



Announcements

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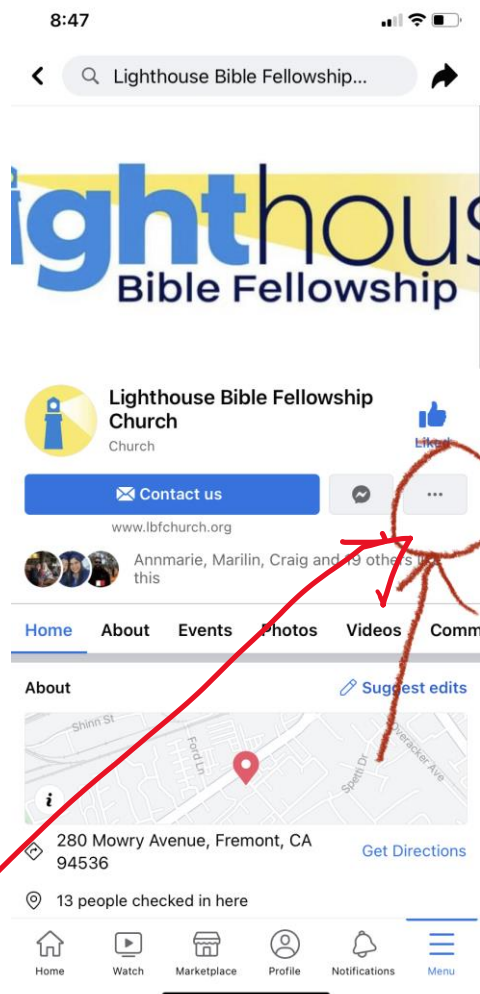
Welcome to Lighthouse!

Worship Registration Cards are located in the chair pockets in front of you. Please take time complete them and submit to a greeter or in the offering plate.

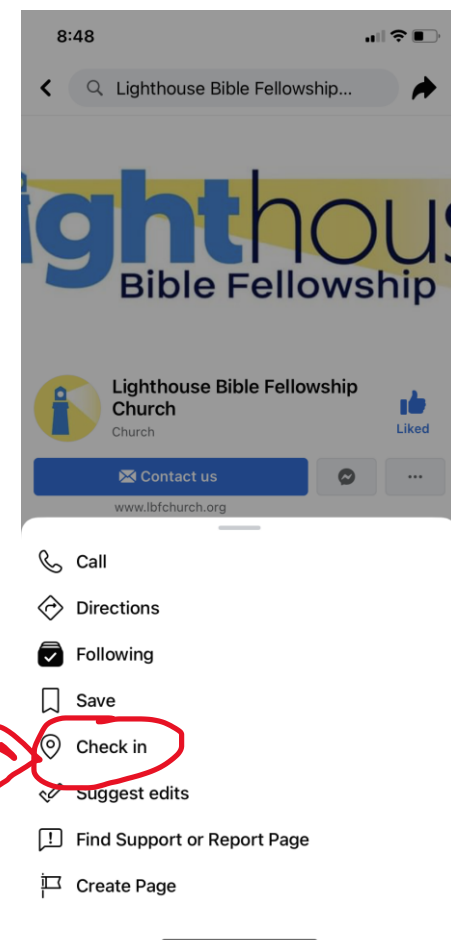
You can also go to our website at ***lbfchurch.org*** and complete a Connection Card online.

“Check-in” on Facebook!

Go to the Lighthouse Bible Fellowship page and click on the button with 3 dots...



Then go to “Check in”



Christmas Carolers

It's not too late to join. Rehearsals are on Sundays at 12:15pm (after service). Please sign up at the welcome center if you'd like to be added to the Christmas Carolers message thread on our App.



Thanksgiving is November 23rd





Missional Communities

North Fremont Missional Community is now meeting at the church Fellowship Hall on Thursday evenings at 6pm. Milpitas MC meets on Wednesday evenings in Milpitas at the Griffin residence at 6pm. Check out our website or download the app to find out more and to connect with the group leaders—search in Events. Group leaders will provide additional info, including meeting address.

THE BOOK OF
HEBREWS

Hebrews 5:7-14; Our High Priest
Comes With a Warning

Hebrews 5:⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after **the order of Melchizedek.**

¹¹ About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have **become dull of hearing**. ¹² For though by this time **you ought to be teachers**, you need someone to **teach you again the basic principles** of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, ¹³ for everyone who lives on milk is **unskilled in the word** of righteousness, since he is a child. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their **powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil**.

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“The days of His flesh...” – Jesus’ life in this temporal (perishable) world, not merely that He was material, but that in His condition, in this perishable world there is suffering.

In this world, we are faced with suffering, Jesus endured suffering, there will be suffering for as long as this world exists and there are people in it. Such is the nature of this fallen world.

1 Corinthians 15:⁵⁰ I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Matthew 26:⁴² Again, for the second time, he went away and prayed, *“My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.”*

Luke 22:⁴¹ And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, ⁴² saying, *“Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done.”*

Matthew 27:⁴⁶ And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, *“Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?”* that is, *“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”*

Jesus prayed for deliverance.

Jesus' prayers were heard by The Father.

Jesus, however, was still brutally murdered, dying on the cross.

His deliverance came at His resurrection.

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Jesus' suffering exemplified the lengths to which God is to be obeyed, in that the reward for His obedience is resurrected, eternal life.

***Philippians 2:**⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

John 17:¹⁶ *They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.*

Remember, the author of The Letter to the Hebrews is explaining a massive paradigm shift for people who are familiar with another operating system for engaging the High Priest to deal with sin and access The Lord.

Suffered

Obedied

Learned

High Priest

The Gospel requires and applies obedience to those who follow Christ.

1 John 3:²³ And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴ Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

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This is a reference concerning Christ and His fulfillment of the type and shadow Melchizedek.

...**have become** dull of hearing.

The Hebrews weren't always dull of hearing. They were at times eager and studious, enthused by the preaching and teaching of the Gospel.

...**dull** of hearing = **slothful**, spiritual sluggards

Galatians 5:7 *You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth?*

In accordance with our fallen nature, if we are not moving forward, we're moving backward. If we're not living, we're dying. It is vital for the Christian to share in be exhorted along with other Christians, in a healthy context.

1 Corinthians 15:33 *Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals."* **34** *Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.*

Proverbs 23:²³ Buy truth, and do not sell it; buy wisdom, instruction, and understanding.

We live in an age of passive reception of information. The Bible warns us against this. The degree to which we value The Lord, Jesus Christ, His Word and salvation is in direct correlation with our efforts to pursue His wisdom.

Proverbs 13:⁴ The soul of the sluggard craves and gets nothing, while the soul of the diligent is richly supplied.

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I just need one more class...

...read one more book

...one more...one more...one more...

2 Peter 2:³ His divine power has granted to us **all things** that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴ by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. ⁵ For this very reason, ***make every effort*** to supplement your ***faith*** with ***virtue***, and ***virtue*** with ***knowledge***, ⁶ and ***knowledge*** with ***self-control***, and ***self-control*** with ***steadfastness***, and ***steadfastness*** with ***godliness***, ⁷ and ***godliness*** with ***brotherly affection***, and ***brotherly affection*** with ***love***.

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1 Corinthians 2:⁶ Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷ But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

