



LPC'S EARTH CARE: EDUCATION AND SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

WHAT A BUSY SUMMER OF EARTH CARE ACTIVITIES:

- A May guided tour of LPC'ers of Honey Horn on HHI.
- A July walk around Pinckney Island led by our own LPC guide Robert Shumate!
- A July tour of Water Mission in No. Charleston to kick off the annual Beaufort Co/Bluffton Walk for Water to be held Sept. 23rd.
- August Beaufort Co. Electronics Recycling Event.



Thanks to all who participated in these events—each different, each meaningful! If you missed the summer activities, join us for these upcoming fall events:

- SC Beach Sweep/River Sweep clean up Sat. Sept 16 in Old Town. See next page for details.
- The Bluffton Walk for Water Sat. Sept 23 in Old Town Bluffton. See next page for details.
- Fall Adopt-A-Hwy—date to be determined.

Pinckney Island Trip

A big thank you to LPC member Robert Shumate for guiding 17 of us on an introductory walk to the Ibis Pond on Pinckney Island on July 14! We're already looking forward to a spring tour when bird nesting activity abounds! Pinckney Island is knee-deep in history as well as a wonderful place to breathe in God's creation! A good hike indeed!



EARTH CARE MINISTRY

Beach Sweep

The Charleston Atlantic Presbytery Green Team (LPC's Earth Care joined this new group this spring) encourages all Presbyterians to participate in the 34th annual SC Beach Sweep/River Sweep on Sat. Sept. 16th, 9-11:00 am!

Contact Beth Lewis 843-706-4559 blewis@townofbluffton.com and mention LPC to sign up! For more information about what is furnished/what to expect, check out Bluffton.com/beach-and-river-sweep.



Don't miss the fun in cleaning up SC, beginning at Oyster Factory Park in Old Town Bluffton. This involves litter pick up in Bluffton and surrounding area—as well as the May River shore. Thank you for your Earth Care participation! Let us know if you sign up! - Gretchen & Jon gretchjon@yahoo.com.

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Our LPC WATER WALKERS TEAM IS GROWING AND THERE IS STILL TIME TO SIGN UP FOR THE WALK FOR WATER-SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 23 in Old Town Bluffton. The cost is \$25 per adult.

Please register asap online at <http://walkforwater/beaufort> (LPC Water Walkers Team). Once registered, we will email with further details closer to the Walk date. We will be walking about 2 miles with teams from other churches as we did last year. Invite a friend or two!

Can't join us on that date? Please consider a donation online at the site above to Water Mission to support our LPC Water Walkers Team! Questions? gretchjon@yahoo.com or say hello in the Narthex after services up through September 17.

"We walk so others don't have to"—a meaningful Walk for Water slogan of Water Mission, a Christian engineering non-profit which provides water purification units to communities and disaster areas worldwide. All donations & registration fees go directly to Water Mission, rated 4 stars for the past 15 years by Charity Navigator.

CLEAN WATER CHANGES LIVES: LPC TOURS WATER MISSION

To understand the importance of access to clean water, a tour of Water Mission, a Christian engineering firm in N. Charleston, is a must!

Our LPC group of 5 toured their facility this week learning not only of the need, but solutions! Their transportable water filtration units are making a difference in the world! And now they also help build latrines.

While no filtration units were currently being assembled by volunteers (20 units on hand), our guide Hal was knowledgeable in explaining how just one filtration unit in a remote village can change lives!

Health and hygiene are vastly improved. Women and children are spared the daily task of collecting and carrying often dirty water. There is time for the education of children.

"This tour was very informative. An amazing group of people making a real difference in addressing the need for clean water worldwide" - Jim Wright



Current Bulletin Tip!

LPC member Fran Parker is eager to try a new type of laundry detergent! Several brands of a detergent-treated strip of paper that dissolves in the washing machine are available both online and in some stores. Imagine the plastic jug waste avoided in just one year!!! Rev. Herrin has already made the switch! Have you tried these yet? They can be purchased at Publix!

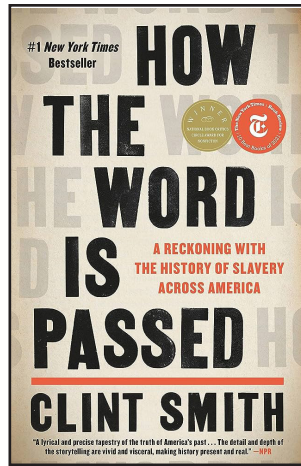
What small daily actions have you chosen to make a positive impact on our earth? Share them with us at gretchjon@yahoo.com.



