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WELCOME 2017

"12 New Chapters
365 New Chances"

A New View

The new year is an opportunity to sort out the useless tasks and plan for the important; to review the failures and resolve to be successful; to take an inventory of causes and pledge life to purpose and service. These being done, the new will truly be new, different and better.

---C. Neil Strait

First Fellowship Dinner of the New Year.



Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart,

Acts 2:46

January is a time we can start all over and change things for the better. It doesn't always matter if we succeed but that we try. If you haven't been a part of your church family - join us Sunday, January 15, following the Sunday Worship Service for our First Fellowship dinner in 2017!

This is a wonderful time for making new friends, and enjoying friends you already know, while breaking bread with one another!

Greetings,

Observed on January 6th, the name "Epiphany" comes from the Greek word *Epiphania*, and means "to show, make known, or reveal." The celebration originated in the Eastern Church in AD 361, beginning as a commemoration of the birth of Christ. Later, additional meanings were added - the visit of the three Magi, Christ's baptism in the Jordan River, and his first miracle at the wedding in Cana.

While some Greek Orthodox Churches still observe the Epiphany celebration as the Nativity of Jesus, the majority of the Eastern Orthodox, Roman Catholic, and Anglican Churches focus on the visit of the Magi and Jesus' baptism. The significance behind the visit of the Magi is the revelation of Christ as "Lord and King." The Wise Men were the first Gentiles to publicly recognize the divinity of Jesus, by way of their offerings of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

The baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River revealed his divinity as the Son of God. John the Baptist, according to Matthew 3:16-17, testifies of the Holy Spirit descending upon Jesus like a dove, and a voice from heaven saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Several Russian, Coptic, and Greek Churches also focus on the Cana wedding miracle as part of the Epiphany celebration observance.

For the Church, the Epiphany represents a responsibility to reveal Jesus as the Divine Son and Savior sent by God the Father to atone for the sins of mankind. It is a time of healing and fellowship, where the Church comes together in the covenant of brotherhood to love one another as Christ commanded.

Many Protestant Churches observe an Epiphany celebration that extends to Ash Wednesday, with the last Sunday of the season honored as Transfiguration Sunday. The tradition of Twelfth Night, which marks the end of the Christmas season, occurs the night before Epiphany. On this night, Kings' Cakes are baked in preparation for the coming winter season.

For many Christians, the definition of Epiphany is a reminder of God the Father's unlimited love and mercy, which He has extended to all of mankind through the revelation of His Son, and of the hope of salvation that is now manifest for all who come to him in faith.

Happy New Year,
Kelly

What a great year our church has experienced. We have enjoyed many opportunities to share our love with the church family and the community. So many people have played an active part in serving during church services. The Wednesday night Supper and Soul is attended by many who find the less formal worship time to be very meaningful. Our fellowship dinners allow us to visit and get to know each other better. Special events like the Mother-Daughter Luncheon, Treasures and Trash Sale, Craft and Bake Sale, and Christmas Workshop invite the community into our building. Musical events with the chorale and orchestra are welcomed by the community. I'm sure I'm missing some other opportunities but I want to thank everyone of you for supporting all that this church does.

We have had excellent leadership for the last two years under Kent Elliott as Moderator. He has inspired us all to be more thoughtful and loving people. His enthusiasm is contagious. Kent is always ready with a smile and willingness to do what needs to be done. I am relieved that he will continue to be around to support the programs of our church.

Your new board will need the support of everyone in the church to move us forward in God's service. We need you to find a committee to support with your ideas and your action. While not all of us can do the physical action, we all can contribute ideas. Many people can support an activity with calling, baking, gathering supplies, spreading the word in your neighborhood, or offering expertise.

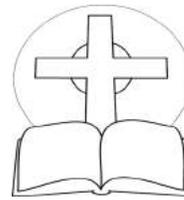
We have great leadership with our pastor, Kelly Caldwell. He is always encouraging us to take our church beyond the walls of our building. We also want to bring the community into our building by offering various activities that will serve the greater community. The possibilities are endless.

What will you do for God's service?

Carroll Rinker



JANUARY BOARD MEETING
Thursday - 12th @ 10 a.m.



What a great turn out for our luncheon in December. John Gilmore did a wonderful job of preparing our food. A huge thank you to him and the other men who helped prepare and serve the food. As always, we love Sharon King playing the piano and leading us in singing Christmas carols. Christmas trivia from Sandy Schaefer entertained us. Silver boxes given to each attendee will serve to remind us to make sure our words are “silver boxes with bows on the top.”

