



The STEEPLE

Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church

May 2021

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LEPC website and Facebook:
www.seekinggodtogether.com

It is our desire to assist anyone who is seeking help, if possible, whether it be spiritual or otherwise. Please contact Pastor David or any Session Elder if you would like us to be of help."

LEPC NEWS

Prayer Ministry

For the upcoming week I intend to pray for _____.

NEW Pandemic guidelines at LEPC

Individuals are asked to wear facial coverings when entering the church for worship or other events at the church until they are seated. At that time the facial coverings may be removed, or not, at the individual's discretion. Facial masks will be the standard when moving about in the church or Fellowship Hall while practicing social distancing as is feasible, and to reinstate Dish to Pass Luncheons using the same guidelines.

Witness:

The Pregnancy Resource of the Valleys, (PRC) of the Valleys sent a thank you note to this congregation for their efforts in the Baby Bottle Fund Raiser. LEPC donated \$201.88 helping push the grand total-to-date to \$8,120.48. **To God be the Glory!**

Session has ordered 12 more Bibles to have available for those who would like a free Bible. These Bibles are on a TV tray as you exit to the parking lot from Fellowship Hall.

Missions:

Your Mission Giving in Action!

LEPC received a thank you note from Hope for Renewal Church, 2906 Glennwood Avenue, Youngstown, OH for your \$200 donation as they are a newly planted church within our presbytery (POA).

Session also directed \$100 to Brethren in Christ Missions for their work in establishing house churches in New Mexico.

Property:

Mowing season has arrived, and the lawn has been mowed a couple times already. If you would like to volunteer for mowing, please contact Gene Gregg and ask him about the volunteer calendar sign up for mowing. *It is a long season, so sharing in the labor is helpful.*

Christian Ed:

The Berean Adult and Teen Sunday School Class is now viewing a series entitled, "The Doctrines of Grace in John" by Dr. Steven J. Lawson (Ligonier Ministries). The class begins at 9:50 a.m. on Sundays. The first lectures are available to help you catch up or to do a self study.

Miscellaneous:

Camp Cherith will be having Spring clean-up days May 1 & 8 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. for volunteers who wish to donate their time and labor.

There will also be a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on May 8 beginning at 4:30 p.m., with a silent auction beginning at 7 p.m.

The book entitled, "The Cure" is available for free at LEPC for those who would like to read it.

"The Cure: What if God isn't who you think He is and neither are you" is a book co-authored by John Lynch, Bruce McNicol, and Bill Thrall. The idea behind the book is to open people's eyes to the truth of God's grace. The authors utilize a parable type of delivery to get their point across.

Women of Encouragement

The women have reconvened in Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays from 1-5 p. m. If you have questions about this women's group, please see Carol Griffen.

Up Coming Events Calendar:

May 6 - Noon
National Day of Prayer (see p. 2)

Monthly Celebrations

May

Birthdays

10	Devin Donnelly
13	Jackie Roffe
13	Shirley Matthews
19	Joyce Fitzgerald
21	Mike Mallaber
25	Steve Cartwright

Anniversaries

16	M/M Steve Cartwright
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If you see a need for corrections to the Monthly Celebrations, please contact Leo Richardson:
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Facebook Administrator

Not Found

Leicester EPC's search for an administrator failed to come up with a volunteer.

LEPC has discontinued its Facebook presence.

There is a season for everything.

Happy Mother's Day

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Sunshine

*My Mother, my friend so dear,
Throughout my life
you're always near.
A tender smile to guide my way,
You're the sunshine
to light my day.
~ Anon.*



LEPC JOINS in the National Day of Prayer 2021

Join us outside in front of the church at the crosses on Thursday, May 6, at 12 noon for prayers for our community and country. Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to join with us.

**National Day of Prayer Task Force
The Answer is YES!**

The answer is YES!

With many states having opened up for gatherings, YES, we are planning in-person events around our nation, from east to west, from shore to shore on the National Day of Prayer! YES, a few will gather in Washington D.C., although extremely limited by Capitol and covid restrictions for our National Observance, but thankfully, YES, we will be gathering together virtually that evening for our National Broadcast where we can express united prayer and experience togetherness as a nation right where we live.

Through the shutdowns of last year, and all that we have learned this year, we ‘pivot’ – not to LESS, but to MORE! As you read this letter, across the nation in every state our coordinators are eagerly planning prayer gatherings in churches, parks, city halls, state buildings and much more. Some events in person, some virtual, and some both – all in the spirit of MORE!

We’re asking all of our volunteers to observe CDC and local guidelines while they rally tens of thousands of events with millions of people fervently praying this year’s theme, Lord, Pour Out Your LOVE, LIFE, and LIBERTY!

