

To say that Jesus was not the kind of Messiah people of His day were looking for would be an understatement. He was kind, and thoughtful. He didn't shout (except on a couple of special occasions), and he didn't carry any weapons Himself, nor mobilize any others who did. Instead

of planning for a battle, he said, "Turn the other cheek." And, in the end, instead of force, He allowed others to arrest Him and have their way with Him. In fact, before He was arrested, put on trial, beaten, mocked, and killed, he *predicted* that He would be! He began to teach about it and more and more forcefully and pointedly as time went on.

I went through the Gospels looking at all the different times Jesus spoke of His impending death and was struck by the fact that He used the word "Must" a lot. As in, "From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things..."(Matthew 16:21) Must! He was a Man on a mission! Must! He knew the way things would play out before they did. Must! There were things about His death that were...essential. Central. Crucial! He wasn't merely to die, but there were things about His death that Had to happen the way they did, that He *intended* to happen that way! Crucial. Have you ever thought about that word? It means, "decisive or critical, especially in the success or failure of something." Similar words: pivotal, critical, key, decisive, deciding, determining. Crucial! But there is more. "Crucial" has its Latin origin in the word crux, which means..."cross"! Yes! Important! Vital! Crucial! It was Crucial for Jesus to go to the Cross, and even that contained "musts"! When Jesus said He must suffer, He went on to say "and that He must be killed"(also Matt. 16:21). Jesus uttered "must" many times in connection with His teaching about His going to the Cross. Let's plan to study some of these crucial "Musts" during the next several Sundays as we near Easter in April!

Much love to you and your family! Thanks for being a part of LCC! I look forward to worshiping with you during these exciting days–

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Sunday Messages in 2022

"Crucial Musts From Jesus" Easter 2022 Messages

- Mar 6: "A Death for Me, Too", Matthew 16:22-25
- Mar 13: "A Death That Can Save Any and All", John 10:11, 16-18
- Mar 20: "A Death That Draws Any and All", John 12:23, 32-34
- Mar 27: "A Death That Shows Us How to Love", John 13:31-38

Wednesday Menu

# MARCH 2 Poppyseed Chicken 9 Chicken Tenders 16 Shepherd's Pie 23 Vegetable Beef Soup 30 Hamburgers & Hot Dogs

We encourage you and your family to check out our activities on Wednesdays and make them a part of your week! We have a meal at 5:45 pm, Children's and Youth activities at 6:30 pm, and Choir and Orchestra rehearsal, also at 6:30 pm. Adults have a Bible study at 7 pm. We invite you to join us.

Missions Spotlight





Please remember this important ministry for the month of March. There are four Asian country's that CRAM supports: Cambodia, Philippines, North Korea and China. They evangelize and meet the physical needs of people living in the communist countries of Asia. Through God's amazing grace and guidance, He has expanded those opportunities and Christ Reaching Asia Mission (CRAM) Worldwide now shares through benevolent works in these countries. They work along side Missionaries Sang Ho and Lisa Kim, who serve specifically in the Philippines. They also started a campaign called "Boat Kids Club" to save the children of Bacoor by establishing a child sponsorship program. Please pray for this ministry and how God is using this team on those regions.

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# The New Logo for Thrive:

Check out the new logo for Thrive. One of our youth leaders just so happens to be artistic as well. Thank you to Christian Hartnett for all his hard work. The Hartnett family have been a blessing to this youth group in a big way.

We have the name "Thrive" in a cool font.

The "i" represents a growing tree. That's my desire for our youth group. That they grow in their relationship with Christ.

The "t" represents the cross, by which we all have the opportunity to have that close one-on-one relationship with our creator.

We will have some t-shirts made so that every student has one to wear and give them an opportunity to talk to their friends about what it means.

# North Georgia Christian Camp registration:

Faith Alewine is helping to keep track of who has signed up for camp.

A big "THANK YOU" to Faith for her willingness to step up and assist in this way.

If you are interested in sending your child or grandchild to camp, or if you want to help sponsor a child, please reach out to Faith at 404-790-1058.

We want every child to have the opportunity to go so if you are in need of financial assistance, please let us know.

Alex Aleman Youth Pastor



Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church

"GODS VOICE THUMDERS IM MANELOUS WAYS: HE DOES GREAT THINGS PEYOND OUR UMDERSTANDING"		
MARCH 2ND THEME: "BIG AND SMALL"	LESSON 1: WE ARE SMALL, BUT GOD IS BIG JOB 1:1, 2:1-10; PSALM 8	
MARCH 9TH THEME: "BIG AND SMALL"	LESSON 2: GOD LISTENS WHEN WE HAVE BIG FEELINGS JOB 23:1-7; HEBREWS 4:15-16	
MARCH 16TH THEME: "BIG AND SMALL"	LESSON 3: GOD SEES THE BIG PICTURE JOB 38:1-7; 34-41; ISAIAH 53:4-12	
MARCH 23RD THEME: "BIG AND SMALL"	LESSON 4: NO PROBLEM IS TOO SMALL FOR GOD JOB 42: 1-6; 10-17; MARK 10:46-52	
MARCH 30TH THEME: "BIG AND SMALL"	LESSON 5: WE CAN BE A BIG HELP IN SMALL WAYS JOB 2:11-13; PSALM 146	
EACH CHILD WILL GET TO VISIT "THE STORE" TO REDEEM THE POINTS TH EARN F	EY'VE EARNED FOR SPECIAL ITEMS THEY CHOOSE. HERE IS HOW KIDS CA POINTS:	
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# Read Thru the Bible

