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LAKE RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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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.

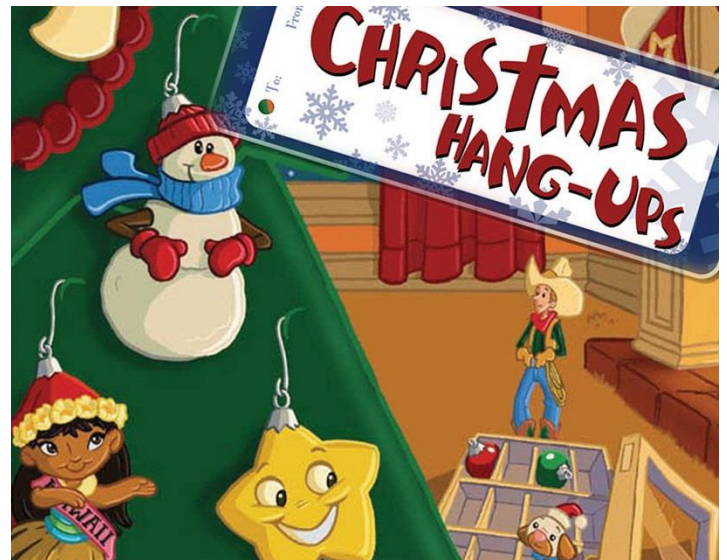
Church office hours: Mon-Thurs. – 8am-5pm; Fri. – 8am-noon. Closed Friday afternoons

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The church office will be closed on November 26th & 27th
Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

“Christmas Hang-Ups!”
Children's Musical
Sunday December 6
at 8:00am and 10:30am



“Legos and a Lamb”
Adult Christmas Musical
Sat. December 12 @ 5pm
and
Sun. December 13 @ 3pm

Nate's News

Happy Thanksgiving from my family to yours!!!

It's hard to believe that a year ago I started a new journey here at Lake Ridge and as I look back over that year I am continually grateful for all the encouraging words and notes. I am always amazed at how God is working through this community and I am looking forward to another year of watching what God is going to do within each of us. The invitation is always open if you have a concern or suggestion about what is going on here at Lake Ridge please feel like you can come in and talk with me about it because if there is a division, then many times it has negative effects on your relationship with the church. It is always my prayer that we can be stronger together!

Please continue to pray and seek God's guidance in giving towards our capital campaign for upgrading our transportation and having more resources to get people to places. If you have any questions or concerns please come and talk to me about it and get those cleared up because we need your help in this process, thanks again.

Every once in a while there has been a time in my life when I have just stood in awe of something as I WONDERED how it was made or the beauty is beyond our amazement. When we see a waterfall for the first time we stop and stare in WONDER, when we hold a precious baby for the first time we stand in WONDER, but we lose the WONDER as we get use to the extraordinary and it just become ordinary. As we come into the Christmas season that is filled with all kinds of WONDER because of the events that took place in a little town called Bethlehem we can never let that WONDER go because of how ordinary it may seem to us who have heard the story every year. This year let's get back that WONDER by waking it up within our souls, our hearts,

and our minds. Let's WAKE UP THE WONDER this Christmas season.

In the month of December both services will be located in the Family Life Center due to the programs and activities that we have planned.

Christmas Open House at the Alexanders will be on December 20th from 4 to 6 PM. We will be having refreshments and fellowship so plan on joining us in this time of celebrating the Christmas season. Our address is 15060 E 600th Rd.

Spenser's Spot

Christmas at Lake Ridge is almost here. This year's musical is entitled, "Legos and a Lamb" and is all about the influences of power and the lamb that was sent to Earth so long ago. This can be a fun outreach event and we encourage you to invite your friends, co-workers, neighbors, and families. This musical is written with everyone in mind! While the kids will love seeing their toys come to life, adults will enjoy storylines and songs just for them! There will be something for everyone! The musical will be Saturday, December 12th at 5pm and Sunday, December 13th at 3pm. We have plenty of tickets still available! Grab some outside the Family Life Center and drop off your stubs. While RSVP's aren't required, we encourage you to drop off your stubs so we can get an idea of how many will be attending!

We are in need of greeters and ushers for this year's musical! We need people to welcome the community into our building for this event. There will be a sign-up sheet outside the Family Life Center for anyone willing to help!

