

July Birthdays

Kassidy VanderKolk	1	Jo Raines	14
Joe Altoft	1	Joe DePotty	17
Elaine Bosker	1	Joanne Jackson	18
Alyssa Eckardt	1	Grant Thrun	18
Max Thrun	3	Jim Warner	20
Mae Rush	4	Tom Kosten	21
Mark Von Keitz	8	Ferol Day	22
Jane Mazei	9	Janie Rush	23
Lei Wiltshire	10	Betsy Myer	24
Teasha Sinke	11	Brian Rayner	26
Heidi Carter	13	Steve Werner	30

July Anniversaries

Thomas & Tammy Sinke	1	1978
Herb & Bonnie Rush	3	1971
Jeff & Nancy Booi	10	1976
Dennis & Melinda Pepper	14	1984
Frank & Tammy Pytlowany	15	1995
James & Kathy Stowell	18	1975
Phil & Linda DePotty	26	1975
Landon & Aimee Mendes	26	2008



Prayer Request/Praise Report?

Text Bonnie Rush 517-281-3860

WAIT ON THE LORD.

Rise in His Strength.

1. God never intended us to live on our own _____.

2. Waiting on the Lord is not _____.

Biblical waiting is active _____.

2b. The servant who buried his talent confused doing _____ with being faithful.

Waiting on the Lord does not mean burying your _____.

3. The eagle does not sit on the ground waiting in the wind.

It spreads its _____ and catches the current.

GOD GIVES DIFFERENT STRENGTHS FOR DIFFERENT REASONS:

- Sometimes He gives us strength to _____.
- Sometimes He gives us strength to _____.
- Sometimes He gives us strength to simply _____.

Eagles use the storm to rise _____.

“But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”

ISAIAH 40:31

Prayer

Lord, help me wait on You with expectation, not frustration. Give me the strength You've designed for today. Teach me to rise above the storms of life by trusting in You. Help me use the gifts and abilities You've given me for Your purpose and glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.



LAKEWOOD
Church

July 12, 2026

Welcome to Lakewood Church!

Sunday Gatherings

9:30am – Sunday School (adult & kids)
Sunday School is in the education wing.

10:30am – Worship Service & Live Stream
Nursery Infants to Age 3 Room 106
H2O Kids Age 4 to Grade 4

5:00pm – Ignite Grades 5 to 12



First-Time Guests

We're so glad you're here!

Please scan **CONNECT QR** and complete online form!

Then pick up your free gift and coupon for **FREE PIZZA** at the **Welcome Center**!

Small Group Connections

Sundays – Prayer Room 4:30pm – Bible Study	Tuesdays – Prayer Room 8:30am – Prayer Circle
Tuesdays – Room 101 9:30am – Ladies' Bible Study	2nd Wednesdays – 101/PR 6:00pm – Care Group



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VBS Is This Week! – July 14-16 – 6:00pm-8:30pm
Join the Lakewood Area Ministerial Association (LAMA) for ****VBS 2026: What a Mess!**** on July 14-16 at the Lake Odessa Fairgrounds. Children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited for games, crafts, Bible stories, and lots of fun as they learn that Jesus loves messy people! Free to attend—we hope to see you there!

Get Involved in Ministry!
Our church ministries thrive through the faithful service of volunteers. Whether your gifts are in hospitality, outreach, worship, education, care ministries, or behind-the-scenes support, there is a place for you to serve. Ministry Surveys are available at the Information Station in the Narthex. We encourage you to prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to use your gifts and make a difference in our church family.

Women's Salad Luncheon – August 5 – 12:00pm
All women in the Lakewood area are invited to join us for an afternoon of fellowship, delicious food, and an inspiring program at Central UMC sponsored by the Central United Women in Faith. Enjoy a variety of salads, rolls, and beverages while hearing from Jody Pratt as she presents "Packing for Mission to Peru." Since 2012, Jody has led mission teams to partner with local Peruvians in providing women's healthcare in the Amazon River basin. She will share stories from her experiences, along with a few small treasures from Peru. There is no charge to attend. A freewill offering will be received to support the mission projects of the Central United Women in Faith. Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 29. Phone: 616-374-8861 Email: info@centralchurch-lakeo.org

Centershot – Begins August 11
Get ready for an exciting summer with Centershot! Kids ages 8-17 will learn archery skills, build confidence, make friends, and grow in their faith during this fun 8-week program. A beginner's class on August 4 is perfect for first-time archers. Whether new to archery or already experienced, everyone is welcome. Space is limited—register today!



You're Invited to the Haven of Hope Open House Celebration!
You're invited to celebrate the opening of Haven of Hope, a local faith-based ministry committed to healing hearts, restoring relationships, and sharing the hope of Christ in our community. Join us on **Saturday, August 29, at 9650 Thompson Rd., Lake Odessa,** for a day of fellowship and celebration. Enjoy delicious food, family-friendly games, live entertainment, a silent auction, ministry tours, and more. Whether you've been part of Haven of Hope's journey from the beginning or are just learning about the ministry, this is a wonderful opportunity to see what God is doing and to celebrate the exciting future ahead. Everyone is welcome—we hope you'll bring your family and friends and join us for this special day!

- SAVE THE DATE:**
- **Finance Meeting Rm 101** – Mon, 7/13 – 6:00pm
 - **Leadership Meeting Rm 101** – Mon, 7/13 – 7:00pm
 - **Prayer Circle** – Tues, 7/14 – 8:30am
 - **Keenagers** – Tues, 7/14 – 11:30am
 - **Silver Threads** – Tues, 7/14 – 1:30pm
 - **Euchre** – Sat, 7/18 – 6:00pm

ReCONNECT

I would like more info about: (check all that apply)

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☐ Online Directory

☐ Believer Baptism

☐ Church Membership

☐ Baby Dedication

☐ E-mail Newsletters

☐ Ministry Service

☐ E-mail Prayer List

☐ Small Groups

☐ Other _____

Please complete and return this section if you wish to update info or respond to the above.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Birthday(s): _____

Wedding Anniversary: _____

Sunday Gatherings

6/21/26:143
6/28/26:148
7/05/26:152