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Dear Lakeview Family,

I am pleased to announce that this year you gave \$85,139.61 to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Given the numerous gospel causes to which we ask you to prayerfully consider giving, I am happy with this amount. You are a giving people. You understand what Paul says when he asserts, "You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way" (2 Corinthians 9:11).

It is good that you recognize your stewardship responsibility. It has been faithfully taught to you for decades and you clearly believe that message. This week I read that American evangelicals in the twenty-first century are the wealthiest Christians in the history of the church. According to one study, evangelicals worldwide collectively made \$7 trillion in income for the year of that study (Missions Stats: The Current State of the World, 9/14/2018). Get this - the Christian income in America represented nearly half of that (Barrett and Johnson "World Christian Trends," pg 551).

That is a massive and weighty responsibility for the American evangelical church. As Jesus said, "Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required" (Luke 12:48). Many Lakeviewers understand this well.

Contrast this heavenly perspective on our resources with another stat I read this week. The amount given to Christian causes worldwide (\$700 billion) is equal to the amount Americans spend annually on Christmas. The amount given to missions (\$45 billion) is equal to the amount Americans spend on dieting programs (Missions Stats: The Current State of the World, 9/14/2018).

Thankfully, you are not content with the fact that millions die every year never having heard the gospel of Jesus Christ. That is seen in your giving patterns. May we at Lakeview (and our sister churches across the world) continue to be driven with a relentless passion that we express in the pattern of the Lord's Prayer, "Our Father, our deepest desire is that your holy name, through the knowledge of your Son, be held in the highest honor by every person on earth and that your glorious kingdom would come worldwide, and that every image bearer whom you created for your glory would do your will with the same zeal with which the angels do it in heaven. Until that day, O Lord, may we never slacken in our sacrificial commitments to missions, both here and abroad."

Love and Gratitude,
Pastor Brian



youth NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS GRADS!

We want to congratulate the class of 2025 on their wonderful accomplishment! Please join us in praying for these graduates as they head out of the Youth Ministry to whatever the Lord has for them next!

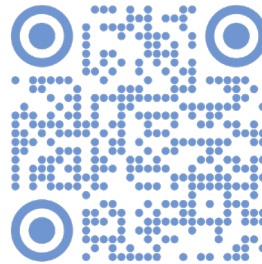
- Wyatt Alexander
- Daniel Baker
- Ethan Campbell
- Gideon Chism
- John DeBoer
- Sam Jackson
- Cooper Mobbs
- Campbell Nichols
- Asher Poole
- Andrew Webb
- Gracin Adams
- Lydia Boone
- Caroline Cole
- Abigail Gunter
- Bailey Hartung
- Jillian Minier
- Harper Olsen
- Lynnsey Sibley
- Rylie Tucker
- Lillianna Webb



praise WORTHY

JOIN RE/GEN AT THE BALLPARK!

Our Re/Gen Youth Choir will be singing the national anthem for the Columbus Clingstones baseball game on Friday, June 13th, and we want all of Lakeview to join us. We have a block of tickets reserved for our Lakeview family so please go ahead and purchase your ticket (\$14.71/person) so you can be there in support of our youth. The first pitch will be at 6:05 PM CT so plan to come early to hear our youth choir start us off with the national anthem. Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to purchase your ticket today!



Click [HERE](#) to
purchase your tickets!



the world IN AUBURN

ESL

Join us for International Summer Gatherings to practice your English from 6:00–7:30 PM on Wednesdays in the Youth Center — May 28th, June 4th, June 25th, July 9th, and July 23rd. All are welcome for an evening of learning, connection, and community! If you want to volunteer to help on these evenings, [CLICK HERE](#) or contact mfoshee@lakeviewbaptist.org for more information!



children's CHATTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY, MAY 28TH: WATERSLIDE AND PIZZA

5:30-7:30PM on the grass field. Bring a towel and wear a swimsuit. Parents must fill out a child ministry participation waiver for the children. This event is open to our upcoming first graders through graduating 6th graders!

