



MINISTER'S MESSAGE

What's the best conversion story you've ever heard? Along the way we've all heard of someone who used to be heavily into substance abuse but now they've been clean and sober for 12 years. Or maybe they used to take things, or hurt people, and now they have become a giver or helper to people. Such stories can inspire us.

Seems like years ago at church, or at camps, or retreats, one would hear "testimonies", where someone would speak to the crowd and explain how once they'd been struggling, or living a selfish life hurtful to others, but now Christ had their attention and had changed them, and they were living for Jesus. Sometimes these stories could be very dramatic and involve a crisis or near-tragedy. Such stories can help us be reminded that the Lord really is mighty to save! Maybe we need to get back to doing more of such testimonies?

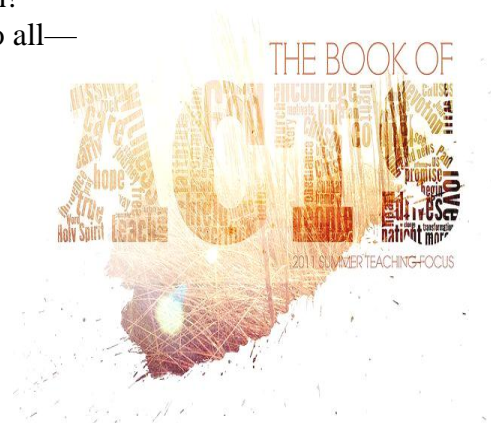
The Scriptures themselves are loaded with stories of life-transformation. Moses goes from a stuttering, low self-confidence, on-the-run-from murder kind of a guy to God's Law giver and leader. Rahab was a prostitute, who became an icon of faith in God. In the Gospels we see the demon-possessed set free, doubters become believers, and even a dying thief come to faith. But it is in the book of Acts that we find conversion accounts explode off of the pages of Scripture the most!

Check out Acts! We plan to read through it and preach through it in May. There, we see the Gospel, the story of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, presented by unlikely people (Peter, former denier; Saul/Paul, former arch-enemy of Christ) with truly extraordinary results (1000's of converts, many very unexpected, whole cities put into uproar, etc.) These conversion stories not only tell us clearly how we can become Christians ourselves, but they inspire us, reminding us afresh of God's incredible power to change lives!

"The Acts of the Apostles" is the official name of this book. And, it's not a bad name. Perhaps a better name, though, would be "The Acts of God's Holy Spirit in the Lives of the People He is Changing"! I hope that my conversion story, and yours (and those of the loved ones you are praying for) will be listed among God's great works of conversion!

Love to all—

Tony



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SERMON SERIES

Message Series for 2019:
"I Know This is True" continues

May Messages

- May 5:** "3001 Cut Hearts", Acts 2:22-41
May 12: "A True Friend", Acts 8:26-40
May 19: "180° IS Possible", Acts 9:1-19,
Josh Cox preaching
May 26: "Undeniable Power",
Acts 16:22-34

Wednesday Menu

MAY

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| 1 | Poppy Seed Chicken |
| 8 | Spaghetti |
| 15 | Sloppy Joe's |
| 22 | Pizza |
| 29 | TBD |

Missions Spotlight



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 2-JUNE 6
6:00PM-8:30PM



Lilburn Christian Church VBS! This is a great local mission involving many LLC'ers. Please pray for the workers, teachers, parents, and more importantly pray for the children that will attend, that seeds will be planted in the hearts and minds of those young individuals. Also pray for Sunbelt Christian Youth Ranch which will be the mission supported throughout the week. The ranch was founded in 1989 for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a consistent, stable, God honoring environment to help children overcome the problems in their lives. The children work at the ranch helping to tend and care for the animals.

Lastly, please pray for Allison McAllister as well as she prepares and leads our efforts during this time!



LCC Music Ministry



Our Choir, Orchestra and Tech Crew did another amazing concert on Palm Sunday. Many thanks to everyone for all their hard work and commitment.



