



The Current

SPRING 2024



LAKE CITY
Community Church

Connect. Serve. Grow.



A LETTER FROM JOSHUA NÚÑEZ

As we reflect on our recent celebrations and worship of Jesus—the Passover Lamb who takes away the sin of the world, and the First Fruits in whom we have new life through His resurrection—it is the perfect time to share this Good News with the whole world.

Speaking of Jesus—the First Fruits (1 Cor. 15:16-22)—He has now commissioned us, recipients of His grace and salvation, to gather disciples from all nations: from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8). Scripture calls new disciples “first fruits” (1 Cor. 16:5). Jesus Himself refers to this ingathering from all peoples as “The Harvest.”

“Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Therefore, beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.’” Matthew 9:36–38 NAS95


As we read through The Spring Current, may the compassion that is in Jesus, propel our love to action to reach and care for His lost sheep, both locally and globally. Together, let us “beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.” May LC3, as a community, be counted among the faithful laborers in “His Plentiful Harvest.” May we be the aroma of the knowledge of Messiah in every place: in speech, life, love, faith, and purity. (1 Cor. 2:14-16; 1 Tim. 4:12)

Most importantly, may we honor the Lamb, the Lion of Judah, by filling every seat at the marriage banquet with the praises from every nation, tribe, tongue, and people. (Rev. 19:9)

For the glory of Messiah Yeshua—Hope of Israel, Lake City, and the Nations,

Joshua Núñez

Joshua Núñez
Director of Missions



“Whoever believes
in me, as the
Scripture has said,
‘Out of his heart
will flow rivers of
living water.’”

John 7:38

ALL

Alpha - Volunteer!

Tuesdays, April 9-May 28, 6:30-8:30pm

Love those seeking answers through set up, food prep and more. Help for one session or for eight weeks. Learn more at LC3.com/Alpha.

Reboot Graduation

Thursday, May 16, 6:30-8pm

For twelve weeks former and current military personnel and their family have worked to find Bible-based hope, healing, and community from military-related trauma. Support this community by attending their graduation. It's a beautiful time of hearing their stories and honoring God in the process.

Membership Class

Saturday, June 22, 9am

God calls us to community. Learn about LC3 and how you can be part of the LC3 community at the membership class.

Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 30, 12:30pm

Join us as we take a look back at God's faithfulness to LC3 over the past year and look forward to the year ahead.



YOUTH MISSIONS FUNDRAISER
KALEO KLASSIC
5K PRAYER RUN WALK

SATURDAY, APRIL 20
FT STEILACOOM PARK

CHECK IN: 8AM
KIDS 1/2K RACE: 9AM
5K RACE: 9:30AM

REGISTER HERE!


KALEO KLASSIC

The poster features a silhouette of a runner on a path against a green and purple background. The text is arranged in a clean, modern layout with a QR code for registration.

Curious About Faith?

Try Alpha.

Tuesdays April 9-May 28
6:30-8:30pm | LC3.com/Alpha



STARTING
POINT

NEW TO LC3? LEARN ABOUT US!
SECOND SUNDAYS, 11AM
LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

The poster shows a group of people, including children, gathered around a campfire in a wooded area. The text is overlaid on the image in a white, sans-serif font.

PRIME TIMERS (60+)

Blessed Lunch Timers

3rd Wednesdays, 12:30pm

Meet new friends and enjoy lunch with your church community. \$5 at the door.

Hymn Sing

Sunday, April 28, 2pm

Enjoy an afternoon of singing traditional hymns.



WOMEN

Spring Bible Study

Mondays, 6:30-8:30pm

Wednesdays & Thursdays, 9:30-11:30am

You're invited to study God's Word through the books of 1, 2 & 3 John. Connect and fellowship with other women by growing in the Word together. Free childcare with prior registration.

