. 5.

Lakeside Community
Christmas Carol Sing-Along
Under the Stars

at the
"Olde Community Church" Patio
9906 Maine Avenue, Lakeside

Tuesday, December 17 at 6:00 pm

Free Event. . .Have Fun Singing

For more information: 619-443-1021
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Galatians 4:4-5

"But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons."

HOW CAN WE
PRAY FOR
YOU?

619-443-1021 or
office@lakesidepc.org

If you would like prayer, contact us.

**THANK YOU LCPC FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT TOWARDS THE
THANKSGIVING BASKETS FOR
SAN DIEGO MILITARY OUTREACH MINISTRIES (SDMOM)
50 FAMILIES WERE BLESSED.**



**SAVE THE DATE: THE JULIAN CHRISTIAN RETREAT ANNUAL LUNCH
SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025, AT 12:15PM, CAFÉ 67**

**THE LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN HELPS CENTER
CHRISTMAS TOY DISTRIBUTION**

December 14, 1-3pm at Rise City Church

Lakeside resident families with infants through high school age, may sign up Nov. 24, Dec. 2-4, from 9am-11am.

Toy donations are greatly appreciated. They may be dropped off in the foyer on Sundays, or at the church office, or the Helps Center, during office hours.

LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN HELPS CENTER

The Center needs easy pop-top canned food: tuna, pasta, chili, and pork & beans, and fruit/vegetables, as well as breakfast & granola bars; blankets, sheets, pillows, and towels; 16oz, or smaller, bottles of water.

The Center is open Monday through Thursday, from 10:00am to 12:00pm, and the fourth Saturday of the month, with the same hours. If you know of someone who may need a little extra help, the Center may be reached at (619) 561-3488.

**ONLINE GIVING
MADE EASIER THAN EVER!**

Our online giving now accepts Apple Pay, PayPal, Google Pay in addition to Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, and your bank auto-payment. Online Give is a secure site. It's easy, safe and you control when, the amount, and how often you wish to give.

Your generosity of gifts is extremely important to us to keep our ministry running, where we continue to see God transforming lives for the purpose of spreading the Gospel.

HOSPITAL STAY & PRAYER

If you or someone you know has a stay in the hospital, please contact the church office, so that our prayer partners will be in prayer for you or for them. It is our desire, as a body of Christ, to look to the wellbeing of our church family. We would like to extend prayer and care in whatever way that we can. Unless we are made aware of a hospital stay, we will not know of the need. We would rather get the same notification several times, than none at all.

NEW! **The Messiah is Born**
R.C. Sproul

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS
DECEMBER 8, AT 11:00AM, IN ROOMS 1 & 2
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT
BIBLE STUDY.

Women's Bible Studies
growing deeper together

**THE WONDER OF ADVENT-
A 4-WEEK STUDY**
Join us Mondays at 3:00pm
in the Fireside Room

THE BOOK OF JUDGES

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All men are invited to meet with us every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, at 7:00pm, in the Fireside Room.

EAT & GREET

12:15 pm, Sunday
December 29, 2024

Join us & Share a Free Holiday Meal
Ham with all the fixings

*Games & Door Prizes
*Live Music
by Jukebox Generations

A candy cane is not an ordinary treat, it holds a Christmas message of love that's of so sweet.
The cane reminds me of a shepherd's staff, A way provided for eternity, on my behalf. Turn the cane around and a "J" you will see, Jesus, my savior, was born to set me free.
The red is symbolic of the blood Christ shed, The price for my sin that He bore instead.
The white represents a life made new, God's gift through Christ's birth,

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

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YOUNG AT HEART ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA & WHITE ELEPHANT EXCHANGE

**ALL ADULT SENIORS ARE INVITED!
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, FROM
2:00-4:00PM IN ROOMS 1 & 2.**

GIVING THANKS

By Pastor Tim Avazian

As the end of the year approaches, we often take extra time to gather with family and friends. There are holiday parties, Christmas celebrations, lunch or coffee with friends that have arrived from out of town, and all of these times are moments when we can pause and be grateful. That is because we are reminded of the power of friendships and relationships that enrich our lives.

So during this season of connecting with family and friends, I want to pause and say thank you for the relationships that I have with many of you at LCPC. Thank you for trusting me and our church to share in your faith journeys. Thank you for your involvement in the life of this church, for your faithfulness and support to our calling to **Love God, Love Each Other and To Make Disciples of Jesus** here in Lakeside. Each of you play a role in helping our church family live out this mission.

So, as the year comes to a close, I want to express my deep gratitude for YOU. You are not just a member of the church or faithful attendee, but you are a partner, a co-laborer in the important calling of being Christ followers here in East County. It is an honor to serve you and to be your pastor.

May your Christmas be filled with joy, rest, and the knowledge that you are make a difference, and thank you again for the privilege that I have of leading this family of faith.

Philippians 2:8-10

“And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.”



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UPDATE

By Sheila King

Thank you to our congregation, preschool staff, and preschool parents for supporting Operation Christmas Child. Fifty-seven (57) boxes were filled and we paid for shipping 58 boxes and 58 children to participate in, The Greatest Journey, the twelve lessons on the Gospel. Near the end of our campaign the church had completed approximately 47-48 boxes, and just when one believes it cannot get better, the Holy Spirit showed us otherwise. Our preschool children, staff and parents generously donated and filled boxes that allowed us to donate our total of 57 shoeboxes to Operation Christmas Child.

May the Lord use these shoeboxes as an instrument of His love and blessing; and may the Lord continue to bless the many hands that provided the financial expense and time to donate and fill the shoeboxes.

Titus 3:4-5

"But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy."

Titus 3:6

"He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior."

CHRISTMAS STORE SIGN UP
EVENT DATE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 3-8PM
SAN DIEGO MILITARY OUTREACH MINISTRIES (SDMOM)

LCPC will be hosting the SDMOM Christmas Store during the late afternoon and evening of Tuesday, December 10. LCPC is responsible for set up, volunteers to help families with shopping, children's craft time and childcare while the parents shop, provide light refreshments, and clean up. Sign up on the patio. Sioux Swart, Jolene Rich, and Joanne Laird are the contacts.