



NEWSLETTER

Last Meeting Dates

Women's Wed. AM - 4/27
 Men's Wed. PM - 5/4
 Women's Wed. PM - 5/25
 Ian's Study - 5/11
 ENGAGE - 5/11
 KGS Kids - 4/27

The next Prayer Meeting is Thursday, May 5th (**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**) at noon in the Fellowship Hall. All are Welcome to attend ~ Text requests to 688-7489

MISSION

We are seeking to be a Church that loves God and loves others by making disciples, connecting them to the body, and equipping them to live a lifestyle of worship by serving God and others for Kingdom work.

Wing Wong Visit

Wing Wong will join us Sunday, May 1st for an update on C2C Ministry. He started Chinese To Christ Ministries in 1974 after graduating from Platte Valley Bible College. Wing answered God's call to come to the the US for Bible and Ministry training, then went back to Hong Kong to make disciples for Christ.

Wing will preach in both services, as well as speaking during the Sunday school hour.

* We will collect an offering for C2C in both services.

We are collecting yarn for the lady that makes hats for Fort Lyon residents again! Please leave donations in the office.

BOARD

Elders - Rick Akers, Bryan Herrera, Pat Leonard, Ken Montoya, Rod Thomas
Deacons - John Adams, Lee Dowen, Brian Lauritsen, Monty Coen, Justin Homm, Ron Schmidt
Trustees - Norm Arends, Ron Clausen, Dave Tecklenburg

Congratulations Graduates!



Rylan Herrera
 Carson Carere
 Alex Dashner
 Tala Settles
 Josh Anderson
 Joey Hobden
 Mary Melton

STAFF

Senior Minister - Ian Blacker
Associate Minister - Ray Matteson
Youth Pastor - Kevin Dickenson
Children's Director - Kelsey Thomas
Church Clerk - DeEtte Hobden
Secretary - Luann Tecklenburg
Custodian - Jimmy Marquez

Ray's Reflections

June Sermon Series Starts May 29th!

Sermon Series: "WITH" =====> What does it mean when God says He will be with us? The word "with" occurs 1386 times in the NIV new testament. We are going to look at 5 of the with statements.

> Kevin will kick off the series on May 29th with HE was with God

Ray will continue preaching in June:

June 5 - Nothing is impossible **WITH** God

June 12 - The Father **WITH** Us

June 19 - United **WITH** Him

June 26 - Seated **WITH** Him

Decision Day - June 19th

As a part of the WITH series, we are going to make June 19th (Father's Day), Decision Day. Our heavenly Father decided before the fall that He would send His own son to be our savior. There are many who have been putting off the most important decision of their lives and that is to accept the grace and forgiveness that comes by making Jesus our savior. I know attendance often drops on Father's Day, but I am praying this year will be different and that it will be a great day of celebration as many decide to commit their lives to Christ. We will be talking more about this during the month of May.

Winding Down

Many of our study groups are winding down as summer approaches. It is often easy to let our spiritual lives wind down as other attractions and demands wind up. Sports, outdoor activities, vacations and even world demands distract us from keeping our relationship with the Lord strong. Now is the time to commit to not let that happen. Keep worship and fellowship a priority. We will be providing some fun fellowship opportunities this summer. If you are away from Lamar, find another church to worship with, it can be a great experience to see what other churches are doing. Invite some of your church family over for cookouts or other outdoor activities. Keep reading the Bible and praying. Read some good Christian books. Don't wind down, wind up your walk with the Lord.

Kevin's ENGAGE Updates

- * Wednesday, May 11th - Last night of Youth Group / Senior Night
- * Camp Como - Registration is open and due by June 20th (Payment due then)
- * CIY registration is due May 31st (Payment due then)



Due to a wedding on the regular breakfast day, and decorating the Friday before, there will not be a Men's Breakfast in May. They will resume in the fall!



The LAST Women's Breakfast until fall is Saturday, May 14th at 8:00AM. Join us at 7:00 if you would like to help cook!
All ladies are Welcome!

Como Ride 2022

The motorcycle ride to benefit camp Como will be August 18-21 this year. All riders and drivers are welcome to get away with some Jesus crazy bikers for a fun and spiritually challenging weekend.



Sermon Series - We will continue with the series on the book of Habakkuk through May and then in June, we are delighted that Ray will be preaching all month and again in the month of October. In July, we will start the second part of the 3:16 series focussing on some of the New Testament 3:16 verses. This series will end in August.

Thank you!

The leadership want to thank Ty Kemp who has served on the board and as an Elder for many years. We greatly appreciate his wisdom, insight, humor and spiritual depth in helping to guide the ministries of this congregation over the years.

Please keep Ty in prayer as he leads the Granada School system daily.

Youth Ministry Update -

You have likely already seen Kevin's schedule for the summer-he is busy! We are so excited to have Kevin and Rebecca on staff and already involved with your children. Please be in prayer for them as they settle in to life in Lamar and invite them over for supper or a Sunday lunch so that they can get to know you and your family. Even if you do not have kids in youth ministry, invite them over, they are a neat couple! Please volunteer to help them in ministry one week a month. It is easy to do and does not require much commitment on your part. Be a part of your children's spiritual growth, you will never regret the time spent with your kids in ministry.