LOVE that should never be underestimated or wrongly defined by what we have in mind or what we have experienced in ‘supposed earthly love.’ LOVE that is not merely an emotion, but that should set us in motion. Not fueled by earthly desires but eternal destinies that are at stake.

LIFE that is a gift from God, that we live not for ourselves, but for Him and for others. LIFE that is valued and treasured, LIFE that we ultimately give back to Him as a gift. LIFE that we recognize as sacred and holy, whether young or old, born or unborn. LIFE that is abundant and eternal.

LIBERTY that Jesus came to give. Not just freedoms in America, but true LIBERTY for all who are in bondage to sin and death. LIBERTY that breaks every chain and shackle, that turns our painful memories into praise-filled miracles!

TRUE LOVE, LIFE, and LIBERTY as designed and defined by God alone.

Imagine what our nation would look like if God’s people had not been praying. From the beginning, prayer has been woven into the very fabric of our nation ... it has been the thread that God has used to knit us together and to hold our nation together. Now imagine America without prayer – if weary hearts were tattered and torn into silence. We are the ones who are called to mend the fraying fabric of our culture, by appealing to our God who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above what we can even ask or think! Now that’s an America that I want to imagine!

Pray with us, promote prayer in your community, gather with us virtually on Thursday evening, May 6th during our National Broadcast.

Serving Him with Gladness,
Kathy Branzell
President National Day of Prayer Task Force

Happy Mother’s Day continued

A Mother’s Prayer For You

*I said a Mother’s Day prayer for you
to thank the Lord above
for blessing me with a lifetime
of your tenderhearted love.
I thanked God for the caring
you’ve shown me through the years,
for the closeness we’ve enjoyed
in time of laughter and of tears.
And so, I thank you from the heart
for all you’ve done for me
and I bless the Lord for giving me
the best mother there could be!*

~ Anon.

God Created Mothers

*When God created mothers,
All as lovely as can be,
He made one extra special,
And saved her just for me!*

~ Holly Giffers

New Mom

*New Mom.
New fun.
So blessed.
This one.
Long nights.
Short days.
Go back?
No way.*

~ Unknown

Watch

Author Unknown

Watch your THOUGHTS;
they lead to attitudes.

Watch your ATTITUDES;
they lead to words.

Watch your WORDS;
they lead to actions.

Watch your ACTIONS;
they lead to habits.

Watch your HABITS;
they lead to character.

Watch your CHARACTER;
it determines your destiny.



From the Pastor's Heart

Dear Members and Friends of LEPC.

For my submission to this Steeple, I am sharing with you the following letter written by Dr. James Dobson so you can be better informed of the challenges we face as a nation and as God's ambassadors in our culture.

Blessings to All,
Pastor David

Dear Friends,

Though this letter will come to you a few weeks after the fact, its message is timeless. I am writing on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021, after we and other Christians around the world have celebrated the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. That event, occurring approximately 2000 years ago, was the pivotal point in the entire history of mankind. Because of it, believers in Him have been given salvation and the promise of eternal life. As a person who is aware that he is getting older, I shout for joy because "He is risen!" HE IS RISEN INDEED.

If my mother were still alive today, she would be celebrating her 112th birthday. But because of Jesus' resurrection, she is alive with Him in glory, along with my dad and our other precious Christian relatives and friends who have gone before us. We, along with many of you, will also be in that heavenly throng someday. I'm convinced that the "grand good morning" is coming soon.

Now let me tell you why this particular Easter has even greater significance for me as a follower of Christ. It is because without His death and resurrection, there would be no hope for America. I would be in despair today because of the wickedness that is besieging our homeland. Though I am not a prophet, it appears to me that divine judgment has befallen our nation. The evil one, Satan (who always has only been able to operate within parameters permitted by the Lord, e.g., Job 1:7, 12), appears to be unleashing his assault on our culture with even greater ferocity. He is creating chaos in our cities and schools, and is stalking the halls of government. It is as though, because we have replaced the truth with a lie, God has given us over to a reprobate mind. (Romans 1:25, 28)

Why do I draw such a conclusion? It is because our nation is divided into warring camps, with violence and pestilence plaguing the land. Sixty-two million babies have been murdered in cold blood,¹ and hundreds of millions of additional federal dollars have been allocated to expand the unborn holocaust.² And the institutions of marriage and the family are under siege. Our birthrate is falling,³ and our children are being taught hate and sexual perversion in our government schools.⁴ How can a holy God look upon such debauchery and stay His righteous hand? He cannot. As Thomas Jefferson wrote, "God who gave us life gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed a conviction that these liberties are the gift of God? Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, that His justice cannot sleep forever."⁵

I have been thinking about these truths in recent weeks, as evidence of our moral decay continues to flood in day by day. It reveals a nation that has lost its moral compass. I choose not to describe our situation graphically because many Americans are already struggling with despair. We have lost confidence in our leaders who seem to be taking us down the road to oblivion. You can be sure that our mortal enemies in China, Russia, North Korea and Iran are watching the debacle too.

