Lord’s Day, July 31, 2022

Communion Sunday

*Please complete the Attendance Registration sheet and pass it down the row. Visitor cards and prayer cards are located in the Attendance Register. Place visitor cards and prayer request cards in the offering plate. We welcome your prayer requests.*

Verse to Meditate on John 15:13 ESV

*“Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.”*

Welcome/Announcements Nancy Stagge

Prelude

Call to Worship Ps. 130: 5-8

\*Praise Songs *You Are Good*

 *Jesus Messiah*

\*The Confession of Faith

(from *The Westminster Larger Catechism*, Questions 178, 182, 184)

Q. 178. What is prayer?

**A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires to God, in the name of Christ, by the help of His Spirit, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgement of his mercies.**

Q. 182. How does the Spirit help us to pray?

**A. Because we do not know for what to pray as we ought, the Spirit helps our weaknesses, by enabling us to understand both for whom, and what, and how prayer is to be made; and by working and making alive in our hearts (although not in all persons, nor at all times in the same measure) those understandings, affections, and graces that are necessary for the right performance of that duty.**

Q. 184. For what things are we to pray?

**A. We are to pray for all things tending to the glory of God, the welfare of the church, our own or others’ good, but not for anything that is unlawful.**

\*The Confession of Sin (see middle page)

\*Assurance of Pardon Ps. 130:3-4

\*Gloria Patri Hymnal #735

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,**

**world without end. Amen, amen.**

Worship through the Giving of Tithes and Offerings/Prayer

\*Offertory Response #731 “Doxology”

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav’nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Scripture James 4:1-6

Sermon “The Heart Is Heard in How We Pray”

\*Hymn #629 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

\*Hymn #498 “Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

\*Benediction

**\*** Please stand if you are able.

**Church Office Hours - week of August 1st – August 5th**

Monday: Church Office closed

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**UPCOMING NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

7/31 Melissa Grainger and Edie Milligan

8/7 Suzanne Maddox and Cindy Walshe

8/14 Kristalyn Dirscherl and Danielle Breneman

8/21 John Selby and Karl Mangels

Direct website links to church bulletin information:

* Prayer / Praise - <https://www.lochravenpca.org/praise-prayer-form/>
* Giving - <https://www.lochravenpca.org/giving/>
* Calendar / Events - <https://www.lochravenpca.org/our-activities/>
* Read the Bible in a year - [www.lochravenpca.org/our-bible](http://www.lochravenpca.org/our-bible)
* Resources - <https://www.lochravenpca.org/resources/>

Guest Wi-Fi network: LRPC@9318-Guest

Guest Wi-Fi Password: ac@lrpcgc

Church Website: [www.lochravenpca.org](http://www.lochravenpca.org)

**SAVE THE DATE! MISSIONS CONFERENCE – OCTOBER 8 - 9**

There are reminder cards available for you in the narthex to take home and post where you will see the card and remember this opportunity to meet and greet 16 of the missionaries that LRPC supports. The Missions Committee is busy planning the program for those dates. We will provide further information as it becomes available.

**WORSHIP, GROWTH AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Monday, August 1, 2022**

12:00 p.m. **ROMEO group**

**Tuesday, August 2, 2022**

1:00 p.m. **Prayer Meeting**

5:45 p.m. **TOPS**

7:30 p.m. **Missions Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 3, 2022**

7:00 p.m. **Men’s Bible Study**

**Thursday, August 4, 2022**

10:30 a.m. **Health Ministry Team Meeting**

1:30 p.m. **Bible Study** *The Names of God in the Bible*

7:00 p.m. **Praise Team**

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

9:30 a.m. **Summer Family Sunday School Class**

**Adult Classes**

Men’s Class: *Hebrews* Room 201

Berean Class (Women): *The Jesus Paul Knew* Room 202

Adult Elective: *Creeds, Confessions, and Catechisms* Room 203

**\*Please have any announcements or schedule changes in to the church office no later than noon on Wednesdays.**

**Missions Prayer Emphasis**

**(see insert)**

**Church News**​

**​PLANNING FOR 2022-2023 CHURCH SCHOOL YEAR**

Children's Ministry needs you! As we prepare for the fast approaching 2022-2023 school year, we are in need of adult disciples for our children. When are you available? Sunday mornings or Tuesday evenings? We have opportunities for children to grow in their faith all year around and we can't do it without your help! Please talk to anyone from the Children's Ministry Team (Brea Duty, Megan Oskamp, Jo Beck, or Gina Sheets) to get more information.

Also, save the date for the **GROW Conference, August 19th and 20th.** Watch from home online Friday night from 7 p.m. to 8:15 p.m., then come to church Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to noon for breakfast, giveaways, and training! We need your help and we are working to equip you for this task. We are praying for you! Contact church office or Brea to sign-up: breajenny@gmail.com

**ESOL MINISTRY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES**

Our ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Ministry is getting ready for the coming school year which begins Sept. 20. We are calling for volunteers to help serve our immigrant community by participating in small and large ways in our ESOL Ministry.

Ways to help:

* Come to our planning meeting if you are curious about helping in the classroom as a teacher or assistant.  **Interest and Planning Meeting on Tuesday, August 9 at 6:45 p.m.**
* Put up flyers around the community and your neighborhood. (Available at the welcome desk in the lobby.)
* Come to our registration training Sunday, September 18th after church if you are able to help students register on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. (No prior skill is required.)
* Sign up to bring a fresh food item (fruit/cheese/baked good) for our ESOL student snack time any Tuesday night during the school year.
* Pray that we would have the students that God has ordained to attend as well as willing workers to teach English and share the hope of the gospel with our immigrant community members.

**PACKING PARTY, SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, FROM 1-3:30 P.M.**

Patty shops year-round for OCC shoeboxes and this year hopes to have 100 boxes packed, with the help of the congregation. On Saturday, August 13, from 1 - 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, Patty will have tables set up with items to be used to fill shoeboxes, including school supply packs (100), and toiletry packs (100). Patty needs volunteers to come help fill the shoeboxes, and you can also bring items that you might want to add to the boxes. Donations will be accepted to help offset the cost for shipping which is $10 this year. There is a signup sheet in the lobby if you are interested in helping. Any questions contact Patty De Rosa.

**Please note: this packing project is in addition to our usual church-wide collection of shoeboxes in the fall. Please still plan to participate as usual.**

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**Confession of Sin (adapted from *Prone to Wander, Prayers of Confession and Celebration)***

**Merciful Lord,**

**You have chosen us in Christ to belong to you, set apart from all others in this universe to worship you as our Savior. Left to ourselves, we would still be your enemies, strangers to your love and compassion. Thank you that you have rescued us . . . yet we continue to sin against you day after day. Though we hide our sinful thoughts from others, you know every one of them. Forgive us, we pray.**

**Father, thank you for giving us a new birth in spite of our sin and rebellion. Lord, part of us longs to be holy and sinless, but there is much in us that still cherishes our sin and clings to it. Please help us to hate our sin and run from it. As you draw us toward heaven, open our eyes and help us to see how offensive our sin is to you, and how damaging it is to us. When we are dazzled by the alluring temptations of sexual and nonsexual sins, teach us that you are the only feast that satisfies our souls deeply and permanently. Fill us with awe and wonder that you give us the radiant robes of your Son’s perfection to wear and carry us to a place of high honor for his glory. Thank you that you have begun a good work in us that nothing can stop and that one day we will stand before you in the bliss of sinless perfection as Christ’s beautiful bride. We give thanks for this in Jesus’ name, amen.**