



Announcements

March 17th, 2023

A close-up, top-down view of a lush field of green clovers. The leaves are bright and healthy, with some showing slight variations in shade from light to dark green. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green, creating a sense of depth. The text "Happy St. Patrick's Day" is centered in a clean, white, sans-serif font, standing out against the green background.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

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.





CREEDS CONFESSION

Missional Communities

We meet every Wednesday at 6pm in the fellowship hall. We start with dinner, then a time of study to follow. We are currently going through a general overview of creeds, confessions, and catechisms. If you're a newcomer you can let someone know you'll be coming or go online and RSVP to attend.

Monthly Prayer Meeting

**Last Monday of every month,
next on March 25th at 6pm.**

Join us as we pray for our nation, state, city, community, church, and loved ones. Meet in the church office. No need to RSVP.





Sunday School

Next one is March 24th.

Join us from 9am to 10am **every other week** for Sunday School. We are going through the Heidelberg Catechism. This class is designed for adults. Youth may attend with a parent. Meet in the church office.

Ladies Discipleship

5 week Study in the book of Ruth. Thursday evenings at 6pm, starting on March 7th, ending April 2nd. Please contact Lisa Greatman at 209.489.4511.

ESTHER & RUTH

THE LORD DELIVERS AND REDEEMS

A 13-LESSON STUDY

REFORMED EXPOSITORY
BIBLE STUDY

JON NIELSON
and IAIN M. DUGUID



Men's Fire Pit Fellowship

March 22nd, dusk until whenever

Meet at the church parking lot to enjoy a time of fellowship with other men. ALL men are welcome, so feel free to invite family members or guests.

Christ in the Passover

**Good Friday, March 29th at
5:30pm**

Join us for this special time as we explore how Christ comes alive in the Passover. Please sign up at the welcome center. This event will be open to the public, so we encourage bringing guests and friends. Suggested donation of \$20 per adult OR you can contribute by preparing food dishes/items for the meal. Free for children under 13yr.





Resurrection Sunday is March 31st
Invite friends and family to join us as
we worship the Lord together.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended to hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven and
is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there He will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

HEBREWS



Hebrews 10:19-27; From The Indicatives of Christ to The Exhortation of Our Souls

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another,

and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

²⁶ For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, ²⁷ but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.

The Indicatives Thus Far:

Christ is superior to angels

His superiority is essential for our salvation

Christ is superior to Moses

His superiority establishes our rest

Christ is superior to the Old Testament priestly office

To ignore His superiority leads to apostasy

Christ's Priesthood is an entirely new order, even beyond Melchizedek, and establishes the new covenant in Christ

Christ is the confirmation of the certainty of God's promises
His heavenly throne supersedes all earthly "holy places"

Christ's one sacrifice on the cross is superior to all earthly
priestly sacrifices AND efficacious for ALL

THEREFORE

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Zechariah 6:¹¹ Take from them silver and gold, and make a crown, and set it on the head of Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest. ¹² And say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord of hosts, “Behold, the man whose name is **the Branch**: for he shall branch out from his place, and he shall build the temple of the Lord. ¹³ It is he who shall build the temple of the Lord and shall bear royal honor, and shall sit and rule on his throne. And there shall be a priest on his throne, and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.” ’

Isaiah 11:¹ There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,

and **a branch** from his roots shall bear fruit.

² And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

²² let us **draw near** with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Genesis 6:⁵ The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that **every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.** ⁶ And the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. ⁷ So the Lord said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them.”

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The confession of our hope is a WHO not WHAT.

Jesus, The Christ

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2 Corinthians 5:⁶ So we are **always** of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord,⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight.⁸ Yes, we are of good courage, and **we would rather be** away from the body and at home with the Lord.⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to **please him.**¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, **whether good or evil.**

A still life photograph of a communion set. In the center is a silver chalice with intricate, embossed designs. To its left is a loaf of bread, partially broken into several pieces. The items are arranged on a white, textured cloth. The background is dark, and the entire scene is framed by a white border. The text "Confession & Communion" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font, with a horizontal line underneath the word "Communion".

Confession & Communion

The Lord's Table is a blessed sacrament given to the church as a sign of God's faithfulness to His promises and an assurance in the heart of the one to whom the promises are given.

Lighthouse invites participation in communion to all who are saved by Jesus Christ, baptized in the church, agree with the entirety of The Apostles' Creed, and seek to live in unity with the body of Christ.

If you are either unconverted, unrepentant, or unsure of any of these things, please refrain from participating in The Lord's Supper today, and speak to an Elder, Pastor, or more mature believer after the service to address any concerns

1 Corinthians 11:²⁷ Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹ For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

Silent Prayer & Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In Your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of Your holy name.

Our Assurance of Pardon!

Hear the good news! Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

*The Body of Christ, together – **“Thanks be to God!”***

Praise God, from whom all
blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures
here below;

Praise Him above,
ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son,
and Holy Ghost.

Amen!





Hebrews 13:²⁰ Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.