



Lewiston Community Church The Beacon

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From the Pastor's Desk



James 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

God is doing some wonderful things at LCC! He has blessed this church as only God can do. We've seen small miracles consistently for weeks. We were able to put up a new monitor in the sanctuary which has its own wonderful story. The sound has been improved for Zoom and we are now live on both Zoom and Facebook! This is all terrific and to God be the glory!

However, the best way we've seen our Lord God moving in Lewiston has nothing to do with technology or building improvements. There are people in the pews! The parsonage is occupied! We held a Baptism on August 24 and 4 people were Baptized by immersion into the family of God. The presence of the Holy Spirit can be felt by those who attend on Sunday morning. It is so wonderful to stand up front and look out on people who are experiencing that blessed joy and peace. We still have problems and troubles and physical pain that goes with life, but we're smiling. We can't help but smile.

At the end of each service, the ushers walk up front symbolizing the Light of God going out into the community. I was at the gas station this week and my eye caught a lady wearing a "Living by faith" tee shirt. I told her about the church and who I was and with excitement on her face she said that she had already heard all about us. Later, I went to meet a local pastor for lunch. We told the waitress that we were pastors about to pray for our food and asked if there was anything she needed prayer for. We all held hands and prayed for her request. It seems everywhere I go in this town they've heard at least something about what's going on at Lewiston Community Church.

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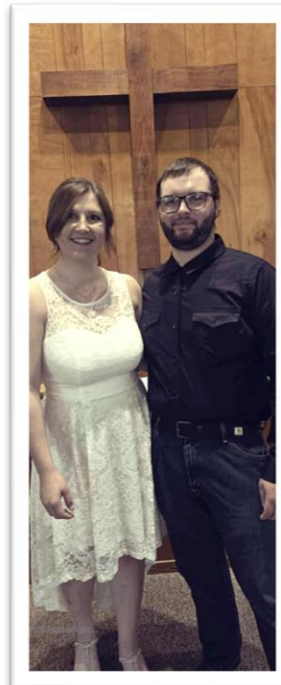


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Keep up the good work, friends. We can rest assured that God will sustain us and continue to bless us. We must stay faithful to Him by spreading His good news. As individuals and as a church, we must remain a source of light for those who are seeking answers.

***Isaiah 6:8 Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"
And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"***

*Blessings,
Pastor Derek*



Presenting
Tiffany and
Steven Cady,
who were
married by
Pastor Derek
at LCC on
Friday,
September
19!



On August 24, 2025, Pastor Derek baptized 4 new members into the family of God. (From Left to Right) David & Robin Russo, Pastor Derek, Theresa Drumb, and Linda Rundel. Special thanks to Gene and Heather Spies for allowing us to use their beautiful property.



A new monitor was installed in the sanctuary in late August.



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Thank you to everyone who has contributed to Operation Christmas Child so far. I think we are well on our way to our goal of at least 100 boxes this year. Boxes are due November 16, 2025 so there is lots of time left to participate in this wonderful ministry that, in three decades, has reached more than 232 million children who live in 170 countries or territories around the world. Each shoebox gift is truly an opportunity to introduce a child to our Lord and Savior. They go by plane, riverboat, train, and even motorbikes to children in need in some of the most isolated areas of the world. Your shoebox will be an expression of God's love to a child and may be the only gift he or she will receive. A recipient of a shoebox, a boy from Chile, who after receiving the Gospel message added to each shoebox, is quoted as saying, "It's not the box—it's God behind the box. I want kids to know that they can trust God no matter what." Boxes are located on a table in the narthex. Information is available on the table about what to pack in your box and what not to pack. If you have questions or want someone to pack a box for you, contact Nancy Render at 231-499-7353.

Mission Giving Schedule

March – Samaritan's Purse U.S. Disaster Relief

June – Lewiston Community Sharing

September – Samaritan's Purse Global Mission

December – Operation Christmas Child and Heifer International

Please contact Carol Clippard with questions or suggestions.

cjclip1@gmail.com or 248-321-8005

Lewiston Community Sharing

Free Store 4615 Montmorency St. & **La Boutique** 4608 Montmorency St. are open on Wednesdays from 10 am-6 pm and Saturdays from 10 am-1 pm

Food Pantry 2887 Kneeland Street is open 1st & 3rd Wednesdays from 10 am-1 pm. For more information contact: Deb or Marty Sansone at 989-254-3324 (call or text).

Email: lewistoncommunitysharing@gmail.com

Facebook: Lewiston Community Sharing

Venmo account @ Community Sharing-5.

