

May 5, 2024

Worship | 8:15 and 11 am

Livestream | 11 am



LEXINGTON

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

[* Congregation, please stand if able]

Prelude

PRAISE

Updates | Following Christ Together

* **Call to Worship** | Psalm 98:1-3

*Leader: Oh sing to the LORD a new song,
for He has done marvelous things!*

All: His right hand and His holy arm
have worked salvation for Him.

*Leader: The LORD has made known His salvation;
He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.*

All: He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

* Trinity Hymnal # 34—The God of Abraham Praise



1. The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove,
 2. The God of A-braham praise, at whose su - preme com - mand
 5. There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Right - eous - ness,
 6. The whole tri - um - phant host gives thanks to God on high;



An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days and God of love.
 from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry.



Je - ho - vah! Great I AM! by earth and heav'n con - fessed;
 I all on earth for - sake, its wis - dom, fame, and pow'r,
 On Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
 Hail, A - braham's God and mine! I join the heav'n - ly lays;



I bow and bless the sa - cred name, for - ev - er blest.
 and him my on - ly por - tion make, my shield and tow'r.
 and glo - rious with his saints in light for - ev - er reigns.
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Text: Thomas Olivers, 1770

Tune (LEONI): Jewish melody; Arr. By Meyer Lyon, 1770

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* Prayer of Invocation

* **Scripture Reading** | Philemon 4-7 | Pew Bible p. 1000

I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

Come Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted



1. Come ye souls by sin a - fflic — ted, Bowed with fruit - less, sorr - ow
 2. Take His ea - sy yoke and wear — it; Love will make your o - be - dience
 3. Bless - ed are the eyes that see — Him, Blest the ears that hear His
 4. Sweet as home to pil - grims wea - ry, Light to new - ly o - pened



down; By the bro - ken law con vic — ted, Through the cross, be - hold the
 sweet Christ will give you strength to bear — it, While His grace shall guide your
 voice; Bless - ed are the souls that trust — Him, And in Him a - lone re -
 eyes, Like full springs in, de - serts drea - ry, Is the rest the cross supp -



crown; Look to Je - sus, Look to Je - sus, Look to Je - sus; Mer - cy flows through
 feet Safe to glo - ry, Safe to glo - ry, Safe to glo - ry, Where His ran - somed
 joice; His comm - and - ments, His comm - and - ments, His comm - and - ments Then be - come their
 lies; All who taste it, All who taste it, All who taste it Shall to rest imm -



Him a - lone. _____
 cap - tives meet. _____ 2. Take His
 ha - ppy choice. _____ 3. Bless - ed
 or - tal rise. _____ 4. Sweet as

Words: Joseph Swain (alt. Twit)
 Music: Kevin Twit, 2013

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RENEWAL

Call to Confession | Lamentations 5:1, 7, 15-16

*Leader: Remember, O LORD, what has befallen us;
look, and see our disgrace!*

*Our fathers sinned, and are no more;
and we bear their iniquities.*

*The joy of our hearts has ceased;
our dancing has been turned to mourning.
The crown has fallen from our head;
woe to us, for we have sinned!*

Corporate Confession of Sin | From the “Valley of Vision”: “The Lord’s Supper

All: God of all good,
I bless You for the means of grace;
teach me to see in them Your loving purposes
and the joy and strength of my soul.
You have prepared for me a feast;
and though I am unworthy to sit down as guest,
I wholly rest on the merits of Jesus,
and hide myself beneath His righteousness;
When I hear His tender invitation and see His wondrous grace,
I cannot hesitate, but must come to You in love.
By Your Spirit enliven my faith
rightly to discern and spiritually to apprehend the Savior.

In the supper I remember His eternal love, boundless grace,
infinite compassion, agony, cross, redemption,
and receive assurance of pardon, adoption, life, glory.
As the outward elements nourish my body,
so may Your indwelling Spirit invigorate my soul,
until that day when I hunger and thirst no more,
and sit with Jesus at His heavenly feast. AMEN.

Silent Confession

* Words of Comfort | Colossians 1:13-14

Leader: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

* O Great God

1. O great God of high - est heav'n, oc - c - upy my low - ly heart.
 2. I was blind - ed by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,
 3. Help me now to live a life that's de - pend - ent on Your grace.

4
 Own it all and reign su - preme, con - quer ev - ery re - bel pow'r.
 did not know Your love with - in, had no taste for hea - ven's joys.
 Keep my heart and guard my soul from the e - vils that I face.

