

Lamar Christian Church

June 2026 Newsletter

SUMMER!!!

SUMMER CAMP DATES

Prospector (3rd-5th) ~ 6/7 - 6/11

High School ~ 6/21 - 6/26

Middle School ~ 6/28 - 7/2

MEN'S SUMMER BBQ

Wednesday, June 17th

Willow Creek Park

6:00pm

Meat & Drink provided -
please bring a side to share

Rainforest Falls VBS

July 19-23 at 5:00pm

Details at a later date!



MISSION

Building a community that loves God, cares for people, and connects with both.

VALUES

- Unchanging Biblical Truth
- Unceasing Prayer
- Uncommon Generosity
- Unselfish Service
- Undivided Family

STAFF

Senior Minister - Ray Matteson

Associate Minister - Carlos Torres

Children's Director -

Kelsey Thomas

Worship/Youth Director -

Cassandra Batson

Secretary - Luann Tecklenburg

Custodian - Brad Matteson

BOARD

Elders - Rick Akers, Bryan Herrera, Pat Leonard, Ken Montoya, Monty Coen

Deacons - Brian Lauritsen, Justin Homm, Ron Schmidt, Dustin DeWitt, Anthony LaTour

Trustees - Norm Arends, Ron Clausen, Glenn Smith

Hosea: The Faithful Love of God

Sermon Series for June will be on the book of Hosea: The Faithful Love of God. Hosea is a very unique and personal story of love between the prophet and his unfaithful wife which serves as a reflection of God's love for unfaithful Israel. We will not be able to cover every chapter as there are 13 in the book, but we will focus on the main part of the story.

Yuck!

That pretty much describes how I have felt for the last two weeks.

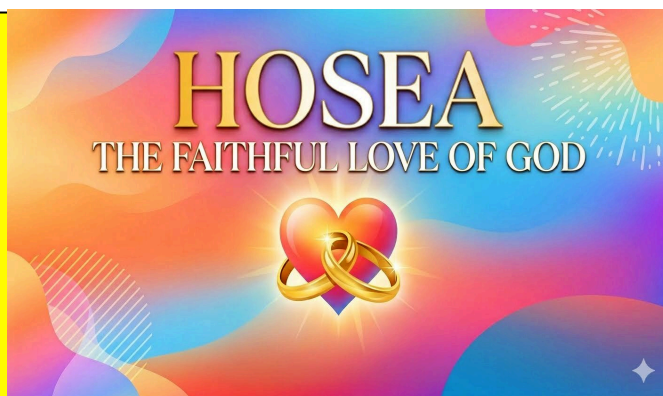
I ate or drank something and got sick quickly. I wasn't the only one. Several in our group had similar or worse issues, but mine seems to have impacted me to a greater degree. I never imagined our vacation would end with me in the hospital, but we are very thankful I was able to make it back to Lamar. I am also thankful to be home and getting some very simple nourishment now. The doctor is saying it will take weeks for my system to fully recover. I appreciate all the thoughts and prayers. It truly does make a difference. I also appreciate your patience in this recovery process. I also want to thank Carlos for stepping up and filling in for me more than he had planned.

Stay Strong this Summer

It happens every year. Summer comes along and we get caught up in vacations, travel, weekends at the lake, sports activities, etc. These are all good and fun, but they have a tendency to pull us away from church and fellowship. I want to encourage you to find ways to focus on staying spiritually strong this summer. Even if you do miss church, you can be intentional about staying strong. Here are some suggestions:

1. Send your kids to Camp Como - it will be a highlight of their summer. They will come home fired up about their faith.
2. If you are out of town on the weekend, find a church to attend. You will be blessed. Susanne and I enjoyed a great service in a movie theater in New York City. If that doesn't work, tune into our live stream on Sunday morning.
3. Find a couple of people to meet with just to talk and maybe read the Bible together and discuss it.
4. Keep reading your Bible. We need daily spiritual nourishment.
5. Don't take a vacation from church. If you are in the area, make worship and fellowship a priority. You will be glad you did.

Enjoy your summer and stay strong!



Greetings Saints,

During the summer months, I (with help from others) will be offering a men's Bible Study/ Accountability group starting May 27th. All men are welcome to come. We will meet on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 pm in the sanctuary with the exception of the third Wednesday of each month where we will gather for Men's Barbeque instead. The first BBQ is June 17th at 6:00 pm at Willow Creek Park. The location and times for the July and August Men's Barbeque will be posted at a further date.

