



November 2015



Fellowship News

From the Pastor:

As I sit to write this article, I find I have been reflecting quite a bit lately on the meaning and significance of contentment in the Christian journey. Here at the beginning of November we find ourselves between celebration of Thanksgiving, a time when we gather to reflect upon and appreciate the many blessings in our lives, and Remembrance Day, a day on which we pause to remember the sacrifice of so many brave individuals, and the cost of the freedom and security that we are able to enjoy here in Canada.

These two holidays remind us that we are a people under God's care and protection, and that He is the true source of all of the good things in our lives. God is gracious, merciful, and generous, and His blessings are without number, though we so easily forget all that He has done.

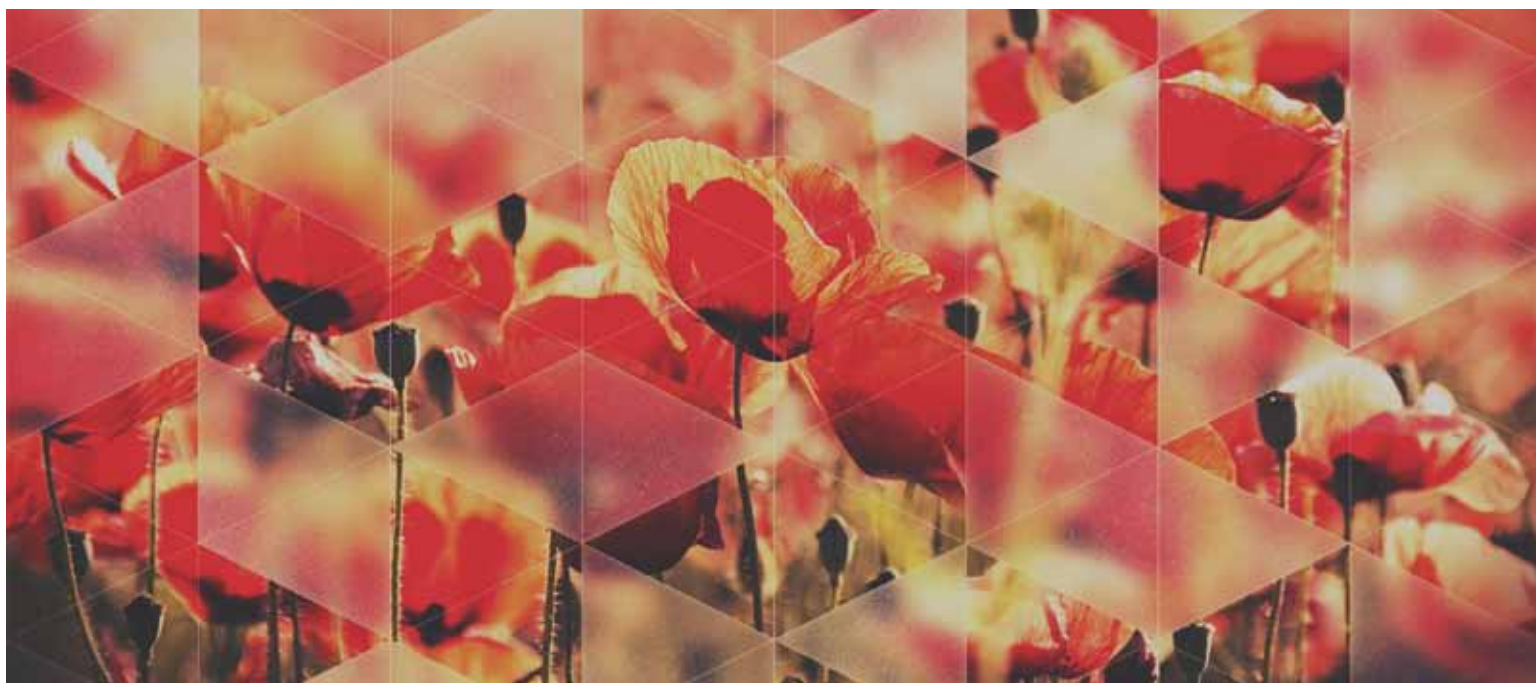
Couple this with our season of Sabbatical here at LFC, and I find myself driven to really pursue the Rest that God promises His children. We are indeed blessed as a people here in Canada, and specifically here at LFC. We have a wonderful community in which to live and serve and

