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LAKE RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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The members are ministers

Nate Alexander, Senior Minister

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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. Youth: Encounter 4pm and Engage 6pm Sundays

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

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Children's Christmas
Musical
Sunday December 4 @
8am and 10:30am



Free Tickets available by calling the church at 217-465-5614 or on our website at lakeridgechurch.org

Nate's News

A time of thanksgiving is upon us and as I have the opportunity to look over my life I find a few blessings that I want to share with you and how you are such a wonderful part of my thanksgiving. The first blessing is that during this season 2 years ago I officially transitioned into my new role as your pastor which has seemed like yesterday as time as gone by so fast. I am always honored to be part of this church and as time continues on and with the grace of our Father we will have many more opportunities to strive together for His glory in this community. Thank you for letting me have this honor and everyday this blessing continues to speak into my life. The second blessing is one that we can share as a church which happened many months ago, but this week we received a plaque from the Prairie Press as "The Reader's Choice for Best Church" here in Paris and it is such a blessing to be a reminder of how amazing each part of this church works and that we can be given this honor within our community. So give yourself a pat on the back, but with great honor comes great responsibility which means we always have work to do for His kingdom and so keep reaching those around you because they need Jesus. The third blessing has been this sermon series in my life and how it has spoken to my fears, so remember No Fear November. Happy Thanksgiving!

tyler's tidbits

Encounter/Engage may be on hold until January 8th, though we do have a few times we'll be hanging out together.

December 3 @ 7-10pm hangout at Tyler's house, for High Schoolers

December 9 @ 7-10pm hangout at Tyler's house for Jr. Higher's

December 14 at 6 pm at the church Encounter/Engage will have pizza and then help with Christmas for Kids

Sarah's Synopsis

The Children's Christmas Program "Our Story of The Birth of Jesus" is coming soon! They will be performing at both the 8:00 and 10:30am services on Sunday, December 4th. The kids have been working very hard at memorizing their lines and songs, we hope that you will enjoy their production of the nativity story!

The children are still collecting items for Christmas for Kids. We are looking for crayons, coloring books, action figures, books and spare change. Any donations can be given to Sarah or dropped off to the children's room.

Children's Ministry is looking for some new preschool teachers during the 10:30am service. If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact me (Sarah). It is a once a month teaching rotation.

Spenser's Spot

The story behind this musical started with the idea of a journey. One of the elements in movies that always captivates me is the journey. When the main character must figure out how to get through a situation, find the answers, or travel abroad to discover the truth. Bringing this into a musical form was tricky but I think what has been created is very entertaining and unique for Christmas at Lake Ridge. Our stage is bigger and more detailed than ever. Our costuming this year is extensive and required something for everyone. It was a big undertaking but we are blessed with some talented people and willing hearts who have helped to bring this story to life. The message is something that I think we all need to hear. We are to carry the story of Jesus to others. We shouldn't just simply hope that someone else reaches them. It can be so easy to ask that the Lord moves in someone's life but never realize that God has put you in the place to reach them. This Christmas season, don't keep the message to yourself. Share the gospel with others! We hope you'll invite your friends and family to this year's production, "A Tale of Three Ships" on December 10th at 5pm or December 11th at 3pm!

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

We gave our Thanks to God on Thursday and immediately slipped into the Christmas season, Jesus will be one year older, yet He never ages! Happy Birthday Jesus! The little boy in me resurfaces at Christmas. I celebrate Jesus' birth, yes; yet the "good will" spirit on the street still beckons me to those young innocent years before we knew WW-2. Let's go out of our way to give a child of today a memory of their innocent years at Christmas! Just slow down, take a deep breath, count our blessings and observe the children around us!

In about 22 days, our little white church bus will be rocking and rolling up Route 63 to the Beef House "Christmas Show" and buffet in Covington, IN. Fifteen happy seniors on board will be enjoying our last event scheduled for the 2016 season. This, Saturday noon show, is now "Sold Out" and so are our reserved tickets! Call the theater at 765-793-4770 if you missed the bus! If you are on the bus it will leave LRCC at 11am on Saturday, the 17th of December!

No Brotherhood meeting scheduled for December or January.

"This old bear, is following Verne Bear, looking for a cozy den to hibernate in for the winter! We may talk again in December, if I can be awakened! Judy Benton will be piloting this ship in January 2017.

