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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

It's difficult to believe that I have been serving as the Senior Minister of Lilburn Christian Church for two years! How time flies! My passion and love for the ministry and the church has only grown since I've been here, and I am looking forward to what God has in store for us in the future. It has been a good experience traveling the road of life with you!

As I continue my ministry alongside you, the primary objective, or goal, remains the same: make disciples. As we have learned in a variety of venues (sermon series, Wednesday studies, and home groups), a disciple is a learner, a student, an apprentice. This learning takes place in two primary ways: in learning the truths of the faith once for all delivered to the saints (Jude 3) and in learning how to live as Christ. In other words, a disciple is a student of mind and action.

That a disciple of Jesus is a student of mind and action is seen throughout all of Scripture. The Apostle Paul states it well in Romans 12:1-2 (NASB):

"Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

Notice what Paul says first: we are to present our bodies as "a living and holy sacrifice". This is a command for us to live our lives selflessly for the Lord. Do we put Jesus first? Do we sacrifice ourselves for the Lord every day?

The second main command is to "be transformed by the renewing of your mind". This is a clear statement that we are to be studying and filling our minds with the knowledge of God and his will. Are we doing this?

The eldership is committed to equipping the disciples of LCC to live their lives as a holy sacrifice and to renewing their minds. We consistently and feverishly provide opportunities to study God's Word and to serve our community and one another. We provide, and will

provide more, opportunities to practice spiritual disciplines to strengthen our faith and relationship with Christ. We provide and will continue to provide more opportunities for gaining knowledge.

But here is an important question for all of us: are you going to take advantage of these opportunities? We need to recommit ourselves daily to being a disciple of Jesus. This is not really a question of "how much more will you do?" It is the question, "Do you really love Jesus?"

Recall James 2:26: "For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead." If we have genuine belief, trust, and confidence in Jesus Christ, then we ought to have a desire to get to know and act like him better. This leads naturally to taking advantage of studying God's word, service activities with the church, and the fruit of the Spirit. If you do not have the desire for these things and no works to show for it, then perhaps you may want to ask yourself if you really have faith.

As a test to see where you are presently as a disciple, ask yourself a few questions. "If I had the choice between studying God's Word and playing music, what would I do?" "If I had the choice between serving and helping someone in need and playing golf, what would I choose?" "If I had the opportunity to gain knowledge of God's will but it was lunch time, which would I do?" Answers to such questions should shed light on areas we can work on in our discipleship for the Lord. May we all grow in the grace and knowledge of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ!

Your Friend and Minister,
Dr. Pete



As the school year comes to an end, I am reminded of who was with me when I started my adventure as youth pastor here at LCC.

Aaron Alewine was one of my original Thrive members. He always greets me with a big bear hug and a smile on his face.

He loves to learn and loves to participate in what we are doing. His heart for Christ is amazing. He cares about God's word and what it says about life. I will greatly miss him in Thrive next year, but I am very proud of the young man that he has become.

I am looking forward to our new arrivals this coming school year. I anticipate all that God is going to do in Thrive throughout the summer and in the coming year. Please pray for our teens as we continue to learn from God's word and submit to the Holy Spirit in all that we do.

Alex Aleman
Youth Pastor

Congratulations to our
2025 High School & College Graduates:
Aaron Alewine, Marissa Ammons, Lindsey
Benavides, Christian Garcia, Abbe
Standridge & Emma Walsh.



Colossians 1:13-14- "For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption the forgiveness of sins."

Do you know the difference between "dominion" and "kingdom"? A dominion is just a small part of a kingdom, ruled over by a lesser lord. God's kingdom is so much bigger than the "dominion of darkness" that seems to overwhelm us. But, praise God! He has the victory over Satan! He is the Light that has overcome the darkness! Satan's dominion is small compared to the Kingdom of our great God!

What an EGGSTROARDINARY time we had at our Easter Eggstravaganza! We doubled our attendance from last year, with approximately 100 people attending! I thank God for each and every person who helped out in any way. I couldn't do any of this without my faithful church family.

VBS is June 1-5, with our 2nd annual swim party at Bethesda Aquatic Center on Saturday, June 7. Several people signed up for VBS at our Easter Eggstravaganza. Slowly, we are building relationships with our families, and they are trusting us to teach their kids about Jesus. There is nothing greater in all of the world than to have the privilege of sharing the good news of Jesus Christ!





North GA Christian Camp recently had an anonymous donor offer to match all donations to support projects at the camp, so the LCC Missions team jumped on this opportunity! Funds were donated to help with various projects around the camp.

NOW is the time to sign your child up for a spot at camp! There are various different types of camp offered and depending on age, various days. Camp is a life changing experience, so please don't let your child miss out on this!

As we go through the summer, please pray for the safety of all the campers. Pray that decisions will be made for Jesus. Also pray for the workers, Deans, nurses who are there for the week.