FAITH FORMATION

Fall Book Study

How The Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America by Clint Smith



As a follow-up to our International African American Museum visit, our Fall Book Study will discuss Clint Smith's debut nonfiction book and #1 New York Times Bestseller in late October. A visit to the museum is not a pre-requisite. This book takes a look at how memory and history play a part in making sense of our country and how it has come to be.

Beginning in his hometown of New Orleans, Clint Smith traveled to eight places from Monticello to Senegal. He visited plantations, prisons, cemeteries, museums, and memorials, walking alongside tourists, guides, teachers, scholars, ex-convicts, and local historians in order to unearth how slavery has shaped our collective and personal American histories and how "some of our country's most essential stories are hidden in plain view."

Clint Smith is a staff writer at The Atlantic and is the author of the poetry collection *Counting Descent*. He earned a BA in English from Davidson College and a PhD in education from Harvard.

Save the date Tues, Oct 24 from 1 – 2 pm in the Church Parlor for conversation and discussion of this important topic. Should interest allow, a second discussion will continue at a later date.

Sunday School is Back in Session

After taking a summer break, Sunday School is back in session starting Sunday, Sept 10. Join us for Adult Sunday School from 9:30-10:10 a.m. in the Church Parlor. We continue our understanding of the Psalms as we follow along our Seasons of Psalms initiative. Some Sundays will be spent discussing scripture and life application relating to The Wired Word topical readings. All are welcome.

Children's Sunday School is offered on the second and fourth Sundays of each month for four and five-year olds. during the 10:30 a.m. service in the classroom near the nursery.

S.T.E.P.S. Event in Charleston



Lois Johnson, Carol Hissom, Anne Redlus, and Dale Wilkes attended the Charleston Atlantic Presbytery's annual S.T.E.P.S. (Studying, Teaching, Equipping, Praying, Serving) event at Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church on Saturday, August 26.

The ladies learned much from two morning sessions on a variety of topics and made connections with other church leaders. In between sessions, a worship service was held with the boisterous preaching of the Rev Dr Diane L. Givens Moffett, President and Executive Director of the Presbyterian Mission Agency and beautiful, soulful music from the St. James Presbyterian Mass Choir.

FAITH FORMATION

LPC Faith Formation Ministry Welcomed Rev. Ian Clark

Rev Ian Clark, battalion chaplain at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island, was our guest preacher on Sunday, July 16. Following the service and his sermon "Enemies, in Context," the Faith Formation Ministry treated everyone to refreshments. LPC members reconvened in the Sanctuary for Rev Clark's presentation on "War & The Christian Tradition: Perspectives for Faith" closing with a Q&A time. To watch the recorded presentation, go to the virtual worship page: lowcountrypres.org/virtual-worship.

Rev Clark's presentation helped us understand some of the moral and theological challenges of war through a faith perspective. He explained the Just War Tradition that sets certain conditions under which war can be justly fought while regulating the motivations for war and conduct within war. A restraint of force should always be the guiding principle. Finally, we learned about the military chaplaincy ministry of the PCUSA in which Rev Clark serves.

Rev. Clark will host LPC members on Parris Island to learn more about his ministry **on Friday, November 3rd**. Look for more details coming soon.



Visit to the International African American Museum

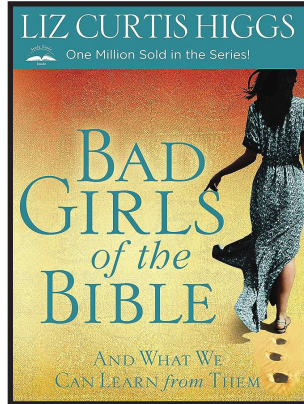
Your Faith Formation Ministry is planning an LPC visit to the new International African American Museum in Charleston SC on Wed, Oct 18. The group will enjoy lunch together at a nearby restaurant after the museum visit. The deadline to register has passed, but if you are still interested, please contact Dale Wilkes at dalewilkes207@gmail.com or 207 299-6693.