June 30

5:00 pm

Join us for some great music,
hot dogs and homemade ice
cream!

STUDENT MINISTRY



Above, you'll find a few of the pictures from our Camp Out! A HUGE thanks to Eric West for inviting us to his beautiful property, setting up our camp, cooking for us, and leading us in some great, group-bonding activities! I'd also like to thank Francine Jones-Snead, Gary Chow, Eric Fox, Ammie Ventura, Alex Aleman, and Tim Mayhue for selflessly giving up a weekend to look after and encourage our students! Despite the 40 degree night, we had an awesome weekend and are looking forward to doing this again! We have more opportunities to enjoy each other in the coming months, beginning with laser tag on May 4th! Then, on May 19th, we'll be honoring our high school graduates during Sunday School and the worship service. I also encourage you to register for camp! Below you'll find the dates



I'll be taking our middle and high schoolers to North Georgia Christian Camp. Sign up at ww.christiancamp.net. (If you need help with the cost of camp, or any of our activities, let Josh know. We'll make sure you're there!) In other news, we're continuing our Wednesday series *AND THE MOUNTAIN CRUMBLER*, concerning the Sermon on the Mount. Just as we grow up hearing different things, so did Jesus' audience. In this sermon, he deconstructs many of those things and reveals a new way to live. And in Sunday School, we've just begun a study through the book of Hebrews.

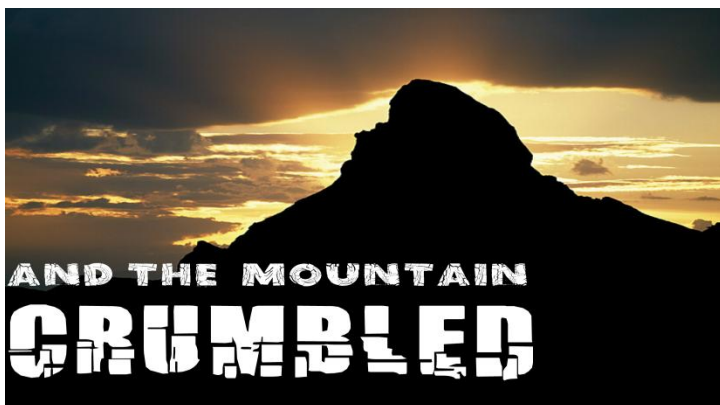


The next Wendy's Wednesday for the 6th-12th graders is May 8th. Following an abbreviated lesson, our adult sponsors will transport our students to Wendy's at 7:30. They can be picked up at Wendy's before 8:25 or at the church after 8:30.

LASER TAG
Laser Voyage in Duluth

DATE: MAY 4
COST: \$8
6th-12th GRADE

We'll meet at the church at 11am and return at 2:30pm. The cost includes lunch.



Teener 1 6th-8th grade June 9-14
Senior 2 9th-12th grade June 30 – July 5



Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church

Recap:

Even the rain could not stop us from sharing the Good News of Jesus to children the day before Easter at our Easter Egg Event. We moved the event in to the chapel and we had a great turn out. We had about 78 children that attended and visited 12 stations that each told a part of the resurrection story. One volunteer told me that one of the children said they had never heard the story before! Praise the Lord, that we had the opportunity to tell this child about our Savior Jesus Christ. We pray that the seeds that were planted will continue to grow in that child and all the children!



June 2nd-6th

Vacation Bible School (VBS).

Register today at

www.lilburnchristianchurch.org



Sundays:

All classes will be joining the congregation in reading and studying Acts in the month of May.

