



Living God Newsletter

Sunday
Worship
9:30 AM

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NEWS FROM THE OFFICE



LGLC welcomes four new council members to the board. During the annual meeting Gary Howell, Randy Press, and Mary Wallett were all elected to 3 year terms. Denise Singer-Ott was elected to a one year term. Congratulations!



Gary Howell

Randy Press

Mary Wallett

Denise Singer-Ott



Jay Arndt

Sue Fessenbecker

Julie Funk

Joyce Ring

Lana Wolfe

THANK YOU!
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A big thank you to Lin Williams, Barry Buzzard, and Chris Mauchline for all of their hard work while serving on council.



During church service on June 8th three of LGLC's youth members were confirmed. Congratulations to the following confirmands; Jared Singer, James and Joseph Mauchline.



New Office Hours— During the month of May the church office hours were changed from 9am-4pm to 10am -3pm. Please make note of the change.

LOCAL NEWS

HONEY BROOK SUPPORT GROUP: Bi-monthly meetings at Honey Brook Presbyterian Church 4331 Horseshoe Pike. Open to parents, family members and friends of those affected by a loved one's substance abuse issues, whether in active addiction, in treatment or in recovery. 1st and 3rd Tuesday 6:30 8:00pm. Contact Jeanne at Jeanne.1105@yahoo.com or Alice at ahoran912@aol.com with questions.

FELLOWSHIP TEAM NEWS

Sunday, September 14th, 2014 Quarterly Pot Luck Lunch

Join us for a pot luck lunch following church service. A sign up sheet will be posted for those who wish to attend. For more information contact Joyce Ring at tinderjr@hotmail.com or call 610-458-5525 .

OUTREACH TEAM NEWS

Community Quilting Day at LGLC

The M&M's are planning a community quilting day at LGLC on Saturday, Sept. 13th at 10am. Light refreshments will be provided. Please help us surpass our last year's numbers. All materials have been provided all you need to do is tie a knot. Quilts will be delivered by Lutheran World Relief to areas of natural disasters. For more information please contact Deanna Arndt at 610-286-0182.

REMINDER -The M&M's group is now on summer hiatus until Monday, September 8th.

EDUCATION TEAM NEWS

Youth Group Information

The LGLC youth group (called JAM) meets every other starting Sunday Sept., 22 through June 2014 from 11-12:30pm for those in grades 5-12. A special event is usually scheduled once a month. New friends are always welcome. For more information about the program go to LGLCYOUTH.BLOGSPOT.COM

Children's Ministry Children ages 3-4th grade are welcome to join us for Sunday school every Sunday starting Sept. 22, through June 2014 at 11am. For more information about the program go to LGLCKIDS.BLOGSPOT.COM

Bible Study at Tel Hai

The Thursday Morning Bible Discussion Group at Tel Hai will begin meeting again on September 4, 2014. All are welcome to attend.

SUPPORT TEAM NEWS

Building & Grounds Meetings The B&G Team will hold their next monthly meetings on **Tues, July 15th, and Sept. 16th**. All are welcome to participate. If you have any questions about the team please contact Barry at 610-273-2371.

LGLC Council Members

Jay Arndt-President
Mary Walleth-Vice President
Julie Funk-Secretary
Sue Fessenbecker, Gary Howell, Randy Press,
Denise Singer-Ott, Joyce Ring, Lana Wolfe

Church Staff

Pastor Richard Moore
Office Manager-Donna Lewis

Treasurer-Patty DeLong
Contribution Recorder-Linda Hume
Nursery Room Attendants-Sharon Pierce



View information and upcoming events at LGLC.

REMINDER-

Newsletter articles for the Oct. Nov. and Dec. newsletter are due **by September 15th**. Please email your article to living_god@verizon.net Thank you!

Please refer to the church website www.livinggodchurch.org to view LGLC's online calendar.



