



# LAKEVIEW *life*

WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2022



## *pastor's* PEN

Dear Lakeview Family,

It was a true joy to gather with you on Resurrection Sunday to celebrate the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. You have been faithfully taught the gospel for many decades and you have believed it and clearly love it. That is why our corporate worship services are so vibrant. It is a good time to be at Lakeview Baptist Church.

With that said, all of you are aware that our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Ukraine are in a time of great suffering. The latest figures indicate that there have been 2,685 civilian casualties since February 24, when Russia launched a full-scale military invasion into Ukraine. More than 4.1 million refugees have fled Ukraine since then. To put in perspective, that equals the population of Los Angeles.

And there is no evidence that this war is going to end soon. In fact, at least seven people were killed today (Monday) after Russian missiles struck the western Ukrainian city of Lviv. This attack was a deadly extension of Russia's unholy war into a city that has become a refuge for thousands fleeing from farther east as well as a major supply and logistics hub. This attack is a horrific reminder that Russian forces would continue to threaten all of Ukraine even as the Kremlin refocuses its efforts on the country's east.

Of course, as believers, though this grieves us, it does not surprise us. We know the "nations rage" (Psalm 2:1a). But we also know they "plot in vain" (Psalm 2:1b). We know ultimately our LORD "who sits in the heavens laughs" (2:4a), that He "holds them in derision" and will ultimately "speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury" (Psalm 2:4b-5). Indeed, this is the fate of every, single human who fails to "kiss the Son" (Psalm 2:12).

So we grieve, but we are also hopeful. In our hopefulness, we must not lose sight of the fact that the Golden Rule applies here: let

us do unto them as we would have them do unto us. In that regard, unless the LORD actually opens up a door for any one of us to go, two practical things we can do is to pray and provide. I would like to offer you some ways to pray.

1. Pray that Triune God's Name would be Hallowed in the Ukraine, Russia, and all of Eastern Europe (Matthew 6:9).
2. Pray that God's kingdom would come in Ukraine, Russia, and all surrounding countries (Matthew 6:10). In this regard, pray for the health and growth of Christ's church; that doors would be opened for the word, so that God's people may "declare the mystery of Christ" (Colossians 4:2-4).
3. Pray for humanitarian aid (daily bread) (Matthew 6:11).
4. Pray that the LORD would save both the perpetrators and victims of this war (forgive debtors) (Matthew 6:12). In this regard, pray for the hearts of the perpetrators (Matthew 5:44).
5. Pray that God's people who are under the inevitable severe stress that stems from war would not be led into temptation to sin (Matthew 6:13).
6. Pray that the victims and potential victims of these atrocities would be delivered from evil (Matthew 6:13).

There are so many other things we could be praying for. Pray for wisdom for all the spiritual leaders, for logistics of getting funds and aid to churches and refugee camps. Pray for protection of lives and also church buildings that were built so sacrificially. Pray that the LORD would cause the Russian army to lose the will to fight, be afraid, be confused, or use other methods to end the war.

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## PASTOR'S PEN CONTINUED

There is coming a day when the nations "shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks"; and "neither shall they learn war anymore" (Isaiah 2:4). We have the inauguration of that day of peace/reconciliation through the cross and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 2:12). But the full blown consummation of that day awaits his Return. That is why he is described as our "blessed hope" (Titus 2:13). So until that day, let us pray, and we can pray hopefully.

As for providing, there is a great need for financial resources. One trustworthy source is the Southern Baptist Convention's disaster relief ministry. The address is (<https://www.sendrelief.org/projects/ukraine/>).

Love and Gratitude,  
Pastor Brian

## LAKEVIEW WOMEN RECONNECT FELLOWSHIP

Join us for dinner in the Fellowship Hall Friday evening, April 22, at 6:00 PM for a time to reconnect with friends and make new ones. Bring a salad to share for a supper—green, pasta, fruit, sweet, savory—any kind! And invite a friend.

After dinner we'll enjoy games and hear from a multi-generational Lakeview Women Q&A panel. Submit questions for the panel to [lakeviewwomen@gmail.com](mailto:lakeviewwomen@gmail.com).

