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## LAKE RIDGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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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.

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

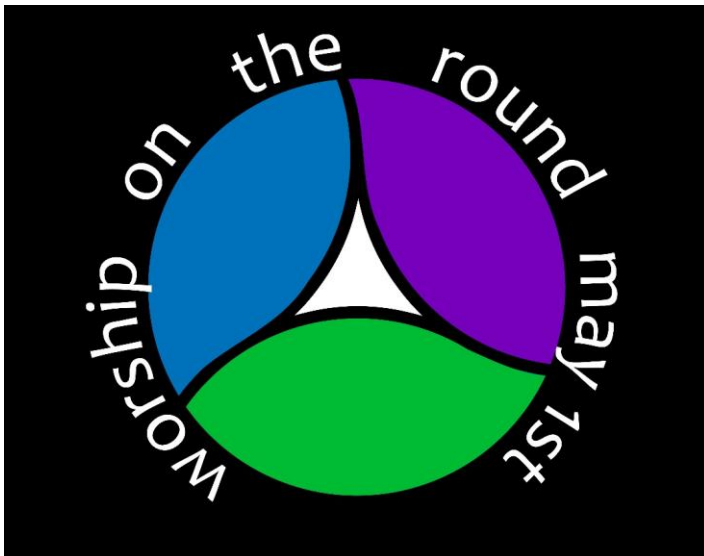
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A Night of remembering...

Sunday April 24 @ 6:30pm @ Lake Ridge

...Celebrating Amanda Fessant's life and  
Her 5 years in Heaven on April 30



Worship on the Round  
Sunday May 1  
Sunday School at 9am  
Unified Worship at 10am

## Nate's News

We are creatures of habit and one habit that we all seem to have in common is forgetting, I forget many things on a given week and if it wasn't for those sticky notes or apps on my phone I would forget even more important stuff. Since we tend to forget we have the need for remembrance and I don't believe anything can ever get too much remembering because of how much we do forget. One area we tend to forget is one that is important but all too often neglect and that is prayer. Talking with God is a necessity and should be commonplace in our lives, but we do have the habit of forgetting and not taking the time to actually listening and talk to our Father. Since we do forget we have adopted every year the first Thursday in May which this year is May 5<sup>th</sup> as the National Day of Prayer. A day where we remember the importance of prayer if we have forgotten, but we also have an opportunity as a community to come together at 7 AM at Tuscany. We will be gathering to enjoy fellowship, but also to pray as a unified community. Please, if you would like to join me please let the office know, thanks, and REMEMBER to spend some time with your Father this week!

THANK YOU, I wish had a better way to truly show my thanks for all those who gave up their Easter weekend to serve in many different capacities. I really can't thank you enough. From the choir, to those in the praise band, to all the tech people, those who greeted and served, and for all those who helped in the walk thru, thank you!

The Community Bell Choir Concert was such an uplifting time. To see the three churches come together and have that unity was great. But I have to be honest, (maybe biased), I loved the song Lake Ridge did and hope they preform it soon, thanks again for all your hard work!

## **NEW MEMBERS**

We like to welcome 3 new members to the Lake Ridge Family.

Ron Mattingly was baptized and joined the church on March 23. He lives at 710 Shaw Ave. with his wife Cherie. He is employed at Coshocton Grain Co.

Vern and Karen See transferred their memberships on April 3. They live at 5293 Public

Well St, Paris. Vern is a farmer and Karen owns a Beauty Shop.

## Spenser's Spot

First off, I want to thank everyone that helped make our Good Friday and Easter events spectacular! We really couldn't do these kinds of events without the many great volunteers at Lake Ridge. As Easter came to an end, I began to work on the next worship event at Lake Ridge, Worship on the Round! If you haven't been to a Worship on the Round service before, it is unlike any service we do at Lake Ridge. I picked up the idea from a conference I attend every year. We gather together as one body and sit in a circle. We have a large praise band and vocal team so that there really isn't one primary leader. It bounces from person to person. We stream scriptures and prayers throughout the service and the rest is musical worship. One of the awesome elements of this service is that by sitting in this manner, we are able to hear voices from all over the room. It's an awesome opportunity of worship. I hope you mark your calendars and invite those that you know. It's definitely a unique service that you don't want to miss out on.

## Sarah's Synopsis

Can you believe that summer is on it's way? The last couple of weeks it sure doesn't seem like it from the weather, but there is no question, Spring has come! This means that school will be coming to a close soon and summer will be here! This also means that church camp is coming up for all the children! If you are someone you know is interested in going to camp please stop by and pick up a calendar and registration form. This is a great opportunity for children and youth to learn about the Bible and Jesus in a fun and safe environment. When you sign up ask about the camp scholarship!

VBS is right around the corner as well! This year's theme is **Cave Quest!** It will be held June 12-17<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30pm. This event is for 4yrs – those going into 6<sup>th</sup> grade. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board by the Family Life Center for those interested in volunteering as a Crew Leader. Preregistration will open up on May 1<sup>st</sup>!