Congratulations

To Dustin and Terra Ogle with the birth of a son on Nov. 24. Ryker Edward was born at 3:01am and weighed 8lbs. and was 19.5". He will be welcomed home by Brother Chase (10) and sister Brynn (4)

Sarah's Synopsis

Upcoming Events for K-5th Grade:

Play Practice:

December 1 (Tuesday) Cast @ 5:30pm,
Cast & Choir @ 6:30-7:30pm

December 4 (Friday) Dress Rehearsal Cast
& Choir @ 5:30-7:30pm

Performance

December 6th for the 8am and 10:30am
services

TNT Winter Startup – January 12th

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, Keyanna Brady, Ryan Taylor & family, Ron Bouslog & family, Ron Strow, Linda Barr, Donna Ingle, Ron & Diana Stewart, Susie Mathews, Jim Burkett, Ron George, Brad Payne, Mary Burba, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Ann, Kara, Naomi & grandson, Maggie, Mary G., Gary, Jane Furry, Rosealee Dugger, Cathy Colter, Jane Erwin, a job for Chad McLeod and all those who are unemployed, family traveling over the Thanksgiving holiday, Glenda Chappell, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Roanna Watson, Devon Kindred, Leanna Reedy & family, Jan Knuth, Berniece Hays, Teressa Kerrick, the Snedecker & Wiseman families, Rita Cooper, Debbie Wolfe, Roslyn Davis, Mamie Boyer, Bill Clawson, Adriana Fausett, Troy Eastham, Paris, France, Dale Muchow, Dale & Marion Pate, Dennis Gosnell, Kim Burkett, Gary Hancock, Lydia McIntosh, 85 unspoken

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

The monthly Brotherhood attendance banner came back to our sanctuary, last Tuesday evening. The banner will be secure with LRCC until we meet again on Tuesday, February 16 at the Chrisman Christian church. We will not meet in December or January, due to the holiday run on PIES and winter driving conditions!

Our Senior Bible Study took Tuesday, the 24th off due to the Thanksgiving Holidays.

We will reconvene at 10:30am on Tuesday, December 1st. THEN, --- **Tuesday, December 8th,** Greg, Sheri Henson and Marci Sisson will host a "**Golden Christmas Party**" for **all Seniors 50 and over!** Our Bible Study class will meet in the Library that morning to allow the "Christmas party elves" time to set up their "stuff!" Please call the church office (465-5614) prior to December 6th to reserve your chair---No, you do not have to attend the Bible Study,---BUT all of your friends will!

Genesis, Chapter 30+?--! Oh, yes! To participate in a (marked) "Boy" or "Girl" gift exchange, bring a "White Elephant" gift, (something you bought by mistake, or an item that you can't stand any longer) with a value of \$5 or less! **That's December the 8th.** Talk to Greg, Sheri, Marci; I'm just the messenger!

Saturday, December 19th. A matinee Christmas Dinner Show at the Covington Bee House Dinner Theater. We have 16 chairs reserved at \$42 per person. This will be a leave in the mid-morning, return before dark day! Leave your cash/check payable to Gene Calvert with the church office prior to December 15th. This could be an early "Merry Christmas present!" I won't tell!!!

Have a Happy Thanksgiving Day and a long Turkey Tetrazzini week! Semper Fidelis

Operation Christmas Child

As I'm editing this Ripple, Tony Alexander and Sarah Moehlman just took off with another load of shoe boxes for Samaritans Purse – Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. If Tony's math is right, we collected 2,014 boxes this year from the community (which includes ours). The total from LRCC was 250 with 110 done by the children. Thank you to everyone who make a donation or make up a box.

Christmas for Kids Wrap Party

December 16th and 17th will be the "Wrap Party" for Christmas for Kids at Lake Ridge Christian Church. We need volunteers to wrap gifts and to deliver them. Starting time is 9:00am or whenever you can come and stay as long as you are able. If you are willing to help just come to the church or call 466 -9825 to help at other times.

Thanks for your support and have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Marion Pate, Dawn Kirby, and Debi Ford

Library News

If you need a Bible or a different translation, help yourself from those on the cart by the Family Life Center.

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple or post cards or have an address 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 \$.49 by the postal service to get your new address. Thank you.