Please scan the QR code below to RSVP or visit [www.lakeviewbaptist.org/lakeview-women](http://www.lakeviewbaptist.org/lakeview-women)



## trinity mission PLAN

### THREADS OF LOVE

Lakeview Ladies, please join us on the second Tuesday of each month at Auburn United Methodist Church from 9:00 AM to noon, for a non-profit community sewing group benefiting the EAMC NICU, Women's Hope, Baby Steps, Piedmont Hospital-Columbus, and mission groups going to the field. You don't need to know how to sew! We have many other ways to serve without threading a needle. Our purpose is to share the love of Jesus with parents who find themselves in crises unprepared and also to minister to women who have been in a similar position themselves and need to share with others who have been there, i.e., miscarriage, still birth, infant demise, etc.



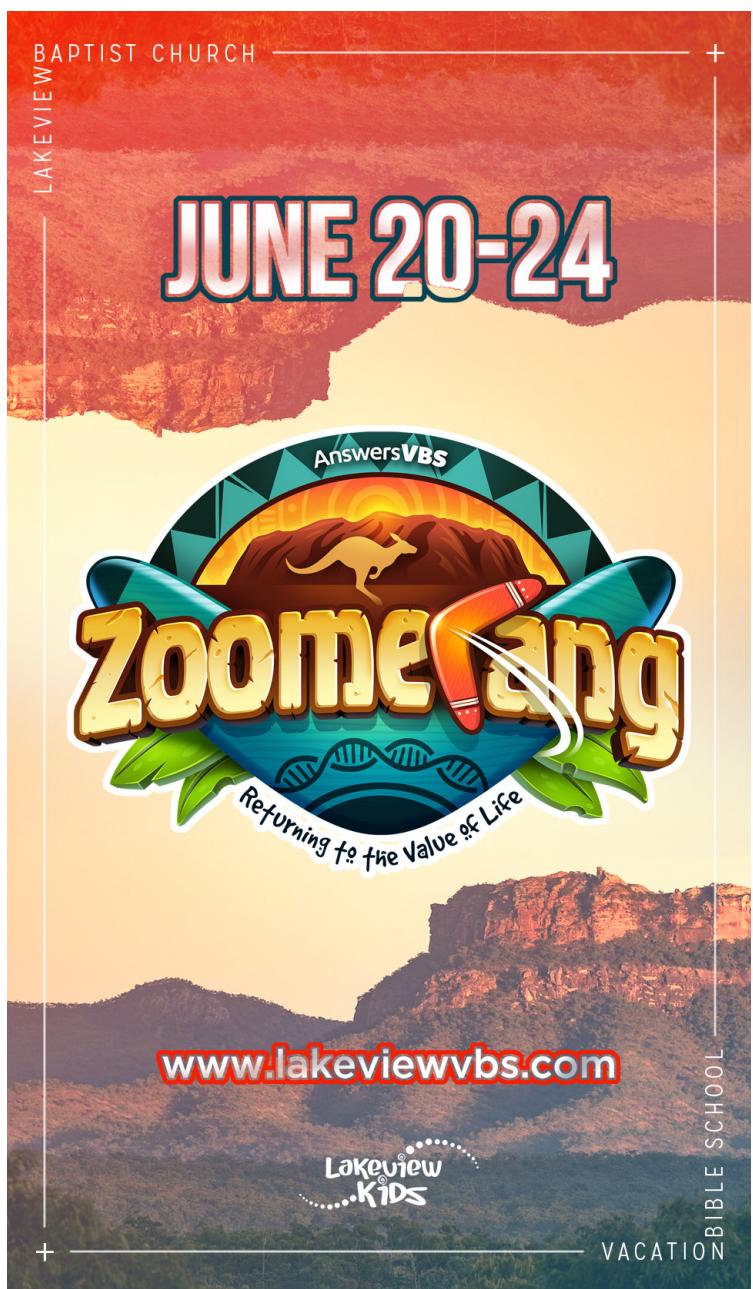
## children's CHATTER

### SCRIPTURE MEMORY CEREMONY SUNDAY, APRIL 24

Our annual Scripture Memory Ceremony honoring this year's medalist will be Sunday, April 24, following the morning worship service in the fellowship hall. Pizza lunch will be provided for all scripture memory medalists and their families.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 20-24

G'Day Mate! You are invited to participate in Lakeview's VBS 2022, "Zoomerang" taking place June 20-24, 8:00 AM – noon. VBS is available for all kids entering K5-6th Grade. Online registration is open from April 5 - June 12. Sign-up at [www.lakeviewvbs.com](http://www.lakeviewvbs.com).