Lewiston Community Sharing Food Pantry & Free Store Wishlist

Free Store: Queen and King-Sized Sheet Sets and Blankets

Food Pantry: ketchup, pasta (no macaroni), soup, canned fruit, mixed veggies, cereal, paper towels.

For your convenience there is a wooden box in the narthex for items you'd like to donate to Community Sharing.



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Prayer Team

We are a committed group of prayers who are privileged to lift any requests to the Lord. You can ask for confidential prayer requests by emailing debfish33@hotmail.com. These requests will only be shared with the prayer team, and will be kept confidential. Or you can write down requests on the prayer list on the table just outside the sanctuary. These requests will be shared with the team, and also read during service. These requests are just for the week, unless you indicate that you would like continuous prayers by checking the box next to your request. Thinking about joining the prayer team? Call Deb Cox at 616-443-1848.

Continuing Prayer Requests



Jay Kipina
Jean Moeller
Peg Agren



Care Team

If you need assistance with transportation to the doctor or other appointments, please contact the church office and assistance can be arranged.



Ushers and Welcomers: A sign-up is in the narthex. If you have questions about ushering, contact Joan Penrod. For questions about being a welcomer (welcoming & reading announcements at the start of service), contact Nancy Render.

Worship Leader: We are looking for a guitarist or pianist to lead the congregation in song on Sunday mornings. This person does not need to be part of the congregation. Please spread the word and contact the church office if you know of anyone who might be interested.



If you need to use a hearing assist during Sunday service, please ask an usher to get one for you.



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October

1 Bruce Larner
5 Jack Hipchen
7 Barry Rabe
10 Norman Church
10 Ann Eicher
14 Jon Howard
30 Ralph Mitchell



13 John & Deborah Van Coillie
21 Tom & Mary Kay Moular

If we have missed celebrating your birthday or anniversary, that means we do not have those dates. Please leave your information in the church office. We want everyone to be equally honored on their special day!

Lewiston Community Calendar & LCC Events

Ukuladies (Fellowship Hall)

AA (Fellowship Hall)

Tee Lake Resort Halloween Spooktacular

LCC Book Study/Discipleship Class (Fellowship Hall)

Lewiston Witches' Night Out (Downtown)

Lewiston Fall Fest (Downtown)

WOW (Widows or Widowers) Meeting

LCC Memorial/Service for Nancy White

Men's Lunch at the Iron Kettle

Coffee & Cars on Kneeland St. (Outside the Chamber)

LCC Church Office closed for Emily's vacation

LCC Board of Diaconate Meeting

LCC Board of Trustees Meeting

Deadline for November issue of The Beacon

Lewiston Halloween Trunk or Treat

LCC Harvest Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

Every Thursday at 1:30pm

Every Monday, Thursday, Saturday at 8pm

Friday, Sept. 26 – Sat. Nov. 1, 7pm – 10pm

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm starting Oct. 1

Sat. October 4, 4 – 8pm. Witches' Dance at 6

Sunday, October 5, 12 – 3pm

Thursday, October 9 at 2pm, Lewiston Lodge

Saturday, October 11. Visitation 10am, Service at 11am, with a luncheon to follow

Monday, October 13 at noon

Monday, October 13, 5-8pm

Tues. Oct. 14 - Thurs. Oct. 16

TBA

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Tuesday, October 21 at noon

Friday, October 31, 5pm – 7pm

Sunday, Nov. 2 after 10am service



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Library – Featured Book

Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life, by Tish Harrison Warren

God is near. In overlooked moments and routines, we can become aware of God's presence in surprising ways. How do we embrace the sacred in the ordinary and the ordinary in the sacred? Drawing from the diversity of her life, Tish Warren opens up a practical theology of the everyday. Each activity is related to a spiritual practice as well as an aspect of our Sunday worship. Come and discover the holiness of your every day.

The cooler weather will be pulling us inside a bit more soon. Come look around our library for something to inspire and feed your soul.

When taking books out of the library you can sign a sheet located in the Return Tray on top of the file cabinets. When you are finished just leave the book in the Return Tray and we will reshelve it for you. If you have newer book you would like to donate, just leave them in the Return Tray.

If you have items for the Beacon, please send them to Emily Gómez via email: lewistoncommunitychurch@gmail.com. **The deadline for the next issue is October 21, 2025 at noon.**

The deadline for announcements or items you would like listed In the Sunday Bulletin is Wednesdays.

PLEASE CONTACT EMILY IN THE
CHURCH OFFICE IF:

- You have not been receiving emails from the church
- You wish to have your Beacon sent to you by US mail
- You have a Lewiston P.O. Box to add to your mailing address
- You'd like to be removed from the email or mailing list