FAITH FORMATION

Women of Faith

Women of Faith will reconvene on September 12th at 11 a.m. in the church Parlor. Our September meeting discussion will focus on pages 84-105 (Dying for a Drink) of **Bad Girls of the Bible** by Liz Curtis Higgs.



Women of Faith is a supportive community of LPC women, friends and visitors. The group utilizes book study to discuss, debate and creatively engage with God's word in our lives and world. We meet in friendship and fellowship on the second Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. Why not consider joining us this fall? Each chapter of our current book, **Bad Girls of the Bible** can be read as a stand alone section, making it easy to participate in any session!

- October 10th - pages 106-126
- November 14th - pages 127-146
- January 9th - pages 147-168
- February 13th - pages 169-188
- March 12th - pages 189-213
- April 9th - pages 214-238
- May 14th - review and wrap up

Please contact Venus Holland (reidallenholland@gmail.com) or Pam Davis-Webb (psdw44@gmail.com) for more information.

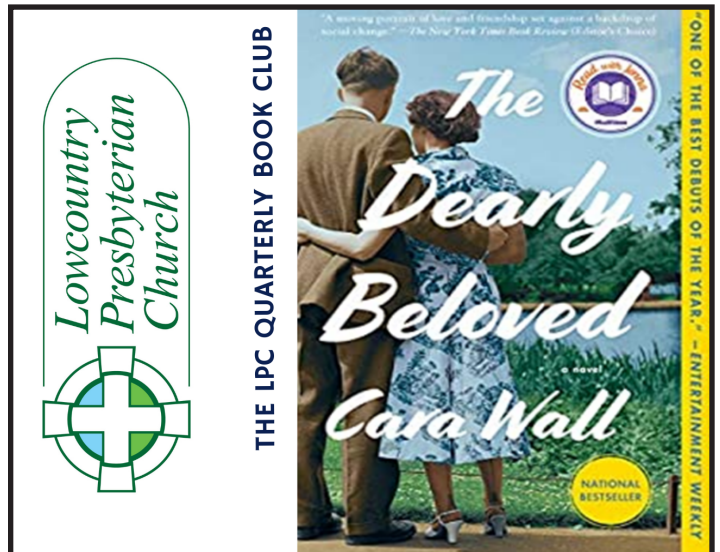
Nursery Volunteers Needed

Our LPC nursery workers engage our children from newborn to age 5 while our parents worship at the 10:30 service. A paid staffer is joined by a LPC volunteer during this time. We are currently looking for a LPC member to volunteer on the 4th Sunday of every month. The position can be shared. We have a nursery full of toys and games at your disposal to make for a fun hour with our children. We are also looking for substitute nursery volunteers to fill in when needed. Please contact Dale Wilkes at 207 299-6693 or dalewilkes207@gmail.com if you are interested.



Men of Purpose

Men of Purpose is a Men's discussions small group. We will resume meeting on Sept. 9, 2023 at 9:00 in the parlor at the main church. We will be reading and discussing "**The Mothers and Daughters of the Bible Speak – Lessons on Faith from Nine Biblical Families**" by Shannon Bream. Books are available in the office for \$13.00 each. For questions, please contact Bill Walker – billwalker42@gmail.com.



THE BOUND TOGETHER

BOOK CLUB

Meets Thursday, Sept. 7th at 4 p.m. in the Parlor.

The book for September is "The Dearly Beloved" by Cara Wall. Dinner afterwards is optional.

SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX OR ON OUR WEBSITE: [LOWCOUNTRYPRES.ORG/NEWS-EVENTS](https://www.lowcountrypres.org/news-events)

LPC Missions Ministry
Change-Can-Make-A-Change

September 2023

**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
for Hawaii Wildfires Relief**

In addition to routine disaster aid, the Red Cross has asked PDA to be on standby with a team of spiritual care providers.