We were very surprised and pleased when Kelly presented the CWF with a thank you note and gift from Larry Plummet, U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq. The gift was a miniature flag from the Embassy in the Syria and Iraq area. Betty Snitker is in charge of sending treat boxes to church family and friends who are serving in areas of risk around the world.

With the new year here, the women are looking forward to the projects that are so meaningful to us. We will resume making crafts in March. Our annual Treasures and Trash sale will be in June. And our yearly craft and bake sale will be Labor Day weekend. Each one of these projects brings in the resources we use to support the church, the community and worldwide missions. I'll bet that each one of you can find a way to participate and support these activities. Our next meeting is January 10 with a potluck lunch at 11:30 AM. Hope to see you there.

Carroll Rinker, President

God uses money in a variety of ways in the lives of His children. One of the most important ways God uses money is to confirm direction. Simply stated, God uses the supply of money or the lack of it to confirm His direction for many of the decisions we must make in life.

If God gives us clear direction which is confirmed by His Word, then He will provide whatever is needed to carry out that direction. The only problem is that He expects us to step out in faith in obedience to His leading and His Word, usually without knowing in full the pathway that lies ahead.

Living that kind of life requires faith in God's person and His promises. It requires taking God at His Word and basing how we live on His Word. It requires trusting Him, even when circumstances appear to be contrary. It requires seeking first His kingdom, and then being confident that He will provide what we need. It requires — as the writer of Hebrews observed — believing that God “. . . exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.”

Hudson Taylor, a missionary to China who lived in the 19th century, summed it up beautifully this way: “God's work, done in God's way, will never lack God's supply.” This means that if we are not experiencing God's supply, either we are not doing God's work (that is, we are not seeking first His kingdom) or we are not doing God's work in His way.

Make no mistake about it: God is not a God of disorder. He will not provide specific direction which He confirms by his Word if He does not intend to provide what is necessary for us to obey Him fully. But He looks to us to be willing to trust Him by taking the first step, and then another, and yet another.

By the way, has God been speaking to you lately? Has He confirmed that direction through His Word? If so, remember this: You can be confident that as God works in your life, He will use money or the lack of it to confirm His direction.

<p>CWF MEETING</p> 	<p>Tuesday, January 10, 2017 11:30 a.m.</p>
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Sock Tree Donations:

Still accepted until after Christmas until we take down decorations.





Prayer List

Debbie Arnold
 Thelma Boice
 Ivone Burnett
 Larry Clark
 Mark Coy
 Angela Flores
 Gene Green
 Jeff Harris
 Peter Hemmel

Dona Johnson
 Roy Johnson
 Teresa Kimminau
 Joan Ledford
 Eva Millard
 Marty McGinnis
 Ryan Pennock
 Alene Reed
 Alice Reeder

Gail Renick
 Deb Rieke
 Judith Richardson
 Judy Rockwell
 Debbie Schultz
 Helen Smith
 Latricia Vaughn
 Larry Voorhees

Laurie Care Center
 &
The Knolls Residents

Helen Blackwell,
 Maxine Ellis,
 Stanley Field,
 Freida Shackelford,
 Lorene Wilcox.



The above people have been in need of our prayers.

Please call the church office if you would like a name on the prayer list.

Names will be taken off the list after one month, but you are always welcome to request that the name be added again.



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| 5 - Margaret Haxel | 26 - Karen Storm |
| 6 - Bobbie Aubuchon | 28 - Nip Mohler |
| 11 - Dona Johnson | 30 - Ron Rothove |
| 17 - Sandy Schaefer | 30 - Bruce Schaefer |
| 25 - Lisa Harris | 31 - Dick Haxel |
| 26 - Mary Fiser | |



- 6 - Karl & Sharon King
- 6 - Bill & Clara Rosche

Every second brings
A fresh beginning,
 Every hour holds
A new promise,
 Every night our dreams
Can bring hope and
 Every day is what you
choose to make it.



Our mid-week worship services,
 Supper & Soul,
 will start up again on
 Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30 p.m.
 See you in 2 months!

GREETERS SCHEDULE 2017

If for any reason you are unable to serve your scheduled date, use the listing to ask another greeter to serve in your place. Please notify the church secretary of any changes by Wednesday morning. Any problems, please contact Chris Turner at 573-374-4805.

