

LCR Weekly

January 30, 2022



IN-PERSON WORSHIP 8:30 am

Register [here](#) (required).
Masks required.

PARKING LOT WORSHIP 11:00 am

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

Carol Owen

In celebration of Stuart's
80th birthday

John Cummings

In loving memory of
Carol Cummings



LCR [YouTube Channel](#)

VICAR JAMIE UPDATE

As you know, Vicar Jamie has taken time away from her internship following the death of her husband Brian. That time of grieving, spending time with her daughter Anna, and dealing with personal and professional issues will continue. However, Vicar Jamie is now ready to continue her internship at LCR, and is planning on returning as of February 1. It will be really good to have her back! As was the original plan, her internship will conclude on August 23. I know you will join me in welcoming her back, but please also continue to include she and Anna in your prayers.

Blessings, Pastor Dave



WORSHIP WITH US

THE IMPORTANCE OF WORSHIP

You have heard me say this before - there is nothing more important we do as a church than to worship God together. Worship always has been and continues to be the heart and soul of any congregation. And so it is at LCR.

I would like to share 4 thoughts today about worship:

1. The focus of worship is and always should be a celebration of God. God has blessed all of us in so many ways. God's promise of always being by our side is the source of great hope and peace in a world of deep pain and uncertainty. Matthew ends his Gospel with Jesus' words, "LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, TO THE CLOSE OF THE AGE." That's how much God loves you and me and every human being in the world. That God is worthy of our worship. Worship, therefore, is first and foremost a "thank you" to God for all that God has done and been for us.
2. Because worship is a celebration of God, it deserves our best. It deserves excellence. Excellence in preaching. Excellence in music. Excellence in liturgy. Excellence in hospitality. Excellence in the sharing of Holy Baptism and Holy Communion. Excellence in ushering. Excellence in sound and lighting. The old phrase "good enough for church work" couldn't be further from the truth. Anything less than our best doesn't glorify God the way God deserves to be glorified.

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Regular Groups

Children

Hi Guys!

Our Bible story this week is **"The Beatitudes"** (Luke 6:17 – 26), also known as the Sermon on the Mount. Did you know each of the Beatitudes begin with the word *blessed*? After you read the Bible story and watch this [video](#), can you list all the Beatitudes? Hint, there are eight.

Questions –

- Who is a blessing to your family?
- How do you feel blessed?

Try this?

Does your family know someone who is sad, feels hopeless, or is hungry? Talk about how you could help this person and show that he or she is blessed by God. Put your words into action and come up with a specific plan to help.

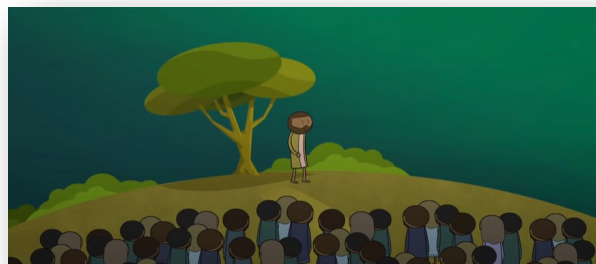
Prayer – Bless me, God, so I may be a blessing to others. Amen.

Have a Blessed week and hope to see you Sunday.
-Ms. Sharon

Children Events



Sunday School
Registration
is open
Register [Here](#)



2022 All Georgia
Lutheran Youth
Gathering

Saturday, February 26, 2022



Youth—All GA February 26

This year for All GA (Synod Wide Youth Event), we have been invited to go to Lutheranch to complete a service project. We will also complete the All GA curriculum components as a small group and then enjoy some of Lutheranch's activities including archery, crafts, canoeing, and hiking.

Cost: \$15 (T-shirt included), Optional Lunch at Lutheranch \$10
Register by February 15th: <https://forms.gle/ZZTdrjWYJ5zf5DPU9>

Tentative Schedule:

8:30 Meet at LCR
9:30-10:00 Arrive at Lutheranch
10:00-12:00 Service Project
12:00 Lunch
1:00 ALL GA Curriculum
2:00-5:00 Fun at the Ranch
6:00 Return to LCR

Please reach out with any
questions to Ashley Preece
at sillyabster@gmail.com

Worship



Worship Volunteer
[Sign-up Link](#)

[Worship Sign-Up](#)

[Altar Flower Sign-Up](#)

Regular Groups



Music

Traditional Music

Rehearsals will begin in February as follows:

Resurrection Bells on Mondays from 6:45 - 8:00pm in the Narthex.

Celebration Choir meets now on Sunday mornings from 9:20 - 10:30 am in the Choir Room.

Questions, contact [Helen Phelps](#).

Praise Music

Rehearsals on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 pm. We wash hands when arriving, wear masks, and spread out in the Sanctuary.

We are starting Easter rehearsals in February. We would love to have you join us. Questions, contact [Heather Petero](#).



Outreach

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Opportunities

The Lutheran Coalition for Habitat is an organization that is actively supported by LCR. It is composed of

11 member Lutheran Churches in the northwest Atlanta area and was founded in 1993. The Coalition helps to provide housing for truly deserving families and has helped build and fund more than 33 Habitat for Humanity houses in the northwest Atlanta area. This year we will be working on two “builds”. The first house is in the Mableton area. The “First Nail” day is a particularly fun and rewarding day. You will drive up to a flat concrete pad that was recently poured and leave a fully framed house by the end of the day. We will be working outdoors and carefully observe all safety and Covid protocols.

Build site: 761 Britt Road, Mableton, GA 30126

Work schedule start/finish: 7:45 am to 4:00 pm

Lunch and water provided.

Week 1 – Saturday, February 26 (First Nail) – Exterior Framing

Week 3 – Saturday, March 12 – Insulation and Siding

Week 6 – Saturday, April 2 – Interior Paint

House dedication – Saturday, May 14

Sign up details to be provided closer to the “build” date. If you have any questions or would like any additional information, please email [John Osberg](#).

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 Garden Work Day:

March 19

10:00am—12:00pm

Announcements

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3. Worship deepens our relationship with God. But it also deepens our relationships with each other. There is nothing that can build community more than to sing “Amazing Grace” together. To hear the Word of God read and preached. To witness a baptism and share in Holy Communion. To participate in the prayers of the Church. To just be together with God in the midst of all of us. The point of worship is to celebrate God. But the biggest beneficiaries of worship are you and me. The people who are blessed to be there every Sunday.

4. In worship, one style doesn’t fit all people. Some of us love the traditional ways people have worshipped God down through the centuries. And some of us are moved by new forms of worship with new instruments and new ideas. At LCR, even during the pandemic (and maybe particularly DURING the pandemic) different options for worship have and will continue to be offered. I believe the broader our options are for worship the more we can celebrate God and the more we can involve many others in that experience.

I invite all of you to both recommit yourselves to coming TO worship and to invite others to join you FOR worship. The more that happens, the more God will be glorified and the more blessed your lives will be.

Blessings, Pastor Dave



New offering envelopes are available. You may pick them up on Sunday mornings. If you wish to have us mail you giving envelopes, please contact Sigrid at 770.953.3193 or send an email to office@lcrmarietta.org.

You may also consider switching to online giving via our website at LCRmarietta.org.



Giving statements have been sent out via email. Please check your Spam folder as well. If we did not have an email address on file for you, the giving statement was mailed to you.

If you have questions, please email Cathy Richie, Financial Secretary at FinancialSec@lcrmarietta.org.

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 7 pm at LCR

Promise Gardeners Garden Work Day:
March 19
10:00am—12:00pm

Women’s Book Club
January 28 at 11:30am
March 11
April 22

Synod e-News
[Link](#)