

Calendar for the week of September 28, 2025

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

Greeters: Roy & Vickie Davis Usher: Doug Berglund

Monday, September 29	11:15 am Toddler Play Time
Tuesday, September 30	1:00 pm Dorcas Circle
Wednesday, October 1	8:30 am ROMEO's 10:00 am First Wednesday Packing 10:30 am PW Brunch 1:00 pm Choir 1:00 pm Romans Bible Study 2:15 pm Prayer with Pastors 6:00 pm Student Ministries 6:30 pm Select Capital Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 2	10:00 am Teevin & Rich Small Group 1:30 pm Boomers & Builders Leadership Meeting 6:15 pm Prairie Bells
Friday, October 3	Office Closed No Events Scheduled
Saturday, October 4	No Events Scheduled
Sunday, October 5	9:00 am Traditional Worship 10:00 am Fellowship Prairie Hall 10:20 pm Capital Campaign Bible Study 11:00 am Lakewoodgrace Contemporary Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEK’S SCRIPTURE

On October 5th we will continue the series on 1 & 2 Timothy-*Staying the Course*.
Pastor will preach from 1 Timothy 4:1-16.

SUPPORT OUR DEACONS’ MINISTRY

This month, we invite you to support our Deacons as they care for our church and community—helping with urgent needs and hosting memorial receptions. Every gift makes a difference. Please use the envelope in today’s bulletin.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN STEWARDSHIP BIBLE STUDY

Join us on **Sunday October 5 or October 19** from **10:20–10:50 am in the Elgin Room** (between services) for a short Bible study on what God’s Word teaches about stewardship.

Coffee, tea, and snacks will be provided, and childcare is available.

For questions, contact **Marilyn Sexton (253-365-3005)** or **Carolyn Teevin (253-359-5026)**.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For **Colleen Smart**, who fell and injured herself. She will be recovering in a skilled nursing facility.
- For **Bob & Candy Tingstad**. Bob’s sister **Ruth** passed away last week.
- For **Phyllis Horst**, who fell and broke her ribs.
- For **Jack Wilcox**, who is now awaiting the final procedure for a new heart valve.
- For **Lori Ward’s** parents, **Leland & Deloras Loney**. Prayers as they both start cancer treatments.
- For **Bill Emma’s** sister, **Missy Johnson**, who has cancer. Prayers also for her husband and caregiver, **Curtis**.

Continued prayers for those needing overall health, healing, and peace:

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| • Skip Smith | • Elaine Tierney | • JoEthel Smith |
| • Mary (Bob and Candy Tingstad) | • Bridget Upton | • Zilpha Mccarty |
| • Jim Kenoyer | • Esther Park (Helen Kim) | • Jean Rich |
| • Bill Ward | • Cindy Nelson’s brother, Richard Rogers | • Benedict and family |
| • Fred Smart (Coke Smart) | • Phyllis & Rudy Horst | • Deanna Price |
| • Colleen Smart | • Lisa Semon | • Barbara Riggs |
| • Jerry Williams | • Mike Noreen | • Bev Conover |
| • Martha Kelcy | • Ruthie Faris | • Steve George |
| • Rosemary Kennedy | • Bill Price | • Inge Conner |
| • Bill & Jan Edwards | • Frances Hilliard | • Gordon Neu |
| • Joan Jackson | • Ed and Pam Konsmo | • Heather & Taylor (Lee and Terry Hudson) |
| • Bridget Upton | • Cathy McAllister | • Carmen Sterba-Russell |
| • Jim & Alyce Olsen | • Mason Thompson (Cindy Nelson) | • Steve Walker (Cuppy Walker) |
| • Jim & Laura Pledger | • Johanna Henry | • Cindy Nelson |
| • Trisha Crane | | • Mavery (Don and Rose Becker’s Great Granddaughter) |
| • Larry (Jennifer Stafford) | | |
| • Duncan & Hilary (Carolyn Lee) | | |

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 starting their new school 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.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN INFORMATIONAL GATHERINGS

There is still time to sign up for one of the small-group gatherings which will be held between October 5th and November 6th. Please contact Michelle at 253-588-6631 or officemgr.lcop@gmail.com. No financial commitments will be asked for or received at these meetings.

OUR MUSIC MINISTRIES NEED YOU!

Do you love music? All of our music ministries are looking for people just like you! Join the **Choir** on **Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.** or come to **Prairie Bells** on **Thursdays at 6:15 p.m.**—no experience needed!

We also welcome instrumentalists and vocalists for the Worship Team on Sunday mornings. Please contact Molly Crane for more information
Come share your gifts and be part of leading our congregation in joyful praise!

2025 FALL PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BRUNCH

Wednesday, October 1st, 10:30 a.m. in Prairie Hall

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME!

Sunrise Circle will provide a light brunch. Our speakers will be:

Kendra Fitzpatrick: History of Aprons

Chief Lance Nelson, West Pierce County Fire and Rescue: Fire Safety

Local mission/shower recipients are Family Renewal Shelter and Caring for Kids.

Please join us for a fun and informative morning. Invite a friend or two.

STUDENT MINISTRIES ARE BACK!

Middle and high school students, join us every **Wednesday from 6:00–7:30 p.m.** at church for fun, fellowship, and growing in faith. Led by Co-Directors Sasha Hueston and Kaitlin Kim. Don't forget to bring a friend!

FALL SMALL GROUPS

Small Groups are filling up—sign up now if you haven't yet! Groups begin the week of October 5th. Please sign up online or contact the church office at 253-588-6631 or officemgr.lcop@gmail.com

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Don't forget to finish your shoeboxes! Please bring them to the church, completed or partially filled, so we can share the joy of Christmas with children in need.



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Traditional Worship

September 28, 2025

9:00 am | Worship Leader: Jan Edwards

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'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prelude, Jinshil Yi

** Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 27:1-4)*

Leader: The LORD is my light and my salvation –

People: Whom shall I fear?

Leader: The LORD is the stronghold of my life –

People: Of whom shall I be afraid?

Leader: When the wicked advance against me to devour me,

People: It is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.

Leader: Though an army besiege me,

People: My heart will not fear;

Leader: Though war break out against me,

People: Even then I will be confident.

Leader: One thing I ask from the LORD,

People: This only do I seek:

Leader: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

People: To gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his

temple.

***Hymn of Praise No. 381**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

**Prayer of Confession (Please remain standing)*

Lord Jesus, we have sinned times without number, and are guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in our daily lives. Our sins and

shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank you that they will not stand against us, for Christ is our hope and Redeemer.

Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in us, everything that prevents us taking delight in you. 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:

Choir

Grace

arranged by Mark Hayes

Scripture | 1 Timothy 3:1-16

The Message | Pastor Brad Epperson

Elders and Deacons: Servants Who Lead and Leaders Who Serve

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. 376**

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

*Benediction

Postlude,

**Please stand if you are able*