## MULTIPLY GROUP CELEBRATION SUNDAY, APRIL 24

All Spring Multiply Groups are invited to a lunch and fellowship to celebrate what God has done over the last 10 weeks! The celebration will take place in the youth center on April 24 at 12:15 PM. To RSVP email [chandler@lakeviewbaptist.org](mailto:chandler@lakeviewbaptist.org) by Wednesday at 9:00 AM.



## WHAT IS SECRET CHURCH?

What we call ‘church’ in America looks vastly different from the expression of church in other cultures—especially in places where church is illegal in the first place.

We praise God for the freedom we have to meet openly in buildings, to advertise our services publicly, and to worship Jesus our King loudly and without fear. The additional comforts, freedoms and programs included in the version of church that we experience here do not make it inherently better or worse than church elsewhere, but what if all of that were stripped away?

What if all we had was the Word of God and nothing else? No band, no large building, no church staff, no children’s programming, no youth or college or... anything else. But we had the WORD.

Would it be enough?

This is the question that led David Platt (pastor, author, and former IMB President) to start something called “Secret Church,” an in-depth one-night study focused on nothing but the Bible and how it comes to bear on our lives.

## LAKEVIEW’S SECRET CHURCH SIMULCAST FRIDAY, APRIL 29 | 6:00 PM - MIDNIGHT

Anyone is welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall to watch the simulcast. You can register and pay online at [lakeviewbaptist.org/sc22](http://lakeviewbaptist.org/sc22). The cost is \$12 through April 21, and \$15 starting April 22. The cost covers the materials Secret Church will provide for the notes.



## praise WORTHY

## JOYFUL NOISE CHOIR MUSICAL SUNDAY, MAY 1 | 6:00 PM

Our Joyful Noise Choir will present their Spring Musical in the evening service on May 1. This choir has not been able to present a musical since the spring of 2019 and they are so excited to use their gifts of drama and singing in “The Word Connection.” You will not want to miss this fun night. So please join us and bring a friend.



## CARPENTERS FOR CHRIST TRIP MAY 27-JUNE 3

All men from youth to adults are invited to join us May 27th - June 3rd for our annual Carpenters for Christ trip. This year we will be serving Chief Cornerstone Baptist Church in Mayfield, KY to help with framing, electrical, and plumbing on a metal building. This trip is just as much about us building men as it is to build buildings. We will stay on site and food will be provided each day. More information and registration are available at [carpentersforchrist.com](http://carpentersforchrist.com).



## DRIVER CERTIFICATION CLASS

A driver certification class will be offered on Sunday, May 1, at 3:00 PM at Lakeview. This class is required to drive any of the church's vehicles. To sign up for the class, email Tammy McDonald at [tmcDonald@lakeviewbaptist.org](mailto:tmcDonald@lakeviewbaptist.org) or call her in the church office at 887-7094.

# fellowship MEAL

WEDNESDAYS FROM 4:45-5:30

## APRIL 20

Chicken Fingers, Baked Beans, Veggies, Rolls, Salad, Apple Crisp

## APRIL 27

Fried Chicken, Roasted Baby Potatoes, Veggies, Rolls, Salad, Brownies

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

## IN *memoriam*

JEFF KLEIN

September 27, 1979 - April 13, 2022

## sympathy

From the pastor, staff, and church family to:  
Adrienne Klein and family in the loss of her husband.

## stay connected

     @lakeviewauburn

## REMEMBER IN *prayer*

### ARBOR SPRINGS

Louise Morris

### EASE HOUSE

Ann Dodge

Harriett McNelly

Larry Ryan

### MAGNOLIA PLACE

Nancy Thornton

### MONARCH

Minnie Crosby

### OAK PARK

#### INDEPENDENT LIVING

Bobby Jones

Emaleen Fagen

Joe Waller

### VALLEY PARK MANOR

Kay Gaillard

### AT HOME

Matthew Baker

Daniel Benjamin

Matt Beth

Mike Cannon

Dennis Clark

Jackie Cooper

Joe Denison

Hugh Fellows

Ambers Hanson

Nelda Kennedy

Sharon Newman

Renae O'Mary

Jane Parker

Matthew Richardson

Susan Scales

Lottie Sides

Larry Swango

Shannon Works

Joe Youngblood

## APRIL 17 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ 1,167

EVENING SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ N/A

## APRIL 10 GIVING

BUDGET \_\_\_\_\_ \$65,448.22

RESTRICTED \_\_\_\_\_ \$26,138.00

BUDGET EXCESS  
THUS FAR \_\_\_\_\_ \$49,920.39

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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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