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Grace and Peace, Lake Forest folks!

Summer is a time of year full of memories and opportunities. Often formative times for us take place in the summer. For me growing up that was camps, vacation Bible school, visiting cousins in North Carolina, practicing with the local swim team or baseball team... what formative times do you remember from summers past?

Summer is also a time for us to have formative experiences that shape our faith as well! We can let the warmer weather and longer days create space for us to learn and grow in faith. Whether it's participating with our Vacation Bible School, our Christian Institute for Youth, Family Camp, or any of our Sunday worship services - let's take this summer to explore and grow, and to allow God to shape us in unexpected ways.

As always, please let me know if there's any way that I can support you in your journey of faith this summer. I'm so grateful to have been called to this unique and vibrant faith community, and I look forward to getting to know y'all better.

Gratefully,

Chad

At Lake Forest Presbyterian Church
We Gather for an In-Person Worship Service
each Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m.

Join Us as We Worship

We continue to offer a variety of options for joining in worship with us:

- Participating in person at our 10:45 a.m. worship service.
- Participating in our live streamed service during the regular 10:45 a.m. worship time through our Facebook page.
- Viewing an archived video of our worship service, found on our Facebook page.

At this time, wearing masks is optional at all our church gatherings.



Nursery
care is
provided
during our
in-person
worship
service
each
Sunday at
10:45 a.m.



Please join us
at Lake Forest
this Sunday,
June 4,
as we proclaim
Christ in Word
and in the
Sacrament of
Communion



If you would like to volunteer to be a part of making this year's VBS an incredible time for all our boys and girls please let us know by emailing the church office (office@lakeforestpc.org)



Lake Forest
Vacation Bible School
Sunday -
Wednesday
June 25-28
6-8 p.m. nightly
Start Inviting Your Friends Today!

**OUR
LAKE FOREST
CHURCH FAMILY
IS CORDIALLY
INVITED TO
ATTEND ...**

LAKE FOREST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

**OUTDOOR
MOVIE NIGHT**



SATURDAY, JUNE 3 8:30PM

THE SANDLOT

FREE ADMISSION
LAKE FOREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LAWN
BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR OR BLANKET

Our 10:45 a.m. worship service streams live each Sunday morning on the church's **Facebook page**. If you can't join us in person we invite you to participate with us in worship as our worship service streams online. In our Sunday Worship Email, we send a link to our Facebook page where our live video feed is available. You will also find a .pdf of the bulletin in the weekly email as well, so that you can fully participate in the liturgy. If you miss viewing the service as it is streaming live at 10:45 a.m., an archive of the service will be available for viewing at your convenience almost immediately after our 10:45 a.m. service ends on our Facebook page.

(The link to our Facebook page as well as the audio of each week's sermon and anthem can be found on our church's website as well.)



God has blessed us with musicians who provide a rich and vibrant worship experience through every piece that is played or sung in our church. This beautiful array of sacred music is the culmination of the devoted preparation of those who serve our church family with their musical gifts. As we join them in praise and worship, let's do so with grateful hearts for those who lead us into the very presence of God through music.

Summer choir rehearsal schedule:

- Handbell Choir will not rehearse during the months of summer
- Chancel Choir will rehearse only one time each month during the summer. Here's a list of the chancel choir summer rehearsals:
 - Tuesday, June 6 - 6:30 p.m.
 - Tuesday, July 11 - 6:30 p.m.
 - Wednesday, August 9 - 6:30 p.m.