For the preschool class, kids will be introduced to the Holy Spirit. They will discover that the Holy Spirit was promised by Jesus, and then came in an amazing way! They will also learn that the Holy Spirit is still with us and helps us today. The memory verse for this class is:

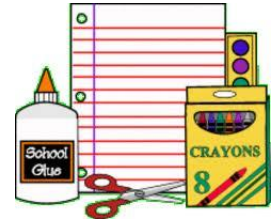
“The Holy Spirit will help you and always be with you.” | John 14:16

For the K-1st grade class, kids will discover the incredible ways in which the Holy Spirit is at work in our lives. Kids will learn that the Holy Spirit helps us, makes us bold, guides us, and gives us creativity in different ways. The memory verse for this class is:

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will tell people about me...from one end of the earth to the other.” Acts 1:8

Wednesdays: This month and in June, children, will begin a series that looks at how God spoke to people in the bible through dreams and encourages kids to explore God's dreams for them and the richness of God's developing plans for lives. Topics include: God's presence, God's plans, messages from God, using our gifts and how to keep loving God.

Local Missions Project: School Supplies for 'Back 2 School Bash'



The congregation of LCC has generously supported many types of missions over the years. This summer we are going to provide school supplies for the 'Back 2 School Bash' that will be held at the end of July.

We will be collecting specific items from the Gwinnett County School List on Sundays & Wednesdays during the month of July. However, many generic school supplies are available all year round, so we will have a designated area for donations in the FLC from May 1st until the end of July.

Please Note: these supplies will not be given to the Lilburn Co-op, but used as prizes at the 'Back 2 School Bash' by Allison and Josh.

We are asking you to pick up any of these generic school supplies during the months of May and June.

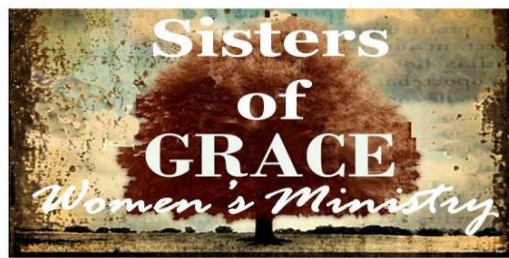
- Crayola brand colored markers
 - both thin and thick packs
 - both washable and permanent
- Colored pencils
- Black & White composition notebooks
- Crayola crayons (8, 16 or 24 packs)
- EXPO dry erase markers
- Glue sticks (6 packs)
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
 - Both college-rule and wide-rule
- Pencils (Ticonderoga brand)
- Plastic folders
 - With fasteners/brads (blue, yellow, green, purple, orange)
 - With pockets and prongs (red, green, blue, purple, yellow)

Any questions, please contact Rosie Bengtson, Allison or Josh.... Thank you.

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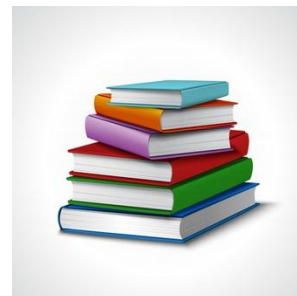
Join us for a Drop-In Bridal Shower
for Amy Huddleston in the Chapel on
Sunday, May 19
1:30 - 3:00 pm



If you are a Widow, please join us for free lunch on Sunday, **June 9** in the FLC after our Worship service. If you can attend, please call Kandy at the church office at 770-921-2993 so we know how much food to prepare.

(Sponsored by the Sisters of Grace Women's Ministry)

B.A.S.H.
(Book and Salad/Spuds Hour)
July 9 and July 22
More details will be forthcoming.



Gal's Get-Away
September 27, 28, 29

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		

Attention All Ladies (or anyone interested in a fun craft project)

You are invited to a 'Christmas in July' event.



Christmas.. in



This year is flying by! 'Christmas in July' will be here soon!!

Several ladies from LCC learned how to make No-Sew Folded Fabric Ornaments a few years ago and we want to share this process with you on Saturday, July 20th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Family Life Center

These no-sew Folded Fabric Ornaments are really easy to make and do not have to be Christmas colors or fabric. Spring/Easter fabrics are on sale. Patriotic prints in red, white and blue are available, as well...

If this is the first time you have seen this article and want to use Christmas material, or if you need some fabric to coordinate with yours, let us know.

If you have some fabric you want to share, please bring it with you.

