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LAKE RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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The members are ministers
Nate Alexander, Senior Minister
Spenser Carrell, Worship Minister
Sarah Moehlman, Children's Minister
Chris Pantle, Office Secretary

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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Brotherhood – Tuesday October 17 @ 7pm

Steve Collins will be the Speaker

Sign-up sheet for refreshments is on the bulletin board by the FLC

Lake Ridge Christian Church Trunk 'r Treat

Date: Tuesday, October 31st Time: 5:00-8:00pm

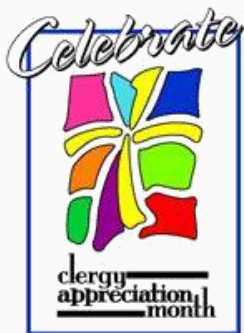
Location: Pavilion behind the church building

Come join us for an evening of fun, filled with candy and food!
There will be trunks parked around the pavilion behind the church and hotdogs, chips and hot chocolate provided in the Family Life Center until 7pm!



If you are interested in providing a trunk or donating candy or helping in the kitchen, please contact Sarah or sign-up on the sheet by the FLC

Prizes for Best Trunk and Best Costume!!!



WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Thank you Nate, Spenser, Sarah and families for your ministry to us!

Nate's News

An opportunity to help someone you may never meet probably doesn't sound to amazing, but in a world that has a lot of need there is a small difference you or your family could make that may not be so small for the one who will be given a chance for more. Now I kind of turn my head when I see a commercial or some advertisement that wants you to give to help kids and they have a lot of pictures of not very healthy kids and you may think this is just another one of those segments, but there is a significant difference. The kid that you may be supporting, yes they need a monthly gift from someone because they don't have any other way to live, but the difference is there is a missionary from an organization called CMF that is right there with them speaking the love of Christ into their life and what they need is someone to take this opportunity to make a difference in their life. If you would be interested in supporting a child through CMF sponsorship please stop by the table this month to get a packet.

Sarah's Synopsis

Children's Ministry has two large events coming up!

--First is Trunk 'R Treat!!! On October 31st we will be hosting our annual Trunk 'R Treat. If you are interested in providing a trunk (themed and decorated) or helping serve food in the kitchen please come talk to me (Sarah).

--Second is the children's Christmas Play. We are doing the nativity story again this year, but I am looking for three more adults who would be willing to read a section of the story while the kids act it out. The kids will perform the first week in December during both services!

Also, I am in need of two new preschool teachers and toddler room workers, once a month. If you are interested in serving in any of the ways mentioned above please contact me (Sarah)!

Spenser's Spot

"Then, when our dying bodies have been transformed into bodies that will never die, this Scripture will be fulfilled: "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power. But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 15:54-57. This past weekend, we worshipped together at Worship On The Round with the theme "Grace so Free." As we continue to utilize the song "Death Was Arrested," let's look at how the song came to be from one of the authors, Brandon Coker.

"This song story started with me visiting my uncle in St. Mary's Georgia about three years ago. I saw this graveyard with these beautiful oak trees covered in Spanish moss, and it was a beautiful place. I walked in and looked around, and I found a tombstone that subsequently changed my life. It said: "Here rests what was mortal of Samuel Burr, age 42. In search of help far from home, death arrested his progress on April 2, 1831. Quietly, he fell asleep in the Christian hope of immortality and glory forever." I was blown away at the beautiful tribute to this man. I don't know his story at all, but I thought that was a creative way to say that he had passed away, that death arrested his progress in his life here. Fast forward a couple of years later, and we were sitting on a back porch discussing songwriting, and I read that same message but heard it a little bit differently this time. I heard that if he fell asleep with the Christian hope of immortality and glory forever, then death did not really arrest anything for him. We as Christians believe that when Christ's eyes opened in the tomb and air filled His lungs again, He conquered death once and for all for anyone who puts their faith and hope in Him. It's that simple. You can put your faith in Jesus and find the exchange in hope and life in Jesus. I said that out loud, and the journey of the song began at that point. The first verse lyrics fell

in my lap. We knew we would get to the resurrection of Jesus as the crux of the song. The end of the song, "free, free, forever I'm free, come join the song of the redeemed," is our response to Him for arresting death for us and setting us free. That's the story of how the song was written."

NEW MEMBER

We want to welcome Sharon Pitts who transferred her membership to the Lake Ridge on Sept. 24. Sharon is the mother of Brent and lives at 617 E Wood St., Paris with Brent and his family. Welcome Sharon!

Elder and Deacon's ordination this Sunday, October 15th, at 10:00 AM, we will be taking this time to pray over and set apart these leaders as they serve this coming year in a leadership position. We would ask that you continue to pray over our leaders throughout this year as they serve this church for the kingdom of God. There will be a leadership luncheon for all elders, deacons, and chair people at noon followed by a meeting to assign and organize for this coming year, if you cannot attend please let Nate know, thanks.

