

January 28, 2024

The Weekly



Welcome Reception for Pastor Rich

Join us in the Gathering Room for a reception between services to welcome our new pastor, Rich Leseganich.

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Ash Wednesday Services

Join us for Ash Wednesday services on February 14 at Noon and 7:00 pm. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten season. It is a time of reflection, repentance, and renewal, as we prepare to follow Jesus on the journey to the cross and beyond. The services will include prayers, hymns, and time for meditation and reflection.



Get inspired by our Lenten Dinner, Speaker Series & Worship

Enjoy a home cooked meal, rich conversation, and a chance to hear from some of our mission partners about the life-changing work they are involved in around the world...and that we support as a congregation. Then stay for a special Lenten Worship service. Dinner will be served starting at 6:00 pm with the speakers joining before the service at 7:00 pm.

- February 21 - John Moeller, Inspiritus
- February 28 - Larry Leonard, Our Hands Community Outreach
- March 6 - Laura Keefe, YELLS
- March 13 - Mike Frey and a remote speaker via zoom, ILAG Guatemala
- March 20 - Christine Morrison, Habitat for Humanity

CALENDAR

JANUARY 28

Traditional Worship
8:30 am | Sanctuary

Fellowship Hour & Pastor Rich Reception
9:30—10:45 am
Gathering Room

Faith Formation Classes
9:45—10:45 am

Jesus and His Jewish Influences
Conference Room

New Beginnings in the Bible
Lower Level Room 8

Children's Sunday School
Lower Level

Confirmation
Youth Pavilion

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am | Sanctuary

FEBRUARY 11

Women's Tea
3:00 pm | Gathering Room

Youth Curling
3:00 pm | Peachtree Curling

FEBRUARY 14

Ash Wednesday Services
Noon and 7:00 pm

FEBRUARY 15

Lifeline Screening ([register](#))

FEBRUARY 21

Lenten Dinner and Speaker Series

FEBRUARY 24

Electronic Recycling Event
LCR Parking Lot

FEBRUARY 25

Pr. Rich Installation and Reception
3:00 pm | Sanctuary



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January Church Council Update

Catherine Strate, Church Council President



Greetings LCR community! January is already proving to be an exciting month of activity and moving forward to enhance LCR's mission and ministries both within the congregation and in the East Cobb community.

Within the LCR community, steps have been taken to re-initiate the Greeters ministry before each of the services to welcome all to worship. John and Miriam Whetstone, who were previously involved with the Greeters ministry, have volunteered to lead the effort, coordinate the scheduling as well as train those who are interested in serving as Greeters.

The annual Christian Response campaign was kicked off on Sunday and will run through March 3rd. With the theme of "Come Fly With Us," the LCR community will be able to continue to soar in its positive engagement in its many programs and efforts through financial giving and the support of volunteer talents of its members and friends. Under the leadership of Rich Rydarowski, the community will be hearing more about this critical campaign throughout the next five weeks.

In response to the Appreciative Inquiry surveys, Council has been actively discussing and researching various methods to increase LCR's presence and visibility in the East Cobb and surrounding communities, that will result in families visiting and hopefully joining the LCR community. At the January meeting, Council voted on replacing our current sign with an electronic sign that will give us more flexibility to share what is happening at LCR, be easier, safer, and quicker to add or change information, enhance LCR's appearance, and make LCR more physically visible to the public. It is anticipated that it will be installed within the next two to three months.

And finally, we are all looking forward to Pastor Rich joining us this week and beginning his time with us.

This is a very exciting time to be at LCR!

LCR UPDATES

Adult Sunday School Classes

New Beginnings in the Bible Meeting Now

Join this class to explore a variety of stories of new beginnings in the Bible as we enter this new year. The class is taught by Dan Gilroy and meets in Room 8 on the lower level of the Family Life Center.

"Jesus and His Jewish Influences" Starting Sunday!

The Sunday School class that meets in the Conference Room will start a new class on January 28. The subject will be a Great Courses 24 week lecture series entitled "Jesus and His Jewish Influences" by Jodi Magness. Dr. Magness holds a senior endowed chair in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Contact George O'Donnell for more information or just join us Sunday.

Be A Greeter

Help welcome guests and members as they join us for worship each week. Training provided by Miriam and John Whetstone. For more, contact John at jwhetstone1@bellsouth.net or Miriam at jpar67@bellsouth.net.

Mutual Ministry Team

A Mutual Ministry Team has been developed to assist Pastor Rich Leseganich in his acclimation to LCR upon his arrival this week. Jill Gadebusch, Mike Mynhier, Dan Steidle, Emily Glass Stinson, and Rachel Thornton have graciously accepted to serve as members of this team to assist in Pastor Rich's transition into the life of the LCR community. Reach out to anyone on this team with questions or areas of interest so the topics can be collated and shared with Pastor Rich.

MUST Lunch January Recap

Dana Jelinek

What a crew we had at Must Hope House kitchen as we served 150 guests our famous casserole and sides. We were on our toes for sure and so grateful to Kirk and Jill Gadebusch for prepping and cooking and to David Meszaros, Cindy Barrett, Miriam and John Whetstone for serving! Want to join the crew and serve on an upcoming Wednesday?