MOPS & MOMSnext

2nd & 4th Tuesdays, January 9-May 14, 9:30-11:30am

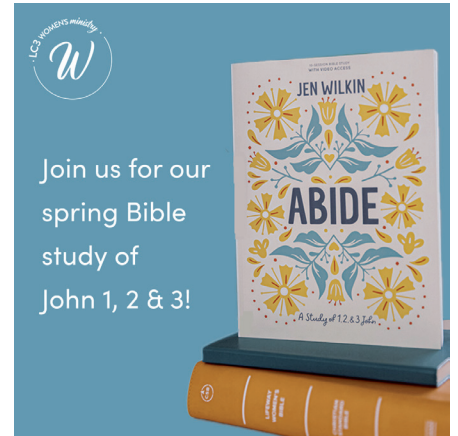
Join us at MOPS and MOMSnext for breakfast, speakers, crafts, and encouragement. Open to moms with kids in the womb through Grade 12. No mom should mother alone!

Stitching Sisters

3rd Fridays, 9am-2pm | Large Conference Room

A group of women who meet once a month to sew for various outreach projects including: Christmas stockings for orphans in Russia, blankets for the women's shelter, pillowcases for local children's hospitals, dresses and shorts for children in various countries, and hygiene kits for girls in third-world countries.

Please bring a sack lunch.



Join us for our
spring Bible
study of
John 1, 2 & 3!



EVEN IF...
Jesus
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
MAY 3-4

Special Speaker
NIKI OURY

M2 Connect Mentor Orientation

Saturday, June 1, 9am-12pm

Men in their 20s and 30s are trying to navigate how to build a life. Learn the power of intergenerational discipleship to make a lasting impact. Learn how to shape our community through meaningful relationships at this orientation (for ages 45+).

F3: Fitness, Fellowship & Faith

Mondays, 6am | Gym

F3 meets with the goal of building community among men and enhancing their spiritual and physical strength. Come check it out!

Every Man a Warrior

Mondays, 6:30-8pm

Take your next faith step and join other brothers seeking to grow through Every Man a Warrior small group study. Become the man of God that you were born to become. Childcare available with advance registration.

Warrior's Prayer Time

Wednesdays, 6:30-7am | Via Zoom

Join Pastor Marc and other men in a time of prayer. Email Marc.Gauthier@LC3.com for the Zoom info.

Men's Bible Studies

Mondays, 10-11:30am, with Pastor Rich

Mondays, 6:30-8pm, with Gerald Rosenbaum

Thursdays, 9:30-11:30am, with Rick Wells

All three studies meet in the Large Conference Room.

Security Team

The safety of the adults and children on our campus is important. We have a team of men who patrol our campus during services as well as other busy nights of the week. If you're interested in joining the team, contact Tracy Blevins at ministertracyb@gmail.com.

TaskForce Warrior

A team of men serving the practical needs of our church and community by assisting those in need, the elderly, the disadvantaged, widows and deployed families. Contact Jeramy Brady at jwsbrady111@gmail.com to join the team.



MAY 17-19
SEABECK CONFERENCE CENTER





Andie Regenfuss

I had the pleasure of attending the LC3 Discipleship Conference in January. I was particularly moved during a breakout session with Pastor Marc Gauthier called “Cultivating Life-Giving Rhythms.” During the second half of the session, Pastor Marc walked us through the ancient practice of Lectio Divina. First, we read the same passage slowly, repeatedly, focusing on just that one short passage:

The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

As I read the Scripture, I was struck with fear at the thought of the Lord turning His face toward me. Would He recoil? Would He turn away in anger or disgust? Then Pastor Marc walked us through the REFLECT, RESPOND, and REST portions of the practice, each time inviting us to write a few notes about what we learned or how God spoke to us through His Word. As I prayed and read the passage a few more times, God reminded me that I am wholly forgiven through Christ (praise!) and a beloved daughter. Any fear I experienced in this instance was a lie of the enemy and should be replaced with the truth of His love for me and the perfect peace I can feel in the gaze of my heavenly Father. I was surprised to find that even a short piece of Scripture could be used for correction by the Holy Spirit!

