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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Losing weight, cutting out chewing tobacco, watching more wholesome programming on TV or the Internet, and trying to say nice things about people of the other political party from yours are noble goals for the New Year in 2020. Go for it!

But here's one you ought to consider: Read through all of the Bible in 2020! We emphasize that each year at LCC, and this is the year for you to take it on as a challenge! Cards with a reading schedule are at the Welcome Center. You'll be glad you get it.

And here's another one: Join a class or a small group in 2020! Classes provide love. Classes provide prayer. Classes provide a sense of belonging. Attending church is a super thing, but if you want the "full experience", join a class or a small group! A great choice: We plan to offer a "Newcomers Class" in January! We meet in the Chapel on Sundays at 9:30 am. And here's one more: Serve in 2020! Our 1st series of messages that we plan to bring in the New Year will come from the Gospel of Mark. Mark 10:45 is our theme verse—*"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."* If Jesus came to serve, maybe I should, too. If Jesus came to serve, maybe I will find the fulfillment and joy and purpose I've longed for by serving myself! It is, truly, "Better to give than to receive"—be a giver, a server in 2020!

I am thankful and honored to serve alongside you in 2020. May our Lord refresh our spirits and guide our paths into the greatest year of service in our lives in this New Year! Love to all—

Tony

Newcomer's Class

During the month of January we plan to offer a "Newcomer's Class", which will meet each Sunday in the Chapel at 9:30 am! This class will be hosted by the Welcome Class. All those "New" to LCC are welcome and invited! Newcomers, new believers, those with questions about Christ or our church, anyone! We plan to cover such topics as "How to become a Christian", "How can I grow as a Christian", "What does LCC believe", "How can I fit in and serve here", and more. Join us!

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SERMON SERIES

"Jesus Came to Serve" A Series from the Gospel of Mark

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. -Mark 10:45

Jan 5:	"2nd is 1st", Mark 10:35-45
Jan 12:	"Why We Should Follow", Mark 1:21-28
Jan 19:	"The Only One Who Can Forgive", Mark 2:1-12
Jan 26:	"People Matter", Mark 3:1-6



- 1 **No Meal**
- 8 **Spaghetti**
- **15** Chicken Pot Pie
- 22 **Sloppy Joes**
- **Chili Mac** 29

Missions Spotlight CHRISTIAN CITY As we look ahead to 2020 we are evaluating new missions to support. There are three that we are evaluating, so please be in prayer about that. More information to follow. Please also keep CHRISTIA

Christian City in your prayers. They are hosting a prayer Breakfast on Wed., January 22, 7:30-8:45 am for anyone interested and available to attend. There is no cost to the event, but you do have to register at events@christiancity.org. So many kids and families are in crisis. Churches and other community organizations are reaching out. The Christian City Prayer Breakfast is a unique opportunity to collaborate with others to leverage our mutual capabilities and make an even more significant impact.



LCC Music Ministry

Last year we enjoyed the "What Kind of Throne" Christmas program put together by Choir & Orchestra members from more than four different congregations. The choir, orchestra, tech crew, Dwayne and several soloists, did a terrific job in bringing us the real Reason for the Season. It took so many hours of practice and work to present this great program, from Wed. nights, Saturday mornings, and Sunday afternoon practices after church to make this program. All of this hard work was not only for the two concerts at Lilburn Christian Church, where an estimated number of 750 to 800 people heard the program, and the program was also presented to Hamilton Mill Christian Church and Whistleville Christian Church for an additional 400 or more people. So somewhere around twelve hundred people were blessed to hear this year's program.