Also as a reminder, if anyone is interested in being baptized let me or Ray know. We would love to be able to assist you with that. We have individuals who are ready to make that commitment and would like any others to join in that celebration. Congratulations to all those who have made that decision, especially as of late. Please let us know how we can further assist you in your faith journey.

Enjoy the summer!

Carlos

Cassandra

As we head into summer, I want to take a moment to say a huge thank you to our youth leaders. This season would not have been possible without your faithfulness, flexibility, and willingness to show up for our students week after week. You have loved them, led them, prayed for them, fed them, encouraged them, and helped create a place where they can grow in their faith.

To our students — thank you for making this year so special. It has been such a joy to watch you ask questions, build friendships, serve one another, and grow in your walk with Jesus. I am so proud of each of you and excited to see how God continues working in your lives this summer.

Camp Como is coming up soon! High School Camp will be June 21–26, and Middle School Camp will be June 28–July 2. Students need to register online at campcomo.com/register-and-help using the code Lamar2026. The cost is \$150 per student. Please make sure your student is signed up as soon as possible so we can finalize plans!

I also want to share a quick Worship Ministry update. I am so thankful for each person who serves on our worship team and gives their time, heart, and gifts to help lead our church in worship. We recently had a worship ministry meeting, and I am encouraged by the conversations, the direction we are moving, and the heart our team has for serving the Lord and our congregation well.

If you are currently part of the worship ministry and have not yet picked up your letter, please make sure you do so as soon as possible. This letter is very important, as it helps communicate expectations, direction, and the heart behind serving in the worship ministry moving forward. Thank you for taking the time to read it carefully and prayerfully.

I am excited to continue growing together as a team and to keep building youth and worship ministries that are spiritually grounded, prepared, unified, and focused on pointing people to Jesus.

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In Him,
Cassandra Batson



THANK YOU!

To all who answered the call to provide scholarship funds for camps!

Your generosity will be a blessing!

CAMP COMO
CAMP COMO 2026
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Sign ups are closing soon!
\$150 per student
HS Camp: June 21–26 | MS Camp: June 28–July 2
Register at campcomo.com/register-and-help/
Use code: **Lamar2026**

SERVER SCHEDULE

ASSIGNMENT	6/7/26	6/14/26	6/21/26	6/28/26
DEVO LEAD - E	David Barber	Mike Duffy	John Adams	Rod Ausmus
DEVO LEAD - L	David Barber	Mike Duffy	Shane Dashner	Rod Ausmus
SERV IN CHG - E	Brian Lauritsen	Rick Akers	Brian Herrera	Monty Coen
SERV IN CHG - L	Scott Rankin	Shane Dashner	Pat Leonard	Rick Jones
SHUT-IN 1	Albert Moreno	Ken Montoya	Jason Herrera	Dustin DeWitt
SHUT-IN 2	Ken Smartt	Brian Lauritsen	Joe Baca	Joe Baca
COMMUNION	Carol Ausmus, Joe & Alice Baca			

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

ASSIGNMENT:	6/7/26	6/14/26	6/21/26	6/28/26
LEADER - B	CASSANDRA	CASSANDRA		CHAR
DRUMS				
KEYS				BARB W.
BASS GUITAR				
ACOUSTIC	TYLER B.	TYLER B.		
ELECTRIC				
VOCAL	SUSANNE	CARILYN		SHELBY
VOCAL	MELODY	DENNIS		RON
VOCAL	RON	RANDY		
LEADER	ROD T.	CASSANDRA	ALICIA R.	CARLOS
DRUMS	BRITTIN	KEENAN	KEENAN	BRITTIN
KEYS	JULIE	ALICIA J.	ALICIA R.	JADE
BASS	DAVID	COLIN	EMILY	DAVID
ACOUSTIC	ROD T.	TYLER B.	ALICIA J.	CARLOS
ELECTRIC				
VOCAL	KATHY	MARIAH	DIXIE	CONNIE
VOCAL	JOY	KATY	ALEXA	RHONDA
VOCAL			HEATHER	
SOUND-BOTH	RORY	KEN	BRAD	BRIAN
MEDIA - B	HOMM	SCHMIDT	HERRERA	HOMM
MEDIA - C	BRAD/JAYCE	JOAN/PAT	BRITTIN/JAYCE	JOAN/PAT

