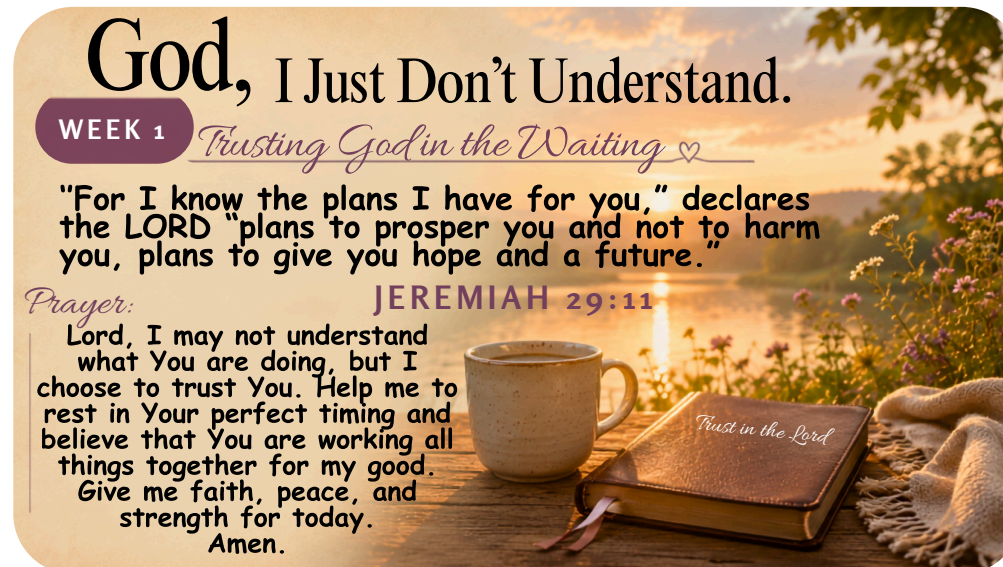


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Mae Rush	4	Tom Kosten	21
Mark Von Keitz	8	Ferol Day	22
Jane Mazei	9	Janie Rush	23
Lei Wiltshire	10	Betsy Myer	24
Teasha Sinke	11	Brian Rayner	26
Heidi Carter	13	Steve Werner	30

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



God, I Just Don't Understand.

WEEK 1 *Trusting God in the Waiting* ♥

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Prayer: **JEREMIAH 29:11**

Lord, I may not understand what You are doing, but I choose to trust You. Help me to rest in Your perfect timing and believe that You are working all things together for my good. Give me faith, peace, and strength for today. Amen.



July 19, 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



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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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**!

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

Ladies of the Lakewood area are invited to join the Central United Women in Faith for an afternoon of fellowship, delicious salads, and an inspiring presentation by Jody Pratt, "Packing for Mission to Peru." Jody will share stories from her medical mission work in the Amazon River Basin. There is no cost to attend; a freewill offering will support mission projects. Please RSVP by July 29 at 616-374-8861 or 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 the Haven of Hope Grand Opening! Join us on Saturday, August 29, at 9650 Thompson Rd., Lake Odessa, for a day of food, family fun, live entertainment, ministry tours, and more. Come celebrate what God is doing through this new faith-based ministry dedicated to bringing hope and healing to our community. Everyone is welcome!

Blessing of the Backpacks – Sunday, August 23

Join us during our worship service on Sunday, August 23, as we celebrate our annual Blessing of the Backpacks. Our Missions Team will bless students with school supplies and snacks to help them start the new school year well-prepared. We will also offer a special prayer of blessing over all students, teachers, bus drivers, and school staff, asking God to guide, protect, and strengthen them throughout the year. Whether you're heading to school, serving in education, or supporting those who do, we invite you to be part of this meaningful time of encouragement and prayer.

SAVE THE DATE:

- **Sunday Night Bible Study – Tonight** – 4:30pm
- **Staff Parish Meeting** – Mon, 7/20 – 6:00pm – Rm 101
- **Prayer Circle** – Tues. 7/21 – 8:30am
- **Congregational Care Group** – Tues, 7/21 – 11:00am – Rm 100
- **Beginners Centershot** – Tues, 8/4 – 6:00pm
- **Women’s Salad Luncheon at Central UMC** – Wed, 8/5 – Noon
- **Blessing of the Backpacks** – Sun, 8/23 – 10:30am

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Sunday Gatherings

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