# MARCH

- 1 Numbers 5-6, Mark 6:30-52
- 2 Numbers 7, Mark 6:53-7:23
- 3 Numbers 8, Mark 7:24-37
- 4 Numbers 9-10, Mark 8:1-21
- 5 Numbers 11-12, Mark 8:22-38
- 6 Numbers 13-14, Mark 9:1-29
- 7 Numbers 15, Mark 9:30-50
- 8 Numbers 16-17, Mark 10:1-22
- 9 Numbers 18-20, Mark 10:23-45
- 10 Numbers 21:1-22:21, Mark 10:46-11:11
- 11 Numbers 22:22-24:25, Mark 11:12-23
- 12 Numbers 25-26, Mark 12:1-17
- 13 Numbers 27-28, Mark 12:18-44
- 14 Numbers 29-30, Mark 13:1-23
- 15 Numbers 31-32, Mark 13:24-14:9
- 16 Numbers 33, Mark 14:10-31
- 17 Numbers 34-36, Mark 14:32-52
- 18 Deut. 1, Mark 14:53-72
- 19 Deut. 2-3, Mrak 15:1-23
- 20 Deut. 4, Mark 15:24-47
- 21 Deut 5-6, Mark 16
- 22 Deut. 7-9, Luke 1:1-17
- 23 Deut. 10-11, Luke 1:18-38
- 24 Deut. 12-13, Luke 1:39-66
- 25 Deut. 14:1-16:8, Luke 1:67-2:7
- 26 Deut. 16:9-19:21, Luke 2:8-35
- 27 Deut. 20-22, Luke 2:36-52
- 28 Deut. 23-25, Luke 3:1-20
- 29 Deut. 26-27, Luke 3:21-38
- 30 Deut. 28, Luke 4:1-30
- 31 Deut. 29:1-31:8, Luke 4:31-44

# APRIL

- 1 Deut. 31:9-32:52, Luke 5:1-26
- 2 Deut. 33-34, Luke 5:27-6:5
- 3 Joshua 1-4, Luke 6:6-26
- 4 Joshua 5-7, Luke 6:27-49
- 5 Joshua 8-9, Luke 7:1-23
- 6 Joshua 10-11, Luke 7:24-50
- 7 Joshua 12-13, Luke 8:1-21
- 8 Joshua 14-15, Luke 8:22-40
- 9 Joshua 16-18, Luke 8:41-9:11
- 10 Joshua 19-20, Luke 9:12-36
- 11 Joshua 21-22, Luke 9:37-62
- 12 Joshua 23-24, Luke 10:1-16
- 13 Judges 1-2, Luke 10:17-37
- 14 Judges 3-4, Luke 10:38-11:14
- 15 Judges 5-6, Luke 11:15-36
- 16 Judges 7-8, Luke 11:37-12:12
- 17 Judges 9-10, Luke 12:13-34
- 18 Judges 11-12, Luke 12:35539
- 19 Judges 13-15, Luke 13:1-17
- 20 Judges 16-18, Luke 13:18-35
- 21 Judges 19-20, Luke 14:1-24
- 22 Judges 21, Luke 14:25-15:7
- 23 Ruth 1-4, Luke 15:8-32
- 24 1 Samuel 1-2, Luke 16:1-17
- 25 1 Samuel 3-5, Luke 16:18-17:10
- 26 1 Samuel 6-8, Luke 17:11-37
- 27 1 Samuel 9-11, Luke 18:1-17
- 28 1 Samuel 12:1-14:23, Luke 18:18-43
- 29 1 Samuel 14:24-15:35, Luke 19:1-27
- 30 1 Samuel 16-17, Luke 19:28-48

#### **Our February Fellowship was Fantastic.**

LCC members showed up and brought food. It was a pleasure to cook for our friends and community again!

Chili winners were Jason Newman for Hottest Chili and Carrie Aleman and Dixie Grimm for Best All Around Chili.

Staff winners were Dwayne with 35 years of service and Alex with his first year in ministry at LCC We are proud of both these men!

Faith Alewine was a winner as well with her organization skill, as she put this event together.