When Pastor Marc invited us to share what we learned, I was even more encouraged to hear how God used the same bit of Scripture to encourage each of us in so many different ways. I love that God speaks to us through His Living Word. What a gift!



Charlie Morrow



On Christmas Eve 2019, my wife and I first entered LC3. After just a few short weeks, we knew that LC3 was “our” church.

We had been life-long Catholics and our Bible knowledge was limited. I didn’t see many uses for my neophyte Christian talents at LC3. As a retired soldier I thought the Security Team would be the one perfect fit. I prayed about it. The Good Shepherd called me to take up my shepherd’s crook and to look out for His flock. By spring of 2020, I was on the Security Team.

We have an extensive list of duties, but my two favorites are unwritten. First, ensure that when my church family sees me, my face radiates my joy in serving my Good Shepherd. Secondly, to assist anyone who could benefit from my help. I expected nothing from this activity but received blessings in abundance: I quickly formed a bond with the other security guys; I was meeting hundreds of my LC3 family; and I was being guided by these brothers and sisters on how to best use my time in seeking a better relationship with my Lord and Savior, Jesus.

As a security team member, I am constantly inspired by my LC3 family. So many wear their love of God and their neighbor on their sleeves. I am privileged to see the level of service so many folks give to their church and community behind the scenes - it is so inspiring.

As I go through the ups and downs of life, God lifts the ups to “way ups” and the downs are obliterated whenever I serve a security shift. I always experience God’s blessing. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for guiding me to this ministry and thank you, LC3, for allowing me to serve in this manner.

MISSIONS

LC3 Community Garden

Planting begins April 1. Watch for updates in the LC3 newsletter to learn about opportunities to volunteer and support our neighbors who participate in growing with us.

Prayer Walk Lake City Neighborhood

Saturday, April 6, 9-11am | Wylies' House: 10603 Lake Steilacoom Dr SW.

Join with others as we walk together and lift up the lives of our neighbors to the Lord. Pray for the good of our community and the effectiveness of reaching our local mission field with the hope of Jesus. If you would like to host a prayer walk, contact Janet.Spingsath@LC3.com.

American Lake Fishing Derby - volunteer!

Saturday, May 18, 8am | American Lake Park

This annual Lakewood event draws hundreds of children and their parents to the park where the swimming area is over-stocked with trout. There is a huge need for adults with experience removing fish from hooks to volunteer to help as many parents have never caught a fish before. This is one way LC3 Neighborhood Center has benefitted Lakewood in the past. Let's continue the tradition!

I Am N: Hear stories of courage in the shadow of radical Islam

Sunday, May 19, 5-7:30pm | Gym

Ten years ago, the self-proclaimed Islamic State (ISIS) began marking Christian homes and churches with the Arabic letter "n," as its fighters overran parts of Iraq. The symbol ("n" for "Nazarene") marked the buildings as belonging to believers and served as a

threat to all people of faith in the area. Hundreds of thousands of Christians fled the country, but where are they today? And what about those who stayed behind?

Join the Global Mission Team as they present The Voice of the Martyrs' "I Am N" where you'll hear updates on Iraq and firsthand stories from three Christians who have paid the price for advancing the gospel in other places dominated by Islam. For questions or to get involved please contact: TableofNations@LC3.com

Kind Hearts

Wednesday, May 22, 2:30pm | Gym

Join The Neighborhood Center's Kind Heart ministry to assemble homeless packets with donated socks, water, hygiene items, caps, and soft snacks. We meet quarterly and give the packets to Lakewood Police to hand out to the homeless.

