

CONNECTIONS

LAKWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH JUNE 2026 VOL XVI: ISSUE 6 LBCPC.org

SUMMER *OF One*

ONE CHURCH. ONE SERVICE. ONE PURPOSE.

Together all summer long.



MAY 31 – LABOR DAY WEEKEND



BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CLASSES

9:30AM



WORSHIP

10:30AM

A Message from Andrew Spires

LEAD PASTOR



We now have summertime squarely in our sights. Vacation Bible School, mission trips, & summer camps fill our summer schedule here at LBC. Many of you have been so gracious to support these outreach efforts. Some of you have given of your time to serve at VBS, others have worked hard behind the scenes prepping rooms, hallways, & the sanctuary with decorations that will wow the senses of the little ones. Others will teach a class, lead worship, or act in a skit. Others will serve in the kitchen, providing a meal each night. All this for the opportunity for the Gospel to be shared & potentially, for a child to come to know Christ by the Spirit's leading. Thank you!

Many have also answered the call to go & serve this summer on one of our three summer short-term mission trips. These willing servants go in obedience to the command of God in the Great Commission. Others of you have purchased items so that we can be effective when there. Still others have sponsored a servant or hired them to do a job at your home for a donation. Many have also supported our fundraisers, whether you bought a Christmas tree, donated & purchased items at our yard sale, or purchased a t-shirt. We couldn't raise the funds we need without your help. Thank you!

Many have also given up a week of their summer & vacation time to go & serve as a chaperone on either children's or student summer camps. They will endure the long days & short nights, often not in the most ideal sleeping situations, just to love on these kids & hope that they will respond to the Gospel call. Many have given to make this possible, whether it is the sponsoring of a student or through the Merge envelope board;

your gifts make camps like this possible. Thank you!

Whether or not you have been involved to this point, it is not too late to be engaged. In encouraging people to serve on missions, we often use the phrase, 'Pray, Give, & Go'. While we often focus on the latter two, prayer is the most important thing that you can do for VBS, missions, or summer camps. Each one of us can pray over each one of these efforts. Could we join together this summer, as we are united as one body, to lift unified prayers to the Lord? I encourage you to join me in praying the following:

Vacation Bible School:

- Pray for every child who steps on the grounds of LBC, that they would sense the move of the Holy Spirit here.
- Pray for every volunteer, that they would have joy & strength to serve well, & give God their very best each night.
- Pray that God would prepare the hearts of the children we will serve to receive the Gospel.
- Pray for every interaction between adult & student, whether in song, bible story, craft, recreation, or otherwise, that the Gospel would be preached.
- Pray for divine appointments, to speak the truth of the Gospel in love, & for the Spirit to make new disciples of Christ.

Missions:

- Pray for the final preparations leading up to each trip.
- Pray for the flexibility of each mission team. Things don't always go as planned.
- Pray for travel arrangements & team safety.
- Pray for the spiritual preparation of each servant, since we cannot impart what we don't possess.

- Pray for the joy & the strength to serve well, giving God their very best.
- Pray that God would prepare the hearts of the children, teenagers, & adults we will meet & serve.
- Pray for divine appointments to speak the truth in love, & for the Spirit to make new disciples of Christ.
- Pray for Belize & our missionary partner, Dr. Paul Whisnant. Pray also for his staff in Belize, who will assist us.
- Pray for Romania & our partner church, Golgotha Baptist Church & their pastor, Cornel Pop. Pray also for our translators, who are often students or young adults of Golgotha.
- Pray for Legacy Church, an SBC church plant in Sutton, Massachusetts & their pastor, Don McKinnon.

- Pray that God will give strength to each chaperone & that the kids listen well.
- Pray that God will prepare the hearts of each student to receive the Word of God.
- Pray that God would reveal the spiritual condition of each heart & give the willingness to obey the Word of God.
- Pray, especially for the teenagers, that they would repent & turn from anything that doesn't glorify the Lord in their lives.
- Pray for divine appointments to speak the truth in love, & for the Spirit to make new disciples of Christ.

