

February 18, 2024

Worship | 8:15 and 11 am

Livestream | 11 am



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For God's glory, we are making disciples of Jesus as we worship, love, and serve.

WELCOME

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. We invite you to experience the meaning of the Gospel through this service, which reflects both ancient and modern elements of Christian worship. When we gather as a worshipping community, we enter into a dialogue with the living God. God calls us into worship, we rejoice in the hope of the gospel, confess our sins, lament the brokenness of our world, give our offerings, and hear God's Word read and preached. We hope that by worshipping with us you will experience joy and hope from a community of people who love Jesus.

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LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Prelude

PRAISE

Updates | Following Christ Together

Call to Worship | From Psalm 105:1-2, Romans 5:5 and Revelation 4:8

*Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;*

All: we dwell in him and he in us.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

All: make known his deeds among the peoples.

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him,

All: and speak of all his marvelous works.

*Leader: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,
who was and is and is to come!*

Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). It begins in 4/4 time, changes to 6/4 time at measure 2, and returns to 4/4 time at measure 4. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are printed below the staff, with line numbers 1, 5, and 9 indicating the start of new lines of text.

1. Praise, my soul, the king of hea - ven, to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fath - ers in dis - tress;
5 3. An - gels help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him face to face;
ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like me, his praise should sing?
9 praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;
sun and moon bow down be - fore him dwell - ers all in time and space,
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry F. Lyte, 1793-1847

Music: John Goss, 1869; Arr. Joshua Evanovich, 2008

Prayer of Invocation | Followed by the Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Jesus I Come

1. Out of my bon - dage, sor - row and night, Je - sus, I come;
 2. Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss, Je - sus, I come;
 3. Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride, Je - sus, I come;
 4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je - sus, I come;

7
 Je - sus, I — come; — In - to Thy free - dom, glad - ness and light
 Je - sus, I — come; — In - to the glo - rious gain of Thy cross,
 Je - sus, I — come; — In - to Thy bless - ed will to a - bide,
 13 Je - sus, I — come; — In - to the joy and light of Thy home,

Je - sus, I come to Thee, — Out of my sick - ness in - to Thy
 Je - sus, I come to Thee. — Out of earth's sor - rows in - to Thy
 Je - sus, I come to Thee. — Out of my - self to dwell in Thy
 20 Je - sus, I come to Thee. — Out of the depths of ru - in un -

health, Out of my want - ing and in - to Thy wealth, Out of my sin — and
 balm, Out of life's storms — and in - to Thy calm, Out of dis - tress in
 love, Out of de - spair in - to rap - tures a - bove, Up - ward for - ev - er on
 27 told, In - to the peace of Thy shel - ter - ing fold, Ev - er Thy glo - rious

in - to Thy - self, Je - sus, I come to Thee. —
 jub - i - lant psalm, Je - sus, I come to Thee. —
 wings like a dove, Je - sus, I come to Thee. —
 face to be - hold, Je - sus, I come to Thee. —

Words: William Sleeper 1887
 Music: Greg Thompson 2000

Scripture Reading | Colossians 3:I-II | Pew Bible p. 984

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Corporate Confession of Sin

All: O God, the giver of life,
 we pray for the church throughout the world.
 Sanctify its life, renew its worship,
 empower its witness, restore its unity.
 Forgive your people of their pride
 and every prejudice that dulls their will for unity.
 Strengthen the work of all who strive to seek
 the common obedience that binds us together.
 Heal the divisions that separate your children from one another,
 that they may keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Comfort | 1 John 4:10-12

[Please stand]

Leader: In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Worship Through Giving

The offering is a way for members and friends of Lexington Presbyterian to present the substance of their whole lives to God. Please feel no pressure to give.

Ways to give:

- You may use offering plates located in the back of the sanctuary as you exit.
- Go to “Giving” on your Church Center mobile app, or lexpres.churchcenter.com.
- Text2Give — text any dollar amount to 84321 to give.

Abide with Me [8:15 AM only]



1. A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven -
 2. Thou on my head, in ear - ly youth didst
 3. I need Thy pres - ence, eve - ry pass - ing
 4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to
 5. Hold Thou Thy cross, be - fore my clos - ing



tide; The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord with me a -
 smile; And, though re - bel - lious, and per - verse mean -
 hour. What but Thy grace, can foil the tempt - er's
 bless; Ills have no weight, tears lose their bit - ter -
 eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the



bide. When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts
 while, Thou hast not left me oft as I left
 power? Who, like Thy - self, my guide and stay can
 ness. Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy vic - to -
 skies. Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows



flee, Help of the help - less, a - bide with me.
 Thee, On to the close Lord, a - bide with me.
 be? Through cloud and sun - shine, a - bide with me.
 ry? I tri - umph still, a - bide with me.
 flee; In life, in death, Lord, a - bide with me.