Jan 1

Connie Reimers 573-286-9387

Jan 8

Betty Snitker 573-374-6637

Jan 15

Marilyn Miller 573-374-6840

Jan 22

Wanda Iiams 573-374-6449

Jan 29

Mary Cline 573-374-8167

Feb 5

Sandy Schaefer 573-374-9345

Feb 12

Gail Renick 573-374-4469

Feb 19

Mary Ellen Flinn 573-374-6466

Feb 26

Diane Gilmore 573-372-6665

Mar 5

Connie Reimers 573-286-9387

Mar 12

Diane Miles 816-807-0191

Mar 19

Marilyn Miller 573-374-6840

Mar 26

Peggy Crockett 573-372-4300

Apr 2

Mary Cline 573-374-8167

Apr 9

Sandy Schaefer 573-374-9345

Apr 16

Gail Renick 573-374-4469

Apr 23

Mary Ellen Flinn 573-374-6466

Apr 30

Peggy Crockett 573-372-4300

NEW YEAR
NEW BEGINNINGS

“Resolution One: I will live for God. Resolution Two: If no one else does, I still will.” —Jonathan Edwards



Diaconates Schedule

January-April 2017

If for any reason you are unable to serve your scheduled date, contact another diaconate to serve in your place and notify the church secretary of any changes by Wednesday morning so we may correct the bulletin.

*responsible for preparation and clean-up of communion.

** responsible for preparation and clean-up of communion and preparing a tray of the leftover juice and wafers for Laurie Care Center (LCC) Worship Service. Place tray in refrigerator to be picked up by an elder after our church service.

Date	Diaconates	Phone Number	Date	Diaconates	Phone Number
1-Jan	*Gary & Cindy Satterfield Chuck & Pam Folker Bobbie Aubuchon Mary Cline	573-692-4143 573-200-2216 573-372-6392 573-374-8167	5-Mar	*Greg & Donna Kissell John & Lisa Harris Ed Mock Diane Gilmore	901-335-4486 214-693-9250 573-372-6414 573-372-6665
8-Jan	*John & Lisa Harris Randy & Karen Shackelford Ed Mock Diane Gilmore	214-693-9250 816-419-7782 573-372-6414 573-372-6665	12-Mar	*Mary Ellen Flinn *Betty Snitker Ed & Nancy Milburn John & Lisa Harris	573-374-6466 573-374-6637 573-873-5039 214-693-9250
15-Jan	*Greg & Donna Kissell Ed & Nancy Milburn Mary Ellen Flinn Betty Snitker	901-335-4486 573-873-5039 573-374-6466 573-374-6637	19-Mar	*Rick Pace & Norma Johnson Mike & Beckie Huckriede Ron & Marilyn Rothove	573-207-0546 573-301-5511 573-374-7397
22-Jan	*Mike & Beckie Huckriede Ron & Marilyn Rothove Rick Pace & Norma Johnson	573-301-5511 573-374-7397 573-207-0546	26-Mar	*Chuck & Pam Folker Gary & Cindy Satterfield Charlie Turner Mary Cline	573-200-2216 573-692-4143 573-374-4805 573-374-8167
29-Jan	**Gary & Cindy Satterfield Chuck & Pam Folker Bobbie Aubuchon Mary Cline	573-692-4143 573-200-2216 573-372-6392 573-374-8167	2-Apr	**Ed & Nancy Milburn John & Lisa Harris Mary Ellen Flinn Betty Snitker	573-873-5039 214-693-9250 573-374-6466 573-374-6637
5-Feb	*John & Lisa Harris Greg & Donna Kissell Ed Mock Diane Gilmore	214-693-9250 901-335-4486 573-372-6414 573-372-6665	9-Apr	*Bruce & Bobbi Miles Randy & Karen Shackelford Kent Elliott Sue Wentz	785-282-0107 816-419-7782 573-723-2071 573-723-0825
12-Feb	*Ed & Nancy Milburn John & Lisa Harris Mary Ellen Flinn Betty Snitker	573-873-5039 214-693-9250 573-374-6466 573-374-6637	16-Apr	*Mike & Beckie Huckriede Rick Pace & Norma Johnson Ron & Marilyn Rothove	573-301-5511 573-207-0546 573-374-7397
19-Feb	*Chuck & Pam Folker Mike & Beckie Huckriede Rick Pace & Norma Johnson	573-200-2216 573-301-5511 573-207-0546	23-Apr	*John & Lisa Harris Greg & Donna Kissell Ed Mock Diane Gilmore	214-693-9250 901-335-4486 573-372-6414 573-372-6665
26-Feb	*Ron & Marilyn Rothove Gary & Cindy Satterfield Bobbie Aubuchon Mary Cline	573-374-7397 573-692-4143 573-372-6392 573-374-8167	30-Apr	*Gary & Cindy Satterfield Chuck & Pam Folker Charlie Turner Mary Cline	573-692-4143 573-200-2216 573-374-4805 573-374-8167



