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Sunday Worship Gatherings: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wuzzles & S.P.L.A.T. Zone 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Church office hours: Mon-Thurs. – 8am-5pm; Fri. – 8am-noon. Closed Friday afternoons

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY September 20 @ 10:00a.m.

**Purpose: to elect our 2015-16 leadership
to approve our 2015-16 budget**

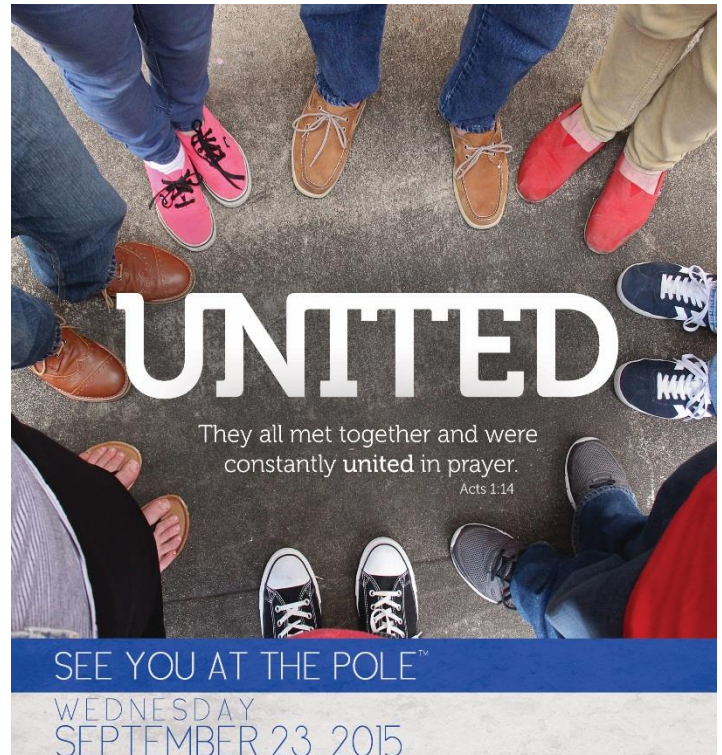
to vote to start a capital campaign to replace the church vans

Edgar County Scripture Festival is coming up on September 17-20, as a church Lake Ridge has some slots open if you would like to participate. What this involves is reading for 15 minutes from where the last reader left off, if you would be interested, the time slots are from 7:30-8:45 AM on Sunday morning. At 3 PM on that same Sunday everyone will gather to read the last couple of chapters in Revelation together so come on out and let's read the Word of God for the world to hear.

SEE YOU AT THE POLE

Wed. September 23rd

7:45am at our local schools



Nate's News

Last week I was coming home and as I zipped down the driveway I noticed something was laying there in the middle so I slowed down to see what it was and it happened to be a turtle so I stopped to get out. I watched as it slowly continued to walk across trying to get to the other side, but really wasn't making much progress. I knelt down to pick it up so I could help it along and as soon as I got close the turtle disappeared into its shell with a hiss of course and never came out as long as I had a hold of it. God's design is simply amazing in the fact that a turtle which is very slow and so He designed it with outer protection so that no threat could harm the turtle. Many days I wish I could quickly hide in my shell to avoid harm or distress and just spend the day within the confines of it, but we don't have that at our disposal so God has given us a different avenue which is the power of prayer. God will lead us through as we kneel down and lift up our concerns and praises to Him. War Room- go watch it!

tyler's tidbits

The start of the new school year is an exciting time and a time that I love. Getting back into a new routine after summer's change of pace. I love the summer too, don't get me wrong, and it's a much needed change of pace after the long school year but I love to get back to having youth group on Wednesday nights.

I think that is a lot like our spiritual lives too. There are those times when we are about to have that mountain top experience when we feel that we are right there with God, that we are in tune to His presence and Will in our lives. We tend to have them when we are at a spiritual conference like CIY, camp, or just when everything for one reason or another connects. Though, as much as we love the mountain top experience life is lived in the valley. Life here on Earth is about its ups and downs. As far as I can tell Heaven will be that unending mountain top experience that we long for.