When we are obedient to the Lord & are stretched beyond our comfort zone for the Gospel, God will move & do great things.

I am so thankful for a church like Lakewood that will pray, give, & go.

May God get all the glory!

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John 3:30

Summer camps:

- Pray for safe travel for both Merge Summer Camp (kids) & Horizon Camp (students).

SUMMER *Missions Meetings*

BELIZE	ROMANIA	NEW ENGLAND
 <p>FRIDAY, JUNE 12TH</p> <p>AT 6:30 PM IN THE FAC</p>	 <p>SATURDAY, JUNE 27TH</p> <p>AT 2:00 PM IN THE FAC</p> <p><i>(right after Feed the Homeless)</i></p>	 <p>FRIDAY, JULY 10TH</p> <p>AT 6:30 PM IN THE FAC</p>




THIS WILL BE OUR
FINAL **PACK-UP MEETING**
FOR THESE TRIPS.



A Message from Josh Elliott

STUDENT & YOUNG ADULT PASTOR

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Hey Church!

School's out, summer is here, and we've got an incredible few months ahead! From VBS and Table Talks, to pool parties, camp, serving opportunities, and nights with friends, this summer is packed with chances to grow in your faith, build community, and

make memories that last. Whether you're hanging out at the FAC, diving into 1 Peter together, or heading off to Horizon Camp, there's something for everyone. Don't miss what God is going to do this summer in our student ministry!

JUNE

VBS: 1st - 4th

Be sure & volunteer to help with VBS

Table Talk - 12th

Join us at Chick-fil-a at 10:00am for a study through 1 Peter

MSM - 22nd

All incoming 6th - Incoming 9th graders are welcome to join us for fun at our Middle School Mondays! We will meet at the Fac at 11:00am for lunch and a water slide.

Table Talk: 26th

Join us at IHOP at 10:00am for a study of 1 Peter

FTH: 27th

Come serve with us!

Meet at the FAC at 10:00am.

MSM: 29th

We will meet at the FAC at 11:00am for a trip to LAUNCH.

\$25 per person.

JULY

Fireworks @ the Farm: July 3rd

Join us at Josh & Jeani's for some fireworks. 7:00pm Dinner Provided

Table Talk: 10th

Join us at Jack's in Smith Station at 10:00am for a study through 1 Peter

MSM: 20th

We will meet at the FAC at 11:00am to head to a pool party

Horizon Camp: 22nd - 25th

We will head to summer camp at Timberlake in Millport, AL.

No regular midweek service on the 22nd.

MSM: 27th

We will meet at the FAC at 11:00am for lunch and games

Parent Night: 29th

Join us for a night of worship and games with your students and hear about what's going on in the fall

Table Talk: July 31st

Join us at chick fil a at 10:00am

A Message from the

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM



A huge THANK YOU to our bible fellowship teachers, Awana volunteers, VBS volunteers, children's ministry team, and children's church volunteers! Your love, patience, and dedication make such a difference in the lives of our children and families. We are so grateful for the way you faithfully show up, serve, and share Jesus each week. Thank you for investing in the next generation!

It's time for VBS 2026! Our theme is Illumination Station "Shining a Light on Who Jesus Really Is". We are excited to share that we currently have over 100 children registered for VBS! Please be in prayer for every child and volunteer as we prepare for an incredible week! Pray that lives will be changed, hearts will grow closer to Jesus, and that His light will shine brightly through everything we do.

In children's church this month our biblical theme is: GOD HELPS! Our bible stories teach children that God helps His people by giving them what they need to live faithfully and serve others. God gives us the Holy Spirit to guide and grow us, helping us live like Jesus. He helps us trust Him even when life is difficult. Just as God helped Timothy lead and serve the church, He equips us to do His work through wisdom,

faith, and love. In every situation, God gives us the help we need to follow Him. Our monthly memory verse is Hebrews 13:21a; "May God equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ."

