



# ~~CONNECTIONS~~

Volume 136 Issue 1

September, 2017

## MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Come Home! This is the title of a new series of September messages. More than that, Come Home! is the theme of our Homecoming service on September 17. We plan our traditional wonderful meal, and a Choir and Orchestra concert that afternoon at 1:30 pm. More than that, Come Home! is the central point of the whole Bible. Come Home!

Come Home—to what? Before I come, I want to be sure there is something worth coming home to! If this “home” is filled with misery and fighting and stress and a big mess—why would I want to Come Home! to that? Maybe there’s not Even a place for me—no room, no one wants me there, etc.? Come Home?

Come Home! is not my invitation, it is God’s! Somehow He feels like it won’t be the same if you don’t show up. He’s made elaborate and expensive preparations to make sure there will be not only no messes or no fist-fights, but that things will go well between all the other children Coming Home with you and me. Best of all, He has ensured that all things will go well between us and Him! Come Home! to that!



*Home* has to be one of the most beautiful words in our language. It evokes emotion in us. We remember aromas, and laughter, and tears, and joy. Well, hopefully joy! Your own Home may have been a place where there were only the wrong kind of tears, and the only emotion was pain. But I suppose even if that were your experience, you still have a desire, a deep desire for something more, something better. Something fulfilling. Something sweet. Somewhere

you belong. Somewhere you are missed when you are away, and a Place you will run 5 red lights in a row to get to. The possibility of Home, the dream of Home!

It is real. Come Home! Our Lord has (already!) made it possible. Come at His invitation. Come Home!

Would you help me spread the word? Come Home—

Tony

---

### LCC Staff:

**Tony Dyer, Senior Minister**

tony@lilburnchristianchurch.org

**Dwayne Wylds, Minister of Music**

dwayne@lilburnchristianchurch.org

**Shane Hankinson, Youth Minister**

shane@lilburnchristianchurch.org

**Allison McAlister, Children's Director**

allison@lilburnchristianchurch.org

**Lynn Akins, Financial Secretary**

lynn@lilburnchristianchurch.org

**Church Office**

office@lilburnchristianchurch.org

### LCC Elders:

Jim Gurr: 770-925-8680

William Renshaw: 770-736-9460

Paul Bengtson: 770-875-9170

Richard Morgan : 770-338-9081

Sherman Wade: 404-867-6101

Jeff Stephens: 770-712-1172

### Editor:

**Kandy Davidson**

**Photographer:**

**Pam Straughan**

Please email articles to  
[Office@LilburnChristianChurch.org](mailto:Office@LilburnChristianChurch.org)  
by the 23rd of each month!!

# ***SERMON SERIES***

**“Where Cultures Meet Christ”**

## **SEPTEMBER MESSAGES**

Sept. 3 Shane will be preaching

**“Come Home!”, Ephesians 1:11-22**

Sept. 10 “One Family”

Sept. 17 “One Father

Sept. 24 “One Purpose”

## *Wednesday Menu*

### **SEPTEMBER**

6	Hamburgers/Hot Dogs
13	Poppyseed Chicken
20	Lasagna
27	Chicken Tenders



Our “Raise the Roof” Campaign has begun to help raise \$250,000 for our recent Sanctuary renovations. Donations can be placed in the special envelopes in the pews, or funds can be placed in the offering with “Raise the Roof” added so we know those funds are for this campaign.

Thanks for your help, as this enables us to continue to serve Christ here.

**Please join us in welcoming  
our new member.**



**Mac Scoggins  
8/27/17**



**Goodfriends** is for anyone who can join us! (young or not-so-young, young at heart or young in spirit). We enjoy an activity or an outing on the 3rd Thursday of each month (unless noted) from September thru July.

Although most of our activities occur during the day, we would gladly consider doing something in the evening....

We will not be pre-planning our events this year. We will continue to join Mt. Carmel's Young-at-Heart group whenever they have an activity that we are interested in.

Unfortunately, the Young-at-Heart leadership team only plans their events a few months at a time. We also welcome your ideas! In our July meeting, we talked about the possibility of doing some game nights. The possibilities include playing cards, board games, puzzles, etc.



If you would like to gather in the evening with others of similar interests, please let us know!

We will not be pre-planning our events this year. We will continue to join Mt. Carmel's Young-at-Heart group whenever they have an activity that we are interested in. Unfortunately, the Young-at-Heart leadership team only plans their events a few months at a time.