Words: Henry Lyte, 1847
 Music: Justin Smith, 2007

The King of Love My Shepherd Is [11 AM only]

The King of love my Shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His
and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul He leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love He sought me,
And on His shoulder gently laid,
and home, rejoicing brought me.

The King of love my Shepherd is,
My Shepherd is the King of love;

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
within Thy house forever.

Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
within Thy house forever.

Words: Henry W. Baker

Music: ST. COLUMBA, Ancient Irish Melody

Arranged by: Dan Forrest

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Corporate Prayer

Missions Report | Juan Antonio and Anna Romera, Missionaries in Spain

Scripture Reading | Revelation 2:2-4 and 1 John 4:7-12 | pp. 1028 and 1023

Revelation 2:2-4

² “I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles and are not, and found them to be false. ³ I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. ⁴ But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

1 John 4:7-12

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

Sermon | What is Keeping You From Your First Love?

Rev. Curt McDaniel

Sermon Notes

One evening just before the great Broadway musical star Mary Martin was to go on stage in *South Pacific*, a note was handed to her from Oscar Hammerstein, who at that moment was dying from stomach cancer. The short note simply stated:

“Dear Mary, a bell’s not a bell till you ring it. A song is not a song till you sing it. Love in your heart is not put there to stay. Love isn’t love till you give it away.”¹

After her performance that night, many people rushed backstage, crying, “Mary, what happened to you out there tonight? We never saw anything like that performance before.” Blinking back the tears, Mary then read them the note from Hammerstein. Then she said, “Tonight, I gave my love away!”

There are Christians that want to say to Christ, “I love You,” and “I want to give You my love,” but they cannot follow through with this desire because there are too many things that are keeping them from the Lord.

What is keeping you from a close, personal, intimate love life with God? For the last 2 weeks, we read from Revelation 2 a stunning indictment from the Lord Jesus Christ upon the Church at Ephesus. His words to them were riveting, “I know your deeds (and then lists them), yet I hold this against you: you have abandoned your first love” (2:4). Does that describe me today? You? This church?

If it does, then it is vitally important that we see from God’s Word **how** we have abandoned our first love. The Bible has much to say about our love for God or the lack of it in our lives. It is extremely important to know and to understand the things that stand in the way between us and Christ that keep us from having the kind of love relationship with Him that He wants us to have.

The apostle John, the “disciple whom Jesus loved,” gives us a clear picture in 1 John 2:15-17 why Christians lack passion and fervor for Christ at times in their lives. After giving a strong command not to love the things of this broken world, he makes a profound statement in the middle of verse 15: “If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.” This phrase, “the love of the Father” is unique and found only here in the NT. Constructed in the original language to mean that the source and object of this love rests in God², you can conclude that the love stated here is the love that God

possesses that He gives to those that are in a right relationship with Him. If you do not have this kind of God-sourced love (agape) in your life, it is because something (or someone) is preventing it from filling your heart.

What stands between you and the love of God today? More specifically, what is keeping God from giving His agape love to you in fuller measures right now? Is there something wrong on God's part? Is God stingy, selfish, or picky? Is obtaining the love of God some kind of deep secret that only a handful of people can obtain? NO!

God's Word tells us that if our lives are born again supernaturally, His love is poured out into our hearts;

- “Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God” (1 John 4:7).
- “God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him” (1 John 4:16b).

There is nothing limiting God from pouring out His love to you. The issue lies with us. More times than we can imagine, we block the love of God from coming into our hearts. We are the ones that choose to self-inflict spiritual starvation. God wants to fill us to the brim with His love. Our problem is so often we are not in the position to receive it. There are too many things that are keeping us from this great love. Let's consider 4:

1. **Sins of the material world (1 John 2:16, “desires of the flesh”).**

The word “flesh” is comprehensive and powerful, denoting anything material that a person would put affection, devotion, and priority ahead of God who is contrasted as “Spirit” (John 4:24). Common “fleshly cravings:”

- Materialism: The desire and pursuit of money, things, possessions before God (see Mark 4:18-19).
- Sexual sins: The desire and pursuit to practice sexual expressions outside Scriptural boundaries (see Colossians 3:5-6).
- Worldliness (an “old-timer” term): The desire and pursuit to trust in people and human institutions ahead of God and His kingdom (see Psalm 20:7, Isaiah 31:1).