That is one of the things I love about youth group is that we live life together through it

all. When times are good and when times are rough we are there for one another. I strive for all of us to be linked together as a chain where we can be there for and support one another. I don't believe we were ever created to have this spiritual experience with God solely on our own but in fellowship, and unity with one another as the body of Christ.

Saturday September 12th Jr. High swimming and a movie at Tyler's 607 Marshall, from 7pm – 10pm. A meal will not be provided though snacks and drinks will.

Friday September 18th High School movie night at Tyler's 607 Marshall, from 7 pm – 10pm. A meal will not be provided though snacks and drinks will.

Sarah's Synopsis

This week in Children's Church I taught the children what happened after the exile. This time in history is referred to as the Post-Exilic period. If we remember, the Babylonians had come and destroyed Jerusalem and taken most of the people back to Babylon with them, people like Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Many years after this the Persians rose to power and defeated the Babylonians. Under the Persian rule the Jews were allowed to return home as long as they obeyed Persian law and paid an annual tribute to the king. The Jews rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem and the Temple. During this time prophets were sent to speak on God's behalf to tell the people that one day a Messiah would come and save them from their enemies. This Messiah would come from the line of David and reign forever. The people had to wait 400 years for the Messiah to come.

In many ways, we can relate to the Jews as they waited. We have been told that one day the Messiah, Jesus, will come again. We are not to idly stand around, but actively be a reflection of Jesus in our communities.

Coming soon...LRCC's Faith Promise 2015-16 to Missions! October is Faith Promise to Missions month. This year's theme is "*Around the Community, Around the World*". Speaking on Sunday October 4 will be Dr. Don Green of

Lincoln Christian University. Throughout the month we will have informational moments from some of our other Faith Promise missions. Please be praying about how you can serve LRCC in the area of missions!

PRAYER CONCERNS Please pray daily for those listed. We ask that you copy these requests onto your own private list for two weeks. Remember: "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:17 – Our military, the homeless, missionaries, Abigail Alexander & family, jobs to come to Paris, the government leaders, Nate, Spenser, Tyler, Sarah and families, Brad Payne, Michael Blanton, Dick Cunningham, the Hancock family, Ron Bouslog, Ron Strow, Jane Furry, Mamie Boyer, Ann, Brad Payne, Naomi, Mary G., Maggie, Mary B., Jim & Donna Ingle, Mary Fritz, family relationships to mend, Ron George, Sue Liffick, Ron & Jean Alexander, Dale & Marion Pate, Leanna Reedy & family, the homeless, Jackie, Lindsay, Ron Shear, Diana Stewart, our country, Dianna Hale, Suzie Mathews, Bob Mattingly, college students, the family of Richard Taylor, Mike Maloney, Mark & Pricilla Clark, Bob Linton, Beverly Higginbotham, JD & Leann Cooper, the youth, the family of Hazel Austin, 38 unspoken

PINEHAVEN Missions Trip - We are beginning to plan for our trip for next summer. Date is July 23-30, 2016. Pinehaven Christian Children's Ranch is near Missoula, Montana and is a ranch for children who need help and supervision beyond what their parents can provide. Lake Ridge has been taking mission trips to Pinehaven since 1999. As Pinehaven is a working ranch we do ranch chores such as baling hay, chopping and stacking firewood, painting, pouring concrete, and gardening. If you would like to participate in next summer's trip please contact J.P. Piper or Julia Kelsheimer. We can take a group of 12-13 people and we use air transportation to get to Montana. Please be in prayer to consider if you could be a blessing to this mission by your participation.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Here you stand, in the hot sun, by the mailbox reading this issue of the Ripple, whereas, you could have been with us at the air-conditioned, "Oil Belt Senior Day," bull of fried chicken and PIE, listening to the *Preacher's Quartet* in concert, at this very hour!"

BROTHERHOOD Monthly Meeting, at 7pm, Tuesday, September 15th! We will be at our former President Ray Gill's home church, "**PLEASANT HILL CHRISTIAN,**" NEAR Grandview.

Say a prayer for our "Faith in Action" folks leaving on September 26th with "Diamond Tours" in hopes of finding Cape Cod, Martha Vineyard and other fun places!

SENIOR MOMENTS BIBLE STUDY AND SOCIAL HOUR coming soon to Lake Ridge! How soon?

