

LCR Weekly

September 27, 2020

This
SUNDAY

PARKING LOT WORSHIP

8:00 am & 11:00 am
Incl. Holy Communion

ONLINE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

9:30 am [Resurrection
Hour led by Pr. Dave](#)

9:30 am Covid-19 in
our Spiritual Lives by
Dan Gilroy

11:00 am [Worship on
YouTube](#)

WEDNESDAY

8:00 am [Men's
Breakfast](#)

12:00 pm [Prayer with
Pastor Dave](#)

7:00 pm [Prayer with
Pastor Dave](#)

THURSDAY

8:30 am [Women's
Bible Study](#)

FRIDAY

4:00 pm [Youth Group](#)



LCR Promise Garden

These beautiful flowers adorned the platform during last Sunday's Parking Lot Worship services. The flowers came from the LCR Promise Garden. Thank you Gardeners!

Here is an update from Margaret Perry on the garden:

Dear Gardeners and Supporters,

As you enter our garden you might see autumn hues of red, orange and purple. Bright orange and golden daisies and a profusion of colorful zinnias add a spark. A bouquet of the zinnias enhanced our Sunday morning outdoor altar! And then, as you see from the photo to the right, red and orange peppers and purple okra complete the scene!

Last week our donation was 18 lbs. The CAC volunteers were very impressed with our beautiful donation. It was timely, as fresh items were short in supply. It was good to see the produce go directly to the outdoor market!

This week our donation was 12 lbs. But to further tell the story we had 5 quarts of okra, 1 quart of basil, 1 quart of green beans, AND 174 individual peppers of all varieties!! The quality of the produce was pristine. Such an amazing contribution for this time of season transition!

Lastly, the Saturday before last, Lisa, Rich, Carol, Phil, Suzanne and I trimmed up the front areas of the Memorial Garden. It looks refreshed! Thanks for that work.

Counting our colorful blessings,
Margaret Perry



Children



Hi Guys! Did you receive a surprise in the mail? If not yet, be on the lookout for an envelope with your name on it from LCR.

This week, let's read the story of "The Vineyard Workers" in Matthew 20: 1-16. The Spark Story Bible version is available [here](#), and if you have a Spark Bible, you can find the story on pages 1082 – 1083. After you and your family read the story, download the Activity page for [PreK-K](#), [Grades 1-2](#), [Grades 2-3](#), [Grades 3-4](#), or [Grades 5-6](#), and the [Family page](#). Have fun!

-Sharon Leon.

Children Events

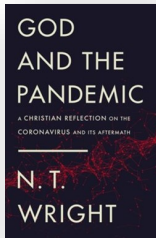
**Happy Hour for
Parents of Sunday
Schoolers**

Next Mtg: Oct. 4
1st & 3rd Sunday
6-8:30pm

[Zoom Link](#)

**Save the Date
Halloween Drive-In
October 30**

God and the Pandemic—Part 3



NT Wright's book *God And The Pandemic* has caused great conversation on Tuesday nights. Chapter 1 focused us on the "What" question – What do we as Christian do in response to events like the pandemic? Chapter 2 invited us to ask the questions "How is God active in the world?" and "Who has been a Jesus figure for us in our lives?" Which then led us directly into Chapter 3 and a discussion of who Jesus is, and why He is so important in our lives. Wright says Jesus is "standing at a moment of great transition" in our lives and in the history of the world.

Chapter 3 is all about Jesus. Wright makes the claim that Jesus is the sign of what God is doing in the world. Not COVID. Not forest fires. Not political unrest. Jesus is the filter through which all of us should view the activity of God today. Which then led us to four statements that seem to capture what Wright is saying about the importance of Jesus today:

#1 - The kingdom of God is here NOW.

Not when we die. Not in heaven. Right now!! The kingdom of God is breaking through into the fabric of our ordinary lives.

#2 - Jesus is the model of what kingdom living is all about.

If you want to know more about how life in God's new kingdom is to be lived, look at Jesus. Look at how He lived, how He treated people, how He prioritized His life.

#3 - When we live like Jesus, we join Him in being kingdom builders.

When we live the way He lived, we seize moments of opportunity and reflect the kingdom's presence.