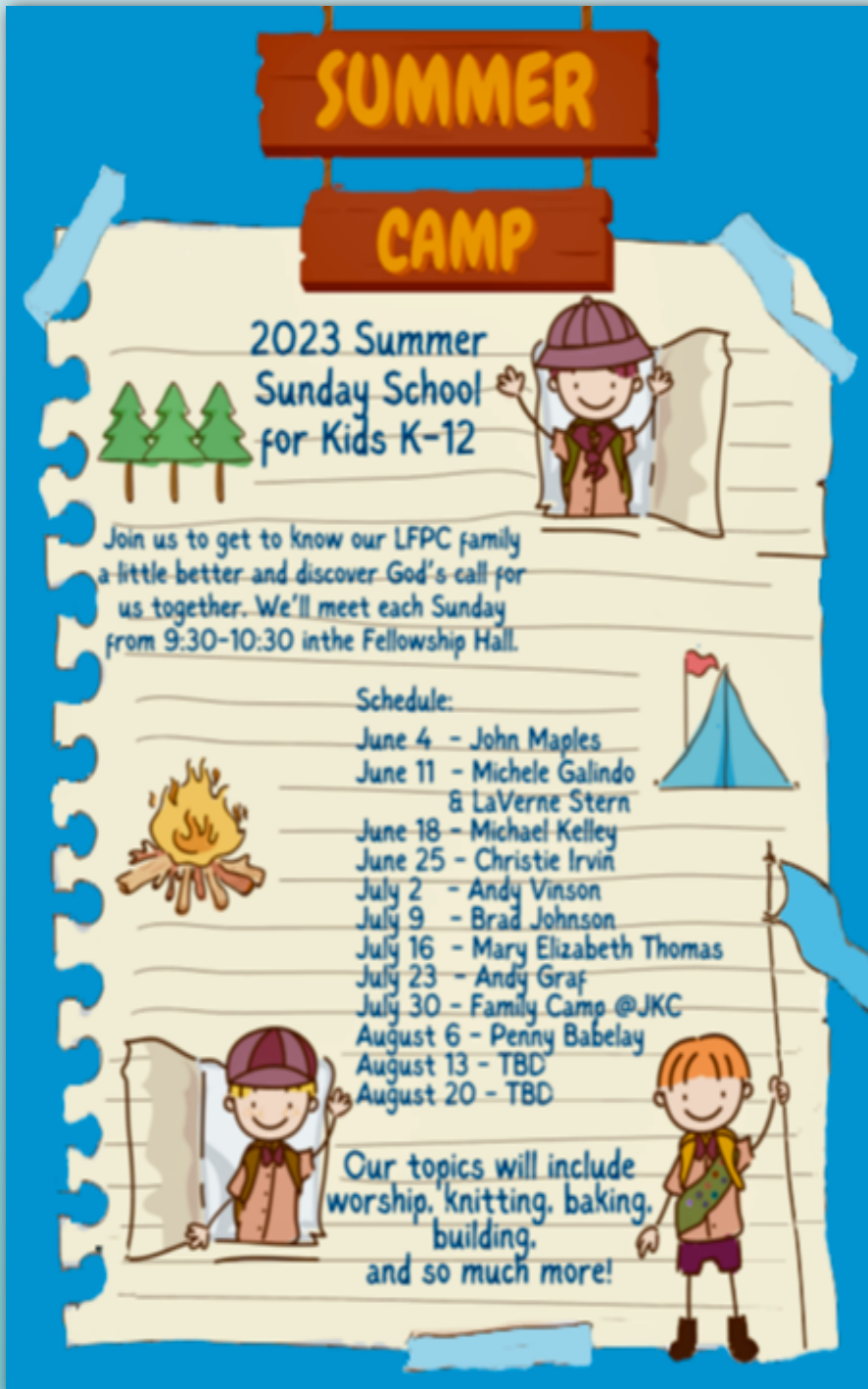
Our regular weekly choir rehearsals will return to their normal schedule with handbell choir rehearsing at 6:00 p.m. and chancel choir rehearsal following at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6.



Happy Father's Day



Sunday, June 18



Would you like to hear the stories of the Bible come alive to our Lake Forest kids?

Why not consider becoming one member of our rotating team of Children's Time Speakers?

Children's Time is a special moment in our Sunday morning worship service. During this time we teach the truth of God's Word in ways specifically designed to touch the hearts of our children.

If you would be open to learning more about leading our Children's Time, or participating in training so that you can join the team of volunteers that serve our children in this way, please contact the church office at office@lakeforestpc.org.



Our Youth Group is a Wednesday night program filled with fun, games, music and listening for God's Word. We also look for opportunities throughout the school year to get outside the walls of the church to have fun as a group at some exciting events.

Our youth group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday night of each month throughout the school year. Our weekly Wednesday night programming for youth is currently on a break for the summer but will resume on Wednesday, September 6.

Our Sunday School class for our youth will not meet during the summer. Our youth are included in our summer camp Sunday school for all our Lake Forest kids in grades K-12. Summer camp will meet each Sunday morning throughout the summer from 9:30 - 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer to be a part of the team that leads our youth on Wednesday nights throughout the school year, please email the church office at office@lakeforestpc.org



Children's Worship Group is a fantastic way to teach our kids about God and have a blast doing it. We gather on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday nights of each month from 6-7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will invite your friends to join us for this awesome part of our Wednesday night lineup of activities.

Our Children's Worship Group is currently on summer break but will resume in September with Children's Worship Group meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

Our regular weekly Sunday School classes for children are also on a break for the summer. Instead, we are having a special summer camp program each Sunday morning throughout the summer from 9:30 - 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall. This summer program is for all our Lake Forest kids in grades K-12. See the announcement above for details. Our preschool Sunday School will continue to meet every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. throughout the summer.