2. **Sins of the mental world (1 John 2:16, “desires of the eyes”).** This is often defined as lust, portraying the eyes as the gateway to the mind. Jesus had much to say about this: “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!” (see Matthew 6:22-23). We are visual beings and what we see stimulates our senses and motivates us to do good or tempts us to sin.

- Fixated fantasy and engagement: Looking upon another person and fantasizing a relationship outside the boundaries of biblical teaching. Jesus had much to say about this (Matthew 5:27-29).
- Human approval: The desire to seek human admiration more than the valuation of God (see Ephesians 6:6, Colossians 3:22).
- Human philosophy: The desire and pursuit of human tradition and wisdom ahead of the values and principles of God’s kingdom (see Colossians 2:8, 1 Corinthians 1:20-25).

3. **Sins of the spiritual world (1 John 2:16, “pride of life”).** This is often projected as human boasting or arrogance that flows from an unguarded (insecure) heart (Proverbs 4:23). What controls our soul, the spiritual dimension of life, governs how we behave and act towards others.

- Pride: The expression of an exaggerated belief concerning one’s self-worth or value that is above the boundaries set by Scripture (See James 4:13-16).
- Anger (and its cousins: rage, malice, and bitterness): Expressions of ill-will, indignation, and verbal (sometimes physical) harm to someone (See Colossians 3:8).
- Jealousy: An expression of non-contented envy over the position, possessions, or power of another person (See Romans 13:13, Galatians 5:19-20).

4. **Sins of the spoken world (James 3:3-10).** The things we say to one another and about one another to other people can bring great offense and can keep the love of God from shining in our hearts.

- Gossip: Speaking a criticism or ill-will about a person behind their back to another

person to defame him or her. Slander is also in this category and is much worse (see 2 Corinthians 12:20).

- Lying: Making false statements with an intent to deceive and to hide the truth from the rightful party that needs the truth (see Colossians 3:9).
- Filthy language: Coarse talk and ungodly words that point people away from God and the values of His kingdom (see Philippians 4:8).

Personal Application: There are a number of things that can roadblock the love of God from filling your life. It is not God's fault that you find yourself in a deep hole. So often we allow the sins of the material, mental, spiritual, and spoken world to get between us and God. What is God's answer?: **REPENTANCE** from fear (insecurity that arises from trust in self) and from self-reliance.

Jesus Christ offers a better way—TODAY! His life, death, and resurrection declares the love of God.

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love” (1 John 4:18).

Meditation:

Ever to be remembered is that best and brightest of hours, when first we saw the Lord, lost our burden, received the roll of promise, rejoiced in full salvation, and went on our way in peace. It was springtime in the soul; the winter was past; the mutterings of Sinai's thunders were hushed; the flashings of its lightnings were no more perceived; God was beheld as reconciled; the law threatened no vengeance, justice demanded no punishment. Then the flowers appeared in our heart; hope, love, peace, and patience sprung from the sod; the hyacinth of repentance, the snowdrop of pure holiness, the crocus of golden faith, the daffodil of early love, all decked the garden of the soul. The time of the singing of birds was come, and we rejoiced with thanksgiving; we magnified the holy name of our forgiving God, and our resolve was, "Lord, I am Yours, wholly Yours; all I am, and all I have, I would devote to You. You have bought me with Your blood—let me spend myself and be spent in Your service. In life and in death let me be consecrated to You." How have we kept this resolve? Our espousal love burned with a holy flame of devotedness to Jesus—is it the same now? Might not Jesus well say to us, "I

have something against you, because you have left your first love"? Alas! it is but little we have done for our Master's glory. Our winter has lasted all too long. We are as cold as ice when we should feel a summer's glow and bloom with sacred flowers. We give to God pence when He deserves pounds, nay, deserves our heart's blood to be coined in the service of His church and of His truth. But shall we continue thus? O Lord, after You have so richly blessed us, shall we be ungrateful and become indifferent to Your good cause and work? O quicken us that we may return to our first love, and do our first works! Send us a genial spring, O Sun of Righteousness. ³

Discussion Questions:

- Review the four common roadblocks (the sins listed above with Scripture references) that keep Christians from experiencing God's love. Which one(s) speak to your experience right now?
- Comment on this statement: "We are the ones that choose to self-inflict spiritual starvation."
- Why is fear at the root of many of these sins? How does repentance address fear?
- How does Jesus offer a better way than the sins of the material, mental, spiritual, and spoken worlds?

1 <https://www.mi-reporter.com/life/love-isnt-love-until-you-give-it-away/>

2 A.T. Robertson, *Word Pictures in the New Testament*. 6 Volumes. Grand Rapids, Baker Book House, 1982. VI:214.

3 C.H. Spurgeon, *Morning and Evening: Daily Readings*. 20th Printing. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1978, February 11 PM.

