
Longwood Presbyterian Church

Newsletter

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LPC/COVENANT PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

We have a new candidate who might be interested in our churches. The committee will have a discussion meeting soon before meeting with the candidate. We will keep you posted.

Blessings, J. R.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PW will meet September 10 at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. See you then.

Blessings, Sharon Greer

REMINDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS

September & October

- **The summer Family Fun-Fest has been rescheduled to September 28th** following our morning worship.
- **LPC Lord's Acre Sale will be 2nd Saturday of October (11th)** Presbyterian Women serve lunch 11:00 to 1:00. Sale starts at 1:00

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please continue to keep the following folks in your prayers

- Debbie Brown
- Rev. Phil Olson
- Earl Hunter (Houstonia)
- Charles (and Barb) Lawrence
- Leigh (and Bill) Jessop (Presbytery friends)
- Eva Nell Paxson
- LeeAnn Paxson-Eddleman

Happy healing and Blessings to all!

(We've visited Phil and Deb a couple of times since his surgery. He looks really good, and just needs time



to build up his strength. Phil, happy healing!

--J. R & Sharon.)

LORD'S ACRE SALE

Our annual sale is coming up sooner than we realize—October 11th 2025. Becky and Sam will co-chair the sale, so if you have items for the sale, please let them know. Scottie Slaughter did a great job

last year and has agreed to cry it again this year.

Lunch will begin at 11:00 and end before the sale starts at 1:00. Come one, come all, and bring friends.

Thank you

LPC VBS:

The first Bible school in many years was held on Friday, August 1 from 9:00 to 3:30. We were excited to have 22 children ranging in age from 4 to 12 years.

The theme for the day was John 3:16 Road Trip – “For God so loved the world that He sent his only son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life”. The day began with pledges and some singing. Our Bible story began with the story from Numbers 21:4-9, the story about the Israelites journeying through the desert. The people started complaining and grumbling so God sent poisonous snakes and many people were bitten and died. The Israelites realized that they were sinning and asked Moses to intervene. Moses prayed to God and God told him to make a bronze snake and put it on a pole so whoever looked at the snake after they were bitten would live. The people were very thankful. God saved the Israelites from their sins and again he saved all of us from sin when he sent Jesus to die on the cross.

We are very thankful for everyone who sent their children and for everyone who donated their time and food. Lunch was cooked by J.R. and Jeff, served by Debbie D. Betty was in charge of crafts and Becky B. and Debbie B. helped wherever they were needed. Val and Gabby helped with recess, and filling the water balloons. We even had a visit from Moses after lunch

which the kids seemed to enjoy. It seemed like everyone enjoyed their day and we are already making plans for having one again next year. Thanks to everyone who helped with this important event!

TWIN OAKS “TRUNK OR TREAT”

Longwood Church will be helping Twin Oaks’ with their annual Halloween event on October 18th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. We will have our new picnic shelter decorated and ready for the guests Trick and Treaters, and if you would like to help, please let Becky know. Costumes are welcome.

FAMILY FUN DAY

Assuming the weather holds out, we are planning to have our Family Fun Day on the last Sunday in September. The church will provide hot dogs and hamburgers, as well as games following lunch. Come to worship at 10:30 and stay for picnic lunch with fun games to follow.

A LIFE-STORY FOR ALL:

Sometimes, if a sheep herder has a lamb fall into a hole or get tangled up in the briars, the shepherd will often leave it there until it is completely exhausted. He will need to wait in order to prevent the animal from trying to fight against the rescue attempt and possibly injuring itself even more. The shepherd will stand nearby, watching and protecting the lamb. Once the animal is too tired to fight, it becomes a simple rescue. The shepherd will get the animal, feed it, water it, and nurse it back to health. The sheep will then realize its need for its shepherd and will trust and follow him from then on.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd! Please understand that YOUR Shepherd is watching, protecting, and waiting. He may not rescue you when you want Him to, but He will rescue you. You simply have to stop fighting!

5TH SUNDAY SERVICE & CARRY-IN DINNER

This past week, we enjoyed another 5th Sunday worship & meal with our friends from Covenant Marshall. Our next opportunity is November 30, Sunday after Thanksgiving. More info later...