LPC Missions Ministry

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October 2023 - Thornwell

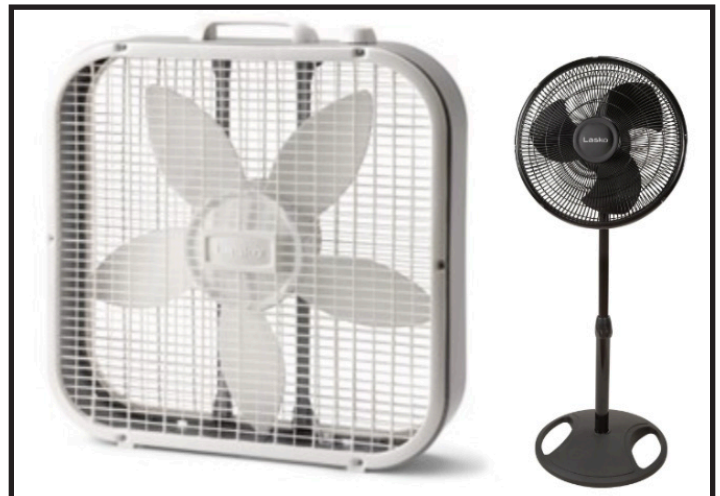
Thornwell serves to prevent child abuse and neglect, to build up and reunite families, and to support healthy communities in the name of Jesus Christ.



Thornwell
BUILDING TOMORROW'S FAMILIES

It's Hot Out There!

At our last Local Missions meeting we voted to supply Agape Family Life Center in Hardeeville with 20 fans to help with those in need of some relief from the heat this summer. We purchased and delivered 10 room box fans and 10 standing room oscillating fans to be given to those who need it most in their community. These were purchased with part of our 2023 Local Missions budget. Thank you for supporting our annual budget so that we are able to put our money to work in the community.



MISSIONS MINISTRY

July Food Drive Update

Thanks again for your generous donations in support of Mission's July Food Drive!

We collected almost 700 food items including fresh produce. Agape was very appreciative of your generosity!

- The Mission Team

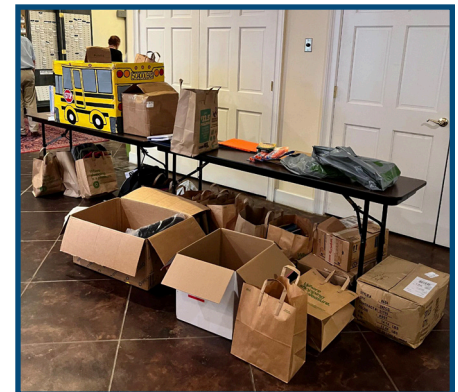


Gratitude for God's Helpers for Family Promise

In July, we had 9 of our Family Promise "hosts," Donna & Randy Aubrey, Elaine Branda, Lynn Cordy, Jerri Hanna with Patti Rozonkiewicz & Bea Herrick, Carol Hissom and Sandy Iams in addition to Steven Dutka from Temple Oseh Shalom lovingly prepare and deliver meals to 5 different families (14 family members) over 6 different evenings. What a wonderful service of hospitality they all showed that was greatly appreciated as these parents worked to overcome homelessness and provide stability for

themselves and their children. Thank you all so much.

If you would like to be involved in our next host weeks, we will need meals prepared on October 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13. We would like to host dinners for the families some of these days in our new Fellowship Hall instead of only delivering meals this time if it can be arranged. More information will follow in the eBlasts and bulletin as we get closer to the dates. If interested in getting involved, email, call or text Diane Mikkelsen @ DianeMikke@aol.com or 843-368-6865.



School is Back in Session

Your generosity is sending many children back to school with new backpacks filled with supplies that they would not have had without you. That will make a world of difference for their new school year. You donated over \$1,000 worth of backpacks and supplies in July. In addition, \$1000 from the Local Missions annual budget was given to the community school supply drive. Thank you all for supporting mission projects such as this throughout the year.

MISSIONS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Neighborhood Outreach Connection (NOC)

At NOC's summer camp closing celebration, there was great food for all! The girls showed off the cheer-leading skills while the boys showed off their soccer skills. We (LPC) were thanked for our partnership and particularly for the use of our facilities for this summer enrichment program.



NOC needs after school tutors to work with the children and are flexible on dates and times. A number of LPC members volunteered with them last year. Sam Iams was one of them and would be happy to help you connect with them or you can contact the two women who run the program directly: Gaby 786-872-5885 or Nelly 843-415-7331.



Habitat for Humanity

LPC has a long tradition of supporting Habitat for Humanity with funding and volunteer support. With new construction beginning soon, LPC will have a Saturday or two to provide volunteers. That date or dates will be provided as soon as they are available by eblast and bulletin.

For questions contact LPC member contact Paul Sell (psell6@verizon.net).