Materials (per ornament – in case you want to make more than one):

- Polystyrene/Styrofoam ball (7 inch circumference, approx. 3 inch in height)
- 3 or 4 coordinated fabrics – dark, medium, and light hues work well
 - Select cotton blends
 - ¼ yard of each color or you can buy fat quarters
 - Small prints work best (although solid colors work, too)
- Dressmaker pins (these have small, flat heads – available at Walmart)
- Ribbon (½ inch width)
 - Note: if you would rather use a strip of material to finish off your ornament instead of ribbon, you will need a strip of material approximately 3 inches by 10 inches.

If you want to cut your fabric in advance, you are welcome to do that:

- They are 3 inch squares
- You will need 8 of one color/fabric
- You will need 16 each of your other colors/fabric

If you do not want to cut your fabric in advance (or need help doing it), we will have all of the other supplies you will need to cut your fabric that day (rotary cutter, straight edge, scissors, etc..)

Any questions: contact Rosie Bengtson or Pam Straughan.

Prayer Requests

Bob Collier
Jim Gurr
Jamila Coleman
Jasmine Coleman
Russ Burchfield
Barbara Johnson
Donna Anderson
Diane Shelton
Betty Hubbard
Sandra Amrhein
Gensie McDonald
Family of Sandra Denton

Augustus & Mary
Lakpor
Teresa Herring
Scott Phillips
Jason Newman
Marcia Heinz
Glenda Middleton
Wayne Starling
Trish Elkins
Robert Humphrey
Jeff Kloss

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



Jason & Debra Fulton's daughter, Hannah was dedicated on March 31, 2019.



We currently have 3 prayer beepers out. We have updated the messages as follows:

Marcia Heinz - prayer beeper number is 770-929-5114

Here is the message you will hear -
Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Marcia Heinz. Her doctors are very pleased with her healing process after undergoing Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatments for several weeks. Please pray for continued healing and blessings for her caregivers. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.

Jamila Coleman - prayer beeper number is 770-929-5157

Here is the message you will hear -
Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Jamila Coleman. She is home now after several weeks of rehab. Her current prayer request is strengthening in her legs and Godly confidence to walk. Thank you for your prayers on Jamila's behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.

Gensie McDonald - prayer beeper is 770-929-5130

Here is the message you will hear -
Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Gensie McDonald. She is continuing chemo-therapy as a precaution, although there are no signs of cancer at this time. Please continue to pray for complete healing. Thank you for your prayers on Gensie's behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beep will be sent to her. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May

02 Berkmar Graduation
04 Youth Laser Tag; VBS Prep Day
5 Spanish Breakfast
8 Wendy's Wednesday; Grief Group
11 VBS Prep Day
12 Mother's Day
19 Bridal Shower for Amy Huddleston;
Youth Senior Night
22 Grief Group
25 VBS Prep Day
27 Memorial Day

June

1 VBS Prep Day
2 No Spanish Breakfast
2-6 Vacation Bible School 6:00 – 8:30 pm
9-14 6th-8th Grade Camp at North GA Christian
Camp
16 Father's Day
20-22 Beginner's Camp at North GA Christian
Camp
23 Baby Shower for Celia Renshaw
30 Classic Sunday Night at 5:00 pm
30-July 5 9th-12th Grade Camp at North GA Christian
Camp

Every Week

Sunday:

9:30 am Sunday School Classes, Bell Choir
Practice

10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship

10:45 am Worship Service

Monday:

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Tuesday:

9:45 am Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday:

6:30 pm KUC, Youth, Choir, Tech &
Orchestra

7:00 pm Adult Bible Study

Wednesday Night Activities

We encourage you and your family to join us on Wednesday evenings for our meal and then activities for all the family. Here's the way our schedule looks:

- 5:45 pm Meal
(Adults \$3, Children \$2, Family \$11)
- 6:30 pm Children and Youth Activities
- 6:30 pm Choir and Orchestra Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study

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