



The Lakeview Beacon

we're so glad you're here!

BECAUSE HE LIVES

1 PETER 1:3-9

A Living Hope

In 1 Peter 1:3–9, we are invited to see our lives through the lens of a living hope—one that is rooted not in our circumstances, but in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Peter writes to believers who are facing real hardship, uncertainty, and suffering, yet he begins not with their struggles, but with praise. He reminds them that through God's great mercy, they have been given new birth into a hope that is alive and unshakable. This hope is anchored in an inheritance that cannot fade, spoil, or be taken away—kept secure by God Himself. At the same time, Peter doesn't ignore the reality of trials. Instead, he reframes them, showing that even in seasons of pain, God is at work refining faith, shaping it into something more valuable than gold. Even though we may not see Jesus physically, we are invited to love Him, trust Him, and rejoice in Him.

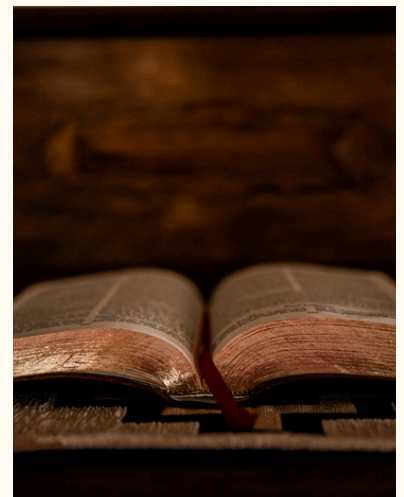


Pastor Brandon
Lead Pastor

1 Peter 1:3-9 Commentary

Jesus' resurrection, as we noted last week, changes everything. It even changes the way people God has raised to life with him see things. The Spirit equips God's adopted children to, among other things, love and believe in the Jesus whom we can't yet see with our eyes. By God's amazing grace, we trust in the Jesus whom we can now see only with the "eyes of faith."

[Read more here](#)



The 8:00am Service

Order of Worship

- Welcome
- Hymn Sing
- Pastoral Prayer, The Lord's Prayer
- Scripture Reading
- Message
- Holy Communion
- Benediction
- Response



The 9:30am Service - Order of Worship

- Prelude
- Welcome - Call to Worship
- Opening Hymn - *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* - #304
- Prayer Concerns, Silent Prayer
- Prayer Song - *Alleluia* - #186
- Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer
- Special Music - *The Lakeview Choir*
- Scripture Reading - *1 Peter 1:3-9* - Zeata Rowe
- Offering
- Hymn - *Hope of the World* - #178
- Message
- Closing Hymn - *O God, Our Help In Ages Past* - #117
- Benediction & Response - *Halle , Halle, Halleluja* - #2026
- Postlude



We lift up the following in prayer this week;

Robert Coulson, Caryl Jo Dagro, Mary Dianis, Jerry Dibble, Milka Fitz, Bluetie Henrickson, Sandy Keane, Dennis Keane, Larry Klein, BJ Martin, Carl Meyers, Gerry Ellen Sleeth, Kathy Villa, Willi Wheeler

SHARE YOUR HEART: SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST

We believe in the power of prayer and the comfort it brings. If you or someone you know is in need of support, we invite you to share your prayer request with us. Whether it's for guidance, healing, or thanksgiving, your request will be held in love and lifted up in prayer by our community. You're not alone—let us pray with you and for you.

[Submit your request here](#)

Fill Your Evening with Something Beautiful

Make it a full night out! Join us for dinner, then experience the magic of the Sounds of the Southwest Choral – a powerhouse ensemble known for their rich, vibrant sound and pure joy in every performance. It's an evening of good food, warm company, and music that stays with you.

April 30 | 6:30pm, Dinner reservations must be made by April 27th at 4:00pm – don't wait!

Invite a friend and make a night of it!



Don't Miss the Deadline – We Want Your Story!

God is at work at Lakeview, and your ministry is part of that story. We're getting started on our May/June newsletter and need your events, updates, photos, and moments of impact – before the door closes!

Submissions close Thursday, April 24th

Once we finalize everything, it goes straight to print and into the hands of our congregation. This is your chance to share what's happening and inspire the whole church community.

Act now – send us your story before April 24th!