I'll give you one example of the idiocy occurring today. Just weeks ago, on March 8, President Joe Biden said in a speech on International Women's Day⁶ that one of his highest military priorities is for the development of new, expandable maternity flight suits, presumably to be used so that pregnant women can take their unborn babies with them into air combat. Does that strike you as foolish beyond words? Consider the facts. Pilots wear heavy headgear to protect

their hearing from the deafening roar of jet engines, but tiny babies, snug in their mothers' wombs, have no such protection. Nor are they shielded from jet fuel exhausts, or the enormous G forces that occur in the high-tech aircraft. Combat is horrendously dangerous, and carrier decks can be deadly. Has today's utter disregard for the value of unborn babies left us with no appreciation for mothers and children? Does it make sense to send them together into the wild blue yonder? When did men lose their instinct to protect and care for women and children? For that matter, when did women lose their passion to defend their babies? Even mama bears will fight to the death to protect their cubs. Does America no longer believe in the inestimable worth of a child? When did the horrors of killing become an equal opportunity assignment? Has our entire Pentagon abandoned its sense of humanity? Indeed, has our Commander in Chief completely lost his mind?

I don't like the world that is emerging. But I draw comfort in knowing that our omnipotent God is still on His throne. He is the definer of right and wrong and He will not be mocked. We must call on Him now as America ceases to be a shining city on a hill.

I am going to leave you with a wonderful prayer written by one of the great women of the church. This is what Anne Graham Lotz⁷ wrote:

THE LIGHT OF HIS PRESENCE *A Prayer for Unshakeable Trust*

O God of Creation,

I bow before You, acknowledging Your greatness and Your glory. No one compares to You. No one is Your equal. I look at Your creation and marvel at the infinite power and wisdom that are Yours. Nothing is beyond Your reach. You are the One who "brings out the starry host one by one and calls them each by name. Because of [Your] great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing." You are the One who "has pitched a tent for the sun. . . . It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is hidden from its heat." "Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your

“From the Pastor’s Heart” continued

presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; If I make my bed in the depths, you are there.”(a) There is nowhere in all the universe where You are not. Surely Your arm “is not too short to save, nor [Your] ear too dull to hear.”(b)

Yet I confess that as I look around at the mess our world is in—when terrorists strike; when floods, fires, tornadoes, and storms ravage our land; when national leaders don’t lead; when business leaders lie; when political leaders put their own interests before the people’s; when spiritual leaders contradict Your Word—I find myself asking, What’s going on? Where are You?

The Enemy whispers lies, tempting me to think You are. . .distracted, disengaged, distant, inattentive, inactive, impotent, outmaneuvered, outmoded, outclassed, unable, unaffected, and even unaware of our fear, our helplessness, our confusion, our outrage.

Why do You seem so small while our problems, disasters, and enemies seem so large?

So I ask, Almighty God, that You would strengthen my resolve to place my trust in You. Give me the courage to declare that even if “the kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord,”(c) I will trust in You. If “the earth give[s] way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging,”(d) I will trust in You.

Though “nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall,”(e) I will trust in You. When “the wicked draw the sword and bend the bow to bring down the poor and needy, to slay those whose ways are upright,”(f) I will trust in You.

I trust You!

In the powerful, unshakable, unstoppable name of Jesus,
Amen.

How amazingly true! We serve a risen Lord who holds our lives in His hands. And if God is for us, who can be against us?

Because of this, we can boldly proclaim His truth and grace to a hurting world. Will you join us?

Those are my thoughts on this Resurrection Sunday. Because He lives, we can face tomorrow. Without Him, we are absolutely undone. Yet, with Him all things are possible. For those of you who are discouraged and anxious today, remember that we are not alone. There are millions of us who love the Lord and are praying for one another and for our nation.

We are ONE in the bond of Christ.

Dr. James Dobson

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d. Psalm 46:2-3

e. Psalm 46:6

f. Psalm 37:14

Submitted by Carole Missel

Unprofitable Anger

by: Os Hillman April 20, 2021
<https://todaygodisfirst.com>

“Do not be quickly provoked in your spirit, for anger resides in the lap of fools.”