I would like to Thank everyone for the bag of Christmas gifts and goodies. Your generosity astounds me, our cup over floweth.

With Love,
Kelly & Nancy



Every year I am more and more thankful for the gifts you give me at Christmas. BUT....I do want each and everyone of you to know that playing the piano and singing for some of our services is my joy. AND...I thank YOU for the privilege of being able to be a part of our music at WLCC....Love In Jesus, Sharon King



Words cannot express how blessed I am to have a great church to belong to and work for. This last year has been a little rough but my church family has been so supportive, caring, and share my concerns thru the year. Thank you for being there for me and Ron and for the many gifts you have given me in this Christmas season. I love each one of you. God Bless you.

Marilyn Rothove



I would like to thank everyone for the Christmas gifts I received. I am truly blessed to be a member of this church and a member of the Praise Team. Hope you all had a merry Christmas. God bless and Happy New Year. Chris Turner

Thank you all for the thoughts & gifts this Christmas Season. May you all be as blessed this season as you make me feel throughout the year. Scott Huckriede



THANK YOU! I have been so amazed at your kindness and acceptance of me throughout these past six months, since I started but I am speechless at your generosity of gifts, cards, and goodies that you showered me with at Christmas. Your congregation has been so warm, loving, and giving not only to me but to so many in the community. Again thank you and blessings to you and your families during this New Year. Jan Martin



Communications

Did you get your updated member roster for your Church Directory? Copies can be picked up in the outer office at the church.

If you are viewing online, the roster is always updated. If you would like to receive updated information by email, please give me your email address, and/or register on the website, www.westlakechristianchurch.org

Need help? Contact Mary Elliott at 573-789-3845 nume90@gmail.com

Church Directory Changes:

These changes have been made in the updated church directory, but are here for those who may not have one.

NEW MEMBER:

Teresa Coy Kimminau
32231 S. Buck Creek Rd.
Gravois Mills, MO 65037
H #573-374-5193
C #573-693-8545
teresacoy48@gmail.com

Change of Address:

Donna Killion
103 Trevino Dr.
Gravois Mills, MO 65037
H #573-372-8287
C #816-808-7036

Welcome Teresa!

Ministry News



ELDERS & DIACONATES!

An Elder and Diaconate Training will be held Sunday, February 12th at 2:00. Please plan on attending and call Lisa Harris at 214-693-9250 if you have any questions.

Packing up Christmas at the Church:

We have enjoyed the Christmas Season with the dinners, activities, and all the decorations that made everything so beautiful in the sanctuary, church grounds and the Loehr Center. But as beautiful as they are, we will be nearing the end of the Christmas Season which ends on the Epiphany. Please come help us pack up the decorations on Sunday, January 8 after the 10:30 Worship Services. We could use your helping hands to make light work of it.



*In our physical packing up of Christmas let us remember to **not** pack Jesus up until next Christmas - may His light shine in all that we do all year through!*

ELKS BLOOD DRIVE American Red Cross

The blood drive is scheduled on Thursday, January 26, 2017 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. (In upstairs banquet room of Elks Lodge in Laurie, MO).

Make an appointment @ www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: **ElksLaurie** but **Walk-ins are always welcome.**

This is an easy and safe experience - visit www.redcrossblood.org or call (866)236-3276 to help answer any questions you may have.

Put this on bi-monthly event at the Elks Lodge on your calendar. It will be held the Fourth Thursday of each odd numbered month.



Christmas Workshop

Thanks to all who donated and to all who worked. We served 100 people breakfast and 40 children enjoyed making some awesome crafts and getting presents for their parents. Everyone enjoyed the nativity displays also! We will repeat the fun on the Second Saturday in December 2017. Norma



From Our Parish Nurse

Betty Greenley



LRHS Parish Nurse Network
Wellness Tip of the Month

Croup

What is it?

