

Calendar for the week of December 28, 2025

Be sure to check out the full event calendar at www.lakewoodlcop.com/events

Greeters: Roy and Vickie Davis Usher: Doug Berglund

Monday, December 29	Office Closed <i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Tuesday, December 30	Office Closed <i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Wednesday, December 31	Office Closed <i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Thursday, January 1	Office Closed <i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Friday, January 2	Office Closed <i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Saturday, January 3	<i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Sunday, January 4	10:00 am Fellowship Hour 11:00 am Combined Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

On January 4th, Pastor Brad will preach on Psalm 1.

GIVING TREE THANK YOU!

The Deacons would like to thank the congregation for your generous support of the Giving Tree. Because of your kindness, we were able to fulfill all of the tags on the tree and help families at the Tilikum Community Center. Your generosity made a meaningful difference—thank you!

COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICES

Join us for two special combined worship service January 4th at 11 am as we celebrate the Christmas season together. Please mark your calendars and invite friends and family to worship with us as we honor Jesus during this joyful time.

TOWN HALL MEETING

There will be a Town Hall Meeting to discuss upcoming service time announcements on January 11, following the 11:00 AM service. Everyone is encouraged to attend and be part of the conversation.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For **Cathy Norberg** and her family. Her Father passed away and her mother is recovering from a broken hip.
- For **Taylor, Lee and Terry Hudson**'s granddaughter who is battling cancer. She was accepted into a trial for a new medication.
- For **Darleen Coon**, who broke her hip
- For **Bill Emma**, who is recovering from hip surgery
- For **Lori Ward**'s parents, **Leland & Deloras Loney**. Prayers as they both are undergoing cancer treatments.
- Continued prayers for those needing overall health, healing, and peace:
 - Johanna Henry
 - Bernice Yoder
 - Carole Wier
 - Joseph, JoMarie Menees' son
 - Denis Nadeau (Neighbor of the Mannerings)
 - Shelly Shellabarger
 - Skip and Gayle Smith
 - Diane Aguirre
 - Mary (Bob and Candy Tingstad)
 - Jack Wilcox
 - Fred Smart (Coke Smart)
 - Phyllis & Rudy Horst
 - Colleen Smart
 - Elaine Tierney
 - Jerry Williams
 - Bridget Upton
 - Martha Kelly
 - Esther Park (Helen Kim)
 - Rosemary Kennedy
 - Mike Noreen
 - Bill & Jan Edwards
 - Joan Jackson
 - Ruthie Faris
 - Jim & Alyce Olsen
 - Bill Price
 - Jim & Laura Pledger
 - Frances Hilliard
 - Trisha Crane
 - Ed and Pam Konsmo
 - Larry (Jennifer Stafford)
 - Cathy McAllister
 - Duncan & Hilary (Carolyn Lee)
 - Mavery (Don and Rose Becker's Great Granddaughter)
- Sandy Noreen
- Jim and Candy Kenoyer
- Missy Johnson (Bill Emma's sister)
- Rex Swartz
- Jessica Upton (Rena Moon's daughter)
- JoEthel Smith
- Zilpha McCarty
- Benedict and family
- Deanna Price
- Barbara Riggs
- Bev Conover
- Steve George
- Inge Conner
- Gordon Neu
- Heather (Lee and Terry Hudson)
- Carmen Sterba-Russell
- Steve Walker (Cuppy Walker)

We pray for all members of our church community that are feeling lonely, be with them and help us know how to serve them better. We pray for protection over the bodies, hearts and minds of our students of all ages and our educators. We pray for the preschoolers who are attending this year at LCOP Preschool, as well as their parents and teachers. We lift up the victims of gun violence and pray for peace in Ukraine, Sudan, Israel, and Palestine. We ask for strength and encouragement for our church music ministries, caregivers, first responders, and those who are homebound. We pray for our student ministries to thrive, reaching and equipping the next generation. May our weekend services continue to strengthen and inspire our congregation, expanding God's impact in our community. We also give thanks for our small groups, where we pray that participants will build meaningful relationships, deepen their faith, and grow together in Christ.

SMALL GROUP LAUNCH BREAKFAST

Spring small groups kick off on January 11 with a breakfast at 10:00 AM, held between services. Come learn about the groups that will be offered and sign up for one. We'd love to have you join a group this spring!

CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE

The office will be closed from December 22 – January 2. Staff will be checking their emails and voicemail. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Brad at brad.lcop@gmail.com or 253-279-5120.

EFN BREAK BAGS-THANK YOU!

A big thank you to everyone who helped pack Break Bags for students over the holiday breaks at EFN! Your time and care make a real difference for local families.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

There will be **NO** youth group the week of Christmas and New Year's; we will resume weekly Wednesday gatherings on Jan. 7.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you for your generosity this year! Let's keep it up! Now is a great time to get your boxes for next year started by shopping the after-Christmas sales.

DON'T FORGET THE LITTLE FREE PANTRIES

As you grocery shop for the week, don't forget about the Little Free Pantry donation boxes we have in the narthex. Some of the most needed items are canned chicken, cup of noodles, ramen, baked beans, pork & beans, and applesauce pouches. Please choose pop-top cans when possible.



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Combined Worship
December 28, 2025
11:00 am | Worship Leader Deena Saffell

Gathering Music, Jinshil Yi
Greetings and News of the Church Alive

***“Doxology” No. 625**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'ly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prelude, Jinshil Yi

** Call to Worship (Psalm 27)*

Leader: Oh, sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Leader: Let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth.

People: He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord!

People: Come, let us worship the Lord!

***Hymn of Praise No. 160**

Lo! How A Rose E'er Blooming

**Prayer of Confession (Please remain standing)*

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

Passing of the Peace (Greet Your Neighbor)

***Response, “Gloria Patri,” No. 623**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and Ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Special Music:

Hymn # 148
O Holy Night

Scripture | Isaiah 9: 6-7

Matthew 5:9

The Message | Pastor Brad Epperson
Peacebreakers, Peacekeepers, and Peacemakers

Offering and Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come,*

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil;

For Thine is the kingdom,

And the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

***Hymn of Commitment No. 151**

Good Christian Men Rejoice

***Benediction**

Postlude

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