

LCR Weekly

October 16, 2022



Traditional Worship
8:30 am

Praise Worship
11:00 am

Sunday School
classes for young and
old 9:45-10:45 am

The Altar Flowers this
Sunday are given to
the Glory of God by

Debbie Nice and
Phil Pauquette

In celebration of our
wedding on October 15



LCR [YouTube Channel](#)

Introduction of Council Members

We continue our series to introduce you to the 2022-2023 LCR Council members. The Council, along with Pastor Ruth, will be highly engaged in the transition and re-imagining journey that the LCR congregation will be undertaking this year.

Deanna Topping—Council Vice President



Deanna is serving in the second year of a two-year term as Council Vice President. In addition to leading the Executive Team and Council meetings, when the President is unable to, her primary responsibility is the execution of our new organizational structure via a monthly meeting called Tuesday Night Teams (TNT): Ministry Teams, Leader's Table, and Council all meet on the same night.

Deanna has two adult children, Eric and Michelle, who both live close by. They moved from South Florida to the Atlanta metro in 1999 when Eric was 10 and Michelle was 6, joining LCR in 2000. Deanna was raised in the Catholic church in a suburb of Detroit and became a Lutheran in 1998. She graduated from the University of Michigan and has worked in the insurance industry for 43 years.

Deanna is excited about the future of LCR post-Covid and believes the Council has an important role to play in guiding this congregation into the next phase of its life. She looks forward to serving the LCR community in any way she is called.

Andy Minard—At Large Council Member



Andy Minard and is a new member of Council who was elected in June of 2022 to an At-Large position. He is serving as Council Liaison on the Faith Formation Team.

His wife, Cristi, along with their three children, McKenzie, Drew and Will, have been members of LCR since 2015 which is one year after they moved to Marietta from Charlotte, NC. Andy is originally from Lewisburg, PA but relocated to Charlotte from the Washington, DC area where his wife and children were all born. He is a career professional in the beer industry which he is still proudly part of today working in Sales for Heineken USA. [Continued on Page 4](#)

Announcements

The Interim Work at Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Marietta

Right now we all are rightly focused on closing one chapter in the life of LCR, that period when Pastor Dave Helfrich has led this congregation in its worship, fellowship, and ministry. In the next few weeks we will have the opportunity to thank God for Pastor Dave and all that God has accomplished in this community through him.

But November 1 is coming soon, and what happens next? At that point LCR will enter into an interim period—a time between the end of the service of one pastor and the beginning of the next chapter in LCR's life and ministry. It is a breathing space, a time to take stock of where we are and what we have been doing. It's also a time for listening for God's word to us about where we should be going next. It's a time to pray for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as we re-imagine who we are and how we can serve each other and the world around us. During this time LCR is led by an interim pastor, chosen by the synod bishop, who helps guide the transition process. I come to you with considerable experience serving the ELCA in various ways, most recently as a trained interim pastor. And I have had the privilege since mid-August of serving alongside Pastor Dave, working with the staff, and getting to know you, the congregation a little.

One of the most important things to understand about this interim time is that it shouldn't be rushed. In fact, in order for a congregation to make good decisions, it can't be rushed. We need time to collectively process what we've been doing, what has worked and what hasn't. We need time to imagine what else we could do, where the needs are that we might answer. We need time to remember our history, to talk about what makes LCR the church that it is, and to share stories about how we have been shaped, how our faith has been deepened, how we have been nurtured by being a part of this ministry. And we need time to consider how we can bring what is the best of LCR with us as we move into God's future. A process called Appreciative Inquiry can help us do all these things. I will introduce this process, in which everyone can participate, beginning next month.

Only after we talked together about who we are, where we've been, and where we hope to go, can we begin thinking about what kind of person could lead us into that future. A word of caution: congregations that skip this part and call a pastor in a hurry often find themselves looking for yet another pastor all too soon.

So relax and settle into this interim time. It's exciting and energizing to be talking, planning, re-creating, and re-imagining together. Please keep praying for this congregation. God will be with us along the journey.

