



Lake Nona Presbyterian Church exists as a community of believers committed to the Apostles' teaching, the fellowship, the breaking of bread, and prayer in Acts 2:42.

March 14, 2021

Welcome!

We are glad you have joined us this morning and hope you find our service to be friendly and reverent. Most of all, we hope you experience Christ this morning.

If you have questions, need the help of Pastor BJ or an elder, or are interested in church membership, visit our website www.lnpca.church/leadership or contact the church at 407-573-2208. Leader email addresses are hyperlinked to their names on the website.

Children

Children are part of God's family and we welcome them in our worship service! We appreciate your understanding of the occasional disruption.

Throughout the service there is a nursery available for infants to age 3. Ages 4 to 5th grade attending children's church are dismissed prior to the scripture reading and will return after the sermon. On the 4th Sunday of the month, instead of going to children's church, children remain in the service.

The Lord's Supper

At Lake Nona Presbyterian Church, we offer communion every week. We believe that it adds a tremendous sensory experience to worship and provides a deep encounter with Christ.

Jesus Christ himself invites all true believers to his table. If you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation, recognized as belonging to the fellowship of Christian believers, please know how welcome you are to eat this gracious meal with us. By taking the bread and the wine, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in God's sovereign mercy and that you are trusting in Christ alone for your salvation. If you have any questions about your participation in the Lord's Supper please speak to our pastor.

**Gluten-free bread is available.* Simply raise your hand, and the pastor will serve you.

The red cups are wine; the white cups are grape juice.

Elders will hold the elements at the front. If you would like to receive communion come to the front when your row is dismissed. Please take each element to your seat and hold onto them until all have been served so we can partake together. We will say, "*The body of Christ, broken for you*" as you receive the bread. As you receive the wine, we will say, "*The blood of Christ, poured out for you.*"

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

10:30 am

PREPARATION

Silent Preparation for Worship

Prelude

The congregation may sing or prepare quietly for worship.

Welcome

THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

Please stand (if able). Words in **bold are read aloud by the congregation.*

Salutation and Responsive Scriptures*

Leader:

The Lord be with you!

People:

And also with you! Ruth 2:4

In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit! Amen! Matthew 28:19

God Calls Us to
Worship*

Psalm 145:1-3

Leader:

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. (ESV)

*Song of Adoration**

We Pray for God to Help Us Worship*

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

God Calls Us to Confess Our Sins

Isaiah 53:6

Leader:

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (ESV)

We Confess Our Sins

All: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful Father, for his sake that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life to the glory of your holy name.



Silent Confession of Sin

God Declares Our Forgiveness

1 Peter 2:24-25

Leader: He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. (ESV)

*Song of Gospel Thanksgiving**

Children’s
Catechism
Questions 14-15

Question: Where do you learn how to love and obey God?

Answer: In the Bible alone.

Question: Who wrote the Bible?

Answer: Chosen men who were inspired by the Holy Spirit.

We Confess Our
Faith

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic (universal) church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Pray Together

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

*Song of Praise**

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 12:1-5a

¹Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years when he departed from Haran. ⁵ And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. (ESV)

Leader: *This is the word of the Lord!*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Reading

Acts 28:11-16

¹¹ After three months we set sail in a ship that had wintered in the island, a ship of Alexandria, with the twin gods as a figurehead. ¹² Putting in at Syracuse, we stayed there for three days. ¹³ And from there we made a circuit and arrived at Rhegium. And after one day a south wind sprang up, and on the second day we came to Puteoli. ¹⁴ There we found brothers and were invited to stay with them for seven days. And so we came to Rome. ¹⁵ And the brothers there, when they heard about us, came as far as the Forum of Appius and Three Taverns to meet us. On seeing them, Paul thanked God and took courage. ¹⁶ And when we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who guarded him. (ESV)

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SERMON

The Long Journey Home Acts 28:11-16 Joe Donaldson

1. God brings us to our _____, but never in the way we _____ (vv. 11-13a).
2. God gives grace on the way home, providing _____ and _____ on the long journey (vv. 13b-15).
3. _____ on the path are also _____, God calling us to the here and now (v. 16).