8
 Let no vice or sin re - main that re - sists Your ho - ly war.
 Then Your Spir - it gave me life, o - pened up Your Word to me.
 You are worth - y to be praised with my ev - ery thought and deed.

12
 You have loved and pur - chased me, make me Yours for - ev - er - more.
 through the gos - pel of Your Son, gave me end - less hope and peace.
 O great God of high - est heav'n, glo - ri - fy Your Name through me.

Words and music: Bob Kauflin, 2006
 Based on *The Valley of Vision* prayer, "Regeneration"

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* Affirmation of Faith | Apostle's Creed

ALL: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose
again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic church; *
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

*the universal church that trusts in Christ alone

Friendship Register

Kindly remember to give your neighbor the Friendship Register. Once it reaches the end of the pew, then please pass it back. Making acquaintances with guests and fostering friendships within the larger church family is the goal of this register. Starting from the middle aisle, the register is located at the head of each pew.

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 the 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.

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a double bar line with repeat dots at the beginning of the first staff. There are measure numbers 4, 7, 11, and 15 indicated at the start of their respective staves. The final staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The lyrics are as follows:

We will feast in the house of Zi - on. we will sing with our
 hearts re - stored. He has done great things, we will say to - ge - ther
 We will feast and weep no more. 1. We will not be
 2. In the dark of
 3. Ev - 'ry vow we've
 burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God we are not con -
 night be - fore the dawn my soul be not a - fraid for the pro - mised
 bro - ken and be - trayed You are the faith - ful one and from the
 sumed by the flood Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up.
 mor - ning, O how long? O God of Ja - cob be my strength.
 gar - den to the grave Bind us to - geth - er bring sha - lom.

Words and music: Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore, 2015

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

Corporate Prayer

Children's Sermon | A Hope "Stored Up" For You

* Scripture Reading | Colossians 1:1-5 | p. 983

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

² To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel...

Communion Homily

Our Sufficiency in Christ: An Exposition of Colossians: 2. The Christian Mindset of Thanksgiving

Rev. Dr. Curt McDaniel

Sermon Notes

While First-Century correspondence usually opened with a word of goodwill or laudatory salutation (“well wishes”¹), the apostle Paul chooses to elevate his opening words to the Colossian Christians (also seen in some of his other letters) by using words that thank God and also encourage believers in the Faith: “Paul both models and urges the posture of thanksgiving (1:12; 3:15, 16), a posture of responsiveness and gratitude to God. In directing his prayer to “God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,” Paul acknowledges God as the source of the good gifts for which he is thankful. From God come the gospel, the truth, and the grace manifested in Jesus Christ and received by the Colossians.”²

Compare this opening with the beginning of his letter to Philemon, written at the same time:

I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you (Philemon 4-7).

Keep in mind that this came from a leader who was in prison, unable to continue his missionary mission, unable to plant churches personally, unable to preach the gospel publicly, and limited in training present and future church leaders (unless they came to him). In many respects, this predicament could tempt Paul to feel despondent, discouraged, and saddened. Yet you do not see this condition present in his mind as he is writing the opening words of the Colossian letter: “We must always take notice that he makes use of thanksgiving in place of congratulation, by which he teaches us that in all our joys we must readily call to remembrance the goodness of God, inasmuch as everything that is pleasant and agreeable to us is a kindness conferred by him.”³

Main thought: Because a mindset of thanksgiving is modeled by Paul for the Colossian Christians, a believer’s mindset should also echo thanks to God for His gospel’s work in the lives of other saints.