-Pastor Ruth

Worship



Worship Assistants
[Sign-up Link](#)

[Altar Flower Sign-Up](#)

[Send a Prayer
Request here](#)

Regular Groups



LCR

BUNKO Night October 22 at 7 pm

Join us for this adult only evening filled with several rousing rounds of dice, luck, and prizes!
Tickets are \$5/person and will be on sale this Sunday.

Please bring an appetizer to share (1 per household). Bring your own beer or wine. Table snacks and prizes will be provided!

For more info, contact [Mark](#) or [Sandy Brosch](#).

Outreach

MUST

[donation link](#)

CAC

[donation link](#)

YELLS

[donation link](#)

**Meals on Wheels
Volunteer Sign-Up:**
Contact [Ron Jolly](#)



Outreach

Grace House Food Collection Collecting through October 23

Our donations are growing! Thank you to everyone who has brought in non-perishable food items for Grace House, the Lutheran and Episcopal Campus Ministry located on the campus of Georgia Tech. We are collecting non-perishable food items through Sunday, October 23.



The food ministry has become one important resource at Grace House, because even at Georgia Tech, 1 in 5 students skip a meal a week due to a lack of food. The food pantry has been available 24/7 since March 2020, and thanks to a lot of incredible volunteer donations, the food pantry has stocked with non-perishable items.

Grace House is an open and affirming ministry that shows students what a life of discipleship looks like through our worship, service, community, relationships and at Grace House, most importantly, coffee! We are in the business of being student advocates, to support them in any way we can as they gain an education, and we help to prepare them to head out into the world to follow where God is calling them to go!

Pick up the list on Sunday mornings or download a list of needed items for Grace House [HERE](#) and bring them to the Gathering Room. For questions, contact [Allison Lizdas](#).

**MUST Wednesday
Lunch
Volunteer Sign-Up:**
[Sign-up Genius Link](#)

**Brumby E.S.
Volunteer
Opportunities:**
Contact [Stephen Goodnough](#)

MUST Celebration
Contact [Dan Gilroy](#)

**Vintage Affair
2022 Octoberfest**
October 22, 6—10 pm
Mercedes Benz USA
Headquarters
Tickets: \$125 / person
Benefitting the
Community Assistance
Center (CAC)
Buy your tickets [here](#).

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Andy Minard-continued

Andy decided to serve on Council because he believes in LCR as a congregation that looks to serve others through outreach, a congregation that sits on a strong foundation of belief and is accepting of all people by embracing diversity. He wants to play a part in continuing to foster this culture of inclusion, which has been built with Pastor Dave's guidance, through our transition to the next chapter in the LCR story.

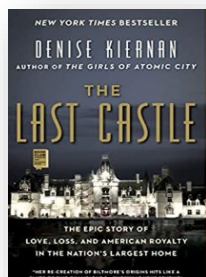


Pastor Dave's Retirement Party October 29 from 4—7 pm

You are invited to the Open House from 4-7pm on October 29 to celebrate Pastor Dave's retirement and his and Sharon's ministry at LCR. Your entire family, including children, are invited to attend this celebration.

For planning purposes, we ask you to RSVP electronically via [Sign-Up Genius](#) or you may also call [Sandy Brosch](#) at 770.544.7741.

If you would like to contribute to Pastor Dave's retirement gift, you may write a check or give online.



LCR Women's Book Club Next Zoom Meeting: Monday, October 24 at 7:00 pm *The Last Castle* by Denise Kieran

We would love to have you join the LCR Women's Book Club! We are meeting virtually via Zoom on Monday evenings at 7 pm.

Please contact [Meribeth Cooper](#) for more information and to get the Zoom link.

Here are the upcoming titles through April 2023:

December 5: *The House by the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune

January 16: *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See

February 27: *Without You There Is No Us* by Suki Kim

April 10: *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn

Events

Men's Group

(with breakfast)

Wednesdays at 7:30 am

In-Person (with Zoom option [Zoom link](#))

Thursday Women's

Study at 8:30 am

(with breakfast)

via Zoom [Zoom link](#)

Knitters for Peace

October 18 at 7 pm

LCR Library

BUNKO

October 22

LCR Women's Book Club—Zoom

October 24 at 7 pm

Pastor Dave's Retirement Party

October 29

Open House 4-7 pm

RSVP [here](#)

MUST Celebration

at Hope House

November 6

Synod e-News

[Link](#)