STEWARDSHIP TEAM NEWS

INK TONERS LGLC is still in need of empty ink toners for the Staples recycling program. Please place empty containers in the designated box on the table in the vestibule. Thank you.

Health and Wellness Ministry

Don't Get Burned! Summer Sun Safety Tips From the Centers for Disease Control

Summer is here! Who doesn't want to be outside, sunbathing, swimming, playing catch on the beach or just barbecuing in the backyard? While summer means fun in the sun, make sure you're not getting too much of a good thing. Avoid consequences of overexposure to the sun like sunburns, premature aging of the skin, wrinkling, and skin cancer, including melanoma by practicing proper sun protection. The hours between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daylight savings time (9 a.m. to 3 p.m. standard time) are the most hazardous for UV exposure in the continental United States. UV rays are the greatest during the late spring and early summer in North America.

CDC recommends easy options for sun protection:

Sunscreen

- Use sunscreen with sun protective factor (SPF) 15 or higher, and both **UVA and UVB** protection.
- Sunscreen wears off. Put it on again if you stay out in the sun for more than two hours and after you swim or do things that make you sweat.
- Check the sunscreen's expiration date. Sunscreen without an expiration date has a shelf life of no more than three years, but its shelf life is shorter if it has been exposed to high temperatures.

Clothing

- Wear clothing to protect exposed skin.
- Loose-fitting long-sleeved shirts and long pants made from tightly woven fabric offer the best protection from the sun's UV rays. A wet T-shirt offers much less UV protection than a dry one. Darker colors may offer more protection than lighter colors.
- If wearing this type of clothing isn't practical, at least try to wear a T-shirt or a beach cover-up. Keep in mind that a typical T-shirt has an SPF rating lower than 15, so use other types of protection as well.

Hats

- Wear a hat with a wide brim to shade the face, head, ears, and neck.
- For the most protection, wear a hat with a brim all the way around that shades your face, ears, and the back of your neck. A tightly woven fabric, such as canvas, works best to protect your skin from UV rays. Avoid straw hats with holes that let sunlight through. A darker hat may offer more UV protection.

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WHY DOES MY CHURCH KEEP TALKING ABOUT MONEY?

Lately I've been hearing the grumbings of this question. When a question like this surfaces it is like an iceberg. What you see floating on the top is nowhere near the size of the problem that you don't see beneath the surface. Indeed this is the situation. As of this writing I have recently received letters from members declaring their intentions to leave our church because we are talking about money. So, it troubles me a bit to be writing this letter. But, it would trouble me even more to avoid writing it.

Money is a hot topic. People don't like to be told what to do with it. For most of us, money is our biggest idol, our biggest distraction from God. The Ten Commandments makes God's word on idols emphatically clear (Exodus 20: 4) "Do not make for yourself an idol." This is to do with the first and most important commandment, "You shall have no other gods". Other gods confuse our devotion and distract us from the truth. In our rite of Baptism, the pastor asks, "Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you away from God?" And the person responds, "I renounce them!" Of course, those "ways of sin" are not spelled out in the baptismal rite, so it is easy to renounce generalities standing at a font before a congregation. But, with money we are no longer speaking in generalities, we're getting very personal. But, God never shies away from getting personal with us. So, it should come as no surprise to learn that the Bible speaks about money nearly more than any other subject.

Why does my church keep talking about money?

Quite simply, we do because Jesus did. Jesus devoted roughly 25 percent of his words in the Gospels to the resources God has entrusted to our stewardship. This includes some 28 passages in the Gospels. In the Old and New Testaments combined there are over 800 verses on the subject, addressing topics ranging from planning and budgeting, to saving and investing, to debt and tithing. There is simply no way to be a disciple of Jesus apart from learning to be better stewards of what God has given us.

Why is it important to give money to LGLC?

