

Calendar for the week of September 27, 2026

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

Greeters: Hans & Judy Brockhoff

Usher: Doug Berglund

Monday, September 28	11:15 am Toddler Playtime
Tuesday, September 29	1:00 pm Sewing Group
Wednesday, September 30	1:00 pm Hebrews Bible Study 6:00 pm Student Ministries
Thursday, October 1	10:00 am Teevin & Rich Small Group 1:30 pm Boomer & Builder Leadership Meeting 6:15 pm Prairie Bells
Friday, October 2	<i>Office Closed</i> 6:30 pm Ladies' Worship Night
Saturday, October 3	<i>No Events Scheduled</i>
Sunday, October 4	9:00 am Choir Practice 9:30 am Prayer with Pastors 10:00 am Fellowship Hour 10:30 am Kids Choir Practice 11:00 am Family Worship Service 12:00 pm Family Lunch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK’S SCRIPTURE

Next week we will continue our series on the Gospel of Mark. Pastor will preach from Mark 12:28-44.

FALL SMALL GROUP SIGN-UPS

Fall small group sign-ups will run through the month of September! Small groups are a great way to grow in faith, build meaningful connections, and do life together. Our Fall groups will meet during October and November. Sign up using the form in your bulletin or visit the church website for more info.

Prayer Requests

- For **Doris Johnson** who fell and broke her ribs.
- For the **Cook and Harris family**. Their 14-year-old son and grandson **Owen** was killed in an E-bike accident recently.
- For **John and Marti Sutton’s daughter Holi** who has had a reoccurrence of cancer.
- For **Lyris Marie** who has stage 4 chronic kidney disease.
- For one of our preschool teachers, **Kathi Loverin’s husband Don** who is having radiation treatments for a reoccurrence of cancer.
- For **Lori Ward’s sister Leslie** who was recently diagnosed with liver cancer.
- Continued prayers for those needing overall health, healing, and peace:

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| • Montana Wilcox | • Betty Neu | • Phyllis Horst |
| • Linda Campbell | • Gail Green | • Laura Page |
| • Judy Taut | • Bobbie Grant and | • Johanna Henry |
| • Skip & Gayle Smith | Family | • Rose Becker |
| • Fred Smart (Coke | • Retha Pederson | • Darleen Coon |
| Smart) | • Alyce Olsen | • Bill Emma |
| • Jerry Williams | • Doris Johnson | • Jim and Candy |
| • Martha Kelley | • Jim & Laura | Kenoyer |
| • Rosemary Kennedy | Pledger | • Rex Swartz |
| • Bill & Jan Edwards | • Diane Aguirre | • JoEthel Smith |
| • Joan Jackson | • Elaine Tierney | • Zilpha McCarty |
| • Trisha Crane | • Bridget Upton | • Benedict and family |
| • Larry (Jennifer | • Esther Park | • Deanna Price |
| Stafford) | (Helen Kim) | • Barbara Riggs |
| • Steve Walker | • Ruthie Faris | • Bev Conover |
| (Cuppy Walker) | • Bill Price | • Steve George |
| • Carmen Sterba- | • Ed and Pam | • Heather and Taylor |
| Russell | Konsmo | (Lee and Terry |
| | | Hudson) |

We pray for our church and community. We pray for students and educators who are starting school. We pray for those who are seeking employment and are in need of stable housing. We lift up the victims of gun violence and pray for peace in Iran, 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.

FAMILY SUNDAY OCTOBER 4TH

Next week is our monthly Family Sunday. Join us for a family-friendly service at 11 am, followed by a lunch in Prairie Hall provided by the members of the Small Group Leadership Team.

KIDS CHOIR — FAMILY SUNDAY! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 • 10:30 AM

Calling all kids who love to sing, wiggle, and have fun! Kids are invited to join us for a special Kids Choir experience on Sunday, September 6. We'll gather at 10:30 AM to learn a fun song together, and then the kids will have the opportunity to help lead our congregation in worship during the service alongside a video.

No choir experience necessary—just come ready to sing and have fun!

LADIES' WORSHIP NIGHT

Ladies, join us for a special Fall Ladies' Worship Night on October 2nd at 6:30 pm! Enjoy an evening of crafts, snacks, worship, and meaningful connection as we celebrate the season and spend time together. Bring a friend and come ready to relax, create, worship, and connect!

MEN'S BREAKFAST MONDAY, October 12th

Our men's breakfast is on the second Monday of each month. Come as you are, for good food and fellowship! The next one is **Monday, October 12th** at 8:30 a.m. in the Elgin Room. Please call the church office at (253) 588-6631 or sign up in the narthex (lobby of the sanctuary) to reserve your spot. Don't miss out!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are just **two months away from Collection Week!** Now is the perfect time to get started on your Operation Christmas Child shoebox. Boxes are available in the Narthex, along with brochures to help you choose items to fill your box. As you shop, look for great deals on toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and other fun gifts. Every box is an opportunity to show a child that they are loved and to **share the joy of Jesus at Christmas**. Pick up a box today and start filling it with love! Don't forget to grab a brochure and rubber bands, too.



THE LITTLE CHURCH ON THE PRAIRIE

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Worship Service | September 27, 2026 11:00 am

Worship Leader – Karen George

Music: Molly Crane, Ruthann Ritchie, Angelia McGoran & LG Team

Gathering Music

Opening Song-

I Believe

Greetings and News of the Church Alive

Musical Offering-Choir

Grace

arranged by Mark Hayes

Children's Sermon and dismissal - Mary Mannering

***“Doxology” No. 625**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

** Call to Worship ((Psalm 118: 1-4, 21-24, 28-29)*

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

People: Let Israel say: “His love endures forever.”

Leader: Let the house of Aaron say: “His love endures forever.”

People: Let those who fear the LORD say, “His love endures forever.”

Leader: I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

People: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;

Leader: The LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

People: The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

Leader: You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.

People: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Hymn of Praise (Hymnal No.66)

To God Be the Glory

**Prayer of Confession*

Gracious Father, you have chosen us for a purpose – that we might bear lasting fruit for your Kingdom. You call us to walk humbly before you and to share in the struggle with the least of these, yet we have failed to live up to this call. When the church becomes the center of our world and we fail to see beyond its walls: Forgive us. When we praise you with our lips yet fail to reach out to others with acts of loving and caring, justice and mercy: Forgive us, and hear us now as we turn to you in silent confession...

**Assurance of Pardon:*

Leader: Friends, hear and receive the good news: In Christ Jesus our sins are forgiven!

People: Amen! In Christ Jesus we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Please take a moment to share the peace of Christ with others around you today.

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.

Scripture | Mark 12:1-27

The Message | Pastor Ralf Kalms

The Gathering Storm

Communion

Offering and Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

***Song of Commitment (Praise Team)**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***Benediction**

Postlude

**Please stand if you are able*