Birthdays...

- 2 – Becca Minor, Asher Dean, Briggs Gill
- 3 - Samantha Reed, DJ Fessant
- 4 - Robby Williamson, 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 Rigdon Jewel, Brandon White
- 15 - Chris Rigdon, Susie Sisson, Mark Gladding
- 16 - Penny Heidemann, Marissa Mace 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
- 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
- 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 – Kevin & Natasha Cash
BJ & Nichole Fessant
- 31 - Olen & Bev Duzan

Please notify the office of additions or corrections.

Dec. 5 @ 9:30am – Mom's Group
Dec. 6 @ 8 & 10:30am – Children's Musical @ 3pm – Community Advent Choral Service at the Presbyterian Church
Dec. 8 @ 9am – RIPPLE DEADLINE
Dec. 10 @ 6pm – Stewardship Ministry Mtg.
Dec. 12 @ 5pm – Adult Musical



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December 2015 SERVING SCHEDULE

Date	Greeters 8:00	10:30
11/29	Michelle Walden & Susie Sisson	Carol Heischmidt & Renee Blumthal
12/6	Patrick, Stacey, Annie & Abby Pruitt	Chad & Carol Cline
12/13	Gary & Linda Hancock	Greg & Sheri Henson
12/20	Randy & Sandy Colter	Josh & Ellyn Andrews
12/27	Brenda Rhoads, Harli, Dalton & Lily	Nancy & John Huston



Date	8:00 Prayer Room 10:30		Date	8:00 Communion Meditation 10:30	
11/29	Pat & Kathy Padgett	Dick & Donna Brinkley	11/29	Dennis Kelsheimer	Brent Pitts
12/6	Greg & Sheri Henson	Doug & Betsy Mace	12/6	Greg Henson	Drew Laumeyer
12/13	Gary & Linda Hancock	JP & Sheila Piper	12/13	Ron George	Tommy Moehlman
12/20	Naomi Payne & Susie Essinger	David & Judy Hale	12/20	Staff	Staff
12/27	Steve & Carol Winkler	Bill & Deanie Clark	12/27	Todd Harper	Todd Harper

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!
11/29	Brent Pitts & Jeremy Brewington	11/27	Bev Whitkanack	
12/6	Greg Henson & Mark Gladding	12/4	Jean Daniels	
12/13	Lennie Erwin & Chris Gher	12/11	Jan Nebergall	
12/20	Dennis & Julia Kelsheimer	12/18	Heather Dean	
12/27	JP Piper & Dirk Haddix	12/25	None needed	

Date	8:00AM	NURSERY SCHEDULE	10:30AM
12/6 & 1/3/16	Patti Milburn & Priscilla Clark	I – Stephanie Doran & Nicole Gale T – Greta Pitts & Mindi Milner	
12/13	Laura Pitts	I – Shawn Simpson T – Dick & Donna Brinkley	
12/20	Brenda Rhoads & Elaine Good	I – Karla Gorman T – Elaine Good, Carol Cline, Lydia Switzer	
12/27	Lisa Rigdon	I – Sherryl Inman, Michelle Haddix T – Josh & Ellyn Andrews	

DECEMBER	8:00	10:30	Faith Promise – October Promised Monthly goal - \$275.83	
Communion Coordinator	Jim Ingle	David Switzer	Actual Monthly	\$2,568.00
Communion Preparation	Tammy Bennett		YTD Commitment	\$3,310.00
			Actual Income YTD	\$29,842.00
			Difference	+\$26,532.00

New Faith Promise Commitment - \$19,440.00 Monthly Goal - \$1,620.00

FACTS & FIGURES

Attendance	Sunday School	8:00	10:30	Total
11/1	124	155	216	371
11/8	102	110	258	368
11/15	93	120	244	364
11/22	82	104	222	326

General Budget needs \$8,968.38	Missions	Building	Transportation Fund	Expenses for the week
\$13,694.57	\$937.00	\$80.00	\$330.00	\$5,706.64
\$7,376.08	\$626.00	0	0	\$7,677.61
\$8,421.35	\$766.00	\$40.00	\$766.00	\$9,379.43
\$5,135.12	\$771.00	\$80.00	\$5,506.95	N/A

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