



Lake City  
Christian  
Church

*Disciples of Christ*

# Weekly News

An Open and Affirming Congregation

April 20, 2017

*Called by God, we open our arms to welcome all God's children.*

*Led by Jesus, we work to bring justice and renewal to our community and the world.*

*Inspired by the Spirit, we sing for joy!*

## *Nominating Team*

The most visible part of being church is Sunday morning worship. It's a joy and a delight to come to worship and know that the doors will be open, someone will greet us with a smile and a bulletin, the sanctuary will be prepared and the Table will be ready both to receive us unconditionally and to offer communion. All of this happens because of people who are willing to give of themselves not only on Sunday but at various times during the month.

The ministry we offer to the Lake City community is not as immediately visible but it is there because of people like you who are offering meals to the hungry, food and clothing to North Helpline, gift cards to the poor, and the list goes on.

Lake City Christian Church works because there are many people who work at ministry. We are able to do the ministries we do because of people who are willing to serve on the Board, serve as an Elder or a Deacon, or serve on a team such as Outreach, Fellowship, or Worship.

The Nominating Team is currently looking for people to serve in a variety of positions. Please consider how you can offer a bit of your time and ability to make LCCC what it is called to be - A beacon of hope and light to a fragmented world. Everyone has something to offer.

## *LCCC Rummage Sale April 28th and 29th*

The LCCC Rummage Sale is April 28th & 29th. Please start bringing in those donations: clothing, small furniture, working electronics, household goods, jewelry, toys, baby stuff, books, and other miscellaneous items. Make sure all items are clean and in working order, and please include batteries if your item requires them. Proceeds from the sale will go to support our community BBQ this summer.

We only have one day to set up for the event, so we need as much help as we can get. We'll start setting up at 10am on Thursday, April 27th and go until we're done. Please consider helping out for set up and clean up if you are able. We always have lots of fun, and you can get your shopping done before the crowds hit!

## *North Helpline Baby Cupboard Drive*

This Mother's Day, North Helpline is holding a Baby Cupboard Drive to stock supplies that clients request and that are always in great demand. North Helpline sent a specific list to us for those interested in donating. Items needed are:

- Size 4, 5, and 6 diapers
- Baby wipes
- Fruits and Vegetables Baby Food
- Baby formula (any type)

## *Adult Bible Study* *9:30 am Sundays*

We will be meeting for Bible Study this Sunday. We will be looking at how Jesus debated with the religious authorities in Jerusalem about faith. That makes for some interesting discussions but it also raises interesting questions for us, such as, "Do we need to defend our faith? How do we do that? We will be using Luke 20:1-21:4.



## *Partners in Ministry News*

### *Donna Vande Keift*

Bill and I moved to Sherwood, OR, at the end of last year and are still getting settled in a new community. I have been in contact with the Regional Office here and also have attended the Murray Hills Christian Church in Beaverton. I am hopeful that I will be able to be more involved in the faith community here than I was at Lake City. It was a crazy time with maintaining our condo in Everett and working and living in an apartment in Sumner.

Bill is completely retired now. I am working 3 days a week at a nearby Assisted Living/Memory Care facility. One of the days is Sunday, so that will conflict with church attendance. I have been trying to attend a weekly gathering at MHCC, and also have attended one clergy gathering with the Region here so far. I miss Everett, Snohomish County and Washington, but Oregon is a great state, too.

Holding you all in my heart and prayers, Donna.

### *Gail and Richard Record*

The memorial service for Gail's mother, Vera Gastfield Fox, will be on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 at LCCC.

### *Frank and Roberta Needles*

Frank will be having surgery on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Roberta continues to struggle with pain and numbness in her hand.

Serving April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Elder - Richard Record

Deacons - Team Junia Jonathan Warstler, Jennifer Prekeges, Additional Deacon Needed

Serving April 30th

Elder - Brett Taylor

Deacons - Team Chloe, Carolyn Poe, Kalyn Lehner, Kristeene Smith

## *Spiritual Garden Thoughts*

"That same day two of them were walking to the village Emmaus, about seven miles out of Jerusalem. They were deep in conversation, going over all these things that had happened. In the middle of their talk and questions, Jesus came up and walked along with them. But they were not able to recognize who he was." (Luke 24:13-16 MSG)

The news of the empty tomb spread quickly but there were no shouts of, "Christ is risen!" All anybody knew was that their beloved rabbi, Jesus, was dead and grave robbers had taken his body. This was too much. This was Insult to injury, grief upon grief. In deep sadness and disappointment the followers of Jesus dispersed and went their way. Grief clouded their minds and their eyes and prevented them from recognizing the risen Christ walking beside them.

What keeps you from recognizing the risen Christ who walks beside you? Grief? Doubt? Disappointment? Whatever the reason the Good News is that we don't have to overcome those to see Christ. It is Christ himself who opens us to his presence. Praise the Lord.