[Learn more and sign-up to help.](#)




FREE
ELECTRONICS
RECYCLING DAY
PLUS SECURE PAPER SHREDDING

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 9 AM - 1 PM
LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION PARKING LOT
4814 PAPER MILL RD SE, MARIETTA

We are partnering with Data Delete Recycle to responsibly dispose of obsolete electronics while supporting Brumby Elementary School. RAM Shredding will also be present to securely shred and recycle paper.

 ENSURE SECURE DATA DESTRUCTION
  PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT
  SUPPORT BRUMBY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

 FOR DETAILS AND ACCEPTED ITEMS VISIT LCRMARIETTA.ORG

A Growing Partnership with Brumby Elementary

Stephen Goodnough

Some years ago, Pastor Stephen suggested we try and connect with Brumby Elementary. I had some free time and took it upon myself to do just that.



I connected with Charlene Briscoe. She was in charge of the food pantry Brumby Elementary started to help families with students at the school. LCR's support came in the form of monetary donations that would help offset some of the items they had to purchase.



Then we got connected with Sandra Lake who had been our main contact at the school for a few years. On a couple occasions, Hattie, Charlie, and I have delivered monetary donations and other items to help them with Christmas events, Teacher appreciation week, and other things that budgets just don't quite cover.



Last year's Electronics Recycling event afforded us one of those occasions and we are looking forward to sharing more this year through the 2024 Electronics Recycling event happening on February 24 ([share the event on Facebook](#)).

The Brumby folks are always so appreciative of the grace LCR extends to them. Thank you for all the support. Let's keep it going as we spread the word about the Electronics Recycling event on February 24 that will benefit Brumby.

Thank You from Pastor Bonnie

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

David and I are so very grateful to all of you for your many kindnesses, your graciousness, and the gifts you shared with us! It was such an honor and joy to serve with you all as you took your last steps in the interim period. We were so blessed to serve such a wonderful and faithful community of faith.

Thank you for your kind words and your partnership in the gospel. Thank you for the gift card. David and I used the gift card to go out on a date. We had dinner at a really nice restaurant. The server came to our table and said "My name is Faith and I will be taking care of you."! The dinner was delicious and fun!

Thank you for the lovely farewell reception! I'm so grateful for the succulent plant arrangement also! I've been looking for something like this to go in my foyer! Thank you for the bookmark with LCR on it! I will use it for devotional reading and remember all of you. Thank you for the grandbaby onesies! They are so fun!

We are so very grateful for all of you and the time we had together! Words cannot really describe the joy we will carry with us from serving with you. We will keep you in our prayers as you move forward with Pastor Rich. I'm sure that he will enjoy being with you all as well. You are an awesome community of faith! You are so gifted at shining the light of Christ! We are so very grateful!

+ with much appreciation,
Bridge Interim Pastor Bonnie and David Lanyi



The pleasure of your company is requested at a

*Ladies
Afternoon
Tea*



Sunday, February 11 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon
LCR Gathering Room

Kindly respond by February 7
By [registering online](#) or emailing [Cristi](#)

Cost \$10.00 per person
Please pay in advance by cash or check, include
"Ladies Tea" with payment.
Place in offering plate or church office.

*Dress in your best tea outfit,
hats and gloves encouraged*

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Sunday School

Sunday School for kids ages 2 years old through 6th Grade takes place Sundays at 9:45 am on the lower level of the Family Life Building.

Child Friendly Room Available During Worship

Kids are always welcome in worship. If you prefer, feel free to make use of our Child Friendly Room off the sanctuary.

Save the Date: Vacation Bible School June 3 - 5

Join us for our Vacation Bible School adventure for 2024, Campfire Light: a summer camp adventure with God.

June 3 - 5
9:00am - noon
Ages 3 through rising 5th graders



Hunger Walk 2024, March 10

Hunger Walk 2024 on Sunday, March 10
The 40th Anniversary of the Atlanta Community Food Bank Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, March 10, 2024. LCR will again have a team participate and people can walk in the downtown Atlanta event or at LCR from the church parking Lot.

YOUTH NEWS

Confirmation

Sundays - 9:45 am - 10:30 am
7th-9th Graders | The Pavilion

Learn what it means to be a Lutheran Christian and discover the difference following Jesus can make in your life.

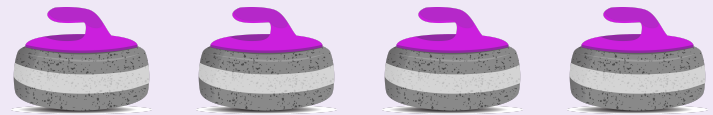
Save the date: Youth Curling!

February 11 - 3:00 - 5:00 pm
4880 Lower Roswell Road, Unit 910

Here's your chance to try the fastest growing winter sport in America - Curling! Enjoy a Learn-To-Curl event at Peachtree Curling Club. The event is open to youth 6th-12th grade and their parents. Please bring a friend along to join the fun. We will start with a lesson on how to curl, and then a couple of ends of competition between teams (maybe a parents vs youth challenge).

[Sign-up and details can be found online.](#)
Deadline to sign-up: Saturday, Feb 10th!

Questions? Email [Mike Frey](#) or call [404-372-2161](#)



All-Georgia

February 23-25, 2024

6th-12th Graders | Camp Glisson, Dahlonega, GA

Come and gather with over 100 other youth from across the state (and the synod) to enjoy this time apart as we learn about the SPIRIT OF PEACE we have all been given by God!!!

Cost: \$175/camper.

[Register online](#) by February 9.