In the meantime, there are many other ways to volunteer with Habitat: working at Habitat's ReStore, in its Wood Shop, in the office, at special events, or by serving on one of the five standing committees (Construction, Family Engagement, Finance, Land Acquisition, and Special Events). Volunteers also can provide lunch for workers at one of the construction sites.

For information on any of these opportunities contact Jan Hunter (janhunter@habitatthi.org), Habitat's Volunteer/Family Services Coordinator.



**Kevin MacCarthy & Paul Sell
on a site this summer**

MISSIONS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Guardian as Litem Program (GAL)

The Guardian ad Litem Program is a division of the South Carolina Department of Children's Advocacy. "GAL"s are volunteers who advocate on behalf of abused and neglected children who are involved in family court legal proceedings through the Department of Social Services (DSS). Our goal is to ensure that every child in the family court system has a voice and finds a safe permanent home as quickly as possible. GAL volunteers get to know the child, and everyone involved in the child's life, including family, and if needed, teachers, doctors, social workers, and others. They gather information about the child and what the child needs. Their recommendations to the court help the judge make an informed decision about a child's future. GAL volunteers provide a stable presence in a child's life. In South Carolina, children do not normally go to court. That means that children are not present when decisions about whether or not they return home, or other decisions about their futures are being made. GAL volunteers bridge that gap and tell the judge what the child wants, without having to traumatize them in a courtroom setting.

Volunteers should be at least 21 years old, have a clean criminal record, no previous DSS case history, able to commit 5-6 hours per month and, most importantly, have the desire to help a child in their community. Currently the Beaufort/Jasper County GAL Program is serving 138 children, but there are only 18 volunteer GALs to assist. The Program offers training monthly to equip volunteers to best serve the children.

Contact David McAlhaney, Regional Recruiter and Trainer at 843-277-5849 or David.McAlhaney@childadvocate.sc.gov to learn more about this volunteer and training opportunity. You may also visit galsc.gov.

UPDATES FROM PAST CHANGE CAN MAKE A CHANGE RECIPIENTS

Project Lifesaver

It is exciting to announce to our congregation that Project Lifesaver is now available in both Beaufort and Jasper Counties. What is Project Lifesaver? The 501(c)(3) non-profit is a public safety organization that provides first responders and caregivers with equipment that can quickly locate those individuals with cognitive disorders (Alzheimer and Autism) who are prone to wandering. The Beaufort County Program was implemented in 2016 and the Jasper County Program has just begun. The program is free to all eligible applicants and is funded through donations from the public. The Sheriff's office in each county manages the program. Each of the transmitters that are given to people enrolled in the program cost \$345. Donations to Project Lifesaver Program from our church over this past year have been \$1,077 to Beaufort County and \$1,000 to Jasper County.

To apply for the program in Jasper County, call Lt Charles Williams at 843-726-7777 and for Beaufort County call Sgt. John Adams at 843-255-3415.

Donations can be sent to Beaufort County Sheriff's Office, P.O. Box 1758, Beaufort, SC 29901 or Jasper County Sheriff's Office, P.O. Box 986, Ridgeland, SC 29936 both earmarked Project Lifesaver. Please help spread the word about this program to neighbors and friends.

Update from Rev. Robert Gamble, Missionary to Ukraine and Executive Director of This Child Here

Many of you signed up for Rev. Gamble's newsletter when he was here in March. For those who didn't, I want you to know that the town that he works and lives in, Izmail, Ukraine was attacked by drones on August 1st. The closest hit was 100 yards from the apartment where he lives. Four other locations were hit; the building that houses the Maritime offices of the Port of Izmail, the commercial office building and silos full of grain. As of his writing on August 13, the fuel depot was still burning. He will be returning to the United States on September 15th and we are hoping to connect with him via zoom after one of our services this fall.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The Building and Grounds Ministry wishes to thank all of the volunteers who gave so generously of their time to clean the playground on July 6th and to install new mulch on July 13th. We also want to thank the Neighborhood Outreach Connection for supplying the mulch. NOC is the after school learning program that uses our facilities.



MEMBERSHIP MINISTRY

New Member Class

The next New Member Class will start October 1st and will continue the two following Sundays, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Meet others new to the church and enjoy conversation about faith and the meaning of membership. Contact the church office by September 25th. Accommodation can be made for missed classes, but attendance at all three is encouraged.