How about 10:30am, Tuesday, October 6th! Last May, we finished the 19th chapter of Genesis, so let's read and study Chapter 20 on Oct. 6th! Gene will lead the study and Miss Erlene is in charge of the social hour! We've prayed a lot about continuing, so all you Retired Seniors; do, we see, 25, maybe 30 chairs filled? Amen!

STEEL MAGNOLIAS, starring own very own Deborah Hale! Beef House Dinner Theater on **Saturday evening, October 24th**. Again, \$42 per person for full buffet, drink, dessert, show time and hot cookies at intermission! Leave your check/cash with Chris in the church office prior to Oct. 19th. Their bakers need to know how many cookies to bake!

"Rejoice always, pray continually and give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thess. 5:16

Semper Fidelis

Paris Area Church Women would like to thank Lake Ridge for hosting the annual Back to School Teachers' Breakfast and for the use of the Family Life Center and kitchen. It is so nice to be able to have the event at the same location each year. We appreciate your willingness to share your facility. The teachers really appreciated the efforts of everyone involved with the breakfast. They look forward to beginning their year with the event.

I was so proud of Lake Ridge at the annual Back to School Teachers' Breakfast. Thank you so much to all who helped make the event a success. I heard so many nice compliments from the teachers. We were a TEAM – Tyler and his crew (Kelli Harkness, Sarah Moehlman, Spenser Carrell, BJ & DJ Fessant, Jeffrey Bennett) setting up and tearing down tables, Sheri Henson made the table decorations and decorated, Donna Ingle decorating tables, Deanie Clark helping prepare the fruit, Jackie Holloway and Jan Nebergall baking coffee cakes and Denise Howard, Sheri, Julia Kelsheimer and Marci Sisson serving at the breakfast. Thank you, Women's Ministry for donating apples which were given to the teachers to help them have a healthy start to their school year. Last, but not least, thanks to Tyler for giving the invocation, to Spenser for setting up the sound system, and to Chris Pantle for making flyers and bookmarks. Thanks again everybody! Katie Marlowe

Our responsibility for the **Red Cross Bloodmobile** canteen is over for another year. Thank you to Edna Bright, Julia Kelsheimer, Nancy Neal and Kathy Padgett for furnishing cookies or brownies. Apples donated by the Women's Ministry were also given to the donors. Thank you to the servers – Judy Alexander, Deanie Clark, Julia and Marci Sisson. The donors always appreciate the goodies and our service.
Katie.

Coming Soon Fall Senior luncheon coming soon. We have changed the date. More details later.

THANK YOU

Thanks to Naomi Payne for being our church Librarian for so many years. Our new Librarians are Edna Bright and Ginny Henness. –*Sunday School Ministry*

If you miss a Sunday, you can listen to the message on-line by going to our web site. Or stop by the church Monday afternoon or during the week and pick up a CD.

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple/Post cards or have an address change, please contact the office at 217-465-5614 or e-mail us at office@lakeridgchurch.org before the next Ripple goes out. Please let us know as soon as possible so that the church is not charged \$.49 by the postal service to get your new address.

If you have a child who is attending college this fall, please send us their address to office@lakeridgechurch.org Women's ministry usually sends out "end of the semester" goodies so we need their addresses. Thank you.

Journey with Angels

Grief Support Group that meets every other Thursday at the church at 6-7:30pm. You must be 18 and up to attend the group. We are on ongoing shelf help support group. Anyone needing help with grief and the loss of a loved one may attend. We talk about grief issues as well as adding the spiritual side to our meetings. We are here for you in your journey. Child care provided. (Ages 0-17)

Sept. 10 & 24 @ 6pm –
Journey with Angels
@ 6pm – Stewardship
Ministry Mtg.
Sept. 13 @ Noon – Children's
Ministry Mtg.
@ 5pm – Men's New Study
begins
Sept. 15 @ 2pm –
Brookstone Friends
@ 7pm – Brotherhood at
Pleasant Hill Christian
Church
Sept. 17 Faith in Action
Volunteer Banquet
Sept. 19 @ 9:30am –
Children's Nursery
Volunteers Mtg.
Sept. 20 @ 10am –
CONGREGATIONAL MTG.
@ Noon – Elder's Mtg.
Sept. 22 @ 9am – RIPPLE
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