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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Back in the 1930's one of several cases that were called "Trial of the Century" occurred when the so-called Lindbergh Baby case went to court. Charles Lindbergh's infant child was kidnapped, and people everywhere could think or talk of little else. A smart-alecky reporter named H.L. Mencken wrote that it was "The Biggest Event Since the Resurrection." Sorry, but it wasn't. No earthly event could be. The Resurrection stands alone, gigantic, overwhelming everything else in its magnitude and importance! The only thing that will rival it is the Second Coming!

Jesus came once, most people, even the skeptics, agree. The New Testament affirms that He's coming back! Jesus himself said it, numerous times. It's all over the Gospels that He's returning. It's all through the Epistles. It's in Revelation. A huge % of the teaching that we receive in the NT has to do with the 2nd Coming of Christ. "Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him." (Hebrews 9:27-28) The 1st time He came, not many noticed. The 2nd time...it will not be possible NOT TO NOTICE!

I want to examine some of the great Bible teachings that we have on Jesus' 2nd Coming in our August message series. I encourage you now to get out your Bibles and read what it says. We find descriptions of the sights, the sounds, the things that will happen on that day. And we will find, most of all, that our Lord wants us to be ready. To be waiting. To be expectant. I pray you and I will be ready on that Day!

My love to you and your family--see you Sunday (unless Jesus returns!)--

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SERMON SERIES

Sunday Morning Message Series

"The Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ"

August 2: "All Will Witness His Coronation and Vindication", Revelation 1:7-18

August 9: "His Enemies Are Defeated", Revelation 19:11-21

August 16: "Life Triumphs Over Death", 1 Corinthians 15:19-26; 51-58

August 23: "He Will Gather His People", Mark 13:26-27

August 30: "Are You Ready?", Matthew

24:36-44

Wednesday Menu

Suspended Temporarily

In Person Services:

-Sunday School: 9:30 am for Adults & Teens

-Sunday Worship: 10:45 am

Online Services:

-Sunday Worship: 10:45 am

- Wednesday Night Music and a Message:

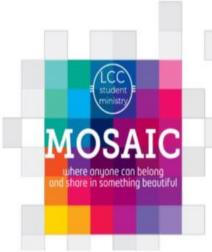
7:00 pm.





The LCC Mission team has been very busy during the Covid lockdown. We've been in contact with our missionaries and have been able to provide support to several of those missions who needed assistance such as the Lilburn Co-op and Mid India Church Partners during the worldwide lock down. Our Missions Team was finally able to meet in person on July 12th, and we have a few new members on the team, which has been very exciting. Our missionaries have been consistent with their communication. We hope everyone's able to read the updates from the church office about the missions we support.

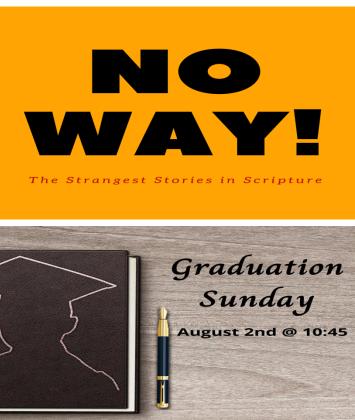
We're looking ahead to 2020 to possible new missions we can support. Through your continued financial support through tithes and offerings, we are able to share the Good News world -wide to those in desperate need of Jesus Christ, and for that we are truly thankful. We also ask that you continue to pray for all our missionaries. Many of them have had to rapidly adjust to new ways of reaching those in need and have been very successful in doing so. If you would like more information about missions, please email Jeff Stephens at jcs58@comcast.net.



The past several months have looked the same for many people. The same has been true for our student ministry. Every week, it's been Sunday School on Zoom, a weekly video lesson, Wednesday Small Groups on Zoom, and daily scripture videos. We are excited to be changing this up a little! We'll be meeting IN-PERSON for Sunday School! (That's at 9:30 am in the downstairs chapel. We'll be practicing social distancing and encouraging facemasks.) And, on August 9th, we'll hold our first event since February! On that day, all 6th-12th graders and their families are invited to join us after church in the FLC for a lunch during which we'll celebrate the arrival of some pretty cool students: rising 6th graders! RSVP with me by August 6th.