1. **A spirit of continual and persistent gratitude to God marked Paul's posture before the Colossians (3):** "The impression left here of Paul is that he is very much a pastoral person who prays frequently not only for his own converts but also for those converted through the extension of his ministry through his coworkers." ⁴
 - a. *He thanks God, the Father (3a).* Remember that one of his audiences was Jewish-thinking (both unconverted Essene Jews and converted Jewish-Christians), so the words "God the Father" would first catch their attention favorably, but then startle them to see that this God is not just the "Father of Israel" (Exodus 4:22-23, Deuteronomy 32:6, Isaiah 63:16 (2x), Jeremiah 3:4, 19, 31:9, Malachi 1:6, 2:10), but most especially the God and Father of the Lord Jesus Christ. This Jewish tone, monotheistic (to an audience surrounded by pagan polytheism) and filled with gratitude, recognizes: "What God has done is always the 'perch' (so to speak) from which Christian prayer takes its flight and to which it returns." ⁵
 - b. *He thanks God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ (3b).* Note that in stating Christ's relationship (Son) to God the Father at the start, he is already preparing their minds to learn additional attributes and qualities of Christ that will appear later in chapter 1 and throughout chapter 2, a common rhetorical practice of the day: "The thanksgivings in Paul's letters 'telegraph' the themes that he will develop in the rest of the letter. The thanksgiving prayer of the Colossians serves much the same function." ⁶
2. **Paul's gratitude to God in prayer celebrated the work of the gospel in the Colossians' lives (4-5).** With a few short words, the apostle summarized how the gospel came to them from him through Epaphras to alter the trajectory of their lives eternally: "Here within the compass of three short verses we have a third word (after 'grace' and 'faith') to which Christianity, and again Paul in particular (75 out of 116 occurrences in the NT), gave distinctive weight as a carrier of one of the important and far-reaching emphases marking out Christianity among other religions of the time... 'Love' (agapē) was little used at the time; it appears only rarely in nonbiblical Greek before the second or third century AD... It is clear that for Paul, the self-sacrifice of Christ is the definitive expression of this 'love.'" ⁷ What qualities of the gospel's progress and power marked Paul's celebration?

- a. *Faith in Christ Jesus (4a)*. It is ironic that a sudden change in verb tenses transitions from the present tense (“we are thanking,” “we are praying”) to the aorist tense (action in the past, “we have heard”). Epaphras told Paul of the progress of the gospel and of God’s grace in the formation of faith in the Colossian believers’ lives, and it moved Paul to give thanks to God in prayer.

Reflection: Do I regularly thank God for building faith and trust in the lives of believers around me? Do I ask God in prayer to strengthen my Christian brothers’ and sisters’ faith?

- 1:9b: Faith that they may be filled with the knowledge of God’s will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding.
- 1:10a: Faith to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him.

b. *Love for all the saints (4b)*. A true work of the gospel will not only build up a person’s and a congregation’s faith, but also—at the same time—produce a deeper agapē love not just for some of the believers, but for all believers in the community of faith: “Having love for others is an important element of this holy life. As those who exist within the sphere of Christ and who approach God through Christ, believers live lives that express their identity as ‘saints’ by loving others; love demonstrates their faith in Christ. Just as being holy and being loving are inseparable, having faith and loving others are inseparable. Having this faith in or residing in the sphere of Christ means, by definition, that one will be loving.”⁸

Reflection: Is my faith in Christ growing, which enables me to love all my brothers and sisters in Christ in this community of faith?

c. *Hope laid up (stored up) for you in the heavenlies (5a)*. There was a biblical hope (confidence, assurance) that made faith and love abound. In fact, this hope in Christ was seen as a foundation for life and godliness in their Christian walk. They were able to love and demonstrate faith in and faithfulness to Christ because they had confidence in the character of God. Biblical hope is not wishful thinking or blind optimism; instead, it is a solid confidence and reliance that the promises, power, and character of God are real, certain, and true. Notice the new wrinkle in Paul’s thought: this hope or confident assurance is laid up for them in the heavens (plural,

an expression reflecting the Jewish concept that heaven had multiple provinces or localities, as depicted in Deuteronomy 10:14, 1 Kings 8:27, 2 Chronicles 2:6, 6:18, Nehemiah 9:6). Here is how a believer's faith is "stored up:"

- When you hear and believe the gospel—you receive hope (faith to trust in God's character).
 - ◇ As you hear and believe the gospel more—God gives you more hope.
 - ◆ As God gives you more hope (because you continue to hear and to believe the gospel—this knowledge and biblical confidence build up and are stored in your heavenly bank account ("laid up" or "stored" is the same word in Luke 19:20, Matthew 6:20, and 1 Peter 1:4, "kept in heaven for you").
 - * And the way you spend this hope or express it is through faith and love.

Takeaway: See this truth in the light of Romans 8:24-25:

If you have hope, it will be seen in faith. If you have hope, it will show itself in love. Where there is great hope, there is great faith and love. Where there is low hope, there is low faith and love.

Reflection: The Colossians had great hope. It was seen in their faith and love. When believers look at you, what do they see? Do they see faith and love because of your hope?

Personal Application:

- Am I thanking God regularly (mindset) for the believers around me, and am I praying for them?
- Is my hope in Christ and in the gospel causing my own faith and the faith of those around me to grow?
- Is my hope in Christ and in the gospel causing my love for others—all believers—to grow?