worship. We have an amazing body of believers here with which we can enjoy fellowship and encouragement and discipleship. How wonderful it is to be able to rest in these things, to find strength and encouragement in the ways that God has provided and cared for us.

Godly rest and contentment are not passive things, however. It is not laziness or lying around. Rather, Godly rest and contentment means acknowledging the source of all provision in our lives. It is remembering that God is in control, and as we work, it is for His glory not ours. When we encounter challenges or struggles or hard times, it is remembering that God has everything we need. It might not be everything we want, but He is more than sufficient for us.

It seems scary, to let go and trust God like that, but we know that He is more than enough. I'm still working on it too, though...

Blessings,
Pastor Dustin



celebrate together...



Wedding and Baby Showers



One of the greatest joys we have as a church family is to celebrate important and exciting life events together. What a blessing it has been to see so many new marriages and babies being born over the last couple of years! It is such a treat to honor, support and care for one another as God brings these blessings into our lives and our church.

However, as God has drawn more and more families and individuals into our fellowship, it has become increasingly difficult to honor all of these wonderful events in a way that is meaningful and equal, and so we have to look at ways to continue to do that well.

Beginning in January 2016, we are going to shift from the church hosting showers for babies and engagements, as there are simply too many to do well, and instead will honor our couples and families during the service by presenting a gift and covering them in prayer together. Change isn't always easy, but we want to do our very best to make sure that every couple feels equally honored and supported, and so we must move forward in this direction.

There are a number of showers planned through the end of the year, and we encourage you to make them a priority. Thank you all so much for your wonderful and generous support, and we hope (and know) that you will continue to make our young couples and families feel so cared for and loved.

BABY SHOWERS IN NOVEMBER:

*Help us celebrate with the following
new moms and moms-to-be:*

Saturday, November 14 at 2pm - **Rebecca Sandford**

Sunday, November 22 at 2pm - **Alana Pelletier**

Sunday, November 29 at 2pm - **Rachael Conway**

*Come on out & support and encourage
these young moms!*

Watch your email for more details on each of these.

WEDDING SHOWERS COMING UP:

Sunday, November 8 at 2pm - **Ceiba Tkachyk**

Sunday, December 6 at 2pm - **Rebekah Gulley**

CLUSTER EVENT:

The **Bridgehaven Valley Cluster** (Previously the Bridgeport, Westhaven, Deer Valley Cluster) will be meeting for a potluck lunch on **November 15th**, in the Fellowship Hall following the service. Soup and sandwiches will be provided – please bring a side dish or a dessert to share.

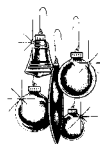


SISTERlife (Women's Ministry) announcements:

You are invited to *ARISE, SHINE for the Lord* at the 2015 Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer on **Monday, November 2 at 1:30 p.m.** Come and be blessed by special guest **speaker will be Dr. Carol Potratz at Rabbit Hill Baptist Church.** A free will offering will be taken. Please make cheques payable to NABWU (North American Baptist Women's Union).



CHRISTMAS TOUR of Salisbury & Greenland Greenhouses on **Saturday, November 21st. Meet at LFC at 10 am.** We will be carpooling and leaving sharply at 10:15 am. Bring or Buy lunch. ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME. This will be FUN!! (you may want to leave your wallet at home...just saying!)



COMING: **Friday, December 4th at 7 pm.** (25- Apache Cres. Leduc)

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT GIFT SWAP AND BAKING EXCHANGE. Come for a FUN evening of food, fellowship and hot chocolate! You take home different baking than you bring.