**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, Ryan Taylor & family, Ron Strow, Linda Barr, Donna Ingle, Ron & Diana Stewart, Mary Burba, Verne & Marilyn Bear, Naomi, Maggie, Mary G., Jane Furry, Chuck Liffick, Sue Liffick, Sierra Wicks, Devon Kindred, Dale & Marion Pate, Don Blythe, Edith Whitkanack, Eddie Henson, Jane Erwin, Cathy Colter, Ann, Kara, Bill Henness, Kay Blizzard, Rosemary Linton, Teresa Newcomer, Carla & Paul Gilbert, Mark & Priscilla Clark, Mary Strole, Lonnie Denney, Chad McLeod, Jim Taylor, Nancy Boyer, the family of Jr. McDaniel, Winnie Cooper, Ernie & Randy Rhoads, Patrease Henson, a young mother, Ron Mattingly, the family of Brad Payne, 134 unspoken

### **Women-In-God (W.I.G.)**

Last reminder for the Lincoln Christian University Christian Women's Conference on April 27, with Michele Cushatt and Dr. Dinelle Frankland. Early Registration is \$35 by April 20 and includes lunch. Please sign up on the bulletin board by the FLC and give your registration money by the 20<sup>th</sup> to the church. We will take a church van or car pool.

This is the final week for the Spring 2016 College Care Package items. If you haven't had a chance to bring your goodies in yet, please do so by this Sunday (17<sup>th</sup>). If you still need to go out and get items, we're doing pretty good on candy and sweets and could use some additional 'salty' snacks (crackers, chips, etc.) We have 25 students this semester that we are sending to, and your items don't necessarily have to be food...school supplies, fun trinkets, prayer notes, etc. would be welcome, as well as donations towards gift cards. Thank you for your support! :)

**'SAVE THE DATE'** for a 'Christmas in July' Ladies Banquet on Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 4-6pm. Watch for more details to follow.

### **SKIT GUYS TICKETS**

We have extra tickets for the April 27, Skit Guys in Brazil, IN. This will be a hilarious and fun event. Cost will be \$20 per person, which includes supper. We will be leaving the church at 3:00 p.m. and should be back by 9:00p.m. For more information and to register go [lakeridgechurch.org](http://lakeridgechurch.org) and find this event under the event registration tab.

### **SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY**

Good News, Great News, **Praise the Lord**, our very own, PASTOR NATE is now leading our SENIOR MOMENTS, Tuesday morning BIBLE STUDY! It's *LIKE* a mid-week, mini-sermon, with no offering being taken! This Bible Study is open for all ages, and for all "Paris area peoples who want to", on every Tuesday morning at 10:30am in our church, "Splat Room." We read, analyze, discuss, and understand, God's Word, straight out of our Bibles! We have 20 plus now in attendance; wanting 30!! Erlene is still serving good, hot coffee/tea and cookies for our social time!

Its' 11:59 pm and your golden "chair" is about to turn into a pumpkin! This is true if you wanted to see "AUTUMN BOYS" at the Covington Beef House Dinner Theater, this Saturday evening, April 16<sup>th</sup>! We have already sent our reservations in, but if they are not sold out, just maybe, we can still stop time and get you that golden "chair", at \$42.00 each! Call me, Gene @ 463-4363

*Monthly Brotherhood Meeting*, at the *Hume Christian church*, yes, in Hume, Illinois, starting at 7:00pm, Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>! (My, past Mom's birthday, 107). Need a ride? Call me, Gene @ 463-4363

MOTHER'S DAY for OUR CURCH LADIES! We planning for your DAY, by having a luncheon on May 7 @ 11:30am at the Red Oak Bed and Breakfast. Cost is \$6 and we need your reservation and money by May 2. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the Family Life Center.

*"He who has a generous eye will be blessed, for he gives of his bread to the poor."* Proverbs 22:9 Semper Fidelis

### **FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

The Compassionate Food Pantry is in need of funds to help supply food for the many needs of the area. If you can give a little to them, it would be greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to The Compassionate Food Pantry and mail to P.O. Box 481, Paris, IL 61944.

Also any extra donations to the Community Kitchen would be greatly appreciated. And we could still use some people to provide desserts. The sign-up sheet is still on the bulletin board by the Family Life Center or call the church.

If you do not wish to continue to receive the Ripple or 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](mailto: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.

### TWIN LAKES ALL ABILITIES PLAYGROUND FISH FRY

Friday April 22 at 4-7:00pm at Lake Ridge. Money raised for the playground. For tickets see Renee Blumthal at 217-822-8083. All you can eat.

Roselyn Carter once said that "There are only four kinds of people in the world; Those who have been caregivers, those who are currently caregivers, Those who will be caregivers and Those who will need a caregiver." Hear CBS Correspondent and Author Barry Petersen share his personal experience as a caregiver for his wife during a free program in Paris --- "Caring together...Caregiver Support." The free program will begin at 7pm, Thursday, April 21 at the Paris Center of Fine Arts on the campus of Paris High School, located north of Paris off Route 1.

### COMMUNITY BACK PACK

The community of Paris is launching a school backpack program which is a program to feed students on the weekend during the school year. You may ask why do we need such a program, and that is a good question. We did some investigating and there are students who go home on the weekend from school and they don't have the necessary meals to feed them. So there is a group of people within the community who are coming together to start this program in the fall. I am searching anyone from our church that would like to be involved. If you are interested, please give me a call or stop me in the hallway, thanks.

Nate

### Our Sympathy

To Naomi Payne with the loss of her grandson Brad. And to Jerry Blumthal with the loss of his mother. May God comfort you in your time of loss.

April 17 @ Noon – Elder's Mtg.  
April 19 @ 7pm – Brotherhood at Hume  
April 22 @ 4-7pm – TLAAP Fish Fry  
April 24 @ 6:30pm – A Night to Remember...  
April 26 @ 9am – RIPPLE DEADLINE



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