We have TWO Wet Wednesday events planned this summer! Come enjoy a big water slide, popsicles, fun, and fellowship together. Parents are encouraged to bring an outdoor chair and stay to fellowship with us!

As we prepare for Kids Merge, please join us in praying for the 10 chaperones and 42 students attending. We are praying for meaningful spiritual moments and lasting growth in their walk with Christ. This year's theme is: ECHO with a focus on Ephesians 5:1; "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children." We are also excited to share that all Kids Merge activities and student costs have been fully covered! The envelopes in the lobby are gone, and thanks to your generosity, we were even able to provide small bags filled with Merge essentials for each child attending.

Thank you, church family, for your continued prayers, support, and investment in our children's ministry. We cannot wait to see all God will do this summer!

LBC Kids Summer Events

• Vacation Bible School

May 31st - June 4th - 5:30 - 8:30pm

• Wet Wednesday

June 17 - 6:00pm - 7:30pm

• Wet Wednesday

July 15th - 6:00pm - 7:30pm

***AWANA Registration - Ice Cream Sundae Social
Wednesday, August 25th - 6:00pm - 7:30pm**

HAPPY
Father's Day



Whoever fears the Lord has a
secure fortress, and for their
children it will be a refuge.
Proverbs 14:26



VALLEY
rescue mission

GOSPEL
SINGING

LAKWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Lakewood Happenings

June 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	10:30am Amen Choir 5:30pm - VBS 1	5:30pm - VBS 2	5:30pm - VBS 3	5:30pm - VBS 4	5 6	
6:00pm Valley Rescue Mission Gospel Singing 7	10:30am Amen Choir 8	6:00pm Alleluia Choir 9	10 11		10:00am Table Talk 5:30pm Senior Game Night - BYOD 6:30pm Belize M.T.M. 12	13
5:00pm Deacons Meeting Belize 14	10:30am Amen Choir Belize 15	6:00pm Alleluia Choir Belize 16	6:00pm Wet Wednesday 7:15pm Finance Team Belize 17	Belize 18	Belize 19	2:00pm Young Adult Crawfish Boil Uchee Creek Belize 20
Father's Day 21	10:30am Amen Choir 11:00am Middle School Monday 22	6:00pm Alleluia Choir 23	24	6:30pm JEG/BW 25	10:00am Table Talk 26	10:00am Feed the Homeless 2:00pm Romania M.T.M. 27
Romania 28	10:30am Amen Choir 11:00 am Middle School Monday Romania 29	6:00pm Alleluia Choir Romania 30				

April Giving

Week	Tithe	RRR	Missions	Other Des.	Totals
4/05/26	\$26,250.07	\$10,170.00	\$4,333.83	\$25,336.00	\$66,089.90
4/12/26	\$41,769.59	\$365.00	\$3,317.79	\$2,456.00	\$47,908.38
4/19/26	\$21,450.94	\$185.00	\$2,021.50	\$762.00	\$24,419.44
4/26/26	\$11,723.15	\$245.00	\$3,212.78	\$1,123.00	\$16,303.93

In Memory of:
Cecil Robinson
For Amen Choir
From Lamar & Brenda
Martin
Myra Currier

Nancy Stainsby
for Amen Choir
From Myra Currier

Al Degenaar
for Amen Choir
From Myra Currier

In Honor of:
Libby Parkman
For General Fund
From Mr. & Mrs. David
Parkman

Rex & Sandy Carter
For RRR
From Steve Stainsby

Wednesday
July 1st

NO events
will be held
due to the holiday
weekend

Senior Game
Night

Friday, June 12th
5:30pm
Fellowship Hall
"Bring your
own dinner"
Dessert & Tea
provided

- MINISTERIAL STAFF
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