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# **MINISTER'S MESSAGE**

We are thankful as a congregation to welcome Peter Rasor to LCC as our new Associate Minister. We approved the creation of this position a year ago, and we've had a search team at work ever since. Our plan has been to find someone who could help us minister more effectively to young adults and help us strengthen our ministry in the community as well. We believe Peter can help us do that. And, he is strong in teaching and preaching, and we look forward to him making a difference in that area, too. And, it may be that when I get to retirement that Peter will become the next preacher at LCC.

But let's not get ahead of ourselves! For now, let's get ready for his coming. Let's all pledge to pray and support him and his family, and work together with him, to help our congregation be all that our Lord has called us to be! Let's all welcome him and Jennifer and their daughters when they come.



### Read Through the Bible in 2023!

What a great goal that would be for all of those who love the Lord! There are many ways to do this, and we encourage you to choose one, and enjoy it! One way to do it: we have Bible Reading Cards available in the Foyer! In February, I plan to begin a new series of messages based on Jesus' last seven words from the Cross. These words have always been precious to believers, and the older I get, the more precious they become to me. I imagine that's true for you, too. I think it is important that, as we study these words from Christ that we picture Him saying these things not only to a crowd surrounding the Cross on Golgotha 2000 years ago, but that we actually hear Him saying these things...to us!

Each one is a special message. "Father, forgive them...today you will be with me in paradise...son, behold your mother...my God, my God, why have You forsaken me?...I am thirsty...it is finished...into Your hands I commit my spirit." Each phrase communicates deep and powerful truths. Each tells us a lot about Jesus...and a lot about the magnitude of His affection for us and just how far He would go to communicate that to us! I hope each of you will be here all seven weeks of this series!

Thanks for your prayers for me and for LCC! God bless you and your family—see you Sunday—

Tony

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# SERMON SERIES

New Sermon Sunday Series for 2023

Sermon Series: "I Am"

**Feb 5**: "I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life", John 14:5-10 Alex Aleman, preaching

**Feb 12**: "I Am the True Vine", John 15:1-8

Sermon Series: "7 Words from the Cross from Jesus to You"

**Feb 19**: "Even Your Guilt", Luke 23:34

Feb 26: "He Will Remember You",

Luke 23:39-43

# Wednesday Menu

### **FEBRUARY**

- 1 Chili Mac, Cobblers & Ice Cream
- 8 Hamburgers & Hot Dogs, Ice Cream Sundaes
- 15 Poppyseed Chicken, Red Cakes
- 22 Tacos, Brownies & Ice Cream

### Missions Spotlight







BREAD EMORY

Bread Coffeehouse on the campus of Emory University in Atlanta, GA.



BREAD OXFORD

Bread Coffeehouse for the campus of Oxford College in Oxford, GA.



BREAD KENNESAW

Bread Coffeehouse for the campus of Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw,

BREAD now has a new location with students at Kennesaw University who are welcome! BREAD provides fun, treats, and drinking good coffee while telling great stories about putting love into action! BREAD will have the opportunity to get involved ranging from free food to service opportunities and small groups to leadership teams. Being a supportive presence on campus and at athletic events, they want to be a safe community for everyone. This is a new chapter for BREAD. They now have three campus': Kennesaw, Emory and Oxford, but they are very connected in terms of their mission and goals of providing a Christian atmosphere for those students who seek it. Please pray for this ministry and the outreach they're providing to students who need a Christian organization now more than ever. Bread Coffeehouse exists to create thriving, inclusive communities for college students who change their world with love as they become followers of Christ.

If you have students who attend one of these colleges, please encourage them to get involved. There are also Christian ministries at UGA and GA Tech.



### Recharged (Adult Singles)

The Recharged (Adult Singles) Group has kicked off the year with two January events! On January 15<sup>th</sup>, we went to lunch at Athens Kouzzina, a Greek restaurant at Sugarloaf Mills. Then, we went to the AMC movie theater next door and saw "A Man Called Otto". On January 24<sup>th</sup>, we had a special guest (our new associate minister, Peter) join us for lunch at the original Chick-fil-A Dwarf House location in Hapeville, GA and a backstage tour of the Chick-fil-A Support Center in Atlanta. We really enjoyed our great tour guide and the chance to get to know Peter.

### Next on our schedule:

Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>: We are going to **On Stage Walton** in Monroe, GA to see "Smoke on the Mountain". This play tells the hilarious and heartwarming story of a Saturday Night Gospel Sing at a country church in North Carolina's Smoky Mountains in 1938. The sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Tickets are \$10.00 (it's Ten-Dollar Tuesday!). We will be ordering tickets on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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

Note: We have some great outings coming up this year. Watch for information in upcoming newsletters, emails and the church bulletins.







#### **LCC Welcomes New Members**

We rejoice in the decision that John and Nita Spindler and their children have made to come and be a part of our LCC congregation! John, Nita, Alicia, Isabella, Jesse, and Mimzy come as baptized believers in Christ, and we encourage everyone to extend them a warm welcome. The Spindlers have already been involved in serving the Lord here, and we look forward to getting to know them better.



John, Nita, Alicia, Isabella, Jesse & Mimzy Spindler 01/25/2023

#### LCC Welcomes New Associate Minister

We're thankful to announce that LCC has extended a call to Dr. Peter Rasor to become our Associate Minister and are grateful that he and his wife Jennifer and their family will soon be with us. Peter comes from a strong academic background and with much experience in ministry too. He is currently a professor at a University in Arizona, and the plan is for him to be here with us full time in March, with his family joining him and us here in May or June. Peter and Jennifer have 4 daughters, Samantha (20), Alyssa (17), Leah (15), and Gloria (9). We look forward to the Rasor's beginning their ministry with us at LCC!



### **February**

- Welcome Class covered dish luncheon after the service in the Chapel.
- 12 Young adults (20-40 year olds) luncheon in the Chapel after the service. Sign up in the Foyer.

### March

- 18 LCC Work Day 9 am Noon
- 19 Mainstreet Concert in the Sanctuary at 6:00 pm



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