THIS WEEK AT LAKEVIEW

MONDAY, APRIL 13

8:00am - The Lakeview Wrappers - Smoot Hall
9:00am - Monday Exercise Class - Smoot Hall
10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

9:00am - Bible Study, The Bible Recap - Conference Room
10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room
11:00am - Staff Parish Relations - Conference Room
1:00pm - Board of Trustees - Conference Room
1:00pm - Columbarium Committee - Office Conference Room
1:00pm - Mary Martha Circle - Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

9:00am - Wednesday Exercise Class - Smoot Hall
10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room
10:00am - Caregiver Support Group - Conference Room
11:30am - Amazing Grays Luncheon - Smoot Hall
12:30pm - Games - Smoot Hall
12:30pm - GriefShare - Conference Room

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room
4:00pm - Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
5:00pm - Thursday Night Together Dinner - Smoot Hall

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

9:00am - Friday Exercise Class - Smoot Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

No Events Scheduled

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:00am - Worship Service - Chapel / Online
9:30am - Worship Service - Worship Center / Online
9:00 & 10:30am - Fellowship - Smoot Hall

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LAKEVIEW

AMAZING GRAYS LUNCHEON

Wednesday April 15th at 11:30am – Prepared by Pastor Stuart and his cook team – Surprise Entrée, Salad, Dessert. Sign up online, between services or call the Church office before 4:00 PM on April 13th.

THURSDAY NIGHT TOGETHER DINNER

Thursday April 16th at 5:00pm – Beef Broccoli, Egg Noodles, Rolls, Salad, Dessert. Sign up online, between services or call the Church office before 4:00 PM on April 14th.



[MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS HERE](#)

A Living Hope: Faith That Endures Through Every Season

Life can feel uncertain, especially in seasons of struggle and hardship. In 1 Peter 1:3–9, we are reminded that even in the midst of life's challenges, there is a hope that remains steady and alive.

Peter writes these words to believers who are experiencing trials and opposition. Their faith is being tested, and their circumstances are far from easy. Yet instead of focusing on fear or discouragement, Peter points them to something greater—what God has already done and what He continues to do.

At the heart of this passage is the promise of a “living hope” through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This hope is not temporary or fragile. It is an inheritance that cannot be lost, kept secure by God Himself. Even more, Peter explains that trials are not meaningless—they serve a purpose, refining our faith and strengthening our trust in God.

What does this mean for us today? It means that when we walk through difficult seasons, we are not alone and we are not without purpose. Our struggles do not define us—our hope does. This passage invites us to trust God even when we cannot see the full picture, believing that He is at work in ways that are deeper than we understand.

The question this passage invites us to consider is this: Will we hold onto hope, even when life feels uncertain? Will we trust God not just in the good moments, but in the refining ones as well?

If you're searching for a hope that lasts, take a moment to watch and reflect on what it means to have a living hope through Jesus today.



Find Hope. Find Healing. Find Community

Grief can feel isolating — but it doesn't have to. GriefShare meets **every Wednesday at 12:30pm in the Conference Room**, providing a safe, caring space where real conversations lead to real healing. Whatever stage of your journey you're in, you are welcome here. Come find the support you deserve.



Know Your Rights. Hear Their Story

Join the Mary Martha Circle for a powerful conversation with Pam Bridge from Community Legal Services – a passionate team of advocates ensuring that justice isn't just for those who can afford it. This is a talk that will move you, inform you, and inspire you to care.



Tuesday, April 14th | 1:00pm | Fellowship Hall

All are welcome – we'd love to see you there!"

Your Generosity Changes Everything

When you give, you're saying "yes" to God's invitation to be part of something beautiful. Your gift today keeps our ministry strong, our mission moving forward, and our community thriving. Start now and experience the unexpected joy that comes from giving with a full heart.

[Make a donation here](#)

The Lakeview Cookbook

EASY SKILLET MEXICAN LASAGNA

Easy Skillet Mexican Lasagna – a fun, summery twist on lasagna with a Mexican-inspired spin! Layers of salty tortilla chips, shredded rotisserie chicken, melty cheese, and tangy salsa verde, all baked together in one skillet. It's kind of like nachos meets lasagna—and it's so, so good.

[Get the recipe here](#)