Here is the information for their September event. We will be joining Mt. Carmel's Young-at-Heart for their Fall Kick-off Luncheon on Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at LCC at 11:00 am to



carpool to Mt. \$14.00. Their sign-up sheet is

**prizes!** can drive directly there. Lunch will be served at 11:30 am. Cost is \$14.00. Their sign-up sheet is at the welcome Center.

is Paul Leslie, Senior Minister of McDonough Christian Church. The

# Interested?

Any questions can be directly to:  
Rosie Bengtson 770-978-7774 or 404-403-5765  
Glenda Middleton 770-614-5972;  
Betty Hubbard 678-446-7926 or  
Janet Curtiss 540-819-3846.

*Missions Spotlight*



## NORTH GEORGIA CHRISTIAN CAMP

Please remember North Georgia Christian Camp this month. North Georgia Christian Camp offers a variety of retreats in the Spring and Fall that target each age group. Retreats are short, intensive weekends that offer campers a chance to grow in their relationship with God through fellowship, small groups, and worship. As summer draws to an end, the LCC Youth have retreats planned in Sept and November. Please remember those attending these at the camp and also those from the church that will be attending.



# *Sisters of Grace*



WHERE WOMEN REST  
IN GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

## **Gal's Get-Away - October 20, 21, 22, 2017 Savannah, GA**

Our Retreat theme is "Lavender Springs Spa", and we will be studying the Psalms.

As you know, the major portion of the cost of the Get-Away goes towards lodging, so we are trying something new.

### **COST:**

Single:	\$269 per person
Double:	\$150 per person
Triple:	\$131 per person
Quad:	\$111 per person

The costs include two breakfasts, one lunch, room for two nights, and materials for the Get-Away. You are responsible for getting your own roommates.

All LCC ladies are encouraged to attend. It is a great time of spiritual renewal and Christian fellowship, so Save the Date and start saving for your Get-Away. Registration begins August 6 with 50% deposit. The balance is due Sept. 24.

If you are interested in the Women's Ministries, or even if you're just curious, call:

Lynn Akins	770-923-6413	Kandy Davidson	404-697-7367
Pat Ferguson	770-466-5212	Dixie Grimm	404-932-5990
Betty Hubbard	678-446-7926	Pam Morgan	404-697-4293
Cathy Wade	404-867-6102		







## *Gingerbread Wishes*

*Save The Date!*  
*Thursday*  
*December 14th*

The theme for this year's Ladies Christmas Party is Gingerbread Wishes. For our craft, we will be decorating Gingerbread Man wooden ornaments. If you have any small/thin rick-rack or lace, tiny buttons or other items suitable for this craft project, please contact Rosie Bengtson or Janet Curtiss. If you happen to see any of those items at garage sales or even Fabric World, please consider getting some and donating them for this purpose. Also: our service project will be collecting items for a non-profit organization called 'Honor the Homeless'. Please be on the lookout for the following items and come prepared!

### **Men's sizes:**

Men's jeans or Khaki's (no dress pants)  
Men's underwear/boxer shorts  
Men's shirts/T-shirts (no dress shirts)  
Men's socks & shoes (no dress shoes)  
Men's coats/jackets

### **Ladies sizes:**

Ladies pants (jeans/slacks)  
Ladies button-down shirts/T-shirts)  
Ladies panties & bras (especially larger sizes)  
Ladies socks & shoes (no dress shoes)  
Ladies coats/jackets

**Other items:** Blankets, flat sheets, plastic shower curtains, comforters, quilts



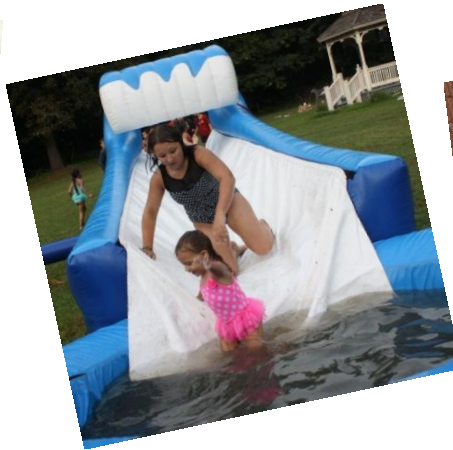
**Saturday, Sept. 9**  
**9:00 am – Noon**  
Lunch served afterwards.



*Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church*

## **KUC NEWS**

We had another great month in the KUC in August. It started with a fun and exciting Back 2 School Bash! We had about **80 kids (including ~28 visitors) and 30 adults** show up to kick off our Wednesday activities. We had a surf 'n' slide inflatable, a bounce house with 2 water slides, a water dunk challenge, snow cones, horse shoes, and more. We gave away a lot of school supplies and backpacks filled supplies at our "back to school" cake walk. Thank you to all who donated supplies, the helpers, the Tech Crew who did a great job making and serving the delicious meal, the Fruit Smashers Food Truck, and a special thanks to the Pettit's and Monkey Giggles Rentals who made it possible!



Also, this month, we gathered some of the kids to clean our van. We are so blessed and thankful to have such a nice van to pick up kids on Wednesdays and take on special events, like the woman's mystery fun day, summer camp, a trip to Rainbow Falls and many other events. We want to make sure it stays nice and clean to show how thankful we are to have it. Thanks to all who helped!!!

(KUC News Continued)

## **Upcoming Events**

**September 9<sup>th</sup> : LCC churchwide workday.** Your kids can be a part of the churchwide work day. Just bring them to the KUC and Mrs. Allison will put them to work. There is plenty of stuff they can help with!!!

**September 15<sup>th</sup>: Movie on the Lawn: Presenting The Incredibles.** Grab your blankets and chairs and bring your family to our 3<sup>rd</sup> Movie on the Lawn. All ages welcome. Free hotdogs and popcorn! Drinks and other snacks available for purchase at Fruit Smashers Food Truck.

## **Sundays and Wednesdays**

We are growing!!!! We have started a new Toddler class on Wednesdays and will be starting a new Toddler class on Sunday mornings. Please see the new class schedule!

### **SUNDAYS (Effective 9/3/2017)**

#### **Sunday School – 9:30-10:30**

Nursery (Birth to 24 months) meets in the “Lumber Yard”

Roofers and Masons (Ages 2 – 6) meets in the “Brick Yard”

Builders (2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Graders) meets in the “Job Site”

\*Children will remain in the KUC area from 10:30-10:45 unless a parent checks them out.

#### **Worship – 10:45-11:45**

Nursery (Birth to 24 months) meets in the “Lumber Yard”

Roofers (2's and 3's) meet in the “Roofing Area”

Masons (Pre-K, K, 1<sup>st</sup> grade) meet in the “Brick Yard”

Builders (1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Graders) meet in the “Job Site”

### **WEDNESDAYS (In effect since 8/9/2017)**

**Family Meal – 5:45–6:30** (in the Family Life Center)

**Homework Help – 6:25 – 7:00** – (upstairs in Family Life Center)

**Children's Activities – 6:30-8:00** – (KUC Area)

Nursery (Birth to 24 months) meets in the “Lumber Yard”

Roofers (2's and 3's) meet in the “Roofing Area”\*

Masons (Pre-K, K, 1<sup>st</sup> grade) meet in the “Brick Yard”\*

Builders (1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Graders) meet in the “Job Site”

\*Roofers and Masons meet in the Brick yard from 6:30-7 for worship and games, then the Roofers move to the Roofing Area from 7-8.

**HELP NEEDED!** If you would like to help in the KUC, we could use your help. Help is needed on both Sundays and Wednesdays. Please see Allison for more details!





# LCC Music Ministry

## UPCOMING EVENTS

September 17<sup>th</sup> – Homecoming Sunday

Concert, 1:30 p.m.

October 1<sup>st</sup> – EKKLESIA at Galilee Christian Church at Jefferson, 6:00 p.m.



Rehearsals have resumed for the Choir and Orchestra, and on August 6<sup>th</sup>, the combined choirs and orchestra from Antioch, Bethel, Galilee, Hamilton Mill, Whistleville and Lilburn traveled to Antioch Christian Church to help kickoff Antioch's Revival. The Church was full, and the choir loft was overflowing. The Orchestra filled the area between the front row and the pulpit, and it was a night of great singing and preaching.

Don't know if you've noticed one of our newest orchestra "members". Cameron Fraser loves the choir & orchestra, and he has been known to leave little presents for them. Below is Cameron joining the orchestra after the service on the 27<sup>th</sup> with his own instrument.



Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings are not the only times our Choir & Orchestra practice. On Sunday afternoon, August 27<sup>th</sup>, the combined choirs from the six Christian Churches came together for an hour and a half to rehearse for upcoming events. Afterwards, they had a time of fellowship so they could get to know each other personally.



"Cameron has left the building."

Occasionally the choir forgets to watch Dwayne.