"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name." Ps. 100:4 Semper Fidelis

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, Ken Whitkanack, Dale & Marion Pate, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Maggie F., Naomi, Mary G., Mary B., Devon Kindred & family, Kelly, Priscilla & Mark Clark, those traveling, for America to be a strong praying nation, upcoming Nov. elections, our Veterans, military, church & government leaders, for the unsaved, all those going thru hard times, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Ryan Taylor, Cathy Colter, Jane Erwin, Rose Ann Hancock, Bob & Rosemary Linton, Tom & Sandy Willett, Chad McLeod, Rayleigh & Caresse Ike & family, Joan Campbell & family, Rovarne Richie, George Cooper & family, Crystal Edwards Family and friends, Arianna Harkness, Linda & Charlie Edwards, Zane Edwards, Samantha, Zack, Leanna Reedy & family, Devon Wright, Mark Barry, Tom Willett, Karla Gosnell, Ray Sollars, 77 unspoken

POINSETTIA'S

Deadline to order a Poinsettia is November 27. The cost is \$13.00 and may be purchased in Honor or in Memory of someone. There are 2 sign-up sheets, and are located on the bulletin boards by the Worship Centers. Thank you.

Alexander's Christmas Open House

Sunday, December 18th from 4-6 PM, we will be having a fellowship time with finger foods and desserts. We would love to have you come and we might even play some games. Our house is located at 15060 E 600th Rd, hope to see you then!

Christmas for Kids Needs Help!

Yes, it is already that time of the year and we do need HELP! There are so many ways that you can be of great help. Of course, Funds. We always need funds to buy the gifts.

Second, we need VOLUNTEERS! Yes, HELP! I am not in the best of health these days, but Dale requires more of my time and attention. We have had so many health issues with several of the main workers families, such as Rayleigh's family. Chris, Caresse, and little Rayleigh have been great help in the past. Chris is on our committee and very much a big part of the Christmas for Kids team. Dawn and Debi, Ron and Dennis have been working many hours as well as Ginny's girls and others. They need help! Jump in and be a part of God's Team and blessing to this community.

Now we need those that will come out for the "WRAP PARTY" that will be December 14th and 15th. We need wrappers, now that is not rappers, it is WRAPPERS, the paper type. Got it? And we need those that will deliver, gifts that is! That can be a family event and so very much fun and really make Christmas such a blessing for all. God can use us all in so many ways. Come out and fellowship and find this blessed way to fellowship and be a blessing to others.

HIS Ministry will be sending donations to ministries and missions all over the world and The United States. This is to allow many that are not as fortunate as we are, to have a better Christmas and to let them know that we here in Paris, Illinois loves them and will be Praying for them.

God bless you all and thanks for your support and when I see you, let's share a hug! That would be a wonderful Christmas gift! In HIS Love, Marion Pate and the Crew!

All Worship services during the month of December will be held in the Family Life Center. Dec. 25 worship will be a Unified service at 10am with no Sunday School

If you have a student who is attending college this fall and they would like to receive the Ripple, please send their address to office@lakeridgechurch.org anytime. Women's Ministry would also benefit from their address for the College Care Packages. Thank you.

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple or monthly sermon post cards or have an address change or even a phone number change, please contact the office at 217-465-5614 or email us at office@lakeridgechurch.org before the next Ripple goes out. Please let us know as soon as possible so that the church is not charged \$.47 by the postal service to get your new address. Thank you.

DECEMBER - Birthdays...

- 2 - Becca Minor, Asher Dean, Briggs Gill
- 3 - Samantha Reed, DJ Fessant
- 4 - Dalton Rhoads
- 6 - Nancy Collier, Gabriel Hernandez
- 7 - Dani Simpson
- 8 - Lily Winans
- 9 - Ron Stewart, Harrison Hays, Denver Wilson
- 10 - Cheyenne Kennedy
- 11 - Diana Stewart, Carter Chapman
- 12 - Alex Dunn, Annalise Fessant
- 13 - Wally Trapp, Dustin Ogle
- 14 - Noel Jewel, Brandon White
- 15 - Chris Rigdon, Susie Sisson, Mark Gladding
- 16 - Penny Heidemann, Marissa Beck, Brooklyn Gale
- 17 - Elijah Gher
- 18 - Aubrey Huffman
- 19 - Amanda Driver
- 20 - Alayna Whitkanack, Becky Redmon, Greg Decker
- 21 - Tyler Bouslog
- 22 - Jessica Pitts, Justyn Allen
- 23 - Drew Laumeyer
- 25 - Dennis Kelsheimer, Lydia McIntosh, Tony Alexander, Jessica Bartos
- 26 - Maggie Frisz, Brian Heidemann, Kelly Porter, Judy Young, Brady Smith
- 27 - Chris Chapman, Zoe Griffin, Alexis Strohm
- 28 - Jordan Ball, Avoree Collins, Britney White
- 29 - Sarah Padgett
- 31 - Ron George, Andre Calhoun, Chrissy Carrell, Judy Cash

Anniversaries...