I can't believe 2020 is here! If you'd like to find out what Mosaic has planned for your students this new year, we invite you to join us for our annual Parent-Child Luncheon on January 12th @ 12pm in the FLC (it's free)! Also in January, we're continuing Wendy's Wednesday (on the 8th) and going Ice-Skating (details below). Before we forget about 2019, though, let me say THANK YOU to all the adults who contributed to Mosaic this past year! I'm especially grateful for my wife Ashley, Austin & Fiorella Morgan, William Renshaw, Buddy Compton, Ammie Ventura, Alex Aleman, Parker McAlister, Myric Truitt, and Pam Straughan, who devote much of their time on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings



CE SKATING SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH @ THE ICEFORUM IN DULUTH \$15

Meet at church @ 1:30 pm and return by 5:00 pm Sign up with Josh



Our next Wendy's Wednesday is January 8th! We will be reverting to our former way, when our adult leaders transported the students to Wendy's at 7:30. Parents may pick up students at Wendy's by 8:25 or at the church after 8:30. If possible, send a little money with your student. (Regardless, we'll make sure everyone gets something.)

PARENT-CHILD LUNCHEON

Sunday, Jan. 12th @ 12pm Family Life Center For families with kids in K.U.C./Mosaic

DISCOVER WHAT 2020 HAS IN STORE!



Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church

December and 2019 Recap

We have had a great year in the KUC. We had fun coming together for all our events: Parent's Night Out, Heaven on Earth Retreat, Easter Egg Event, VBS, Summer Camp, Back 2 School Bash, Trunk or Treat and the cookie bake. The kids dove deep into the word of God, memorized verses, memorized books of the bible, some were baptized at camp and here at our church, kids invited friends, and we witnessed Christ's love shining through the children and the volunteers in so many ways. We hope next year is even better and that we can glorify our Savior with all that we do here in the KUC and LCC! Parents please plan to attend the Parent's Luncheon after church on January 12th to see all that we have planned for 2020. Thank you volunteers and parents to your dedication to our children's ministry.

Sundays and Wednesdays in the KUC

Our preschool to 2nd grade Sunday School class will continue learning Bible Basics. The children are learning the books of the bibles, learning the basic differences between the old and new testaments and will begin reviews for each book. For our Wednesday night and Sunday Worship hour the preschool/Kindergarten class and the 1st /2nd grade classes will continue going through bible. Our Later Elementary Class (3rd to 5th grade) will begin a new series on Trust for both Wednesday and Sunday classes:

Memory Verses for January:

Preschool/Kindergarten: Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."- Isaiah 30:21

1st/2nd grade: He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak – Isaiah 40:29

3rd to 5th: A new memory verse is given each week. Check with children to see if they know it!!

Parents, we hope that you will encourage your children to memorize scripture. To help incentivize, we will begin quarterly drawings for each age group. Each week your child can be entered into a drawing up to four times (one for reciting the verse, one for being here, one for bringing their bibles, and one for bringing a friend).

Upcoming Events:

January 12th: Parents' Luncheon February: Parent's Night Out (Date and time TBD)



The 53 ladies attending the Annual Sisters of Grace Women's Ministry Christmas Party donated over \$800 in gift cards to be used by Lilburn Co-Op and for Josh and Allison in their ministries.

The dinner party was held on December 12 in the Family Life Center (FLC). The tables were decorated with poinsettia centerpieces, which became door prizes at the close of the gathering. Pat Ferguson presented the program on Christmas Legends. The meal was prepared and served by the Women's Ministry Leadership Team: Pat Ferguson, Pam Morgan, Kandy Davidson, Lynn Akins, Dixie Grimm & Cathy Wade.

Watch the newsletter and bulletin for upcoming events in 2020.