Croup is a respiratory illness that affects the windpipe of young children causing a harsh, barking cough and difficulty breathing. This is due to a swelling of the windpipe (breathing tubes).

Symptoms

1. A harsh, barking cough- sounds like a "barking seal"
2. A raspy, hoarse voice
3. A harsh, crowing noise when breathing in
Fast Breathing

Causes

Croup may occur several days after the start of a cold, caused by the same virus and can be passed from one person to another by coughing or sneezing.

Diagnosis/Treatment

Call or take your child to the doctor or emergency room if having severe problems with breathing. Most treatments can be tried at home, and include keeping yourself and the child calm; breathing in moist air or cool night air; using a humidifier at night; keeping the child well hydrated (drink water; eat popsicles) There should be no smoking around child.

Resource:<http://www.webmd.com/tc/croup>

Lake Regional
Health System
54 Hospital Drive
Osage Beach, MO 65065
573.302.2790
www.bbeck@lakeregional.com

Becky Beck RN Parish Nurse Coordinator

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday Schedule				Special Dates		
8:00 a.m. Partners in prayer-all welcome 9:00 a.m. "BREAKthrough" 9:00 a.m. Peter: Jesus' Friend 9:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary Worship				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Year's Day, January 1 • Epiphany, January 6 • Baptism of the Lord, January 8 • Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance, January 16 • Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25 		
1 	2 Office Closed for New Year Holiday	3	4 9:30 Exercise 5:00 Praise Team	5	6 9:30 Exercise	7
8 Baptism of the Lord *Take down Christmas Decorations*	9 9:30 Exercise Prayer	10 11:30 CWF	11 9:30 Exercise 5:00 Praise Team	12 9:00 Max Lucado "before Amen" 10:00 Board Mtg.	13 9:30 Exercise Cub Scout Overnight Lock-in.	14
15 Community for Christ Food Drive 11:30 Fellowship Dinner 	16 9:30 Exercise Prayer	17 1:30 Church Growth	18 9:30 Exercise 5:00 Praise Team	19 9:00 Max Lucado "before Amen" 10:30 CMF Newsletter Deadline	20 9:30 Exercise Girl Scout Overnight Lock-in.	21
22	23 9:30 Exercise Prayer	24	25 9:30 Exercise 5:00 Praise Team	26 9:00 Max Lucado "before Amen" 9:00 a.m. Fold Newsletters	27 9:30 Exercise 6:00 Dominoes	28
29 2:00 p.m. Laurie Care Center Worship	30 9:30 Exercise Prayer	31			Coming Feb. 19 Week of Compassion 	

West Lake Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

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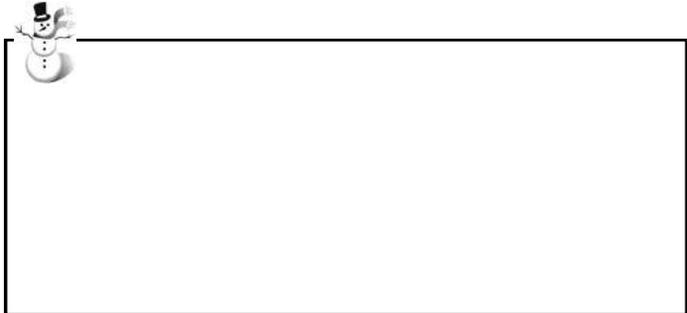


Website: www.westlakechristianchurch.org
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Face book : www.facebook.com/westlakecc/
Office Hours: Mon-Thu 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Ministry Team

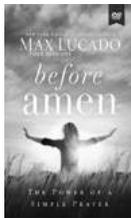
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Fishing For Women Bible Study Sessions

Presented by West Lake Christian Church
Max Lucado “before AMEN”



Experience a Heart Connection with GOD.

Date: Thursday, January 12 - February 16, 2017
Time: 9 a.m. at West Lake Christian Church

Hosted by Nancy Caldwell, Linda Nielsen and Pam Folker:

**Contact Pam Folker @ 573-207-8827
or Church office 573-374-0647 to sign up**

**January Worship
at Laurie Care Center**

Come share your faith
with our members and friends
who live at The Knolls and
The Laurie Care Center on
Sunday, January 29, 2017.
Your Elders will lead a short
service of music, scripture and
communion beginning at
2:00 p.m. in the Activities
Room at the center.
Come praise God!