

NEW YEAR NEW DAY

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HAPPY NEW YEAR SOUTH LAKE CHURCH FAMILY

The new year is here, and many people have made promises or resolutions for the new year. There is no other time of the year that I know of where people try to change or work on themselves. Some work on their health by eating better and adding a little exercise to their routine. Even spiritually, many Christians decide to work on themselves. One of the things that I would like to encourage the church with this year is to get a deeper understanding of the word of God. In the book of Ezra, in chapter 7, verse 10, we can see how Ezra viewed the laws of God, *“For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.”*



The beauty of this passage is that Ezra’s heart was set on the study of Gods Law. What do we have our hearts set on? Not only did he have his heart set on the word but, he also lived what he studied. Ezra did not learn the laws to be able to just have theological conversations. Ezra wanted to do what the word said. Are you like Ezra wanting to obey the laws and commands of God? He also wanted to teach in Israel the laws of the Lord. Who are we teaching the word of God to? Let us meditate on this passage this month and let us grow study, teach, and live it. I want to encourage the Church this year by recommending that you buy yourself a new Bible. On Sundays, I am going to start reading from the ESV version. Let’s purchase, if you can, an ESV bible. I look forward to studying, obeying, and teaching Gods word with you.

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Be sure to watch the latest sermon on Christ Centered
(Sermon notes can be found here >>> [Christ-Centered](#))

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>New Year's Day Worship Service 12 noon at Church Bldg</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Men's Midweek Service - 7:30 PM at Church Bldg</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Bro's Breakfast at Cracker Barrel at 7am</p> <p>Teen Game Night at 7:30 PM</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Worship Service at 10am</p> <p>Monthly Prayer Call at 3pm via Zoom</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Women's Midweek Service - 7:30 PM at Church Bldg</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Playmakers Bowl 2023 hosted by Anchor Point Church</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Worship Service at 10am</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Martin Luther King Day</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Congregational Midweek Service - 7:30 PM at Church Bldg</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Teens Real Talk at 7:30 PM</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Worship Service at 10am</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Congregational Midweek Service - 7:30 PM at Church Bldg</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Worship Service at 10am</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>				

SERVANT ♥ HEARTS!

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 1 Peter 4:10-11

This statement found in 1 Peter 4:10-11, helped the early church Christians know how to live so that their lives whether collectively or individually, it would glorify God. Each of us has been spiritually gifted by God. What matters to Peter as he conveyed to the early church and should matter to us, is not what gift each person has received but that followers of Christ have received a gift from God that reflects His grace. As faithful stewards use these gifts to serve others.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED?

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children are a Priority to God. There is no question about God's attitude toward children. Jesus made a point to welcome children to his side, and he affirmed their worth by saying to his disciples "let the little children come to me." If God's priorities matter to you, then you should consider serving in Children's Ministry. When you serve in Children's Ministry, your efforts are multiplied long term. We want the next generation to grow into God-loving, serving adults who will, in turn, raise Godly families. To learn more on how you can serve the South Lake Church of Christ Children's Ministry click learn more, provide your information and one of our coordinators will contact you.



[Contact Us](#)

JOIN A TEAM

**AUDIO/
VISUAL TEAM**

AV team is a position of service and technology. It is a fun way to bless others by learning and using a skill that serves to enhance worship for all involved. We serve on a rotating basis and cross-train for times when someone is absent at their normal time to serve. Each position is taught by first shadowing and watching and then training with someone already skilled in the position. There is always someone close by to help when you are new and learning.

Volunteers are needed. If you are up for a challenge someone from the team will reach out to you.

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ADULT MUSIC CLASS COMING SOON JAN 30TH

Are you interested in learning a new instrument, but overpriced and cookie-cutter classes aren't your style? Have you found yourself buying a guitar or piano just to have it sit in the corner of your living room collecting dust? Have you given up on your dream of playing in a band because you're not 17 anymore? Nonsense - this class is for you!

Join us at the South Lake Church of Christ every other Monday night from 7-9pm for a FREE (yes, totally free) adult music class. In this course, we will be diving into the core fundamentals of music to give anyone from cavemen to rocket scientists the tools they need to play the music of their choosing. Simply go to [church calendar on website or church app calendar](#) and sign up using the free registration form providing basic contact information and a small survey to gauge your existing musical abilities. Did I mention that it's FREE?

We kindly ask that food other than small snacks and all kids be left at home, to ensure that the whole of the class is able to participate and retain the course material without distractions. If you already own the instrument that you'd like to play and wish to bring it to class, you are more than welcome to do so. If you do not own an instrument, that's okay too! Simply let your instructor know that you don't have access to the instrument you wish to play, and they will be certain to assist in making access for practice available.

So, what are you waiting for? [Sign up today and be playing tomorrow!](#)



ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL? Join us on Super Bowl Sunday for our annual tailgate at the Church! There will be tailgating, concessions, music, games, and more! This is a Sunday you don't want to miss even if you're not a football fan! Invite a friend for this unique way to experience church!



FAMILY WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 11th

To learn more about this year's upcoming Family Workshop, please click on the link here >>> <https://subspla.sh/jwss5j2>



MEN'S RETREAT 2023

MARCH 17TH - 19TH

Save The Date! Details coming soon! To learn more about this year's upcoming Men's Retreat, please click on the link here >>> <https://subspla.sh/dhwgfkw>



WOMEN'S RETREAT 2023 APRIL 27th - 30th

More details to come, limited space available so pre-register today! Rooms choices will be determined based on order of registration. To learn more about this year's upcoming Women's Retreat, please click on the link here >>> <https://subspla.sh/xc2k269/>

CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE SLCOC CHURCH APP!



Here are a couple of items that have been updated:

Calendar – the calendar feature continues to be updated daily. It is a great help to continuously check the calendar at least once a day, so you can stay current on upcoming events.

Grow – We have added “Your First 40 Days as a Christian” that was featured in the “All Nations App” that was released at the World Discipleship Summit this past summer. It is now in our Grow toolkit found in the Grow feature of our church app. This is a great tool for all disciples who are seeking good quality quiet times and deeper convictions.

Serve – There are many opportunities to serve, we have updated this feature to make communication easier and give you the ability to express interest in serving in a particular area. We will continue to focus on this feature and improve the ease of use. Take it for a test drive and see how you can make an impact in our Church and beyond!

Resources – Here is a list of content just recently added to our resource feature:

- **Wild at Heart Resources** (includes the Captivating Experience for women and the Wild at Heart Experience for men)
- **Ligonier** (teaching series full of biblical studies, theology, church history, and more. Hundreds of messages are available to build you up in your knowledge of God and equip you to live for His glory.
- **The Bible Project** (experience the Bible as a unified story that leads to Jesus) **Watch**

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Ways To Give
**South Lake
 Church Of Christ**

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<i>December</i>	<i>Budgeted Funds</i>	<i>Actual Funds Collected</i>	<i>Difference</i>
<i>Total Contribution</i>	\$15,200	+\$12,649	-\$2,551
- <i>Average Weekly</i>	\$ 3,800	+\$ 3,106	-\$ 694
<i>Benevolence</i>	\$ 250	+\$ 522	+\$ 272
<i>Missions</i>	\$ 1,583	+\$ 210	-\$1,373

Thank you for your continued support in fueling the mission! Your generosity makes a huge impact!



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