

Prayer



Dane and Brittany Roper are beginning their married life together.
Kyle and Laci Johnson are beginning their married life together.
Rich and Barb Ruiz celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 14. Give thanks!
Elaine Wagner is mourning the death of her father. Elaine is in Texas with the family.
Evelyn Lundy is mourning the death of her uncle, Vance Crowe.
Margaret Middleton and Wilma Brown (M. Wimberley's grandmothers) are rehabbing.
Barb Dolan (Steve's grandmother) is having issues with pain.
John Collett is undergoing treatment for melanoma.
Terry Pulley is undergoing chemotherapy.
Laura Glatthaar continues the long road to recovery.
Marsha Gleber (Roger's mother) has lung cancer that is spreading.
 Preparing for marriage: **Andrea Malcolm and Kristian Gumminger; Bonnie Enix and Micah Hardin; Ashley Dolan and Stephen Kernan; Jessie Gatlin and Jonathan Witcher.**

College students

Jessie Gatlin is teaching English in Rwanda. **Ben Smith** is studying in Japan. **Lizzie Smith** is studying in Greece until May 27. Other students are travelling as well.
 Summer can be an important **time of reflection** for students. Please pray for them.

Assisted living and homebound

Delmar on the Green: Calvin Uhls #338 and Velma Barfield (Pat Beach's mother) #228;
Fountains: Weda Walden #355; **Gambrell Gardens:** Fern Orme, #312E; **Home:** Judy Cooper; Steele Glenn.

Regional outreach

The North City Church of Christ summer interns are arriving this weekend. Please pray for them and the children they will be working with.

International missions

Burkina Faso: Dawn Malcolm is hoping the award from Billion Acts will open doors for raising funds for a women's center in Burkina Faso.
Cambodia: Dale Lundy is teaching in Cambodia. He is scheduled to return home June 9.
Mexico: Rochelle Aston is teaching at Lincoln Christian in Guadalajara.

Neighborhood interaction

Give thanks for God's leading us in our neighborhood interaction ministry. Pray for our neighborhood as we prepare for Kyle Johnson to begin his ministry with us.

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Gatherings
Sunday mornings
 9:00am Worship Gathering
 10:30am Bible Classes
Wednesday evenings
 7:00pm Bible Classes and teenEPIC

Shepherds
 Les Keim
 Greg Malcolm
 Jackie Roland
 Jim Zeller

Stats, May 15, 2016
 Worship 204 Class 131
 Offering \$9,819.00
 Weekly goal \$8,300.00
 2016 avg. weekly offering \$8,111.54
 YTD variation vs goal (\$3,769.27)
 Ghana missions total for May \$94.12

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Worship Gathering · May 22, 2016

Singing..... Mike Brown
 When we sing from our hearts and minds we praise God and encourage each other.

*As The Deer Thirsts**

It Is Well With My Soul #490

Shepherd's welcome Jim Zeller
 We welcome and accept one another as Jesus welcomes and accepts each of us.

*Come Thou Fount, Come Thy King **

*Still**

Communion Sam Anderson
 All followers of Jesus are encouraged to participate as we remember and proclaim Jesus in the Lord's Supper. The bread is the body of Christ. The juice is the blood of Christ.
 Gluten free bread is available in the kitchen.

Amazing Grace #129

Offering Sam Anderson
 We worship God by giving God the first fruits of our income to express both thanks and trust. We seek to honor God as we give joyfully, generously, sacrificially, and dependably.

*Magnificat**

Reading Karl Aston
 We invite God to shape us as we listen attentively to God's Word.

*Firm Foundation**

Grad video and presentation Mike Brown
 Our church gathering is a time to worship God and encourage one another.

Prayer opportunity Jim and Kathy Zeller
 If you would like to pray, exit the back of the worship center, turn left, and you will find the prayer room on the right just past the kitchen.

*Days of Elijah**

Child care Mary Joy Uebelein and Sherry Uebelein
 To drop off children (up to their third birthday), exit the back of the worship center, turn left, and you will find the nursery at the end of the hall. Children are to be picked up immediately after the gathering or class.

*#Songs of Faith and Praise Songbook; *Song sheets - available at the Welcome Center*

Welcome to Lafayette



Whether you are a first-time guest or have been gathering with us for some time, we are glad you are with us today. We are a family of Jesus-followers who gather each week to worship God and scatter each week to reflect God. Thanks so much for worshipping with us. Please join us in reflecting God throughout the week.