There is no pressure, and we completely understand if you choose to continue worshiping with us online. While Sunday School will be in-person, we'll continue to offer Zoom as an alternative way to participate. Since we have yet to resume youth group on Wednesday evenings, I'll continue to post a new video lesson every Tuesday (find them on our facebook and the youth page of LCC's website). Speaking of Wednesdays, because of the amount of time students will be spending in front of a screen, we will be taking a break from Small Groups on Zoom. In the meantime, follow us on facebook and Instagram, encourage your children to be engaged to the extent which you feel comfortable, and remember we are here for you! We love you and hope you'll continue to stay connected. Thanks! - Josh





Join us in honoring our 2020 high school & college graduates!

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July was full of many disappointments for our children, with church camp being canceled the day before it was set to begin and many schools announcing plans to go 100% online this upcoming semester. Even more disappointing, we decided it was not yet safe for our children to return to the KUC classrooms. I heard from many parents that they were not ready to drop their children off in the KUC. We listened and we understand. BUT, don't fret, Ashley Cox had a great idea to include parents and children together during the Sunday school hour.



faith in our children and in our homes.

Our adult and youth Sunday school classes resumed July 26th, and we want parents with KUC children to have somewhere to go. So, we are excited to announce that we will begin a Family Sunday School class in the FLC. Parents and their children will have a table to themselves (6ft apart from other tables), and we will have family activities, worship, lesson, and more! We hope this will be great opportunity for us to unite with parents to teach the children the ways of the Lord so that together we can better prepare to serve God's kingdom as a unified body. We also hope that we can equip parents by providing resources to help them continue teaching their children in their homes. Please be in prayer for this new opportunity!

We also want to encourage families to attend in person worship when they are ready. Don't let the fact that we don't have separate children's services discourage you from coming. We will even have some sermon notes pages for kids with clipboards to help follow along during the service. We love seeing families worship together!

Rising 6th graders: Mosaic began meeting in person for Sunday School on July 26th. We decided that was the best time for 6th graders to graduate to the Youth Group. Jeff and I will attend the Mosaic luncheon on August 9th to help honor them and celebrate! See Mosaic section for details.

For the online zoom meetings: With school starting, we will not be able to continue meeting on Tuesday afternoons. And since most kids are doing digital learning all day, I am thinking most won't want to be on the computer longer for the bible study. At this time, I am going to cancel the online zoom meetings but can reevaluate later if needed.

Other news:

We are planning to have an outdoor family movie night in September. Stay tuned for more details!





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Hosea 8-14

READ THE BIBLE IN THE NEW YEAR!

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

□ 1 .	Psalms 90-92	□ 1 .	John 10-12
□ 2 .	Proverbs 14-15	□ 2.	11 Timothy 1-2
□ 3.	Ezekiel 43-48	□ 3.	Numbers 13-16
□ 4.	John 1-2	□ 4.	1 Chronicles 20-24
□ 5 .	1 Thessalonians 4-5	□ 5 .	Psalms 105-107
□ 6.	Leviticus 25-27	□ 6.	Proverbs 22
□ 7 .	1 Chronicles 1-4	□ 7 .	Joel
□ 8.	Psalms 93-95	□ 8.	John 13-15
□ 9.	Proverbs 16	□ 9 .	11 Timothy 3-4
□ 10 .	Daniel 1-6	□ 10 .	Numbers 17-20
□ 11 .	John 3-4	□ 11 .	1 Chronicles 25-29
□ 12 .	11 Thessalonians	□ 12 .	Psalms 108-110
□ 13.	Numbers 1-4	□ 13.	Proverbs 23-24
□ 14 .	1 Chronicles 5-9	□ 14 .	Amos 1-4
□ 15 .	Psalms 96-98	□ 15.	John 16-18
□ 16 .	Proverbs 17-18	□ 16.	Titus
□ 17 .	Daniel 7-12	□ 17 .	Numbers21-24
□ 18.	John 5-6	□ 18.	11 Chronicles 1-5
□ 19 .	1 Timothy 1-3	□ 19.	Psalms 111-113
□ 20 .	Numbers 5-8	□ 20 .	Proverbs 25
□ 21 .	1 Chronicles 10-14	□ 21.	Amos 5-9
□ 22 .	Psalms 99-101	□ 22 .	John 19-21
□ 23.	Proverbs 19	□ 23.	Philemon
□ 24 .	Hosea 1-7	□ 24.	Numbers 25-28
□ 25.	John 7-9	□ 25.	11 Chronicles 6-10
□ 26 .	1 Timothy 4-6	□ 26.	Psalms 114-116
□ 27 .	Numbers 9-12	□ 27.	Proverbs 26-27
□ 28.	1 Chronicles 15-19	□ 28.	Obadiah
□ 29 .	Psalms 102-104	□ 29.	Acts 1-2
□ 30.	Proverbs 20-21	□ 30.	Hebrews 1-4

