

Calendar for the week of July 26, 2026

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

Greeters: Glenn & Janet Groefsema

Usher: Doug Berglund

Monday, July 27	11:15 am	Toddler Play Time
	12:30 pm	Brockhoff Small Group
	7:00 pm	Coppin/Ward Small Group
Tuesday, July 28	10:00 am	Caregiver Suport Group
	1:00 pm	Sewing Circle
Wednesday, July 29	9:30 am	Sexton Small Group
Thursday, July 30	10:00 am	Teevin & Rich Small Group
	6:00 pm	Eng/Huber Small Group
	6:45 pm	Macpherson/Trevino Small Group
Friday, July 31	<i>Office Closed</i>	
Saturday, August 1	5:00 pm	Boomer BBQ
Sunday, August 2	9:30 am	Prayer with Pastors
	10:00 am	Fellowship Hour
	11:00 am	Family Worship Service
	12:00 pm	Church Picnic

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK’S SCRIPTURE

Next week we will continue our series on the Gospel of Mark. Pastor will preach from Mark 8:27-9:1.

ALL CHURCH PICNIC AUGUST 2ND

Join us Sunday, August 2nd, for a **family worship service at 11:00 AM**. Immediately following the service, everyone is invited to stay for an all-church potluck. If your last name begins with A–F, please bring a dessert; G–O, bring a main dish; and P–Z, bring a side dish. It will be a wonderful time of worship, food, and fellowship.

BOOMER BBQ | AUGUST 1, 2026 5:00 PM

Join us for our annual Boomer BBQ on Saturday, August 1, at 5:00 PM in the Hudson’s backyard (6617 79th St W, Lakewood). Hamburgers, hot dogs, and salmon burgers will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share and your favorite beverage. Invite a friend! We welcome new faces who are looking for a fun and welcoming church family. Please carpool if possible as parking is limited. RSVP to Terry Hudson at 253-448-9623 by July 26 with your choice of meat.

Prayer Requests

- For **Rudy and Phyllis Horst’s son Randall**. He is having problems with his liver along with other health issues.
- For **Lori Ward’s sister Leslie** who was recently diagnosed with liver cancer.
- Pray for **Jack Wilcox’s daughter Montana** as she is having treatment for cancer in her tonsils and lymph nodes.
- Continued prayers for those needing overall health, healing, and peace:
 - Cathy Norberg and Family
 - John Huber
 - Linda Campbell
 - Judy Taut
 - Skip & Gayle Smith & Family
 - Fred Smart (Coke Smart)
 - Jerry Williams
 - Martha Kelley
 - Rosemary Kennedy
 - Bill & Jan Edwards
 - Joan Jackson
 - Trisha Crane
 - Larry (Jennifer Stafford)
 - Steve Walker (Cuppy Walker)
 - Carmen Sterba-Russell
 - Bobbie Grant and Family
 - Ruthann Ritchie
 - Retha Pederson
 - Alyce Olsen
 - Doris Johnson
 - Jim & Laura Pledger
 - Bernice Yoder
 - Diane Aguirre
 - Elaine Tierney
 - Bridget Upton
 - Esther Park (Helen Kim)
 - Ruthie Faris
 - Bill Price
 - Ed and Pam Konsmo
 - Rudy & Phyllis Horst
 - Johanna Henry
 - Rose Becker
 - Darleen Coon
 - Bill Emma
 - Jim and Candy Kenoyer
 - Rex Swartz
 - JoEthel Smith
 - Zilpha McCarty
 - Benedict and family
 - Deanna Price
 - Barbara Riggs
 - Bev Conover
 - Steve George
 - Gordon Neu
 - Heather and Taylor (Lee and Terry Hudson)

We pray for our church and community. 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. May our weekend service 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.

SUMMERFEST AUGUST 15TH

This year SummerFest is in August! Mark your calendars for SummerFest on Saturday, August 15th at Fort Steilacoom Park! We're excited to be hosting a booth filled with fun, family-friendly activities and games. We'll need about 20 volunteers to help make this event a success. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the narthex. It's a great way to serve, connect, and enjoy a fantastic community event together!

ALL CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT AT THE RAINIERS AUG. 14TH

Join us for a fun evening of baseball and fellowship at the Rainiers game on Friday, August 14th, at 7:00 PM! We will be tailgating before the game. Tickets are \$15 for adults, and kids attend free. Sign up on the church website, <https://www.lakewoodlcp.com/events>, or contact the church office for more information.

WATER BOTTLES FOR TACOMA RESCUE MISSION

The Tacoma Rescue mission has sent out an urgent request for bottles of water for their Search and Rescue Teams. This is a wonderful way to help the community during these hot, summer months. You can bring these in on Sunday or during the week to the office. You can also contact the church office for further information about ways to help.

MEN'S BREAKFAST MONDAY, AUGUST 10TH

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, August 10th** 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!

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

We are looking for Volunteers to write one page for the 2026 Lenten Devotional Booklet. If you are interested or desire more information, please contact Hans Brockhoff (hjbrockhoff@yahoo.com; (253) 720-7814) or Judy Brockhoff (jlbrockhoff@gmail.com; (253) 720-3243).

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Now is a great time to shop the back-to-school sales for Operation Christmas Child! You can find great deals on school supplies, notebooks, pencils, crayons, and other items that make wonderful gifts for shoeboxes. Thank you for helping make a difference, one shoebox at a time!

ADULT MISSION TRIP OCTOBER 5-8!

We're heading back to Ellensburg and staying at the Lazy F Camp on the creek! Each day includes 4-5 hours of mission work, followed by relaxing at camp, dinner, fellowship, worship, and singing with Pastor James. The cost is **\$250 for three nights**, including food and lodging. Sign up at the church office or contact Alan Macpherson at 253-459-4455 or Lee Hudson at 253-208-2606 for details.



THE LITTLE CHURCH ON THE PRAIRIE

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Worship Service | July 26, 2026, 11:00 am

Worship Leader – Karen George

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

Gathering Music

Opening Song (Praise Team)

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Greetings and News of the Church Alive

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 (Isaiah 42: 5-9)*

Leader: This is what God the LORD says – the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it,

People: Who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it:

Leader: I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles,

People: To open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

Leader: I am the LORD; that is my name!

People: I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols.

Leader: See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare;

People: Before they spring into being I announce them to you.

Hymn of Praise (Hymnal No 560)

For the Beauty of the Earth (vs 1,3,5)

**Prayer of Confession (Based on Exodus 34)*

You, Lord, are compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and quick to forgive. You abound in love and faithfulness, and you forgive wickedness, rebellion and sin. We on the other hand, place conditions on our love, hold grudges, and often delight in our sin. We are a stiff-necked people, and our only hope is your forgiveness. Forgive our wickedness and our sin, and take us as your inheritance. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

**Assurance of Pardon:*

Leader: Hear and believe the assurance of pardon: In Christ we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.

People: In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven! Amen.

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let's 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 8:1-26

The Message | Pastor Ralf Kalms

'You Still Don't Understand!?'

Communion

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

*Song of Commitment (Praise Team)

Battle Belongs

*Benediction

Postlude

**Please stand if you are able*