Prayer Requests

Joy Schultz
Madesyn Martin
Jade Torres
Roger Cordova
Pam Weirich
Joanie Dorris
Allen Settles
Lori Blacker
Myla Lucio
Cassandra Batson
Trent Hoesli
Olivia Wilson

PRAYER MEETING
is June 14th at 4:00
in the RFOM

*Congratulations
on your Baptism!*

3/24

Keandre Kay

4/5

Nenna White

Roni Vallejos

Christopher Gallegos

Jessica Gallegos

Joseph Gallegos

Breanna Gallegos

Diona Espinoza

Flora Velasquez

Abigail Reeks

5/17

Billy Whitaker



June Birthdays & Anniversaries

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|----|------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1 | John Adams | 14 | Dick Ramsay |
| | Taylor Lucio | 15 | Melody Harris |
| | *Claude & Joy Schultz | | *Norm & Kay Arends |
| 2 | Reed Herrera | 16 | Taya Schmidt |
| 3 | Karen Courkamp | 18 | *Brock & Mandy Sniff |
| 4 | Collin Sires | 19 | Tyler Wertz |
| 5 | *Sam & Sue Tecklenburg | 20 | Heather Ramsay |
| | *Don & Betty Filbeck | | *Ty & Tonya Kemp |
| | *Ian & Lori Blacker | 21 | Tenaya LaTour |
| 8 | Ruthie Turner | 22 | Nina Denman |
| | Shawn Pelley | | Tyler Batson |
| | Sharleen Wertz | 24 | *Kevin & Alicia Ridder |
| | *Eddie & Barb Koehn | 26 | John Lefferdink |
| 9 | *Rex & Kathy Harper | 27 | Betty Glover |
| 10 | Brian Lauritsen | 28 | *Jack & June Wolfe |
| | Hannah Sniff | | *Rod & Julie Thomas |
| 11 | Shirley Sullivan | 30 | Edward Koehn |
| | Gary Turpin | | Marah Brase |
| | Treston Brown | | Luann Tecklenburg |
| 13 | Presley Vallejos | | |

*Our sympathy for
the loss of a
loved one ~*

*Peggy Lauderdale
passed away on 5/25*

*Lenora Springer
passed away on 5/28*

Memorials

*In Memory of:
Ed Henson*

*From: David & Lori
Payne*

SENIOR SAINTS

All Seniors are welcome to attend Senior Saint's Fellowship the 3rd Monday of the month (June date is the 15th) at 5:00PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share and join us for dinner and games!

**MEN'S
BREAKFAST**



The next Men's Breakfast is Saturday, **June 20th** at 7:00am in the fellowship hall. All Men are welcome to attend - come at 6:00 to help cook!

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Return Service Requested

WORSHIP SERVICES:
8:00AM - Blended
10:30AM - Contemporary
Sunday School - 9:15AM
Children's Church - 10:30AM

SENIOR SAINTS

The purpose of the senior adult ministry of Lamar Christian Church is to share in Christian fellowship and encourage each other in spiritual growth, while striving to be a blessing to the church and community.

On May 18, 2026 Senior Saints had a potluck dinner at the church fellowship hall. There were 11 people attending. The meal was great as always. After the meal we had a devotion led by Diane Smith. Nancy Hutchinson volunteered to do next months devotion. Don Colclazier and Kara Matteson had to leave to other commitments. That left 9 of us to break up into 2 tables of Round-a-bout. The table of 5 was Glen and Diane Smith, Monica Debono, Ron Clausen and Nancy Hutchinson. The other table of 5 was Niles and Rosella Voigt, Kay Slough, Cody Laughlin and Deleta Downen. We all had a lot of fun and will be ready to go again next month. We hope there will be more people at our June meeting.

Thanks,
Ron Clausen

BLOOD DRIVE

The next Vitalant Blood Drive is Tuesday, June 16th from 11:30 to 4:00 in the fellowship hall. Go to vitalant.org to make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome as time allows.

The Lamar Christian QR code has been posted around the building and in the bulletin. Scan the code with your phone for information about getting involved, to submit a prayer request, or to leave your contact info for future reference.

*Contact Ray or Luann if you need help!