Personal Meditation:

“There are many who have rejoiced in the presence of God for a season; they have basked in the sunshine in the earlier stages of their Christian career; they have walked along the ‘green pastures’ by the side of the ‘still waters,’ but suddenly they find the glorious sky is clouded; instead of the Land of Goshen they have to tread the sandy desert; in the place of sweet waters, they find troubled streams, bitter to their taste, and they say, ‘Surely, if I were a child of God, this would not happen.’ Oh! say not so, you who are walking in darkness. The best of God's saints must drink the wormwood; the dearest of His children must bear the cross. No Christian has enjoyed perpetual prosperity; no believer can always keep his harp from the willows. Perhaps the Lord allotted you at first a smooth and unclouded path, because you were weak and timid. He tempered the wind to the shorn lamb, but now that you are stronger in the spiritual life, you must enter upon the riper and rougher experience of God's full-grown children. We need winds and tempests to exercise our faith, to tear off the rotten bough of self-dependence, and to root us more firmly in Christ. The day of evil reveals to us the value of our glorious hope.”⁹

Study and Discussion Questions:

1. Compare Colossians 1:3-5 with Philemon 4-7 (written at the same time). What characterizes Paul's opening words in these letters (and his other ones too)? Remember his predicament? What does this tell you about his life, his heart, and his faith?
2. Remembering that one of his audiences is Jewish minded, how significant would it be for Paul to state that God, our heavenly Father, is the “Father of our Lord Jesus Christ” when the Jews thought of God as the “Father of Israel” (review Exodus 4:22-23, Deuteronomy 32:6, Isaiah 63:16 (2x), Jeremiah 3:4, 19, 31:9, Malachi 1:6, 2:10). How shocking would this be?
3. Paul celebrated the work of the gospel in the Colossian believers' by thanking God for 3 things seen in their lives. What are they? Discuss each attribute and share with one another how you see them present in the lives of believers in this fellowship.
4. What does it mean for hope to be “laid up” or “stored up” for you in heaven? What are its implications?

Footnotes:

1. See Paul Schubert, "Form and Function of the Pauline Thanksgivings." *The Journal of Religion* 19, no.4 (October 1939). Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 365-377 for a good overview of Paul introductions to his letters.
2. Marianne Meye Thompson, *Colossians and Philemon*. Two Horizons New Testament Commentary. Eds. Joel B. Green and Max Turner. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2005, 19.
3. John Calvin, *Commentary on Colossians*. Trans. William Pringle. 22 Volumes. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1996. 137.
4. Ben Witherington III, *The Letters to Philemon, the Colossians, and the Ephesians: A Socio-Rhetorical Commentary on the Captivity Epistles*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007, 120..
5. C.F.D. Moule, *The Epistles to the Colossians and to Philemon*. Cambridge Greek Testament Commentary. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1957, 48.
6. Jerry L. Sumney, *Colossians: A Commentary*. The New Testament Library. Louisville: John Knox Press, 2008, 30.
7. James D.G. Dunn, *The Epistles to the Colossians and Philemon*. New International Greek Testament Commentary. Eds. I. Howard Marshall and Donald A. Hagner. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996, 57-58.
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9. Charles Haddon Spurgeon, *Morning and Evening: Daily Readings*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1978, April 29 AM.

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

Introduction to the Table

A few words on how we celebrate the Lord's Supper at LPC:

- We invite everyone to proceed down the middle aisle as the ushers dismiss your row and to individually, or as a family, go to one of the tables.
*If you are unable to go forward, we will bring the elements to you in your seat but please let us know with a wave of your hand! For those sitting in the transepts, please come to the tables first.
- We use real bread at the tables but there are gluten free wafers on the center table that you may pick up on your way to a table.
- We have both red wine and white grape juice in our trays. The red wine is in the tinted cup.
- If you are not partaking of the Supper, we encourage you to come forward and refrain from taking the elements, but to consider the death and resurrection of Jesus, and the welcome that is offered in the Gospel. There are cards on the tables where you will find printed prayers that offer honest words for those who are seeking truth.
- Please discard cups in the black trash cans placed at the front of the sanctuary.
- We encourage you to sing along with us as everyone proceeds forward and is served!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

Words of Institution

Eating and Drinking Together

* Sending

* Benediction | Colossians 2:6-7

Leader: Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Postlude

Serving This Morning:

Updates and Liturgist: Owen McCullough.

Pastoral Prayer: Paul Graham.

Readers: Leslie Waters and Kim Gamble.

Musicians: Abigail Baarendse, Heather Coleridge, Jeff Francis, Jackson Love, Tim McConnell, and Don Parker.

Audio/visual and livestream: Chris Hollis.

Communion Preparation Team: Bryon and Patty Lundberg.