Membership Team Luncheon

The Membership Team is planning a luncheon to celebrate the grand reopening of our newly renovated Thomas Fellowship Hall. The event will take place in early Fall on a Sunday following the 10:30 AM service. The exact date depends on completion of the renovations. As soon as we have a firm date, it will be included in announcements and a sign-up sheet will be posted in the Narthex. Freewill donations will be gratefully accepted. Let's mark this significant milestone as a united congregation and revel in the renewed spirit of togetherness. We can't wait to see you!



Breakfast Hosted by Congregational Care

Over 45 members and friends enjoyed a wonderful breakfast on August 27th with a variety of homemade coffee cakes, pastries and French toast made by our members, as well as fruit and yogurt. It was a sunny, beautiful, if a little warm, morning. Members from both services enjoyed eating and socializing together before the fall season begins. We want to thank those who attended and those who provided our delicious food and made it all happen!



MUSIC MINISTRY

SUMMER SPECIAL MUSIC MUSICIANS: Thank you to the choir and bell members who took time to provide special music during the summer months. This included: Jim Wright (vocal and ukelele), Karen Ball's granddaughter, Dierdre McClellan (liturgical dance), JR and Brittany Wilson (vocal duet), Bell Ensemble (Donna Aubrey, Peggy Evans, Robyn Kiser, Dia Sunderlin, Ann Warren and JR Wilson), and Tom Smith (vocal solo). You all added so much to each service with your musical gifts.

COME JOIN US! THIS IS A GREAT TIME TO JOIN OR REJOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR! Whether you are new to LPC or have been a long-time member who loves to sing, we are excited to begin gathering again and lifting our combined voices in song to give praise. We encourage you to come join us up in the choir loft on Sunday mornings where all are welcome. Robes, choir folders, and music will be provided. You provide the singing, laughter, and smiles.

THE JUBILATE RINGERS ARE BACK AND READY TO RING! The full bell choir will begin rehearsals on Tuesday, September 12th, at 12:30 in the Sanctuary. October 8th, the Jubilate Ringers will play for both services. If you have experience playing bells and are interested in learning more about this ensemble, please contact Robin Lind or Judy Barry.

NOTE: The **Chancel Choir** will begin rehearsals on Thursday, **September 7th at 6:30 p.m.** Please note the time change. The **Jubilate Ringers** will begin rehearsals on Tuesday, **September 12th at 12:30 p.m.** Their first performance will be **Sunday, October 8th.**

ADVENT CANTATA: The Chancel Choir will begin rehearsals of the Advent Cantata on Thursday, October 19th.

RESOURCES IN OUR COMMUNITY

World Affairs Council Hilton Head 2023-2024 Program

LPC member, Lynn Cordy is membership chair of the World Affairs Council of Hilton Head and shares this link to its 2023-24 program of Distinguished Speakers. <https://wachh.org/page-18220> The presentations are held at the First Presbyterian Church of Hilton Head on Friday mornings at 10AM. Presentations are live-streamed and then archived on the website for members' convenience.

John Bolton, former UN Ambassador and National Security Advisor, opens the program on October 6 speaking on National Security and Our Elections. Thirteen presentations follow and include three Global Speakers (Sweden, Germany and The Philippines) to give a truly intentional perspective.

Memberships are available and you may attend as a guest. Please contact Lynn at lcordy@me.com if you are interested. Visit the website <https://wachh.org/> to learn more about the Council.

MOVIE DISCUSSION WITH REV. HERRIN, SEPT 17TH

“Barbenheimer” was the marketing strategy to encourage folks to see the movies Barbie and Oppenheimer the weekend they were released. It seemed to work as both have broken box office records! The movies tackle issues of what gives life and what takes life in very different ways. Rev. Herrin will lead a discussion of these movies from a faith perspective, drawing from scripture, after the 10:30am service on September 17th. Lunch together following the discussion is optional. Fun Fact: the set for Oppenheimer was built in Ghost Ranch, a PCUSA conference center.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Session convened in a called meeting on 8/23/23, where they:

- Continued a study of Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s book *Life Together*.
- Received membership report from Clerk of Session, taking action to remove members from the roles who had passed away, moved, or had become inactive.
- Reported on Fellowship Hall renovation progress. Estimated completion is September and approved coverage of unexpected expenses in excess of fundraising will be paid from LPC memorial funds and capital reserve.

The next two Session meetings are scheduled for September 27th and October 24th.