MISSIONS UPDATE

Brenda Buell...our missionary in the DR Congo who serves at Tracy's Heart and Heart for Central Africa will be with us Thursday evening, October 19 at 6 PM. We will meet in the Legos/Splat zone. The Missions ministry will be serving a simple meal and then we can enjoy an update from Brenda. She returns to the Congo October 23. Please come fellowship with her- she is our LRCC minister in the Congo!

Please don't forget that you may turn your cards in anytime in the month of October by simply putting them in the offering plate. If you were not here the first Sunday of October, commitment cards may be found on the greeter cart. If you have any questions about our Faith Promise to Missions program at LRCC please be sure to contact the Kelsheimer's, the Piper's, Nila Nugent, Ron Stewart, or Jim Ingle (the missions ministry team).

THANK YOU so very much for the many things that you have been doing for me. I so appreciate my Lake Ridge family and Hope to be back soon. *Edna Bright*

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, our church, Abigail Alexander & family, Rayleigh Ike, Bob & Rosemary Linton, Nate, Spenser, Sarah, Chris and families, Ron & Diana Stewart, Tyler & family, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Mark & Priscilla Clark, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Terry Weger, Phil Ludington, Naomi, Maggie, Mary G., Mary B, Devon Kindred, Leanna Reedy & family, Max & Lydia McIntosh, Edna Bright, our government leaders, Pres. Trump, Our missionaries, North Korea situation, Jim Taylor, farmers & Ag related services, Lori Sexton, Garrett, Kara & Carson Ike, Mary Strole, Faith Promise Missions, Rich Wilson, Todd Hancock & family, Rose Ann Hancock, Kerri, Judy Hale's sister, 37 unspoken*

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, October 15 the Junior High and High School will be going bowling from 5 to 7 PM, meet at the bowling alley, where there will be free food and bowling, hope to see you there!

FAITH IN ACTION

The annual Spaghetti Dinner and Auction Fundraiser sponsored by Faith in Action of Edgar County will be held on Friday, October 20th in the Lake Ridge Family Life Center. Doors will open at 5pm this year. The cost of the meal will be by donation.

Items are needed for the auction. Some of these items could be gift baskets, gift certificates, antiques, fresh baked goods, homemade quilts and trips. Donated auction items should have a minimum value of \$10.00 (or grouped together into a "set" value at \$10 or more). If anyone has items to donate for the auction, please call Faith in Action at 466-6388 or just drop off them off at the office, (623 W. Wood) no later than Thursday, Oct. 19. The silent auction bidding will start at 5pm, then a live auction will begin later in the evening.

As always, volunteers are needed to help with the event. If you would like to spend some time and energy helping a worth-while organization, please call FIA.

Hope you can attend the FUNraiser. A neighbor's independence depends on you. THANKS!

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

COLLEGE STUDENTS

We will be collecting goodies for college care packages next month, so if you have a student you want to receive one, PLEASE make sure the office has your student's mailing address on file. Don't assume, please double-check to make sure!

Brookstone Friends -

We are still needing 8.5"x11" picture frames for a project. We don't want the glass, just the frame. Bring them to the church and give to Sheri Henson.

SENIOR ADULTS – Last call for Seniors Adults for these October events.

Sunday October 15, 2017, Gospel Choir at First Baptist Church in Casey, IL to start at 6:00 pm. This is donation only.

Sunday October 22, 2017, Air Force Band at Effingham Performance Center at 3:00 pm. This is a free concert. Then eat at Niemerg's after the show.

Saturday October 28, 2017, Beef House show and Dinner. **Trip to Bountiful.**

If you are interested in anyone or all of these shows, let Chris Pantle know ASAP.

Our 2017-18 Leadership

Elders: BJ Fessant, Chris Gher, JP Piper

Deacons: Brent Bishop, Jeremy Brewington, Ron George, David Gorman, Dirk Haddix, Justin Hays, Keith Hefner, John Huston, Tommy Moehlman, Vern See, Darin Tevebaugh

Trustees: Dick Brinkley, Dennis Kelsheimer, James Stewart

Treasurer: Brad Redmon

Secretary of the Congregation: Brenda Rhoads

Sunday School Superintendent: Donna Ingle
Co-Assistant Sunday school Superintendents:
Jackie Holloway & Judy Young

Sunday School Secretary: Carol Winkler & Judy Young

**Oct. 12 @ 6pm –
Stewardship Ministry
Mtg.**

**Oct. 15 @ 10am –
Leadership
Ordination
Noon – Leadership
meal with
Elder/Deacon
meeting following
5pm – Youth Bowling
at the Paris Bowling
Alley**

**Oct. 17 – 7pm –
Brotherhood here**

**Oct. 21 @ 2-4pm –
Women's Journaling**

**Oct. 22 – 3pm – Sr.
Adults trip to hear
the Air Force band
in Effingham**

**Oct. 24 @ 9am – Ripple
Deadline**



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