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

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READ THE BIBLE

JANUARY

- \Box 1. Genesis 1-3
- \Box 2. Joshua 1-5
- $\Box 3. Psalms 1-2$
- □ 4. Job 1-2
- □ 5. Isaiah 1-6
- $\Box 6. \qquad \text{Matthew 1-2}$
- $\Box 7. \qquad \text{Romans } 1-2$
- $\Box 8. \qquad \text{Genesis 4-7}$
- □ 9. Joshua 6-10
- $\Box 10. \qquad \text{Psalms 3-5}$
- □ 11. Job 3-4
- □ 12. Isaiah 7-11
- $\square 13. \qquad \text{Matthew 3-4}$
- □ 14. Romans 3-4
- □ 15. Genesis 8-11
- □ 16. Joshua 11-15
- $\Box 17. \qquad \text{Psalms 6-8}$
- □ 18. Job 5-6
- □ 19. Isaiah 12-17
- $\square 20. \qquad \text{Matthew 5-7}$
- □ 21. Romans 5-6
- □ 22. Genesis 12-15
- □ 23. Joshua 16-20
- □ 24. Psalms 9-11
- □ 25. Job 7-8
- □ 26. Isaiah 18-22
- $\square 27. Matthew 8-10$
- □ 28. Romans 7-8
- □ 29. Genesis 16-19
- □ 30. Joshua 21-24
- □ 31. Psalms 12-14

READ THE BIBLE

FEBRUARY

- □ 1. Job 9-10
- □ 2. Isaiah 23-28
- □ 3. Matthew 11-13
- $\Box 4. \qquad \text{Romans 9-10}$
- □ 5. Genesis 20-23
- $\Box 6. \qquad Judges 1-6$
- □ 7. Psalms 15-17
- □ 8. Job 11-12
- □ 9. Isaiah 29-33
- $\square 10. \qquad \text{Matthew } 14\text{-}16$
- □ 11. Romans 11-12
- □ 12. Genesis 24-27
- □ 13. Judges 7-11
- □ 14. Psalms 18-20
- □ 15. Job 13-14
- □ 16. Isaiah 34-39
- □ 17. Matthew 17-19
- □ 18. Romans 13-14
- □ 19. Genesis 28-31
- □ 20. Judges 12-16
- □ 21. Psalms 21-23
- □ 22. Job 15-16
- □ 23. Isaiah 40-44
- □ 24. Matthew 20-22
- □ 25. Romans 15-16
- □ 26. Genesis 32-35
- □ 27. Judges 17-21
- □ 28. Psalms 24-26
- \square 29. No Reading

New Members 12.15.2019 Don and Judy Coppedge



Bob Collier Jim Gurr Jamila Coleman Jasmine Coleman Barbara Johnson **Diane Shelton** Betty Hubbard Sandra Amrhein Gensie McDonald **Teresa Herring Scott Phillips** Jason Newman Marcia Heinz Glenda Middleton Wayne Starling **Robert Humphrey**

Augustus & Mary Lakpor Peggy Newton Jeff Truitt Donna Stamm Cathy Wade Milton Shiver Jeff Denney Sharon Keyes Wally Curtiss Larry Hobgood Annie Zirkle Eric Fox and Family Shirley Blair Cade O'Brien & Family Laurie Scoggins & Family

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



Cooper Clickner 12/1/19



Faith & Luke Alewine 12/1/19



We currently have 1 prayer beeper out. We have updated the messages as follows:

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. Please pray for improved circulation and complete healing in her right leg. Also, she has a follow-up appointment with the plastic surgeon in January. 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.

WELCOME to our newest MEMBERS!



Don and Judy Coppedge 12/15/19



Arthur & Joyce Zerges 12/22/19



Jack & Terri Randall 12/29/19

UPCOMING EVENTS

January

February

- 1 New Year's Day
- 6 Gwinnett Co. Schools start back
- 12 Parent/Child Luncheon in FLC; Glory Gal's Luncheon in Chapel
- 26 Missions Committee Meeting in FLC Noon 2:00 pm; Youth Ice Skating 1:30 5:00 pm
- 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



"Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago." — Warren Buffett

- 9 Glory Gal's Luncheon in Chapel
- 22 Chili Cook-Off/Men's Bake-Off in FLC
- 24 Life Line Screening in FLC

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 **Thursday:** 7:30 pm Five Forks AA Meeting in Chapel Friday: 7:30 pm Five Forks AA Meeting in Chapel

This picture of our Wednesday night kitchen crew was taken on December 18. They prepare meals every week during the school year. Lots of planning, shopping and preparation goes into this ministry. The menu is published in the monthly newsletter, as well as the Sunday bulletin, so you will know when your favorite meal is coming up!



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