If you would like more information on our Children's ministry or have any questions concerning our children's program, you can contact our Christian Education & Discipleship Committee Chairperson - Bethany Maples or email us in the church office (office@lakeforestpc.org)

MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE



APRIL 2023

Operating

Giving	15,968.48
Expenses	11,149.82

Surplus (Deficit)	4,818.66
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YEAR-TO-DATE 2023

Operating

Giving	64,188.67
Expenses	43,835.93

Surplus (Deficit)	20,352.74
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**THANK
YOU!**

Lake Forest Church,
Thank you for supporting our
5th grade teachers during
teacher appreciation week!
They felt so appreciated + loved,
and we're grateful for your partnership.
♥ Dogwood community school
+ Dogwood teachers



**WE ENDED A GREAT
SCHOOL YEAR FOR
OUR YOUTH GROUP &
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
GROUP WITH A
BIG SPLASH!**

Christian Education & Discipleship Survey

Lake Forest has seen incredible growth this year as a result of God's faithfulness and the willingness of so many of our members to share their gifts and talents. Please fill out a brief survey, by clicking on the link below, to help us determine where we can foster more growth and do an even better job of supporting our members.



Christian Education & Discipleship Survey

&Prayers &PRAISES

Our Lake Forest Church family so often gets to see the love of God flow through our commitment to pray for each other. God has worked in miraculous ways among us and we consider it a joy and privilege to pray for each other and watch to see how God answers our prayers.

If you have a need - if you are facing a healthcare concern or crisis, have experienced the loss of a job, are grieving the loss of a loved one, or are asking God to work in a specific situation in your life that needs His powerful touch, please let us know so that we can pray for you.

You can email us at office@lakeforestpc.org whenever you have a prayer need that you would like to share. We send out a Prayers & Praises email each week on Thursday morning so that we can know how to pray for each other and celebrate what God is doing in our body.

If you know someone who is not currently receiving the Prayers & Praises email and would like to be added to our list, please ask them to let us know by sending their email address to the church office at the email address above.

And don't forget to send us updates of how God has responded to your prayer need or anytime you have something that we can celebrate with you. We want to make sure that we are as attentive to the praises part of our list as we are to each individual prayer need. So be sure to let us know how God has been working in your life by emailing us in the church office as well.

Thanks for being a praying church family!



June 4 – KATHIE BUTLER
ISABELLA JOHNSON

June 5 – JUSTIN FEE

June 6 – CAROL VINSON

June 7 – JUNE CONLIN

June 12 – EILEEN WILSON

June 18 – CAROLINE JOHNSON

June 19 – BRITTANY RICKARD

June 21 – EMMA VINSON

June 26 - ASHLEY NORVELL

June 27 – JIM WATSON

June 29 – CHAD WRIGHT PITTMAN

Did we miss wishing a "Happy Birthday" to someone who is a part of our church family? If so, please help us keep our birthday list up-to-date by emailing us at office@lakeforestpc.org.

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 <div>  <p>Lake Forest Neighborhood Assoc. Movie Night 8:30 p.m.</p> </div>
4 Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. In-person Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Livestream of our 10:45 a.m. service on Facebook	5 Lake Forest Neighborhood Association 7 p.m. 	6  <p>6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal AA Meeting 7 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)</p>	7 No Wednesday Night Activities	8	9	10
11 Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. In-person Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Livestream of our 10:45 a.m. service on Facebook	12	13 AA Meeting 7 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)	14 No Wednesday Night Activities	15	16	17
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25 Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. In-person Worship Service at 10:45 a.m. Livestream of our 10:45 a.m. service on Facebook <i>The Session meets after the 10:45 a.m. worship service</i> VBS - 6-8 p.m. 	26 VBS - 6-8 p.m. 	27 VBS - 6-8 p.m.  <p>AA Meeting 7 p.m. (YAYF classroom)</p>	28 No Wednesday Night Activities VBS - 6-8 p.m. 	29	30	



**Our
Committee
Chairpeople**

BUILDING & GROUNDS
Brad Johnson

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION &
DISCIPLESHIP**
Bethany Maples

FINANCE
Josh McGill

PERSONNEL
Josh McGill

SPIRITUAL CARE
Cathy Maples

WORSHIP
Seth Maples

Our Session Meets on the third Sunday of each month immediately following our 10:45 a.m. service in the YAYF classroom.

The Session Will Meet: **Sunday, June 25**
immediately following the 10:45 a.m. worship service

Our Elder of the Month for June is: **Melinda Kelley**

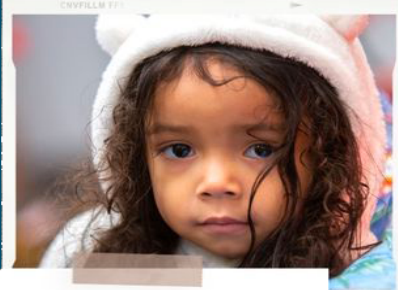


If you have an announcement about an upcoming event, a volunteer list, a committee meeting date and time, or any other information that needs to be included in the June 2023 issue of the Lake Forest FOCUS, please take a few minutes, as soon as you know the details to email that information to:
office@lakeforestpc.org

The deadline for information to be included in the July FOCUS is

Thursday, June 22

Coming in July



Every Child
Deserves a
Home



 Family
Promise
of Knoxville

Our next Family Promise Host Week is July 16-23

FAMILY CAMP

July 28-30
at John Knox Center
Ten Mile, Tennessee





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