- 2 - Donald & Peggy Cline
- 3 - Dave & Jan Nebergall
- 5 - Jim & Patty Lindley
- 6 - Michael & Heather Dunn
- 8 - Nathan & Ashley Shear
- 12 - Todd & Tonja Hancock
Ron & Karen Brown
Donnie & Jane Furry
- 15 - John & Regina Jones
- 16 - Brian & Penny Heidemann
- 18 - David & Andrea Gross
- 23 - Max & Lydia McIntosh
- 24 - Kyle & Linda Rigdon
- 26 - Rich & Jonnie Wilson
- 28 - Dennis & Julia Kelsheimer
August & Debbie Griffin
- 29 - BJ & Nichole Fessant
- 31 - Olen & Bev Duzan

Is your Birthday or Anniversary missing? Please don't get upset! It only means we don't have it on file. Regular attendee's names may be missing because we don't have your birthday. When you join the church, a membership profile sheet is filled out for that information. Please notify the office of additions or corrections!

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED November 24 & 25 for Thanksgiving

- Dec. 1 @ 6pm - Journey with Angels
- Dec. 3 @ Noon - Senior Adult Christmas Party
- Dec. 4 @ 8am & 10:30am - "Our story of the birth of Jesus" Children's Musical
- Dec. 5 @ 7pm - Mission Ministry Mtg.
@ 7:15pm - Prayer Team Mtg.
- Dec. 8 @ 6pm - Stewardship Ministry Mtg.
- Dec. 10 @ 5pm and Dec. 11 @ 3pm - "A Tale of Three Ships"
- Dec. 13-15 - @ 9am-9pm - Christmas for Kids Wrap party
- Dec. 13 @ 9am - RIPPLE DEADLINE



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DECEMBER 2016 SERVING SCHEDULE

Date	Greeters 8:00	10:30
11/27	Michael, Heather & Sean Dunn	Chad, Carol & Shayleigh Cline
12/4	Sharon McLeod & Karen Hillard	Mark & Debbie Hefner
12/11	Gene & Janet Justice	Paul & Kathy Porter
12/18	Gary & Linda Hancock	Carol Heischmidt & Penny Duzan
12/25		Michael & Brandi Ritchey



Date	8:00 Prayer Room	10:30	8:00 Communion	Meditation 10:30
11/27	Dick & Katie Marlowe	JP & Sheila Piper	Staff	Staff
12/4	Gary & Linda Hancock	Bill & Deanie Clark	Gene Justice	Drew Laumeyer
12/11	Randy & Sandy Colter	Todd & Shelly Harper	Ron George	Tommy Moehlman
12/18	Naomi Payne & Susie Essinger	David & Judy Hale	Todd Harper	Todd Harper
12/25	Doug & Betsy Mace		Staff	

Date	Communion to the Sick	Date	AA Cookies	REMINDER: If there is a conflict with your Ministry time, please find your own replacement to fill in for you. We want to ensure all Sunday morning ministries are covered each week. Thank you for serving!
11/27	BJ Fessant & Mike Ritchey	11/25	Marilyn Bear	
12/4	Brent Pitts & Jeremy Brewington	12/2	Bev Duzan	
12/11	Greg Henson & Richard Bennett	12/9	Jan Nebergall	
12/18	Dennis & Julia Kelsheimer	12/16	Heather Dean	
12/25	None	12/23	Barb Marshall	

Date	8:00AM	NURSERY SCHEDULE	10:30AM
11/28	Lisa Rigdon	I – Sherryl Inman & Michelle Haddix T – Josh & Ellyn Andrews	
12/4	Patti Milburn	I – Stephanie Doran & Nicole Gale T – Greta Pitts & Mindi Milner	
12/11	Laura Pitts	I – Shawn Simpson & Kathy Collier T – Kelli Harkness & Kristin Mooneyham	
12/18	Brenda Rhoads & Elaine Good	I – Karla Gorman T – Elaine Good & Carol Cline	
12/25	Lisa Rigdon	I – Sherryl Inman & Michelle Haddix T – Josh & Ellyn Andrews	

DECEMBER	8:00	10:30	Faith Promise – OCTOBER Promised Monthly goal - \$1,620.00	
Communion Coordinator	Jim Ingle	David Switzer	Actual Monthly	5,872.54
Communion Preparation	Tammy Bennett		YTD Commitment Goal	19,440.00
			Actual Income YTD	34,879.50
			Difference	+15,439.50

FACTS & FIGURES

Attendance	Sunday School	8:00	10:30	Total
10/30		98	229	327
11/6		101	228	329
11/13		104	234	338
11/20		101	215	316

General Budget needs \$9,029.54	Missions	Building	Expenses for the week
7,900.16	3,634.41	0	5,732.32
11,575.68	1,597.00	0	4,933.94
8,214.01	907.00	90.00	8,761.66
7,859.13	585.00	0	N/A