Mother's Day

Every day should be Mothers Day! What I mean by that is that we should be honoring the women in our lives in a variety of ways, not just one day per year. A mother's impact in a families life is huge.

What word best sums up a great mother? Sacrifice perhaps? From pregnancy through death, a great mother sacrifices for her family - not just for her children, but also for her husband. Most mothers spend many more hours per week engaged one on one with her children than her husband does. She takes care of all of the meals, the laundry, house cleaning, listening to broken hearts, healing broken skin, broken clothing, broken relationships, helping with home work, taking on the kids school projects and she leads in their spiritual development. In general, mothers spend more time than fathers with their children in all facets of life.

Most mothers work at a full time job, then come home to work another few hours each night, with little time for herself. Gifts of flowers and sweets is nice, but how about the family choosing to be more engaged in cleaning the house, cooking meals, doing the laundry, giving mum time for herself one night a week, telling your wife/mum how much you love her through your actions and involvement with her. And yes, tell her often how much she is loved and valued.

Husbands, how can you best encourage your wife in life? Pray for her every morning and evening. Pray with her at least once per day. Share in your families duties every week. Ask her how you can help her. If you know something needs to be done, don't wait for her to do it, do it yourself. Serve your wife wholeheartedly every day, putting her needs ahead of yours.

Once in a while buy her some flowers, take her out for a meal, go away for a weekend without the children. Provide a spa day for her in the Springs. Take the time to listen to her needs and wants, understanding that sometimes she just wants to vent and does not need an answer from you. Love your mums, love your wives and watch them grow!



2022 Wichita Women's Encounter
 is Friday, Sept. 9th through Sunday, Sept. 11th.
 Text or call Connie Akers with Questions ~ 688-1639

ASSIGNMENT	5/1/22	5/8/22	5/15/22	5/22/22	5/29/22
DEVOTION LEADER - E	Rick Akers	Justin Homm	Mike Duffy	John Adams	David Barber
DEVOTION LEADER - L	Ray Matteson	Monte Ausmus	Mike Duffy	John Adams	Matt Berndt
SERVER IN CHARGE - E	Lee Downen	Rick Akers	Justin Homm	Rick Akers	Monty Coen
SERVER IN CHARGE - L	Pat Leonard	Joe Baca	Norm Arends	Ken Montoya	Pat Leonard
SHUT- IN COMM - 1		Albert Moreno	Terry DeWitt	Albert Moreno	
SHUT- IN COMM - 2	Dustin DeWitt	Rick Akers			
GREETERS - E	John Lefferdink	Rick Akers	Roger Davidson	Rod Ausmus	Don Colclazier
GREETERS - L	Jeff Wittman	Niles Voigt	Todd Brown	Margaret Thompson	Glen Smith
COMMUNION PREP	Peggy Fowler, Margaret Thompson & Alice Mauch				

TRADITIONAL > THURSDAYS @ 6:00PM / CONTEMPORARY > THURSDAYS @6:30PM

ASSIGNMENT:	<u>5/1/22</u>	<u>5/8/22</u>	<u>5/15/22</u>	<u>5/22/22</u>	<u>5/29/22</u>
DRUMS	KEENAN	ELOY	SETH	ELOY	KEENAN
KEYBOARD	MARAH	JULIE	SUSANNE	ALICIA	MARAH
BASS	ZACK	DAVID	RAY	EMILY	RYLAN
ELEC. GUITAR	ROD A	JOSH	ROD T	JOSH	ROD A
GUITAR	MARIAH	ROD T	MARIAH	MARIAH	ROD T
VOCAL	KATY	KATHY	AMBER	HEATHER	CONNIE
VOCAL	LYDIA	JOY	JOAN	KAILEY	TIM
SOUND TECH	KENNY	RORY	BRIAN	KENNY	RORY
VIDEO LATE	JOAN/DILLON	MARIAH/SHIANE	HARRIS	JOAN/DILLON	MARIAH/SHIANE
LEADER	MARIAH	ROD T	MARIAH	MARIAH	ROD T
PIANO	BARB	SUSANNE	BARB	SUSANNE	BARB
SOPRANO	SHELBY	SUSAN	SHELBY	SUSAN	SHELBY
ALTO	CHAR	MELODY	CHAR	MELODY	CHAR
TENOR	ANSLEY	JAMES	ANSLEY	JAMES	ANSLEY
BASS	RON	RON	RON	RON	RON
VIDEO EARLY	HOMM	HERRERA	SCHMIDT	HOMM	HERRERA

May Birthdays & *Anniversaries

Prayer Requests

David Payne
Stan Wertz
Tiffany Whisenand
Betty Hoesli
Donna Wishard
Russ Hobden
Eric Settles
Richard Stickler
Jim Cardinelli
Vera Hammons
LeeAnn Barden
Truett Sires
Sadie Aldridge
Jeanette Rodarmel
Nik Burns
Nancy Scriven

