



# LAKEVIEW *life*

WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2021



***pastor's***  
**PEN PASTOR BRIAN**

This Sunday, August 8th, Brother Al and I complete the 7-part series on the great Christological passages of the New Testament. We began our series by looking at Colossians 1:15-20, "Jesus Christ: Supreme Over All Things." We then considered John 1:1-14, "Jesus Christ: Fully God and Fully Man." We followed that text up with Philippians 2:5-11, "Jesus Christ: Lord of Time and Eternity." The fourth text in our series was Matthew 16:13-19, "Jesus Christ: Builder of the Church" followed appropriately by a very important text for the church: 1 Timothy 3:14-16, "Jesus Christ: the Mystery of Godliness." This past week we studied the sixth text of our series, Hebrews 1:1-4, "Jesus Christ: The Radiance of God's Glory." This week, we come to the end of our series with Revelation 5, "Jesus Christ: Worthy of All Worship."

Why would we do this series? Well, ultimately, the title of the Revelation 5 sermon definitively answers that: because Jesus Christ is worthy of all worship. Indeed, "worthy" is a key word in Revelation 5. For example, "worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" (Rev 5:12).

But secondary to that, we have considered these glorious Christological texts because the glory of God in Jesus Christ is the only true agent of transformation. Of course we know that progressive sanctification (growth in godliness) is fundamentally an internal, sovereign and supernatural work of the Triune God. But we also know that glorious reality does not cancel our responsibility in the process because the Lord employs "means" in sanctifying us.

And the foundational "means" the LORD uses is found in 2 Corinthians 3:18, "And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the LORD, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the LORD who is the Spirit."

Paul says the glory of the LORD is so powerful, it actually transforms those who simply gaze upon it. In other words, beholding is becoming. Even the Devil knows that. Paul writes just a minute later in 2 Corinthians 4:4 "the god of this world has blinded the minds of unbelievers to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ who is the image of God."

This means to counteract the devil's work, we must determine to behold the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ in corporate worship. Of course, we can behold that glory from any passage in the Scriptures- indeed, we must. Yet, I am so grateful for the LORD's wisdom in giving us these Christological texts that center so succinctly and gloriously on who Christ is and what he came to do. So as we "look to Jesus" (Heb 12:2), this week, we, like Moses, will have our faith strengthened to endure all manner of temptation by "looking to the reward" (Heb 11:26) and "seeing him who is unseen" (Heb 11:27).

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Brian



## cliff's notes ON FAMILY MINISTRY

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY UPDATES

Our lesson Sunday was from Ecclesiastes 3: "There is a time for everything." This theme seems to be very appropriate for this season of COVID. I regularly remind myself that God knows all of the events going on and He is on His throne. I remind myself to be slow to speak, love well, and be full of grace and truth. I also try to remind myself to read my Bible more than I listen to the news and trust God more than the reporters. And lastly, I pray. God can do more in people's lives and circumstances than we could ever ask or imagine.

Our adult Bible study classes will continue to meet according to the present church protocols. We continue to monitor the local medical reports from our doctors. The deacons and staff remain in on-going conversations about shepherding our church well. We continue to pray and ask God for mercy and wisdom.

#### Guidelines During Periods of High Community Transmission of COVID-19

1. We recommend that **unvaccinated/high-risk individuals not attend in person**, for their own welfare.
2. We recommend that **unvaccinated individuals wear masks in gatherings**, for the welfare of others.
3. We recommend that **individuals with any COVID-19 symptoms not attend in person**, for the welfare of others.
4. We recommend that **special areas of the balcony continue to be reserved where masks are required and distancing is encouraged**.

And lastly, I want to say a big thank you for our ABS leaders for their effort to shepherd and minister to our folks during this challenging time. God has given us much grace and we have navigated these days by His help and wisdom. Let us continue "to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God" (Micah 6:8).

Because He Lives!  
Cliff



## children's CHATTER

### AL'S PALS POSTPONED

Al's Pals has been postponed to Sunday, August 15th. Our Al's Pals club will meet Sunday, August 15th, 22nd, 29th, and September 5th at 5:00 PM in the KidZone! We will learn our hymn, Bible verse, and check sermon notes. More details coming soon!



## congregational CARE UPDATE

### MEN AND WOMEN'S THEOLOGY GROUPS

Our men and women's theology groups will start back Wednesdays. Our first meeting will be August 18. The men will meet Wednesday at 6:30 AM and discuss Chapter 44, "The Church: Its Nature, Its Marks, and Its Purposes". The ladies will continue their study on Wednesdays at 7:45 AM on Chapter 20, "Satan and Demons". Our discussion will flow from Wayne Grudem's *Systematic Theology*, 2nd edition. Newcomers are welcome. Read and study the chapter before coming so we can have a good discussion. Check LBC mask mandate before you come. I so look forward to seeing all.

### TUESDAYS AT OLE TIMES COUNTRY BUFFET

All men are invited to a once a month lunch in the Eagle Room at Ole Times Country Buffet from 12-1:30. Purchase your food and come on back to the Eagle Room for some good fellowship, food and fun. We will begin Tuesday, September 9. Pass on the word. Invite a friend.

### NURSING HOME & ASSISTED LIVING SING-A-LONGS

Sing-a-longs will be rescheduled for now. Jann will let you know when we start again.

### DISCOVER LAKEVIEW CLASS THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 FOLLOWING THE MORNING SERVICE

Are you interested in joining Lakeview or just finding out more about us? The Discover Lakeview Class is for you. Bro Cliff and Bro Al walk through what we believe as a church, membership, and our covenant. WE NEED A RESERVATION FROM YOU WITH THE NUMBER ATTENDING FOR LUNCH AND CHILDCARE. The class will follow the morning service in the fellowship hall. Please email Laura Gray at lgray@lakeviewbaptist.org to reserve your spot.