Stewardship

- LPC fiscal budget year is July 1st to June 30th.
- The current budget was revised on January 1st, 2024.

Through the end of March, 2024:

Budget FYTD	\$922,937
Received FYTD	\$982,594
Expenditures FYTD	\$932,493

Updates

Church Administrator and Director of Youth Ministry

LPC is seeking a full-time Church Administrator (aka Business Manager) and also Director of Youth Ministry. Please visit lexpreschurch.com and click on “Jobs” at the bottom of the home page to view the full job description and learn how to apply. Thank you!

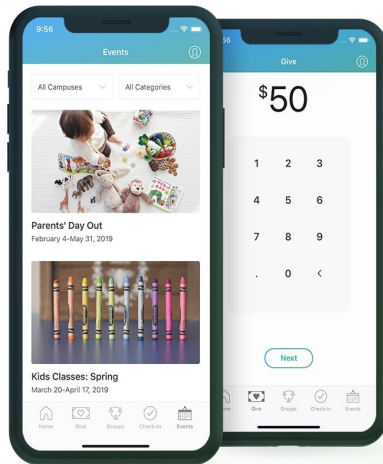
Missions This Summer

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve in missions this summer? Check out the listings on our denominations MTW website at <https://www.mtw.org/missiontrips>.



- Service Times
- Easy Giving
- Event Signups
- Community Connection
- Family Pre-Check

Download the app



We invite you to download our Church Center from your app store or visit lexpres.churchcenter.com.

Help your fellow members find you! Join the Directory in Church Center. In your profile, check the boxes to make your contact information visible to others in the Directory.

Need help? Visit the Church Center Help Desk in the Welcome Center.

Opportunities to Serve

The Children's Ministry team has immediate needs for loving volunteers the second Sunday of each month in our nursery for the following areas:

- 8:15 Service: one adult lady
- 11:00 Service: an adult couple, 2 adult ladies, or one adult lady and 1-2 teen (s)

Please contact Rebeca at rgallegos@lexpreschurch.com to volunteer or to learn more.



Let us know your musical gifts!



If you have musical talents and gifts that remain untapped at LPC, please scan the QR code to complete a survey. As we glorify God through music in worship, you may just be the addition we need for our team.




LEXINGTON COUNTY BLOWFISH

LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NIGHT
AT LEXINGTON COUNTY BASEBALL STADIUM

Join your family and friends for a night of family fun and entertainment at the Blowfish game!
POSTGAME FIREWORKS SHOW!

GAME DATE: SATURDAY, JUNE 15 7:05 PM <small>GATES OPEN AT 6 PM</small>	TICKETS: ONLY \$15.99	YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Game ticket, unlimited all-beer hot dogs, burgers, chicken sandwiches, chips, brownies, ice cold drinks.
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SUMMER SUNDAY SOCIALS
at LPC

Let's
worship together
pray together
feast together
fellowship together


May 26th | June 30th | July 21st | August 25th
 9:45 CE and 11:00 worship
 followed by a covered-dish lunch.

FAITH PROMISE GIVING

At LPC, we are committed to partnering in the mission of Jesus to make disciples of all nations, including how we financially support our ministry partners. While our church budget will continue to see a rise, at least 10% for local and global mission work each year, all of your Faith Promise gift will go directly to missions. Faith Promise Giving is in addition to your regular church giving.

Faith Promise Giving is not primarily about money—it is about an overflow of generosity from the Spirit for seeing global kingdom expansion. A Faith Promise involves asking God to enable us to give more than we thought we could give, and at the same time trusting him to provide for our daily needs. Lord willing, there will be an increase in our ability to support missions at home and abroad.

ENGAGING PEOPLE WITH GOSPEL HOPE IN LEXINGTON AND AROUND THE WORLD



2024-2025
FAITH PROMISE

LPC supports world and local missions through our general fund budget and through faith promise giving. Faith Promise Giving for 2024-2025 pledge cards were handed out at the missions conference the weekend of April 5-7. Last year, total faith promise pledges for missions were \$97,970. As of this past weekend, pledges for our year beginning July 1, 2024, total \$44,700.

Visit the tables in the back of the sanctuary for copies of our 2024-2025 Missional Partners booklet, Pledge cards and the Faith Promise Pledge card box to submit your pledge.

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
or scan the QR code to fill out
our Connect Card!

If you're not familiar with QR
codes, we're here to help!

1. Open your smartphone's
camera and point it at the QR
code so that it shows clearly on
your screen.
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recognize and scan the QR code.
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