LADIES ... We now have a SISTERlife Group page on FACEBOOK. Be sure to connect with us on our group. Keep up to date with any of the activities that SISTERlife will be doing.

SISTERlife...



LFC Kids Newsletter:

MOMS & TOTS

Join us in the fellowship hall on **Wednesdays, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM**. This is a weekly play group for moms, dads, caregivers, etc. There are a number of toys and activities for all ages to enjoy. Coffee is always on for the adults. This has been a wonderful chance for people to get to know each other and visit while the children play. This is a free weekly event. For more info, contact Adrienne Braithwaite at litldods@shaw.ca.

LFC KIDS

The following Children's Programs for ages 0 - Grade 4 run **every Sunday Morning**:

Nursery – For children ages **0 to 18 months**.

Toddler Room – Children ages **18 months to 36 months**.

PreK/K – This is a special Worship Time designed for **ages 3 through Kindergarten**. They meet together in the Fellowship Hall for a time of play, Bible teaching, singing, and FUN!

Elementary – This is a Worship Time for students in **Grades 1-4**. They meet in the Youth Room for a time of Bible Teaching, Small Group activities, prayer, and FUN!

***When a month has 5 Sundays, the kids in Grades 1-4 stay in the Adult Worship Service to give them the opportunity to stay with their families and participate in the communion service.*

JUJUBES

Jujubes is a pre-Youth Group for students in **Grades 5 & 6**. They meet at the church every other Wednesday night from 6:45-8:15. This is a fun chance to learn about Christ and grow in a relationship with Him, participate in service events, and of course enjoy some fabulous game nights!! Let's not forget the snacks! Any questions about Jujubes can be directed to Darrell Ohlmann at darrellohlmann@yahoo.ca or by text/calling: 780-970-8245.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This year our children will be presenting some Christmas songs as part of our church service on December 13. Grades 1-6 kids are welcome to meet in the youth room on Sunday mornings, starting November 8, for practices.

For more information, contact Olivia Milne by email at olivia.genevieve@gmail.com or by text/calling at 403-969-2134.

Any questions concerning LFC Kids Ministries can be directed to Joanne Gulley at joanne@leducfellowship.ca or by text/calling: 780-441-1671.



Youth!

Come hang out with us every Wednesday from 6:30-8:30pm.

For the most current news and info, join our Facebook group LFC Youth, and follow us on twitter @LFCYouth



**Wednesday, Nov 11
1:00-4:00pm**

We meet every month to do some White Cross work cutting and rolling bandages to send to missions. *Everyone is welcome!*

white cross

ministry updates...

seniors

**LFC Senior's Lunch
Thursday, Nov 19 at noon**

Speaker: Herman Effa
Cost: \$6

Contact Sharon Fuellbrandt
780.986.8138 or Gladys Kneller
780.986.8920 to RSVP

Jubilee's Event

Friday, November 27, 11:00am ~
Come enjoy a Christmas luncheon at Taylor Seminary. Cost is \$15.00 with tickets available from Gladys Kneller.



SHOE BOXES

Pack a shoebox, bless a child!

Boxes are due back to LFC by **Nov. 15**.

New this year:
Remember, no candy or liquids/gels.



Re-Imagine Update

As you can see, when you drive by our building, the north addition is well underway! We are very excited to be moving forward with this phase of the project!

There is much involved in the groundwork and it all takes time. So far, the piles have been poured and forms are underway for the grade beam. Once that is set, the floor can be poured.

We thought at one point the piles, grade beam & floor could be poured for the south side addition this fall as well. That will now be done in spring.

grow together...

We are grateful for your continued financial and prayer support of this project.

Please pray for:

- God's continued grace, wisdom and direction,
- Favor with the engineers,
- Safety for every worker on site,
- Weather that will allow the floor to be poured and cured properly!

God Bless & Thank you,
Warren Bender, Building Chairman



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