Key Truth: Though the road is _____, Christ will bring us all the way home as he has _____, providing grace upon grace on our _____ home back to God.

WE RESPOND TO GOD

*Song of Response**

We Give Our Offerings to God

Leader: What gifts do you offer to your Lord in response to His grace?

People: **We offer ourselves through praise and thanksgiving.**
We offer our tithes and offerings for the sake of the world.

THE LORD BLESSES US AND COMMISSIONS US

Closing Prayer*

*Gloria Patri / Doxology**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pre-Service Prayer Every Sunday morning 9:30-10:00 you are welcome to join a Zoom prayer time for our service and church family. You are welcome for all or part of the time. The Zoom link is in the church email.
 9:30-10:00
 Ruth Cowen

Wednesday Prayer Wednesday night prayer time is changing to 9:15 to accommodate the babies' bedtime. You are welcome to join our Zoom meeting to pray for our service and church family. The Zoom link is in the church email.
9:15pm
 Jovani Pink

Meals for the Bailey Family We want to provide a meal each Thursday to help the Baileys during Ivette's continued cancer treatment. Joe would like us to include the recipe to help him learn and plan future meals. If you would like to do this, please sign up with Kim McGill.
 Kim McGill
 kim@lnpca.church

Bridal Shower Ladies please join us March 27th at Kim McGill's home for the wedding shower of Jocelyn Johnson. Information will be in the weekly newsletter and at "www.theknot.com". Please RSVP to Kim or Sandra.
3/27 @ 11:30am
kim@lnpca.church
splumey@aol.com

LIFE GROUPS AND YOUTH GROUP

Bentley Life Group We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays 4-6 pm on Zoom. For more information, please contact Scott.
 scott@lnpca.church
 407-803-1562

McGill Life Group McGill life group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6 pm. We are studying Ephesians. Dinner is provided.
 March 16
 kim@lnpca.church

Quigley Life Group
980-328-4503

Quigley life group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30pm. We are studying 1 John. We'd love for you to join us. If interested, please contact Ed or Susan.

Youth Bible Study
youth@lnpca.church
Sunday, 9-10am

All youth grades 6-12 are invited to study the Word together Sundays before church. If the weather permits, we will meet outside the cafe. Otherwise, we will meet in the nursery. Contact Joe Donaldson at youth@lnpca.church for more information, and keep a lookout for upcoming events.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Study
8 Saturdays
Starting March 13
8:30-9:30 am
via Zoom

For all women who want to know the transforming power and beauty of God's grace afresh through His gospel, study with us Aging with Grace by Sharon Betters and Susan Hunt. Books can be purchased on Amazon. For more info, see <https://www.agingwithgrace.online>. See Cathy Williams or Chantal Jones or email women@lnpca.church.

Bible Study
Stay tuned for details

We plan to offer a Bible study for women who want to study a book of the Bible together using the techniques Pastor BJ taught at the women's gathering last Saturday. All women are welcome to participate. Watch and listen for details.

Biblical Hebrew Study

Next meeting is today at 1:30 by Zoom. For more info, contact Andrea Milgate or Susan. andrea@lnpca.church

MEN'S MINISTRY

Meeting Tuesday
March 9
7:00-8:00 p.m.
nicholasbrawand@gmail.com

The Men's Bible meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. We're studying the life of David from 1 Samuel. Contact Nick Brawand for directions or to connect on Zoom.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Church
Fay Augenstein
kids@lnpca.church

The Children's ministry has resumed for the Spring quarter. Parents, please remember to check in your children at the registration table upon arrival. Masks are required (except for children 2 and under). For more information, contact Fay Augenstein at kids@lnpca.church.

GIVING

Last Week: \$4,215 **Year to Date:** \$35,045
Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$41,654.