– Ecclesiastes 7:9

Every day of our lives we are placed in situations that engage us with other people, whether it is in the office, our homes, or in public places. Do you recall the last time someone cut you off in traffic, or you were forced to wait in line because someone up front got held up? Perhaps your employer did something that was downright unfair. Anger can result from many circumstances.

A friend once told me that anger is like warning lights on the front of your car dashboard. They signal that there is something going on under the hood, and we should take a look to examine the source of the problem. Anger can be traced to a few sources. First, when we lose control of a circumstance that we have placed certain expectations on and those expectations do not result in our desired outcome, we are tempted to get angry. The source of this type of anger is both fear and protection of personal rights. You see, when we believe we have a right to something, we have not given the Lord permission to allow an outcome different from what we want. If an outcome is different from our expectations, this may stimulate fear.

For instance, if a vendor failed to deliver an important job on time due to something out of his control, you may respond out of anger. Please know that the source of your anger is the fear of what might happen to you or what this might say about your abilities to manage a project. You no longer are in control of the circumstance and this creates fear in you.

The next time you get angry ask the Lord what is the source of that anger? Did the Lord allow that failure to let you see what is “under your hood”? God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of love, power, and a sound mind (see 2 Tim. 1:7). Give up your rights to expectations that God never gave you. You will find a new freedom in Christ you never knew you could have.



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Dear friend,

The world as we know it is changing. Suicide, riots, abortion, hate crimes, gender confusion, and moral corruption characterize our culture. But the cultural crisis is not the real problem. A lack of salt and light is the problem. Jesus in Matthew chapter 5 taught:

“Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt has lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”

I have a block of salt that dates back to the 1840s. I found it under the foundation of our historic headquarters. It’s totally preserved and tastes just like store-bought salt! So how can salt, lose its flavor? The answer is found in salt that takes on impurities. Salt can’t lose its flavor unless it is polluted. We are the salt of this earth, but we are of no use to reach others if we are contaminated with the world’s influence. The same is true with light. If we are spending time in the cultural darkness, our light becomes extinguished.

That is why there is a sense of urgency with this letter. The world is falling apart and something must be done. It is why your partnership compels us to record more *Fastened Like Nails* radio podcasts, to print more life-transforming books, to record more audio dramas, and reach more than our current 34 countries where listeners hear these broadcasts, and teach Bible, business, and art to more students through our new collegiate program, *The Masters Guild*. With your partnership and our unique global platform, we can present creative, compelling, and redemptive biblical truths to families around the world.

I want to apologize for not keeping you in the loop as much as I should. Since January, I was fighting pneumonia, but God is restoring me and I’m improving daily. And I am very excited about the new opportunities that God is stirring in our hearts: the Summer Guild & Family Conference on July 18-23; production of three new audio dramas; publishing our book of the year, *The Palace of Deceit*; the expansion of our collegiate program, *The Masters Guild*; and so much more.

The Apostle Paul wrote, “A great door for effective service has opened to me and there are many adversaries.” God is opening many doors here at Lamplighter and we invite you to prayerfully consider how you can be involved as we influence a lost world in ways never seen before. The cultural adversaries are no real threat when the God of the universe is on our side. Please join us as we offer families around the world the salt and light that is needed so they can taste and see how good and great our God really is!

Sincerely,
Mark Hamby

Lamp Lighter Goals and Needs:

- More faithful prayer partners-# I priority!
- New website design and e-commerce functionality (\$40,000)
- Marketing manager, media development director, shipping manager, and bindery craftsman (approximately \$150,000 to hire 4 new staff)
- Greenhouse for horticulture program (\$18,000)
- Expansion of bindery and recording studio (\$220,000)
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May 31, 2021

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Memorial Day officially became a federal holiday in 1971, but it had previously been observed in an unofficial capacity for quite some time.

A similarly thoughtful, commemorative day reportedly took place all the way back on May 1, 1865 in Charleston, South Carolina. The History Channel reports that after the Civil War ended and Confederate soldiers left Charleston, a group of freed slaves gathered to bury and honor the bodies of Union soldiers via a small parade. And in 1868, Union General John A. Logan suggested that May 30 should be the first annual day dedicated to the memory of all soldiers who fell during the Civil War.

But the commemoration of such “memorial days” remained unofficial for several more decades. According to the Library of Congress, it wasn’t until 1950 that Congress would agree upon a resolution asking the president to “issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe...Memorial Day, by praying, each in accordance with his religious faith, for permanent peace.”