#4 - When we don't live like Jesus, we are punished not FOR our sins but BY our sins.

Actions have consequences. So do inactions. And when we live counter to how Jesus taught us to live, we cause great pain to ourselves, each other, and the world God created.

Says Wright - "If God wants to alert us to things that are wrong in the way we have been running the world – and that seems to me highly likely - they will come to us Jesus shaped."

-Pastor Dave

Outreach

Christmas Stocking Project



In the past years, we always collected items for the Christmas Stockings in July. However, due to Covid-19 we were not able to collect those much needed items. The stockings go to adult residents of “Special Needs for Cobb Group Homes” (formerly Right in the Community). This year we ask you to purchase and donate Walmart or Target gift cards or make a monetary donation, so we can purchase the needed items without you having to go to stores.

Ladies from the Mary & Martha Bible Study will be on hand to receive your gift cards/checks on Sundays during October, starting with Oct. 4. We very much appreciate your support!

MUST Meal Cooking & Serving



About 60 appreciative people were served a hot lunch at MUST last Wednesday. About half of the lunch time guests were current residents of the Elizabeth Inn, but more than half were homeless. All were grateful. It is a blessing to cook and serve these folks.

LCR prepares and serves a hot meal on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the MUST’s Elizabeth Inn Fishes and Loaves kitchen. If you’d like to join in on this monthly mission, we welcome you! No experience necessary. Please contact: Dana Jelinek at danacbooth@hotmail.com or Janie Weeks at Janie.weeks@att.net.



LCR MUST Food for Families Drive

We thank you for your continued faithful support for so many in need. Many bags were delivered after our previous collection.

Volunteers will once again be on hand outside the Gathering Room to accept donations of non-perishable foods (canned and dried goods, staples), household supplies, and toiletries this coming Saturday (4th Saturday of the month):

September 26 from 2-4pm in front of Gathering Room (same time as Old Paint Donation Drive—see page 4)

Outreach

MUST
[donation link](#)

CAC
[donation link](#)

YELLS
[donation link](#)

Next
MUST Collection & Old Paint Drive Dates:
September 26
from 2-4pm
LCR Parking Lot

You can still make a donation to MILAGRO
Click on the photo below to give



Committed Serving—Continued



Lutheran
Coalition
for Habitat

Habitat for Humanity Needs Your Old Paint Saturday, September 26, 2-4pm, LCR Parking Lot

This is the last opportunity to declutter your garage or basement and donate your old paints to the “Old Paint Drive” to support LCR’s Habitat for Humanity outreach ministry. Paints may be dropped off, along with cash donations of (hopefully) about \$5.00 per gallon, **at the same time you drop off food for the LCR MUST Ministries Food** outside the LCR Gathering Room.

When: Saturday, September 26
from 2-4pm in LCR Parking Lot (same time as MUST food drive)

- All Latex paint cans or buckets must be at least 25% full of WET paint.
- Paint cans cannot be rusty.
- Dried paint is not accepted.
- Paint thinners, stains, and spackle are not accepted.

For more information and if you are unable to drop off your paint at LCR, please email [John Osberg](mailto:josberg@bellsouth.net) (josberg@bellsouth.net) to arrange for a paint pick up at your home



INSPIRITUS Disaster Relief is on the Ground in Alabama

Over the weekend, the Inspiritus Disaster Relief response team moved from Southwest Louisiana to their new volunteer camp at The Island Church in Orange Beach, Alabama. Orange Beach is an area where Hurricane Sally, a Category 2 hurricane, caused significant destruction last week. Orange Beach received over 29.99 inches of rain, similar to nearby Pensacola, which received 24.80 inches. Inspiritus (formerly Lutheran Services of Georgia) is working closely with the Southeastern Synod of the ELCA to assess the communities most in need of our assistance.

Those being served are experiencing multiple disasters at the same time: COVID-19, Hurricane Laura, and now Hurricane Sally. Through your generosity and support, Inspiritus is bringing hope to the people who need it most. **Thank you for your donations. Your help during the early days of a disaster is critical. Give to the Inspiritus Disaster Response [here](#).**

Help at this stage ensures unserved communities impacted by Hurricane Sally will receive free roof tarping, muck and gut services, debris removal, and spontaneous volunteer leadership.