FREE



SATURDAY, AUG. 15 8:00 am—2:00 pm

We need Volunteers and Donations.

Sign up in the Foyer to Volunteer.

LCC will be holding an outdoor community outreach giving you the opportunity to serve for our church and give back to the community.

We will be collecting "GOOD CONDITION" items (NO CLOTHES). These items will be given away to our community to those in need. Items will be stored in the gym until the event.

We also will be collecting <u>non-expired</u>

non-perishable things like:

Dry Goods (16 oz. bags or boxes of Rice)

Paper Items

Canned Goods (make sure they haven't

expired)

Cleaning Supplies

Old and New Bibles

Back Packs

Diapers (18 count)

Wipes (100 count)

Medical Supplies

Tools (i.e. yard tools)

Hand Soap & Sanitizers

Cat/Dog Food & Treats

Hygiene Items

Large Items (i.e. furniture)

And More

To get ready for this Free Yard Sale, we need

the following volunteers:

Traffic Control people

Tents

Masks

Shopping Bags

People to work at the tables to answer any questions

People to set up and take down



Jim Gurr
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
Terri Randall
Andre Osuna
Mozelle Lewis
Faye Clickner
Trish Elkins
Peggy Newton
Janet Curtiss
Brandon Cooper
Loetta Benton
Eric Alewine

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



As part of our preparations for re-opening LCC's sanctuary for worship, we had a team of ladies who spent several weeks making re-usable, washable face masks for our congregation. When items were in short supply they got pretty resourceful. They used cotton fabric, T-shirts, elastic, ribbon, pipe cleaners, shoe laces, and plastic toggles. They willingly shared what they had. They purchased items, delivered and/or picked supplies, as well as the finished face masks from each other. Beyond the effort to make face masks for LCC members. several of these ladies made



hundreds of masks for family. friends, neighbors, and patients that were given out during the COVID-19 quarantine. On Sunday, June 21st we were ready with over 200 face masks for distribution. A variety of styles were used including pleated, flat-fold, and N-95 covers. The face masks were sorted, sized and placed in small Ziploc bags. Our greeters were in place in the fover to make sure anyone who needed a face mask had access to one. We are blessed to have so many willing hearts and hands here at LCC.



LCC Prayer Wall

We appreciate all of our prayer warriors who used the prayer beepers in the past. Since we have access to newer technology, we encourage you to use the Prayer Wall available on our website. To submit a prayer request, just click on the Create prayer request button. After you enter your information about the prayer request, you have the option to choose how you want the prayer request shared (Public Visibility}, as well as anonymity. Please take a moment to read the existing prayer requests and respond by clicking on the 'Praying Hands' icon. There is also an option to share the prayer request or email the person who submitted it.

UPCOMING TENTATIVE EVENTS

August

- 2 Graduation Sunday
- 9 Prayer for Students & Teachers; KUC Family Sunday School begins at 9:30 am.
- 11 Election Run-Off
- 12 Gwinnett Co. Schools start back online
- 15 Free Yard Sale, 8:00 am 2:00 pm

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