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Postlude

NOTES:

NOTES:

We Abide in You

1. We are the vine - yard You have plan - ted tend our leaves and wi - ld
2. Fruit grow - ing from our strength and la - bor rain on us with grace and

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bran - ches we a - bide, we a - bide in You. we a - bide we a - bide in You.
fa - vor, we a - bide, we a - bide in You. we a - bide, we a - bide in You.

10
Where can my soul find liv - ing wa - ter? A - part from You we bear no

14
fruit! O plant my feet down by the ri - ver We a - bide, we a - bide in You.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff contains the first two lines of lyrics. The second staff contains the next two lines. The third staff contains the next two lines. The fourth staff contains the final line of lyrics. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and dynamic markings.

Words & Music:
Sandra McCracken, Isaac Wardell, Liz Vice, Paul Zach, 2017

Serving This Morning:

Liturgist and Pastoral Prayer: Keith Boland

Updates: Rick Laughridge

Readers: Frances McFarland and John Parler

Musicians: Andrew Whitaker, Andrew Clark, Jeff Francis, Karen Laughridge, Brian Skelly and Bethany Wood

Audio/visual and livestream: Tommy Spurgeon, Jeff Becker and Jo Marturano

Updates

Midweek Reset | February 21st

Join us for Midweek Reset this Wednesday, **February 21st!** Our evening begins with a delicious meal at 5:30 p.m. in Tomlin Hall. Then at 6:15 p.m. we have discipleship opportunities for all ages including children, youth, men, women, and a co-ed small group. Remember to register for the meal each week at lexpres.churchcenter.com/registrations. Also, children ages three through the fifth grade must register for Kids Quest in the Church Center app, or at lexpres.churchcenter.com/registrations. See you there!

Please, be aware that there will be NO Midweek Reset on February 28th, March 27th and April 3rd.

Missions Lunch | Today

LPC Mission Team is inviting you to a luncheon after church today, **February 18th.** We will hear about works in Spain by Juan Antonio and Anna Romera, missionaries we support for a long time. Join us for a lunch and a prayer.

LPC Cookbook

In celebration of LPC's 50th anniversary, a new church cookbook is in the works, but we need your help. Please join us in this work by sharing your favorite recipes. You can submit recipes by emailing cookbook@lexpreschurch.com.

Reception for Andrew Whitaker | February 25th

We want to thank Andrew for his dedication to LPC as Assistant Pastor for Worship and Service as he poured his soul and God's given talent into our lives. Andrew will also share about the new opportunity as RUF Campus Minister at Indiana University, and how we can support him. We wish him and his family the best.

Please join us for a reception for Andrew **on February 25th at 5 p.m.** in Tomlin Hall. Let us know if you and your family are coming by registering in your Church Center mobile app, or at www.lexpreschurch.com/registrations. Please, check your email from a Signup Genius about providing a dessert for this reception.

LaVie Pregnancy Care Center Baby Shower

In partnership with our upcoming LPC Missions Conference, we would like to invite families with children in our Christian Education and/or Kids Quest classes to donate items to help fill diaper bags that are given to new moms who visit LaVie.

We will collect donations at the LaVie table until Sunday, **March 17th**. Please see the LaVie posters for donation information, or email Rebecca at rbecker@lexpreschurch.com.

Women's Ministry Meeting | February 25th

A Women's Ministry congregational meeting will be held on **February 25th** from 9:30 – 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect a slate of officers.

The slate of officers is as follows President: Kelly Lewis; President-elect: Melody Shafer; Bible Studies and Discipleship Chair: Christy Spurgeon; Special Events Chair: Natalia Petrenko, Hospitality Chair: Genie Graham; Encouragement Chair: Cindy Thompson.

All women members should have received an email with this information along with a copy of each nominees' testimony. There are also paper copies of testimonies available at the Welcome Desk. Please plan to drop your children off by 9:30 a.m. so you can attend.

Blood Drive | March 20th

Give the gift of life by donating blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive Wednesday, March 20th. This drive will be located on the American Red Cross Bus that will be parked outside the sanctuary near the covered drive. Appointments are available from 3 to 6:45 p.m. You can register to donate at Redcrossblood.org with sponsor code Lexpres or contact Anita Boland at aboland@lexpreschurch.com.

Missions Conference | April 5-7

Our April 5-7 Missions Conference will be a focus on LPC's locally supported ministry partners. Stay tuned for more information to come.