If you are interested in helping with camp or signing your child up for camp, connect with them through the church

website: www.lilburnchristianchurch.org/missions



Rehearsal

Wednesdays: We rehearse in the sanctuary on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

Sunday Mornings: We rehearse from 9:00 – 9:30 am.

Music Happenings:

We had a great group from LCC playing with Main Street and also some who came out to support us on Friday, May 23rd. Thank you.

Sunday, May 25th we had a wonderful day of worshipping the Lord as well as publicly honoring the brave men & women who sacrificed their lives in the armed services. It's so wonderful that we live in a country that is still FREE to gather and worship Jesus Christ.

June - We WILL be having choir & orchestra rehearsal during the week of VBS. It is understandable that some will miss rehearsal if they are serving in VBS, but if you are not serving in VBS, please join us in choir & orchestra in our regular rehearsal and fellowship 6:30-8:00pm.

Sunday, July 27th - The "Call Time" is 3:30pm for the revival at Antioch Christian Church in Watkinsville. More details will come later.

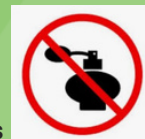
Thank you to our all choir & orchestra members who faithfully lead us in worship each Sunday and diligently rehearse Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings.

Many thanks goes to our entire tech team ministry who is responsible for the videos, the live stream, the sound, and the words on the screen. We truly rely on you in so many ways. Thank you.

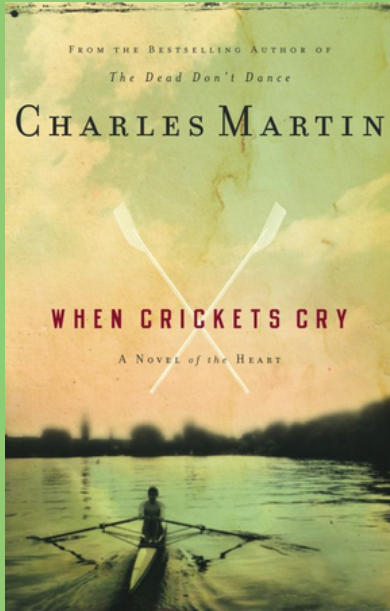
Please remember that we are a

FRAGRANCE FREE group.

Please do not wear scented lotions, perfumes, essential oils, or colognes to rehearsal and worship.



Ministry at Work! So very proud of our Brass and Winds joining in with MSSO for our Concert at Suwanee Park, Friday, May 23, 7:00. Thank you, Randy, Kathy, Anne, Elizabeth, Ann, Jack, Dennis, Diana, Midori, Huck, and Shirley, for being there.



B.A.S.H.
(Book and Salad Hour)

July 8, 2025
6:30 pm

Sign-up in the Foyer

GAL'S GET-AWAY **AUGUST** **15-17, 2025**

FOREST HILLS
MOUNTAIN RESORT
DAHLONGEGA, GA
(HOT TUBS, POOL AND MORE)

COST: \$300 PER PERSON
INCLUDES 2 NIGHT'S LODGING AND 4
MEALS. SATURDAY IS FREE TIME SO
YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN FOR LUNCH.

DEPOSIT SCHEDULE:
\$100 DEPOSIT DUE BY APRIL 27,
\$100 DEPOSIT DUE BY JUNE 8,
\$100 DEPOSIT DUE BY JULY 13.

DEPOSITS CAN BE PLACED IN THE
ENVELOPE PROVIDED NEAR THE SIGN-UP
SHEET OR GIVEN TO A GET-AWAY TEAM
MEMBER.

PLEASE SIGN-UP IN THE FOYER.





Recharged (Adult Singles)

Recharged (Single Adult Group) was started at LCC several years ago. It was at a difficult time in my life that I found myself single by widowhood. Through this group, I made some new friends and became closer to longtime friends.

The name 'Recharged' was based on this:

When a flashlight grows dim or quits working, do you just throw it away?

Of course not! You change the batteries.

When a person messes up or finds themselves in a dark place, do you cast them aside?

Of course not! You help them change their batteries.

Some need AA... Attention and Affection.

Some need AAA... Attention, Affection and Acceptance.

Some need C... Compassion.

Some need D... Direction.

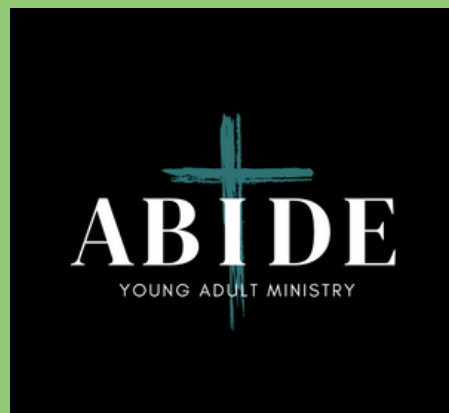
And if they don't seem to shine...simply sit with them quietly and share your light.