International Night of Worship—Harvest of Nations

Sunday, June 16, 5:30-7:30pm | Gym

Please join Table of Nations for an evening of delicious international food, fellowship, multilingual worship, and, most importantly, the Nations honoring King Jesus—Lord of the Harvest. For questions or to get involved please contact TableofNations@LC3.com

Bread of Life Food Bank

Thursdays, 1-5pm | Gym

Our Food Bank is open every Thursday to provide food for families in our community. If you or anyone you know could benefit from receiving free food, drop on by!

Faith in Action: Serve the Nations of LC3's ESL class

English with Friends recently transitioned to a discipleship focused meeting in homes. We use God's Word to help internationals grow in the English language as well as give them a warm environment to share their experiences and challenges in American culture and language. Our group meets weekly for dinner before digging into Scripture. For questions please contact TableofNations@LC3.com.

How to get involved:

- 1) Make & deliver Thursday dinner (no pork, please!) to the group.
- 2) Help transport learners who do not have their own transportation by joining the WhatsApp group and responding to needs as they are requested.



What's App group

Benevolent Fund Assistance January-March 2024

January	Rental Assistance	8	\$5,797.74
	Plumbing	1	6,610.07
February	Rental Assistance	8	3,707.55
	Utilities	5	1,385.86
March	Rental Assistance	2	2,449.00
	Utilities	1	360.00
Community Ministry Support			2,500.00
TOTAL			\$22,810.22

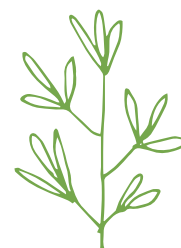
48 households requested assistance this past quarter. Of the 48, we were able to assist 25 households.

In Matthew 25:31-46, Jesus tells a parable to make a point that when we we serve others, we serve God. After listing acts of service, He lists providing food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty, lodging for the homeless, clothes for the naked, healing for the sick. Jesus concludes, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine you did for me." Imagine Jesus as the ultimate recipient of LC3's generosity! He asks us to sacrificially invest in the needs of others as a way to serve Him. When we love others, we love God.

Turko-Russian "KAN" Team

LC3's Turco-Russian KAN team is dedicated to bringing the gospel to unreached people in Central Asia. Here are some ways you can get involved:

- Join the Prayer Team. Commit to praying for 30 minutes each week. You'll receive a weekly prayer list. Email Walt Hanline, whanline@nationalleadership.net
- Join the monthly corporate prayer time in person (Small Conference Room) or virtually at 8am on the third Sunday of each month.
- Join the team: We meet at 7pm on the third Tuesday of each month in the Small Conference Room. We are currently planning for the Global Team's Central Asia Director's visit in October, and a Missionary Weekend with Curt Chanda in November. Email Lourie Hunt, louriehunt@gmail.com



NEXTGen

High School (Kaleo)

High School Ministry, Grades 9-12, meets every Saturday from 7:30-9pm. Small Groups meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8pm, by gender and grade, at local homes.

Middle School (10:31)

Middle School Ministry, Grades 6-8, meets every Tuesday from 6:30-8pm. Small Groups meet Saturdays from 7:30-9pm, by gender and grade, at LC3.

Senior Blessing

Sunday June 2, 6pm

Support our youth as parents and families bless their seniors as they prepare for the next steps in life. It's a special evening for the whole church!



Kaleo

10:31

Apr

- 6 No Kaleo No Small Group
- 9 Small Group 10:31
- 13 Kaleo Small Group
- 16 Small Group 10:31
- 20 Kaleo Small Group
- 23 Small Group 10:31
- 27 Kaleo Small Group
- 30 Small Group No 10:31

May

- 4 Kaleo Small Group
- 7 Small Group 10:31
- 11 Kaleo Small Group
- 14 Small Group 10:31
- 18 Kaleo Prom Small Group
- 21 Small Group 10:31
- 25 No Kaleo No Small Group
- 28 No Small Group No 10:31

Jun

- 1 Kaleo: Senior Night No Small Group
- 4 Small Group 10:31
- 8 Kaleo Move-Up Weekend 10:31 Move-Up Weekend

Summer Events begin after July 4 and will be announced in June.





