LCR Weekly

January 16, 2022



IN-PERSON WORSHIP 8:30 am Register <u>here</u> (required). Masks required.

PARKING LOT WORSHIP 11:00 am

The Altar Flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God by

Tom Glass To the God's glory and in memory of my friend, Tony Morelli

Suzanne Demosthenes In celebration of Charli's first birthday



Epiphany is the season of the church year that comes after Christmas. The word "epiphany" means manifestation, and the season of Epiphany is the celebration of the many ways Jesus is "manifested", made known in the world.



Jesus is made known through the Church, His body in the world. In all its successes and all its failures, the Church has been gifted on Pentecost with the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is through the Church that God is building God's kingdom in the world. It is through the Church that the message of the Gospel is proclaimed throughout the world. Because we are the body of the risen Jesus in the world, what we do matters. And it is our calling to make Jesus known to all people in all circumstances.

As members of the Church, Jesus is also made known TO us and THROUGH us. Jesus has promised to be with us, to the close of the age. And so it is our great joy to look for signs of Jesus in our lives. In the places we go, the people we meet, and the experiences we have. And I believe the more we look for and expect to find Jesus in our lives, the more we will see Him.

And it is our great calling to use our lives to make Jesus known THROUGH our lives. In how we treat people. In how we make decisions and set priorities. In how we care for the earth that God has entrusted to us. People throughout the world are looking for hints of Jesus presence in their lives, and it is our calling to assist them in that search. Because as it has been said many times before - sometimes we are the only Bible some people will ever know.

There is no higher and holier calling than to celebrate Epiphany by making Jesus known in the world He came to save!!!

Blessings, Pastor Dave



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office@lcrmarietta.org. You may also consider switching to online giving via our website at

LCRmarietta.org.



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Hi Guys!

This week our Bible story comes from John 1:29-42 "The Lamb of God." Before you go to your Sparks Bible I have a question. Did you ever wonder why Jesus is called the lamb of God? Well watch this video for the answer. Now that we understand why, let's check out our Bible story.

Try this!

Have a family game night. The Bible has lots of names for Jesus. Make a list of names that you would give Jesus. Let us pray the prayer that comes between the Lord's Prayer and Communion.

Prayer -

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us! Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace! Amen.

Have a great week, and do your part to keep yourself, family, and friends safe. Blessings, -Ms. Sharon





Sunday School Registration is open Register <u>Here</u>





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What are you doing to grow into Christ's image? Over the years, I've noticed a recurring theme in conversations with other believers. Right after affirming their salvation in Christ, they conclude with these words: "... but I know I haven't grown

as I should." How tragic would it be for parents if their children advanced in age but never grew bigger, stronger, and more capable? We'd all know something was drastically wrong. Yet that is what many Christians experience in their spiritual lives. Even more surprising, some of them are unaware or unconcerned about their condition. Imagine if next Sunday in church, everyone's spiritual maturity were displayed by their physical stature. How many would even be visible in the pews? Would there be any giants standing among the congregation? May we all grow and flourish in God's word and plan for our lives this upcoming year.

Worship



Worship Volunteer Sign-up Link

Worship Sign-Up

-Heather Petero

LA ESCUELA MIXTA ALDEA ISRAEL

As they have been doing for the past five years, several members of LCR will once again be providing financial support for the elementary school in La Israel, Guatemala. Many of these members have visited Guatemala and witnessed the challenging conditions at the school and the on-going need for basic supplies

and educational materials.

The elementary school consists of a three-room, concrete block building. It is the only school within reasonable distance from not only the village of La Israel but the surrounding vicinity. It is attended by 99 students, grades one through six, and lead by three teachers who also live in the community. For nearly all of the students it will be their only chance to receive any formal education.

Watch a video of the children here.

While it has not been a church-wide ministry of LCR, those who have been supporting it are committed to continuing their support of the school.

The annual cost to provide basic supplies and educational materials for the entire school program is only \$600 per year. We all believe that a basic education is the basis for helping our rural friends and neighbors in Guatemala lift themselves out of poverty.

If you would like to help in this effort, either contact <u>Mike Frey</u> or <u>Mike Mynhier</u> or simply drop a check in the offering plate made out to LCR with "La Israel School Supplies – DF 2440" in the memo line. Any funds raised in addition to the money needed by La Israel will go the Educational Initiative Fund of ILAG.



La Israel's children dreaming of a future



Outreach

MUST donation link

CAC donation link

YELLS donation link

Meals on Wheels Volunteer Sign-Up: Contact Ron Jolly

MUST Wednesday Lunch Volunteer Sign-Up: Sign-up Genius Link

Lutheran Disaster Response donation link

Promise Gardeners Meetings: <u>Kick-Off Planning</u> <u>meeting</u> January 22, 2022 At 10:00 am <u>Garden Work Day:</u> March 19 10:00am—12:00pm

Worship

Worship Volunteer Sign-up Link



Altar Flowers

The Altar Flower Chart has been extended though June 2022. You can help us adorn lowers, the altar for worship by purchasing flowers. The cost is \$60 for both arrangements or \$30

for one. Please go to this link and sign up for a Sunday. Please add your dedication in the memo line and indicate if you want to keep or donate the arrangement. Donated bouquets will be delivered to LCR shut-ins.

You can pay for the flowers by check, noting "Altar Flowers" in the memo line or pay online at LCRmarietta.org/give, then choose the "Altar Flowers" line and select the quantity.

If you would like to take the flowers you purchased home, you may pick them up after the 11 am service concludes. Otherwise they will be donated.



Members of Shepherd Staff deliver the donated flowers to our shut-ins or to a facility, to anyone who needs some cheer, as well as area nursing SHEPHERD homes or assisted living facilities. We are STAFF always looking for volunteers to help with the delivery. If you are willing to help out, please

contact Karen Bear.



LCR Women's Book Club **Next Meeting:**

January 28 (corrected date) at 11:30 am via Zoom **Zoom Link**

The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett

We would love to have you join the LCR Women's Book Club! For now we are still meeting virtually through Zoom at 11:30 am on a Friday.

Here are our future meetings and book titles: March 11 The Sunflower Sisters by Martha Hall Kelly and April 22 Have You Seen Luis Valdez by Catherine Ryan Hyde

Please contact Meribeth Cooper for more information and to get the Zoom link.

Events

LCR Women's **Bible Study-Virtual** Thursdays at 8:30am To receive Zoom link email Allison

Men's Breakfast Virtual in January Wednesdays at 7:30 am Zoom link

Women's Bible Studies

Mondays at 10:30 am Tuesdays at 10:00 am at LCR

Knitters for Peace

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at LCR Next: February 8 & 22 at 7 pm

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Church Office Closed Monday, Jan. 17

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