C&O social after practice for Homecoming Concert with area churches. Six churches were represented. Many thanks to Dennis & Marcia Heinz and all the volunteers for getting this together for us.

Join us on Sept. 17 for Homecoming, Worship at 10:45 am, a Pot Luck Dinner after, along with a concert with area churches at 1:30 pm.





# Cafe Five Fifty

**located in the Lilburn Christian Church Chapel**

Cafe Five Fifty is a community coffee house, game room, meeting place and entertainment venue. Our goal is to join with the community of Lilburn to support the Lilburn Co-Op as we provide live entertainment and free coffee. What a great reason to make this your regular Sunday evening destination.

Bring some canned goods to donate to the Lilburn Co-Op and a couple bucks for brownies and cookies. The coffee is and always shall be free. Entertainers are:

Sunday, Sept. 10	Aaron & Mackenzie Trammel
Sunday, Sept. 17	Paige Harmon
Sunday, Sept. 24	Wire Method
Sunday, Oct. 1	Cameron Portwood
Sunday, Oct. 8	Jacob Elliott
Sunday, Oct. 15	Graham Parris
Sunday, Oct. 22	Kiera Olm

\* \* \* \* \*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 8-10 Middle School Deeper Life  
Nov. 10-12 High School Deeper Life  
Nov. 17-19 CAYAC Fall Retreat



Chris Elkins, one of our own, asks everyone for prayer and aid for the victims of the hurricane. Chris works at the Weather Channel as a Field Sound engineer. He, and the crew, that's reporter Reynolds Wolf with Chris, were in Victoria TX, where the eye of storm made landfall.



# Prayer Requests

## Prayer Needs

Geraldine Coleman	Diane Shelton
Donna Hill	Beverly Underwood
Bob Collier	Betty Hubbard
Jim Gurr	Sandy Amrhein
Joyce & Terry Bissell	Marge Renshaw
Jamila Coleman	Norah Nguyen
Sharon Townsend	Ken Akins
Carl & Louis Johnson	Pat Benson
Russ Burchfield	June Strobino
Barbara Johnson	Trish Elkins
Donna Anderson	Hunter Northcutt

If any of these listed on our prayer list need to be taken off, please contact the church office. We appreciate your help.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### September

4	Labor Day Holiday
8-10	Middle School Deeper Life
9	Church-wide Work Day at LCC
10	Missions Committee Meeting
15	"Movie on the Lawn"
17	Homecoming, Pot Luck Dinner with Concert at 1:30 with area churches

### October

1	Ekklesia
14	Life Line Screening by appointment only
20-22	Ladies Gal's Get-Away in Savannah, GA
27	Gwinnett College Graduation, 7:00 pm
29	Trunk or Treat

## Prayer Beepers:



**Prayer Beepers** – Did you know that LCC has several 'prayer beepers'? When requested, we assign one of the beeper numbers to an LCC member who is ill or needs prayer for a specific reason or time period. Basically, after assignment, we notify the congregation via e-mail with the name, beeper number and prayer request. When you pray for that person, you call the beeper number and it signals them. That way, they know someone just prayed for them. If you would like to receive a prayer beeper or just want more information about them, please contact Paul Bengtson. Many people who have used a prayer beeper in the past found great comfort and encouragement from them (even when they go off in the middle of the night!). Currently, we have no prayer beepers out.

## Every Week

### Sunday:

9:30 am	Sunday School Classes
9:30 am	KUC Sunday School Class
10:15 am	Coffee & Fellowship
10:45 am	Worship Service
10:45 am	KUC Children's & WEE Worship

### Monday:

7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study
---------	-------------------

### Tuesday:

9:45 am	Ladies Bible Study
---------	--------------------

### Wednesday:

5:45 pm	Meal
6:30 pm	KUC, CAYAC, C&O practice
7:00 pm	Adult Bible Study

**Lilburn Christian Church**

314 Arcado Road

Lilburn, GA 30047

Phone: 770-921-2993

Fax: 770-921-6569



**"LCC: Where Cultures Meet Christ"**

**“Come Home!”**

**Sunday, September 17, 2017**

**Homecoming: Worship @ 10:45 am**

**Covered Dish Dinner in FLC @ Noon**

**LCC & Area Churches**

**Community Concert—1:30 pm**

Lilburn Christian Church · 314 Arcado Road · Lilburn, GA 30047 · 770-921-2993  
[www.LilburnChristianChurch.org](http://www.LilburnChristianChurch.org)