Please complete a blue guest card from the back of the worship center seats and place it in the offering tray as it passes you. We would love to be able to contact you to say hello. If you would like to know more about being a Jesus-follower, being baptized, or becoming a part of Lafayette, you are invited to meet with those in the prayer room just after the sermon. *Turn left as you exit the back of the worship center; the prayer room is on the right just past the kitchen.*

3 Things to Know This Week

1 Senior Sunday

Today we will spend time giving thanks for and encouraging our high school seniors: Samuel Anderson, Karl Aston, Emma Fields, Austin Gray, Makenzie Gray, Ryan Shepherd, Jeffery Simmons, and Donovan Tritschler. All are encouraged to pick up encouragement cards at the welcome center, complete them, and return them to the encouragement boxes at the table.

2 Spiritual formation

Providing opportunities for spiritual formation is an important part of life at Lafayette. On Sundays, adults are encouraged to participate in *Life on the Vine*, a study of the Holy Spirit that meets in the worship center 15 minutes after the conclusion of the worship gathering. Rich Limburg will be teaching today. Also, adults are invited to participate in *What's So Amazing About Grace* on Wednesday nights at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall.

3 Lighting the Path

Encouraging members to find ways to minister to others is important to the Lafayette Church of Christ. Dawn Malcolm has been ministering through her non-profit organization, Lighting The Path. We are thankful that the Billion Acts organization has chosen Lighting the Path as this year's winner of the Billion Acts Hero Award, Non-Profit Act. There will be an awards ceremony in Monte Carlo in June. Congratulations, Dawn.



Word of Encouragement

Have you ever been in a distressing situation in which it seemed you had no where to turn? Have you ever been overwhelmed by difficulties and felt like there was no one to talk to about your problems? Have you ever felt like there was no one who understood the discouraging trials you were dealing with? Psalm 142 is a good reminder that when there is no one else to turn to, you can turn to God. When you turn to God in times of difficulty, you can tell God whatever is on your mind. God will listen. God will understand. — Bob Clark

Premarital Counseling Available

Don't just plan your wedding, prepare for your marriage! Premarital counseling can be a valuable tool to help you prepare for your lifetime together. Lafayette offers a premarital counseling program for our members who are planning to be married.

Lafayette's Premarital Counseling Program

While Lafayette's premarital counseling program is flexible so that it can be tailored to fit the situation of each couple, all couples will experience the following:

- Discussion of the role of the supernatural in marriage
- Exploration of the seven most common reasons married couples seek counseling
- Profiling of the personalities of both the husband and wife-to-be
- Discovery of effective communication tools and patterns
- Mapping of families of origin as well as your future family
- Conversation about sexuality
- Completion of online PREPARE inventories of major relationship issues
- Review of PREPARE Counselor's report
- Prayer for your marriage

Program Specifics

If you are planning to get married, please call or email Bob Clark (636.346.2795; bobtheclark@gmail.com) and let him know you are interested in Lafayette's Premarital Counseling Program. Six months notice before the wedding is preferred, but a minimum of three months is required to complete the program. In addition to completing online inventories, the program includes from 4 – 6 sessions (usually 5), which last 60 minutes each. While there is a \$70.00 fee involved in the processing of the PREPARE inventory, *there is no additional charge to a couple who are members of the Lafayette Church of Christ.*

Bob and Lourene Clark are trained and certified as PREPARE counselors. While Bob does most of the counseling, Lourene sometimes assists in certain situations. In addition, Bob has a network of professional counselors for referral, should circumstances warrant.

Lafayette Calendar



May 22 Senior Sunday
May 29 No classes
June 4 Superset birthday breakfast
June 11 Pig Roast

June 12 Bridal Shower for Jessie Gatlin
June 17 Superset luncheon
June 24-26 SummerJAM 2016
July 2 Superset birthday breakfast

Area Events Calendar



May CFS foster care month
May 24 Harding Day at Busch Stadium
May 27-30 Ne-O-Tez college and 20's

June 5-11 Ne-O-Tez Kerusso Experience
June 12-14 Ne-O-Tez Pre-camp (K-2)
June 19 CFS turn in CFS Timothy cans