Lexington Community Health and Safety Fair | March 2nd

It's exciting that Lexington Presbyterian Church will be a part of the upcoming Lexington Community Health and Safety Fair! Did you know that the fair will be featured on the WIS Soda City Live February 20th at 3 p.m.? The fair will also be featured on WLTX Street Squad February 27th during the 6 p.m. news cast! You can make plans to attend this community event Saturday, March 2nd, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Lexington Leisure Center, 108 Park Rd, Lexington. It will be a great opportunity to meet others and share the love of Jesus.

- Screenings that will be included at the fair are vision, hearing, dental, blood pressure and cholesterol.
- Activities will include tours of the fire station next to the leisure center, games and crafts.
- Resources include H&R Block, Covid/Flu vaccines, Leeza's Care Connection and many others!
- Free clothing and Food available too!

You can help to get the word out by:

- 1) Inviting others to attend in person or through social media. Be sure to include the link to www.lexpreschurch.com.
- 2) Putting flyers up in the community. These are available at the welcome desk at the church.

If you would like to volunteer to help sort clothing March 1st anytime from 12-4 p.m. at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church or help the day of the fair at the Lexington Leisure. Please, register in your Church Center mobile app, or at www.lexpreschurch.com/registrations, or contact Anita Boland at aboland@lexpreschurch.com.

Men's Ministry Breakfast | February 24th

Please join the men of LPC on **Saturday, February 24th**, at 8:30 a.m. in Tomlin Hall for a hearty breakfast and fellowship.

Dads, please bring your boys. After breakfast we are going to help Don Parker with some chores around the church.

Chores include: pressure washing the basketball court, washing windows, leveling the gazebo, polishing the outdoor chapel area, moving boxes from storage and cleaning up the volleyball court. Don has most of the tools we will need but a few additional rakes and an extra pressure washer or two would be a big help. Many hands make light work! Please, pass the word!

Please, register in your Church Center mobile app, or at www.lexpreschurch.com/registrations.

Easter Lilies Order | Opened

The church will be decorated with beautiful Easter lilies on Sunday, March 17th. You can purchase the lilies in memory or in honor of a friend or loved one for \$15 each. Deadline for orders is Sunday, March 10th. You can order your lily by filling out the form that you can find at the back of the Sanctuary, or in your Church Center mobile app, or at www.lexpreschurch.com/registrations.

Short term missions trip opportunity | June 1-7

Lexington Presbyterian Church will again serve with Isaiah 55 Ministries in Reynosa, Mexico this summer from June 1st to June 7th. The trip will involve outreach to local children, some basic construction and handy work, and other tasks to support the full-time missionaries in the country. The trip cost is estimated at \$1,600 per person depending on the cost of airfares. A deposit is required by March 15th to reserve your space. Half of the trip funds are due by April 1st, the other half by May 1st. Some scholarship money has been made available by the LPC Missions Team. Please contact Arlan or Amy Brady for details at abrady2694@aol.com.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday (March 24th) - Regular Schedule | Celebrate Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem! Children age 2-5th grade are invited to participate in our Palm Sunday processional during the 11:00 service! Children will stay in their CE class after 10:30am and line up with their teachers. If you miss CE, children can join their class in the Welcome Center before worship.

Maundy Thursday (March 28th) - 6:30pm | Join us to remember the Last Supper and Jesus's command to his disciples: "that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another" (John 13:34). Nursery for age 2 and under will be available.

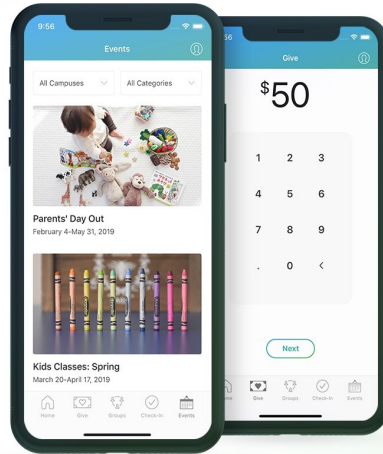
Good Friday (March 29th) - 6:30pm | We're gathering with other local PCA churches for this community service focused on the sacrifice of our Savior at Icehouse Amphitheater.

Easter Sunday (March 31st) - 9:00am & 11:00am | Join us and invite others for this joyful celebration of Christ's resurrection! There will be no Christian Education classes, but nursery and Children's Church are scheduled as normal.

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Stewardship

Through the end of January, 2024:

Budget FYTD \$717,840

Received FYTD \$768,514

Expenditures FYTD \$709,217

Connect Card

Thanks for joining us today!
We would love to come alongside
you in your walk with Jesus,
whether you're new to our
community or you've been here
awhile.

Visit lexpreschurch.com/connect
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camera and point it at the QR
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recognize and scan the QR code.
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