Giving to various non-profits is a good thing. But, Christians are called to give first to the church that proclaims the gospel in our community. Jesus promised, "I will build my church" (Matt. 16:18). He does so by his saving grace, which brings us to new life in faith. As faithful people we become the body of Christ, the church, out of our devotion to follow and serve. Jesus gave himself to create and sustain the church. In the same way, Jesus' people are to give themselves to the church. This includes service and generosity) so that the church grows, and people's lives are transformed by the gospel.

At Living God, we are focused on sharing the gospel together and with our community. In the 20 years of our existence we've reached hundreds of people, transformed people's lives, and conveyed the gospel in ways that have made an immeasurable positive impact on our community. Just try to imagine Honey Brook without LGLC and you'll realize what I mean. A lot of the things we've done couldn't have been accomplished without Jesus working through generous people who love his church. When you give to LGLC it goes to compensate your pastor, so that he is free to pursue God's unique call on behalf of the church. It pays the salaries of people, like Donna, who manages our church's affairs, and Angela, whose gift of music brings life to our worship. Your financial gifts go to pay for the mortgage and the maintenance of our church property. It goes to fund various programs, like youth ministry, Sunday School, VBS, outreach efforts and resources that are used to promote our church. There's a lot we do, and it takes money to accomplish what God has called us to. In Ephesians 5:25 Paul writes, "Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her." Jesus' love and service for the church should compel us to love and serve the church as well, and this commitment should be reflected in our giving.

It is true that the gifts of God are free, but the ministry of the church, called to share those gifts with our community, is most definitely not free. So, believe it or not, it is for your own good that we keep talking about money. And, it is for the goodness of the church that you are asked to give. Then, completing the circle, by adequately funding your church you make it possible for the gifts of Christ to be shared with people who need them, people just like you. So, if some frustrated church member says to you, "For goodness sake, we keep talking about money!" You might encouragingly reply, "Exactly."

Yours in ministry,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rich Moore". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

The Rev. Richard Moore, pastor

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· If you wear a baseball cap, you should also protect your ears and the back of your neck by wearing clothing that covers those areas, using sunscreen with at least SPF 15, or by staying in the shade.

Sunglasses

· Sunglasses protect your eyes from UV rays and reduce the risk of cataracts. They also protect the tender skin around your eyes from sun exposure.

· Wear sunglasses that wrap around and block as close to 100% of both UVA and UVB rays as possible.

· Sunglasses that block both UVA and UVB rays offer the best protection. Most sunglasses sold in the United States, regardless of cost, meet this standard.

Shade

· Seek shade, especially during midday hours.

· You can reduce your risk of skin damage and skin cancer by seeking shade under an umbrella, tree, or other shelter before you need relief from the sun. Your best bet to protect your skin is to use sunscreen or wear protective clothing when you're outside—even when you're in the shade.

For more information, please visit

http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic_info/prevention.htm or call 1-800-CDC-INFO.

The Bottom Line:

Slip on a shirt

Slap on a hat

Slop on some sunscreen



Mobile Food Pantry for Honey Brook Residents

*In January, the Chester Food Bank funded a project for a six-month mobile pantry for Honey Brook residents in need of food assistance. The pantry is open to Chester County residents living in the Twin Valley School District or immediate surrounding area.

*Food pantry patrons receive non-perishable food items, dairy and fresh produce on a first come, first served basis. Good Food Inc. (Zook Molasses Company) donated cafeteria space in its office and warehouse complex west of the manufacturing plant on 322.

* If you have a question about qualifying for the Honey Brook Mobile Food Pantry, contact Phoebe Kitson at the Chester County Food Bank 610-873-6000 or pkison@chestercountyfoodbank.org.

HEARTS IN HANDS NEWS

SUMMER CAMP AT HEARTS IN HAND



Summer Camp

Adult volunteers are needed for summer camp. The program runs Monday's - Thursdays 8:30- 3pm. Any help will be appreciated. For details call Marla 610-942-4663 or Dawn 484-680-2249