## *praise* WORTHY

### CELEBRATION CHOIR & ORCHESTRA WEDNESDAYS | 6:00 PM BEGINNING AUGUST 11

Join us as we begin a new season of praise leadership. We would love for you to utilize your gifts and abilities with us as we praise the Lord together. The celebration choir meets in the Choir Room and the orchestra meets in the Worship Center each Wednesday evening at 6:00. Come join us on August 11!

### RE/GEN YOUTH CHOIR THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 | 4:30 PM

Calling all 7th-12th graders to the choir room each Sunday afternoon, beginning August 8 in the choir room. Come join us as we begin a new season of Re/Gen!

### VOLUNTEER WORKDAY

Volunteers are needed to help build a supply closet in Children's Room W208 on Saturday, August 14. If you are interested in helping, please call Scott Kirk at (205)243-9637.

### LADIES BIBLE STUDIES

#### GOD OF DELIVERANCE (BY JEN WILKIN)

WEDNESDAYS | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

STARTS AUGUST 25\*

SUNDAYS | 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

STARTS SEPTEMBER 12\*

Workbooks are for sale online at Lifeway.com, Amazon.com, Walmart.com and other booksellers.

#### PRECEPT: DANIEL

WEDNESDAYS | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Via Zoom with an on-campus option

STARTS AUGUST 25\*

TUESDAYS | 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

STARTS SEPTEMBER 14

Register for all classes at [www.lakeviewbaptist.org/lakeview-women](http://www.lakeviewbaptist.org/lakeview-women). If you need help securing a workbook or have any questions, we're glad to help. Email us at [lakeviewwomen@gmail.com](mailto:lakeviewwomen@gmail.com)

\*Preschool childcare is available on Wednesdays and Sunday afternoons with online registration. Space is limited, so please sign up soon.

Lakeview Women



## *the world* IN AUBURN

### HELP WANTED FOREIGN MISSIONS LOCALLY

With the now current and recent COVID-19 situation, foreign mission trips have been almost impossible lately. While we hope "going" mission trips resume soon, God has given us the unique opportunity of doing "foreign missions" right here in Auburn. I met recently with local groups that minister to international AU students and learned that quite a few international students have been accepted at AU and have already obtained the necessary Visa and permission to come to Auburn. I also learned that MANY more students have applied to come to Auburn and are in various stages of obtaining Visas and acceptance at AU. Students are not the only people we are able to minister to through English lessons. There are many, many nationalities here that would love the opportunity to learn English. This increases their ability to live and work more easily here and also to learn what it means to follow Jesus.

Maybe God is calling you to do "At Home Foreign Missions." Lakeview's Conversational English classes will begin again on August 18th and we need teachers, co-teachers, children's workers and other support personnel to make this opportunity possible. Classes will be taught here on Lakeview's campus. We will also begin a new program in which a teacher/mentor and the prospective student will meet one-on-one once per week for one hour at the place they choose. The textbook for this new program is the Bible! What a great opportunity to share the love of Jesus with our international friends and hopefully see them accept Jesus as their personal Savior.

If you have questions or to let us know you plan to come, please give me a call in the church office Monday through Wednesday or you may leave a voice message or email me at [jferguson@lakeviewbaptist.org](mailto:jferguson@lakeviewbaptist.org). You may also leave a message with Marie Foshee, my assistant.



### HOUSING NEED

Do you have the gift of hospitality? Do you have extra space to provide lodging for a man, a couple or a family? We need housing! Bro Al has an annual Lakeview Connection meeting for former Lakeview members and interns who are in ministry. This year the connection reunion will begin with dinner on Thursday, September 2 and will end with breakfast on Saturday, September 4. While the men meet with Bro Al, any wives that come will meet with Kem. All meals and childcare will be provided at the church. If you are interested in keeping someone, please contact Gretchen at [ghood@lakeviewbaptist.org](mailto:ghood@lakeviewbaptist.org) or 334-887-7094.

# *fellowship* MEAL

WEDNESDAYS FROM 4:45-5:30

## AUGUST 18

Beef Tips in Gravy, Rice, Veggies Rolls, Ice Cream Cups

## AUGUST 25

Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies, Apple Crisp

*Fellowship Meals are open to everyone and cost \$4 per person with a \$20 cap per family. Cash or Check only.*

## FOOD PANTRY (JULY REPORT)

Households fed	77
Total pounds of food distributed	3,661
Average pounds per household	47
Average \$ per household	\$5.71
Average \$ per pound	\$0.12



## REMEMBER IN prayer

### MAGNOLIA PLACE

Nancy Thornton

### OAK PARK

Bobby Jones

Emaleen Fagen

### VALLEY PARK MANOR

Kay Gaillard

### AT HOME

Matthew Baker

Daniel Benjamin

Matt Beth

Mike Cannon

Dennis Clark

Joe Denison

Billy Edens

Hugh Fellows

Rita Freeman

Ambers Hanson

Lorene Hayes

Renae O'Mary

Jane Parker

Matthew Richardson

Donn Rodekhor

Susan Scales

Lottie Sides

Joe Youngblood

## AUGUST 1 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ 773

EVENING SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ 255

## AUGUST 1 GIVING

BUDGET \_\_\_\_\_ \$46,423.16

RESTRICTED \_\_\_\_\_ \$3,635.00

REMAINDER NEEDED  
THIS MONTH \_\_\_\_\_ \$213,576.84

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**LAKEVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH IS TO**  
LOVE THE LORD GOD AND TO EXPRESS THAT LOVE BY  
**MAKING, NURTURING AND EQUIPPING**  
**DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST**  
IN AUBURN AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.



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