We are looking forward to many more fellowship opportunities



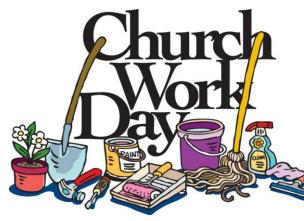












March 26 9:00 am - Noon



**REHIARGED Adult Singles** 

Sometimes our life "batteries" get run down. Life events, age, illness, etc., all work to deplete our "batteries". We can plug into a new power source and "recharge" when we spend time with friends, read our Bibles, or even do some fun things. Thus, the name for our new adult singles group - "**Recharged**".

By connecting with each other, we gain strength and encouragement to help each other have lives of joy that give glory to God. Sometimes, we can be a source of power for someone else; sometimes we can find a friend that recharges us when we need it; and sometimes just doing something fun can give us the power we need to get through a stressful day.

We have a fun schedule planned that will reach most of our interests. But we know not everyone will want to participate in every event. However, sometimes getting out of our comfort zones may "recharge" our batteries. Participation is, of course, up to each individual, but you will know that others we've become closer to will be there to provide strength and encouragement at every activity.

Any questions? Contact Karen Trockmorton, Rosie Bengtson, Bill Michael, Marilyn Nelson or Beverly Miles.

#### **Recharged (Adult Singles) Calendar of Events**

Note: Watch for information in upcoming newsletter, email and the church bulletin. We will have sign-up sheets for each event as the year progresses.

Month	Date / Time	Event
April	4/22 (Friday daytime)	Road trip to Gibbs Garden
May	5/20 (Friday evening)	Hosting LCC potluck and game night in FLC
June	6/4 (Saturday evening)	Gwinnett Stripers game at Coolray Field
July	To be determined	Stone Mountain Park fireworks & laser show
August	To be determined	Live theater production
September	No special event planned	Due to LCC 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Homecoming
October	10/7 (Friday all day)	Biblical History Center in Lagrange, GA
November	No special event planned	Due to LCC Thanksgiving, etc
December	To be determined	Christmas party or Christmas project



The Leadership Planning Team of "Recharged" (our newly formed singles group) has started a service project for Berkmar High School Care Closet until the end of the school year. The Care Closet accepts food and hygiene products and makes them available to students discreetly at designated times during the week. It has operated successfully for several years. Please bring donations to LCC on Sundays, Wednesday and/or to any "Recharged" event.

Note: there is a plastic tub in the foyer designated for Berkmar Care Closet next to the one for Berkmar Track team's water, Gatorade and Granola Bars.

The "Recharged" leadership team will be responsible for delivering items to Berkmar's front office.

Here are some items currently needed:

ToothpasteBars of SoapRamen NoodlesPeanut ButterJellyIndividual CerealLaundry Detergent (individual pods, please)Canned Chicken, Tuna, Chili (Note: canned items should have pop-top/easy open lids)Canned Soups - excluding Chicken Noodle (Note: canned items should have pop-top/easy open lids)

Our church already has a relationship with Berkmar through providing meals for the football team and snacks for the track team during their seasons. This new ministry will involve our church in yet another meaningful way in the community.

Any questions: please contact Karen Throckmorton



# March

- 13 CY Kim will be at LCC
- 13 Mainstreet Symphony Orchestra (MSSSO) Concert at LCC at 4:00 pm
- 26 LCC Work Day 9 am 12 pm

# April

- 4-8 Spring Break
- 10 Palm Sunday, Easter Program
- 14 Disciples Communion Service at 7:00 pm
- 17 Easter Sunday, Directory Photos Taken
- 24 Directory Photos Make Up Day

### Wednesday Night Program

We plan to resume meals and Wednesday night programs on Jan. 12!

6:30-8:00 pm: Choir and Orchestra rehearsal
6:30-8:00 pm: Middle and High School Youth activities
6:30-8:00 pm: Children's Activities (drop off is 6:30 pm; activities begin at 6:45 am)
7:00-8:00 pm: Adult Bible study
7:00-8:00 pm: Small Group for 20's, 30's, and 40's



Barbara Johnson Teresa Herring Loetta Benton Linda Proctor Glenda Middleton The Cregger Family Joe Renshaw Donna Anderson Mary Fuschetto Art Zerges Betty Hubbard Randy Allen Jaime Gordillo Celia Renshaw Family of Betty Watkins Marcia Heinz





Marilyn Nelson 2/6/22

# Berkmar High School Track & Field Outreach

As we extend our outreach to Berkmar High School, LCC is serving students on the Track & Field Team. Thank you in advance for supporting this great ministry.

# What You Need to Know:

•Church members help provide water, Gatorade, and granola snacks throughout the season, which begins Thursday, February 10. Donations of these items can be delivered throughout the season. They can be dropped off in the foyer or the FLC.

Fresh fruit will be purchased on a weekly basis.
Need members to deliver fresh fruit for track meets. If you have an interest in making deliveries, please sign-up in the foyer.

•There will be a brief meeting for those who want to deliver Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> after church in the classroom next to the foyer. •The track season ends on May 14th.

•There are 50 members on the Berkmar Track Team.

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