If you have any questions or would like to see the minutes, please contact Janit Maguire, Clerk of Session at janitmaguire@gmail.com or 845-527-6409.

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1	Michael Koch	13	Tom Bloom
1	Bob Overfield	13	Virginia Durham
2	Sally Stein	13	Marky Stauffer
3	Lila Wright	14	Greg Bobro
4	Robyn Kiser	14	William Thorpe
5	Laura Phillips	16	Beth Greenwell
6	Darlene Kunkle	19	Bob Law
6	Anneke Ruys	19	Nancy Gureck
6	Dave Williams	20	John Abernethy
7	Joe Franklin	22	Robert Lowry
7	Mimi Stevenson	24	Carol Simpson
8	Doris Koch	30	Mark Pendleton
8	J. R. Wilson	30	Chris Richards
9	Phil Kiser	30	Cora Johnson
10	Sue Martin		

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Ellie Smith	18	Evie Hardin
6	Ron Gemme	19	Linda Smith
6	Jim Tripp	21	Shirley Boppe
8	Judy Wells	21	Carolyn Marshall
8	Marian Williams	22	Jean Nordby
10	Erick Chavelas	23	Gigi Johnston
11	Marie Pendleton	29	Ed Walters
12	Dale Kershner		
12	Carol Given		
13	Frank Dove		
13	Margaret Tout		
15	Mary Johnson		
16	Jan Adams		
17	Linda Fischer		
18	Elizabeth Bobro		



THANK YOU NOTES

To LPC members and Flower Committee,

We thank you for the cards, meals and flowers given to us during Lou's sickness. What a caring group of people. Your prayers were answered and we appreciate them deeply.

Blessings,

Lou and Lois Lunardini

PRAYERS

Christian Sympathy is extended to:

the family of Carolyn Jones

the family of Emelie Costolo

the family of Vonnie Stearns

Carolyn Whitmanon the death of her brother, Rich Heinz

Jean and Dale Nordby on the death of Jean's brother-in-law, Dick Eckhardt

CONGRATULATIONS

Avery Elizabeth Catanese was born on August 9th at 11:02 pm in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

She weighed 8lbs 5 oz and measured 20.5 inches.

Avery is the granddaughter of Tom & Jan Catanese



CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Lay Visitation Ministry

The Lay Visitation Ministry is an important part of care for our church members. Members of our congregation make visits and calls to members who live alone or in care facilities, those who may be dealing with ill health or challenging situations or those who would just enjoy having a friendly visitor. This is a wonderful way for our members to connect with each other.

If you would like a visit from a team member or know of someone who might like a visit, or if you would like to be a visitor and join our ministry, please contact Karen Couser, 843 422-2473 or email kcouser16@gmail.com. The rewards from getting to know others through this special ministry enrich all of us.

FINANCIAL RESULTS SUMMARY

For the seven months ended July 31, 2023

	Actual	Budget
RECEIPTS	\$ 341,959	\$ 314,475
DISBURSEMENTS		
Clergy Staff	70,348	120,306
Support Staff	64,660	66,732
Administration (general)	48,485	46,027
Missions	4,695	29,583
Worship	7,091	6,841
Facilities	68,899	58,333
Other	4,548	14,514
Total Disbursements	268,726	342,336
Surplus (deficit)	\$ 73,233	\$ (27,861)

The church is maintaining a positive financial condition. The Administration and Finance committee would like to thank all of you for your dedication and generosity.



Save the Date

Pictorial Membership Directory

Photos will be taken on the following dates in Fellowship Hall:

Thu 11/30, and Fri 12/1

2 - 8:30 pm

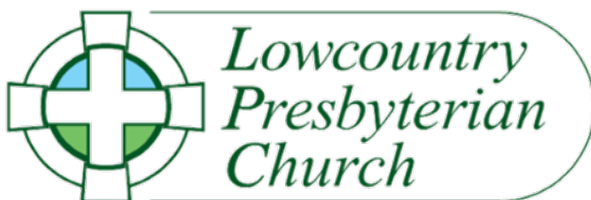
Saturday, 12/2

10:30 am - 4 pm

Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory. Registration will start later this fall. Details on how to register will follow.

Mission Statement:

Surrounded by God's grace, we are a family of faith joined together through Christ, offering meaning and hope to all by the way we worship, serve and live.



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