Nearly 20 years later in 1968, the Uniform Monday Holiday Act was finally passed, which both declared that Memorial Day would take place on the last Monday in May and required that federal employees be granted a day off.

In 1971, Memorial Day officially became a federal holiday intended to observe and honor the people who lost their lives while serving in the U.S. military.



Rejoice Always

H.B. Charles Jr./

Jan 25, 2021 - Ligonier Ministries

A few Sundays back Sharon was teaching about the word “Rejoice” to Elizabeth in her Sunday School Class. The following is part of the research that Sharon conducted and is appropriate for us all.

Do you know what the shortest verse in the New Testament is? The obvious answer is John 11:35: “Jesus wept.” It is the shortest verse in our English translations of the Bible. But the shortest verse in the Greek New Testament is 1 Thessalonians 5:16: “Rejoice always.” It is a little verse with big implications.

The word “rejoice” is a call to joy. The term was a watchword among early Christians. More than a term of worship, it was a word of salutation. Jesus used it as a greeting (Matt. 28:9). Paul used it as a farewell (2 Cor. 13:11). We typically greet one another with “Hello” or “Goodbye.” But what an encouragement it would be if we entered and departed one another’s presence with a call to rejoice.

In 1 Thessalonians 5:16, Paul exhorts the saints to rejoice. It is a command, which makes it clear that joy is more than happiness. Happiness is an emotional response to favorable, pleasant, or rewarding circumstances. You cannot compel a person to be happy. It’s based on what happens to a person. But Christians are commanded by God to rejoice. This command to rejoice is in the present tense. It means “keep on rejoicing.” This makes 1 Thessalonians 5:16 a hard command. This divine mandate would be easier to swallow if it simply directed us to rejoice. Indeed, there are many times, reasons, and occasions that call for rejoicing. But the command is to rejoice always, not only sometimes. How does the Christian rejoice always?

First Thessalonians 5:16–18 features what have been called “the standing orders of the gospel.” These exhortations apply to all Christians in every place and every situation. “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances.” These commands may be familiar. But the justification for the commands is often overlooked: “for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” Do we want to know God’s will for us in any situation? It is God’s will that we rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and give thanks in all circumstances. We are in spiritual rebellion if we are not joyful, prayerful, and thankful. God’s will for our lives is about more than the circumstances we face. It is about how we respond to those circumstances.

It is the will of God for us to rejoice always. But obedience to this command is not accomplished by an act of the will. It is only accomplished by faith in Christ. The believer’s unceasing rejoicing is the will of God for us “in Christ Jesus.” This is the key to the life of rejoicing. Unsaved people do not rejoice in God, pray to God, or give thanks to God. Religious people rejoice sometimes, pray when they feel like it, and give thanks when things are going well. But Christians rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and give thanks in all circumstances. This is not the believer’s response because we are impervious to life’s dangers, toils, and snares. It is our response to life because we are in Christ Jesus.

As the Lord Jesus concluded the Upper Room Discourse, He gave a pro-

vocative explanation for these final instructions He gave to the disciples: “I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). The Lord wants His disciples to live in peace. But true peace is not the absence of negative, painful, or difficult realities. The fact is that disciples of Christ will have tribulations in this world. We are not exempt from trouble because we are in Christ. To the contrary, following Jesus will bring faith-testing, soul-burdening, and life-threatening pressures. Sickness. Heartbreak. Persecution. Rejection. Disappointment. Loss. We will even face death itself. Yet, we can take heart in the midst of it all because Christ has overcome the world.

Here are two essential things that you as a follower of Christ need to know about the world. First, the world is filled with tribulation. But, second and more importantly, it is conquered tribulation. The Lord has overcome the world. This bold declaration of sovereign authority is not a post-resurrection claim. Before the cross, with all its moral injustice, physical suffering, and spiritual agony, Jesus had already overcome the world. The One who was crucified for our sins rose again to declare, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me” (Matt. 28:18).

The tribulations of life are inevitable. But they do not have the last word. The crucified and risen Christ is the world conqueror. The Lord Jesus Christ reigns over heaven and earth. This includes all of the blessings and burdens of your private world. Rejoice in this glorious truth now and forever.



*Rejoice in the Lord,
always!*

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clap your hands.**

If not, count your blessings.

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*"I have come that they may have life
and have it abundantly."*

John 10:10

LEPC Supports Our EduNations Child

Margret Conteh

Margret lives in Sierra Leone, Africa, where the Presbytery of the Alleghenies reaches out with the Gospel in several villages. Margret attends the Mayatta Hope Academy in Makump.

Please remember her in your prayers and in your giving to the Missions Fund.