LC3 KIDS

We offer Nursery care for ages 3mo-2yrs and Sunday School for 2s-grade 5 during all three weekend services. Children in grades 6 and above are invited to join their parents in service.

Serve Team

Second Wednesdays, 4:30-6:15pm

Serve Team (Grades 4 & 5) is learning how to run the tech booth for kid's church, how to lead worship songs, and how to work with puppets.

AWANA

Wednesdays, 6-8:15pm | Pre-K-Grade 5

AWANA is a program that teaches kids about Jesus and helps them develop socially, relationally, and spiritually. Kids in preschool through Grade 5 are invited to AWANA every Wednesday, October - May. Questions or interested in serving? Contact us at AWANA@LC3.com.

Move-Up Weekend

June 8/9

Info Meeting Saturday, June 8, 1pm

Parents and students going into grades 6 & 9 will "move up" to their new ministry groups this weekend!

Students and parents are invited to meet the student's new ministry team and hear about their new ministry at the info meeting on Saturday!



Markus Wilkening



Hello! I am a senior at Steilacoom High School and I attend Pierce College through Running Start. I grew up attending LC3 and this year was my seventh Winter Camp. Winter Camp has always been such an amazing experience but this year it was really special. God has been speaking to me in the past couple months and used Winter Camp to give me a much-needed, special message.

One thing you should know about me is I love basketball. I have been playing since early elementary school and it has always been my favorite sport and activity. Near the end of January, I tore two ligaments and fractured the bone in my ankle at basketball practice the day before senior night. This really hurt, not just physically but emotionally. I felt like my entire identity, who I was, was stripped from me. I knew basketball would end, but I didn't expect it to end like that.

Winter Camp tends to be a very spiritually-impactful weekend so I started praying. I was praying that God would have something for me at Winter Camp. The first night we were there, the speaker said the message for this weekend was on identity. It was at that moment I felt God's peace overwhelm me. I was so grateful God had answered my prayers. Throughout the weekend I heard some amazing messages and had some meaningful cabin talks with my best friends. I felt so close to God and I am so incredibly grateful for this weekend at Winter Camp.

Now, after coming home from Winter Camp, I feel closer to God than ever. I know I still have so much more to grow but the increase in my faith in Him has been huge.



YOUNG ADULTS



Young Adults Community Group

Fridays, 6-9pm | Wylie's House

Join others age 18-25 looking for community and growth. Contact the Wylie's for more info at YoungAdults@LC3.com



Koinonia - Young Women's Bible Study

Sundays, 6-9pm | Wylie's House

Ladies ages 18-30 are invited to dinner and to dive into the Word together. For more info, contact Samantha Becker, 307-254-8061.

The Branch - Young Men's Bible Study

Sundays, 7pm | Large Conference Room

Young men's ministry (Ages 18-25) to help us grow closer to Christ, know His Word, and have fellowship. For more info, contact Daniel Shaffer, 253-765-1522.

Bethlehem Kennington



The Lord has used being part of the worship team to teach me a lot of what it means to worship Him in every season.

There have been many times this past year when I had to lead worship during some emotionally stressful week. Each time, despite being tempted to call out, God has used it to teach me to take my burden to Him in worship.

It has left me more dependent on Him to make my circumstances smaller and to get greater glimpses of Heaven, experiencing His presence with our church family. I get to surrender my burden to Him through worship and be joyful despite my circumstances. Elisabeth Elliot said it best: "Joy is not the absence of suffering but the presence of God."

It has been such a gift to me to have a front-row seat seeing people in His presence.



IGNITE HOPE

PRE-BORN • FOSTER CARE • MENTAL HEALTH

Contact IgniteHope@LC3.com
to receive help or volunteer

FOSTER FAMILY SUPPORT

At LC3 we believe God has called the local church to come alongside foster families providing support to them as they open their hearts and homes to children in need. Statistics show that when a foster family has support, they are more likely to continue fostering children in need of families.

