



# Living God Newsletter

Sunday Worship  
9:30 AM

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Go forth with the gospel!

†Loving God

†Growing with Christ

†Welcoming All

## LGLC Council Members

President- Mary Wallett  
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Pastor Richard Moore  
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Nursery Room Attendant-Sharon Pierce

## NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

**REPORTS DUE**—Reports for the 2013 Annual Report are needed. Please email your report to [living\\_god@verizon.net](mailto:living_god@verizon.net) **no later than Mar. 28th** Copies of the 2013 Annual Report will be available two weeks prior to the May meeting. If you have any questions please call me at 610-273-9383.

**New Members** LGLC is proud to welcome the Nugent family who have transferred from Saint John's Lutheran Church in Nazareth, Pa. and Stacy Green, a former member, returning to LGLC.

## Pictorial Directories Have Arrived

Please remember to pick up your copy of the LGLC pictorial directory. You can find them on the information rack at the back of the church.

## FELLOWSHIP NEWS

**2013 Quarterly Pot Luck Lunch** LGLC will host a quarterly pot luck lunch on **Sun, Mar. 10th** following church service. A sign up sheet will be posted for those who wish to attend.

## COLUMBARIUM TEAM NEWS

Due to the rising cost of bronze, the Columbarium Team will need to raise the purchase prices of a niche and the cost of an urn. The team has not increased the fees since the columbarium was installed in 2003 but due to rising prices we are unable to maintain the current charges. The new charges will be as follows: Niche charge for Members \$1200, Non-members \$1400 and cost per urn \$75. These charges will go into effect on February 1st, 2013. If you would like to make arrangements to purchase a niche or an urn before the cost increase, please contact the office for more information.

## SUPPORT TEAM NEWS

**Building and Grounds Meetings** The Building & Grounds Team will hold their next monthly meetings on **Tuesday, Jan. 15th and Feb. 19th at 7:30pm**. All are welcome to attend the meeting. If you have any questions about the team please contact Barry at 610-273-2371.

**Crosswalks and Windows** The support team would like to thank Charles Hass for his work on the striping of the crosswalks in the church parking lot. We would also like to thank Viwinco, and Chris Wagner for their help in replacing 6 windows within the church building.

## STEWARDSHIP TEAM NEWS

**Highway Clean Up 2013** LGLC would like to thank Kristal Hausch, for her hard work and time as leader of the Highway Clean-Up for LGLC. Kristal has decided not to continue as leader in 2013. If you or someone you know from the congregation is willing to lead this team please contact the church office for more information.



View information and upcoming events at LGLC.

## EDUCATION TEAM NEWS

**Youth Group Information** The LGLC youth group (called JAM) meets every other Sunday 11-12:30pm for those in grades 5-12. A special event is usually scheduled once a month. For Confirmation information for your child please contact Pastor Moore, revrichm@gmail.com New friends are always welcome. For more information about the program go to lgcyouth.blogspot.com

**Children's Ministry** Children ages 3-4th grade are welcome to join us for Sunday school every Sunday at 11am. For more information about the program go to lgckids.blogspot.com

**Bible Study at Tel Hai** All are welcome to attend the weekly bible study group held every Thursday's at Tel Hai beginning at 10am in the Tel Haven Social Room. We are continuing the study of the New Testament book of Acts. Thank you, Anne Yontz

## OUTREACH TEAM NEWS

### Thank You for Your Gifts & Donations!

The Outreach Team thanks everyone who contributed gifts and donations for the Christmas Ingathering & Flood Buckets. With your help, we collected and gave:

-25 gifts to children in need who may not have received any other gifts for Christmas.

-75 pairs of socks and nearly 30 pairs of gloves for the Seamen's Institute to give to the hardworking mariners coming into Philadelphia harbor during the season. These simple gifts are welcome treasures to those who live on the ships delivering the goods that make our modern way of life possible while they endure extended periods away from their own homes and families.

-Supplies for more than 4 gift bags for critically injured residents of Inglis House

-9 Clean-up buckets going to flooded victims trying to rebuild after storms like Lee in 2011 and Hurricane Sandy...and you gave us LOTS more supplies that combined with other churches to make more buckets!!

In 2013, we'll be helping our local community and beyond again, and we request your help to fulfill God's will for Living Lutheran of Honey Brook. Please support our service ministries that share the love of Christ in various ways: prayer, volunteer time, gift collection and distribution, and financial support.

Please watch for our meetings times in the Bulletin or on the church website calendar.

Also, we welcome your suggestions for outreach activities at any of our meetings.

## WORSHIP TEAM NEWS

**Sunday After Service Snacks** The Worship Team invites anyone who would like to offer snacks/beverages for fellowship after Sunday service, please contact Sue Fessenbecker at Sue.fessenbecker@qvc.com or Janet Krackov (610)-384-2350 and let them know you would be willing to supply some snack items. Thank you!