- 1 Alice Baca
Joy Schultz
Rory O'Neill
- 3 Keenan Thomas
- 5 Don Colclazier
- 6 Kory DeWitt
*Monty & Jana Coen
- 9 Garrett Wertz
- 10 *Tress & Callie Gadash
- 12 Nancy Scriven
- 13 Sarah Ausmus
Emmett Homm
Misty Lopez
- 14 Ezra Florez
*Argie & Joan Thrall
- 17 Bailee Penafior
Dalton Harris
- 18 Zane Rankin
- 19 Sheila Campbell
Dave Tecklenburg
- 20 Shane Dashner
- 21 Argie Thrall
- 22 *David & Barbara Scriven
- 23 Janet Adams
- 26 Ty Piner
- 27 Jeff Hobden
- 29 Janice England
*Justin & Shelby Homm
- 30 Alice Thomas
- 31 Bryan Herrera
Tucker Hobden
*Bo & Marah Brase

LADIES! WE ARE HEADED BACK TO CUCHARA!

We have locked in the dates for a Fall Ladies Retreat!
Mark your calendars for October 14-16. More info. later!

Memorials

In Memory of:
Steve Wertz

From:
*Rick & Brenda Baker
Joe & Kay Kasza*

In Memory of:
Hazel Pool
From: *Betty Clark*

In Memory of:
Betty Scriven
From: *Les Scriven*

*Our Sympathy For The Loss Of A Loved One
Leroy Brase passed away on April 23rd*

Rodeo Bible Camp

This youth camp for kids interested in rodeo will be June 22nd - 24th at the fairgrounds. We have been asked to take a turn providing meals for the 40 to 60 kids involved. This would be a great opportunity for a study group/ministry team to serve together. Sign up on the clipboard by the office. Contact Savannah Mauch if you have questions.
(507)829-6992

BLOOD DRIVE

The next Blood Drive is Tuesday, June 21st from 11:30-4:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We had a record low drive in April, so please consider donating to make the June drive better. The need is always high as blood can only be stored for 42 days, so if not used in that timeframe it must be disposed of. Call the church (336-5343) for an appointment ~ Walk-ins are always welcome!

*As always, we could use help with the lunch served to donors!

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WORSHIP SERVICES:
8:00AM - Blended
10:30AM - Contemporary
Sunday School - 9:15AM
Children's Church - 10:30AM

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Return Service Requested

SENIOR SAINTS

The purpose of the senior adult ministry of Lamar Christian Church is to share in Christian fellowship and encourage each other in spiritual growth, while striving to be a blessing to the church and community.

Senior Saints met at 5:00PM on Monday, April 18, 2022 at the fellowship hall of the Church with the following in attendance: Ray, Susanne, Kara and Seth Matteson, Alice Mauch, Judy Weber, Les & Nancy Scriven, Niles & Rosella Voigt, Kay Slough, Nancy Idler, Deleta Downen, Ron Clausen, Pat Leonard, Don Colclazier, Cheryl Tague, Jimmy Marquez, and Betty Clark. Good crowd. Luann showed up early to see if we needed anything - that's our Luann. Pat offered our blessing and we chowed down and enjoyed all the good food that was brought in for our enjoyment. Yum Yum! We visited and enjoyed just being together while we ate our supper.

Short (very short) business meeting - no business. Alice will do devotions next and our newest member Nancy Idler volunteered to do them for June. Thank you ladies. Ron gave a devotion which we all enjoyed very much - he had scripture to back up his allegations. Good job Ron. (At the very end he got a little personal, but we all got a big laugh out of it). No more needs to be said!!!!!! Jimmy didn't stay long but we enjoyed him while he was there.

After our devotions, and eating and cleaning up we had 3 tables of Round-a-bout. Don was able to stay the whole meeting. We could have played Farkel but it seemed like everybody wanted to play Round-a-bout. At one table, Alice, Judy, Don, Nancy and Betty played - Don won one and Betty won one. At another table, Cheryl, Seth, Rosella, Niles and Kay played. Cheryl, Seth and Niles won one and we left before the last game was over, but at that time the same ones were ahead, so I am thinking that they probably won that one too. At another table Les, Deleta, Susanne and Nancy played. Les and Susanne won all 3 games. Lots of teasing, laughing and "complaining" going on. (Nobody pays any attention to the complaining). Ha!

Jimmy got busy with other work and our sweet Luann put our tables and chairs up for us - Jimmy said he would take them down tomorrow. Thank you both for what you do for us Seniors. We appreciate both of you!

We were through and left about 7:30PM. Those who weren't quite done stayed and locked up. Bev wasn't able to be there- she was having a round of bronchitis. We missed her. Susan is still with her brother, but should be home in a day or two more. We also missed her.

Our next Senior Saints will be held Monday, May 16th. We always invite anyone who wants to come - at our age - age doesn't matter - Ha! Look at Seth and Kara (our two youngest ones) - they have a good time.

I might just have mentioned this a time or two, but we have a GREAT bunch of seniors in Lamar Christian. No not bragging, just stating the FACTS! We love each other and love being together with each other. Come join us!!! God is so good!

Stay tuned for more exciting Senior Saints news next month.

Nuff for now,

Betty Clark, Reporter