What we are trying to accomplish:

Tangible support to foster families through providing meals, helping with tutoring, childcare, transportation, laundry, yard work, etc.

This is done by:

A group of 4-8 people on a rotating schedule supporting the foster family

PREGNANCY SUPPORT

The Pregnancy Support focus (Life Guards) within LC3's Ignite Hope ministry supports unexpectedly pregnant women and couples who face the pressure to abort by providing hope, accurate information, judgment-free compassion, and connection to healing resources for women and men who have been touched by reproductive loss in the past.

What we are trying to accomplish:

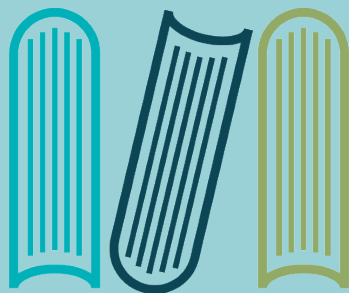
- Rescue: the lives of unborn children; and women from emotional damage
- Support: material and friendship
- Disciple & Mentor: connect women with Bible studies and support groups

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

Our mission is to empower those with mental health challenges to access strong support systems and care, while also educating those affected by these challenges, our church, and the community to remove the stigma associated with mental health.

What we are trying to accomplish:

- Approach mental health recovery from a hope- and faith-filled perspective
- Start a weekly support group which uses a Christ-centered recovery process under the guidance of a certified facilitator
- Provide support, encouragement and information



LC3 LIBRARY

Check out the LC3 Library!! It's open when the church is open. Come explore books & videos for all ages & genres!

Marriage & Family

Habits of the Household

Mondays, April 8-May 13, 6:15-8:15pm

Discover simple habits and easy-to-implement daily rhythms that will help you find meaning beyond the chaos of daily life as you create a home where kids and parents alike practice how to love God and each other. Childcare available with registration.

re|engage

Thursdays, 6:30-8pm

Re|engage examines God's design for marriage and applies Biblical principles to guide couples towards growth in their relationship with each other. This is a great opportunity for couples who are having relationship challenges as well as couples looking to grow and strengthen their relationship. Re|engage is open to newcomers! You can join at any time during this year-round, ongoing ministry. Please register for childcare so we have sufficient childcare workers.

Care

GriefShare

Sundays, April 7-June 30, 1:30-3pm

GriefShare is a support group that helps you move through the grief process after the death of a loved one. Through this 13-week ministry, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. You'll learn helpful ways of coping with your grief, in all its unpredictability, and gain solid support each step of the way.



Olive Crest Informational Meeting

Saturday, April 13, 10am

Discover three ways to partner with Olive Crest through Fostering, Care Communities, and Financially. RSVP to Theresa Alier (tjalier62@gmail.com) or Kristen Attwood (attwoodfamily@comcast.net)

Fresh Hope Mental Health Support Group

Saturdays, 10-11:30am | Large Conference Room

Ignite Hope offers Fresh Hope, a peer-to-peer, Christ-centered wellness approach for those who suffer from a mental health challenge and for their loved ones. This approach, connecting faith and recovery principles, empowers and encourages individuals to live full and rich lives in spite of their diagnosis. For more information, email IgniteHope@LC3.com.

Did you see something you'd like to be a part of? Check out Events on the LC3 app or at [LC3.com](https://www.lc3.com) to learn more and sign up.

We look forward to connecting, serving and growing with you this spring!



PASTORS

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Reese Carlson, Next Gen Discipleship

Marc Gauthier, Discipleship

Dr. Jim Kennington, Pastor Emeritus

David Prichard, Family Discipleship & Congregational Care

Rich Sewell, Congregational Care (Seniors)

Mark Wilkening, Worship Arts

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