## HEALTH & WELLNESS TEAM NEWS

### GRAB THE PHONE, NOT THE KEYS:

*A message from the Health and Wellness Ministry* February is "Heart Month". Heart attack continues to be the number one killer in the U.S. and in our own community. Your heart is a muscular pump that distributes oxygen and nutrients throughout your body as well as to the heart itself. A heart attack happens when a blockage in a blood vessel of the heart interferes with the blood supply. When this happens, the muscle supplied by this blood vessel easily dies. Death or disability can, and often does, follow when there is a delay in seeking care. A little known fact is that 85% or more of the damage from a heart attack occurs within the first two hours. EARLY heart attack care saves lives and prevents permanent heart damage because intervention can begin right in your home if you call 911 at the first sign of symptoms. Symptoms to watch for and act upon include:

- Nausea
- Feeling of fullness in your chest
- Shortness of breath
- Back Pain
- Chest pressure, squeezing/discomfort
- Anxiety
- Fatigue
- Jaw pain
- Pain that travels down one or both arms

Heart attacks have beginnings. Milder symptoms can come and go. The best way to treat a heart attack is to stop it before it happens! CALL 911 (don't drive), and get help within the first 2 hours of symptom onset.

*\*\* Watch for a special January Healthy Lifestyle event to start your new year healthy!\*\**



Magi---such a unique word...even to the Bible. Tradition has rendered this word to mean kings. But, this is probably more to do with the way in which the magi are received by King Herod in the context of the story than by actual word study. Herod treats these sojourners from the east as if they were kings visiting his kingdom, and they appear to be able to gain access to Herod with an equal kind of status. So, based solely upon context this is not an inaccurate read of the Bible. However, when we study this unique word, apart from context, we come to a different meaning. Literally, the word refers to men with a special kind of wisdom that is gleaned from studying the movement of the stars. In ancient days magi might have been our modern equivalent of great scientists—wise men.

Whether Matthew meant for us to read his Gospel account as “wise men” or as “kings” we’ll never know. But, his message about their mission is clear. The quest of these men of status and authority was to kneel before this newborn king and worship him. Matthew’s message...if these foreign men, esteemed by both the rulers and the wise, are humble enough to lay aside the comforts of their home, and commit to the risks of travelling a great distance all for the sole purpose of worshipping Jesus, then all people should do the same.

Herod’s lip-service toward them only further emphasizes Matthew’s point. Was King Herod actually going to worship Jesus? Absolutely not! King Herod was plotting to kill the Baby who had come to bring peace on earth! His heart had no intent of worshipping the Christ Child, even as his mouth formed the words that lied to them.

Matthew’s message places a fundamental question before us; one that challenges us: Are we taking God seriously, or just giving Him lip-service? Are you praying for things to change in the world around you, in your life, but then ignoring God’s call to do your part in bringing about these changes?

As we look toward the future and the start of a new year at our church, what are your plans? What does your faith mean to you? Why is your church important to you?...to your children?...to the Honey Brook community?...to the world? So often I hear members of our church complain about how Christian values are being eroded in our culture, but then tell me they’re too busy to volunteer or help with church events. I hear the concerns of parents, who tell me that society and the school system are corrupting their kids, but then explain that their kids have more important things to do on Sundays than come to church. Will you go about this year giving only lip-service to God’s call, your church, and your faith? Or, is this the year that you resolve to go deeper in prayer and devotion, step up your involvement; increase your charity? With your lips will you say that your church is important to you, your children and to the community, but then allow your actions to dictate otherwise?

Herod had a choice. This is Matthew’s message. Today, that message is the same. We have a choice. It may only be a matter of adjusting priorities, or maybe you sense a need for more dramatic change in your life. You choose whether to worship Him with lip service alone or bring to Jesus, the Baby in the manger, the worship that is accompanied by a lifetime of loving actions.

Every year I find it absolutely perfect that the start of a new year comes with the season of Christmas. Christmas is a time when the motives of our hearts are laid bare before the proof in a manger of God’s willingness to honor His promise and commitment to us. The birth of Jesus is the birth of a fresh start for all of us. Oh come! Let us adore Him!

The Rev. Richard Moore, pastor

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*After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.” When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:” ‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel.’” Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and make a careful search for the child, so that I too may go and worship him.”*

*Matthew 2:1-4*

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## Office Hours

Tues., Wed., Thu.,  
9AM to 4PM

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Permit #444

*Or current resident*

## Up Coming Dates to Remember

January 12th J.A.M. Movie Night  
February 2nd J.A.M's Pre-Super Bowl Party  
February 12th Shrove Tuesday  
February 13th Ash Wednesday  
February 17th First Holy Communion  
February 17th Annual Budget Meeting  
March 10th Church Pot-Luck Lunch  
March 23rd 30 Hour Famine  
March 24th Palm Sunday  
March 28th Maunday Thursday  
March 29th Good Friday  
March 31st Easter

**First Holy Communion** All parents of children in fifth grade, and those believed ready for Holy Communion are encouraged to contact Pastor Moore at [revrichm@gmail.com](mailto:revrichm@gmail.com) for more information. Children will be invited to partake in their "First Communion," on Sunday, February 17th.

## **Congregational Meeting Sunday, February 17, 2012**

LGLC will hold the annual congregational budget meeting February 17th following the morning service. All members of LGLC will receive a letter including a copy of the proposed budget two weeks prior to the meeting. If you have questions that can be addressed prior to the budget meeting please direct them to Mary Wallett (council President) or Patty DeLong (church treasurer). Their contact information is listed below. Otherwise, come to the budget meeting and participate as a voting member of the congregation

Mary Wallett, Council President 610-384-2056  
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Please refer to the church website  
[www.livinggodchurch.org](http://www.livinggodchurch.org) to  
view our online church calendar.