The Recharged leadership team has agreed that the Recharged group has come to its final chapter, and it's time to close the book.

So, this is the end. Thanks for the memories!!!

I also want to thank all of the team members, Karen Throckmorton, Beverly Miles and Bill Michael.

Rosie Bengtson



What a terrific series we finished on The Beatitudes. This led to some deeper discussions on the type of follower God wants to make of us. In light of The Beatitudes and the Fruit of the Spirit that we have as followers, a very probing question was asked, "Do those who don't follow Christ see a difference in us who do? If not, why not?" We will begin a new series that will take us to the Summer break in July. The series is named "Every Thought Captive: How the renewing of your mind can change your Life" by Kyle Idleman.

There are some new events in the works such as movie nights, games and some other fun activities. One in the works, which will be a more regular event, is called "On the Deck". The details aren't completely worked out, however, it promises to be both fun and inspirational. It will also be a way to reach out to new young adults through friendships, as well as people we've just met. If you know of a young adult who would like to join in, please send them to Abide on Wednesday evenings.





June

- 1-5 True North VBS 6:00 - 8:30 pm.
- 07 Free all church event after VBS at the Bethesda Aquatic Center, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.
- 09 Prayer meeting 7:00 - 8:00 pm
- 22 BBQ Bash & Bingo @ 5:00 pm in the FLC

July

Wednesday night activities and meals are suspended until August 6.

- 04 Independence Day Holiday
- 08 Ladies B.A.S.H. (Book and Salad Hour) at 6:30 pm. We will be discussing the book "When Crickets Cry" by Charles Martin.

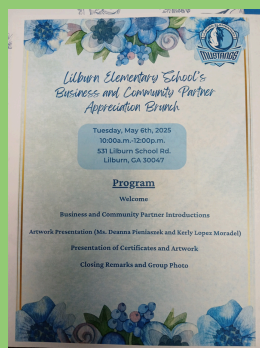
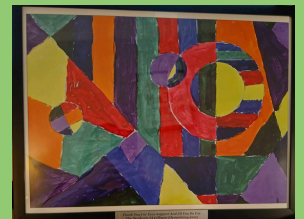


Prayer Requests

- Linda Proctor
- Glenda Middleton
- Dennis & Marcia Heinz
- Richard Walker
- Ron & Carol Hill
- Richard Blankenship
- Janet Curtiss
- Harold Holcombe
- JoeAnn Toney
- Pam & Steve Straughan & Family
- Bobby Roberts
- Teresa Elias



Lilburn Elementary invited Melissa and Yvonne Daniellr to an appreciation Luncheon where they were presented with an appreciation certificate and a painting that was designed and painting by one of the 5th grade students.





BIBLE READING PLAN



NEVER UNDERESTIMATE
THE POWER OF THE
BIBLE.

June 2025

- 1 Psalm 3; 2 Samuel 15-16; Ps 70-71
- 2 2 Samuel 17-18; 2 John 1; Psalm 86
- 3 2 Samuel 19; 3 John 1; Psalm 34
- 4 2 Samuel 20-21; 1 Corinthians 1
- 5 2 Samuel 22; Psalm 144; 1 Cor 2
- 6 2 Samuel 23-24; 1 Corinthians 3
- 7 1 Kings 1; 1 Corinthians 4
- 8 1 Kings 2-3; 1 Corinthians 5
- 9 1 Kings 4-5; 1 Corinthians 6
- 10 1 Kings 6; 1 Corinthians 7
- 11 1 Kings 7; 1 Corinthians 8
- 12 1 Kings 8; 1 Corinthians 9
- 13 1 Kings 9-10; 1 Corinthians 10
- 14 1 Kings 11; 1 Corinthians 11
- 15 1 Kings 12-13; 1 Corinthians 12
- 16 1 Kings 14-15; 1 Corinthians 13
- 17 1 Kings 16; 1 Corinthians 14
- 18 1 Kings 17; 1 Corinthians 15
- 19 1 Kings 18-19; 1 Corinthians 16
- 20 1 Kings 20; Mark 1
- 21 Psalm 94; 1 Kings 21; Mark 2
- 22 1 Kings 22; 2 Kings 1; Mark 3
- 23 2 Kings 2-3; Mark 4
- 24 2 Kings 4; Mark 5
- 25 2 Kings 5; Mark 6
- 26 2 Kings 6; Mark 7
- 27 2 Kings 7-8; Mark 8
- 28 2 Kings 9; Mark 9
- 29 2 Kings 10; Mark 10
- 30 2 Kings 11-12; Mark 11

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Happy Father's Day

~ Psalm 32:8 ~

I will instruct you and teach you
in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with
my loving eye on you.