JUNE 16TH-20TH: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

It is gonna be an exciting time so remember to tell your neighbors, friends, and teammates, everyone you can and invite them to come along with you! There are invitations in the lobby you can pick up and give away. VBS meets June 16-20 from 8:00 AM – Noon and is available to children entering K5-6th grade this fall. Online registration is open now through June 8 at www.lakeviewvbs.com.

VBS SNACKS NEEDED:

Every year our Lakeview family is so gracious to donate items for our VBS participants. Thank you so much for your generosity! We could not do this without you!

Snacks:

- Oreo Cookies (golden & regular - packaged 2 cookies per pack).
 - Chips-Ahoy Cookies (packaged 2 cookies per pack).
- (Donation boxes are located in the lobby.)

If you would like to bring homemade snacks for leaders, there will be sign-up sheets in your Sunday school class folders. You can drop off leader snacks in the fellowship hall. Thank you so, so much!

VBS CRAFTS NEEDED:

Donations needed:

- Mostly solid color t-shirts with minimal print on them (like new, but gently used shirts are needed).
- Plastic pringle can lids (just the lids).
- Glass spaghetti sauce-sized jars.
- 16-20oz water bottles (empty, but with the lid).

Please drop these items off at our donation table in the lobby before June 8th. We really appreciate your help!

VBS T-SHIRT SALES & MUSIC:

Vacation Bible School T-shirts are \$12 each and will be sold in the lobby on Sunday mornings starting May 25th through VBS. Shirts are available in kid and adult sizes. We will have a QR code in the lobby with our Spotify VBS playlist, as well as a few CDs available.

2025 WOMENS EVENT

A WEEKEND WITH ROSARIA BUTTERFIELD

Join us for a faith-building conference with Rosaria Butterfield and worship led by Heather Payne. Butterfield is a nationally known author and speaker. She will share the story of her conversion to Christ in what she describes as a "train wreck," and will teach from her book entitled *Five Lies of our Anti-Christian Age*. Rosaria offers gospel hope to people trapped in the lies of our culture, and help to parents of children who have become casualties of these lies. Q&A and a book signing will be included. **EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!** Tickets can be purchased online or in the church office.

[Click HERE to register!](#)



IN *memoriam*

Ethel Beatrice Kellon (Bea)
March 12th, 1940 – May 17th, 2025

OUR *newest*

NATHAN TYSON LEWIS
Born: May 19th, 2025
Parents: Nate and Elizabeth Lewis

LOTTIE ELAINE LAU
Born: May 21st, 2025
Parents: Jeekin and Hannah Lau
Grandparents: Tin Man and Miao Lau



REMEMBER IN *prayer*

ADAMS HEALTH
AND REHAB
Janice Powers

ARBOR LAKE
Nancy Brownfield
Emaleen Fagen
Jennifer Hood
Shirley Randall
Joe Waller

ARBOR SPRINGS
Shirley Randall

AZALEA PLACE
Barbara Blankenship

BILL NICHOLS STATE
VETERANS HOME
Ira Hayes

CAMELLIA PLACE
Linda Currie

CANTERBURY HEALTH
CARE FACILITY
Dean Baker

EASE HOUSE
Anne Dodge
Harriett McNelly

THE PHOENIX AT
OPELIKA
Dick Lane

AT HOME
Matthew Baker
Daniel Benjamin
Matt Beth
Mike Cannon
Alice Chambliss
Dennis Clark
Ambers Hanson
Renae O'Mary
Jane Parker
Matthew Richardson
Lottie Sides
Jackie Snead
Larry Swango
Ilze West
Joe Youngblood

MAY 25 ATTENDANCE

MORNING SERVICE _____ 885
EVENING SERVICE _____ N/A

MAY 25 GIVING

BUDGET _____ TBD
RESTRICTED _____ TBD

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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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