April 29, 2014

The OPEN DOOR
LAKEWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
“An Open Door to a Vital Faith”
www.lakewoodchristianchurch.org

Trinity Brazos Area Assembly
Sunday, May 4th, 3-7pm
South Hills Christian Church, Fort Worth
For more info, visit:
http://www.tbaccsw.org/#/upcoming-events/area-assembly

First Sunday Fellowship
1st Sunday Fellowship will be
May 4th at 10am in the Fellowship Hall.
The Deacons will host.

2014 Tri-Area Summer Camps—Camping Season is Here!
Various camps available throughout the summer for ages 4 all the way through high school, including Discovery Camp, Family Camp, JYF, Chi-Rho, Music/Arts/Drama, Equine, Tri-Area Race Reconciliation, and more.
For details, contact the office or visit:
http://tbaccsw.org/#/youth-events-news
May 11: Collection of Blessing Boxes and blessing contributions during our Mother’s Day worship service.

May 13: Executive Board Meeting at the coffee shop in McGregor at 9:30am, beginning with breakfast. You may drive yourself or ride in the van, which will leave the church at 9:00am—let Candy know if you wish to ride in the van.

May 20: Party at the Farm, 6pm!! The theme will be an Hawaiian Luau. Ticket cost will be $10 for the meal, with reservations required. The van will leave the church at 5:30pm. Please let Candy Sheppard know if you wish to ride in the van. It is a fun gathering and we hope you will all join us!!

LADIES NIGHT OUT! The women of Lakewood are invited for a "Ladies Night Out" on Tuesday, June 10, 6:30-8:30pm at PAINTING WITH A TWIST, located at 1621 N. Valley Mills Drive. The cost is $35, with snacks and drinks provided. Reservations may be made with Candace/Candy Sheppard at 230-8623. Sounds like lots of fun; quite a few women have already signed up!

A FACEBOOK PAGE has been created for the women of Lakewood CC (DWM of Lakewood CC Waco) to help keep us informed. Women may go to Facebook, search for this page and request to be added!

LOAF will be this Thursday, May 1st, in the Fellowship Hall. Hostesses are Alice Young and Wanda Morgan. We start at 10am for fellowship and games and have a potluck meal at noon. So bring a dish and join us!

Sweet Comforts Tasting Luncheon
Richfield Christian Church
4201 Cobbs Drive, Waco

May 6, 2014 11:30am-1:00pm
Hosted by the Disciples Women/Christian Women’s Fellowship
$7.00

Youth Snack Suppers Schedule
If you would like to support our youth supper program, go to: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0D4DA9AB2BA57-youth or contact Amy Mosley at 733-7321 or amy0765@gmail.com

Wed, 4/30: Sue Lowry
Sun, 5/4: Sharon Browning
Wed, 5/7: OPEN
Sun, 5/11: Judy Rulmyr
Wed, 5/14: OPEN
Sun, 5/18: Laura Byas
Wed, 5/21: The Tuckers

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Chris Garey

ELDERS:
Offering/Loaf: Phil Roach
Cup: Anjanette Biddle

DEACONS: Team 1
COMMUNION PREP:
Sharon Browning, Monica Brown

GREETERS: Ed & Donna Kultgen

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Ross Smith, Sharon Browning, Margaret Richardson, Mary Julsen, Kyle Pisarcik, Nell Harbour, Journey Ermoian, Betty Wallace, James Cotten, America Grace Hilton, Lawrence Bowers, Dorothy Kendrick, Annette Smith, Doris Mize, Lonnie Griffith, Rebecca Collins, Darrell Dungan

Katherine Arrowood, Deanne Bigham, Bond Browder, Sharon Browning’s father, Susan Cross, Becky Crow, Brian Davis, Ganna Denton, James Dickens, Darrell & Betty Dungan, Mike Dungan, Dora Essary’s daughter, Brian Fairbanks, Bill & Betty Fox, Gary & Marian Fraser & family, Richard Garey, Lonnie & Martha Griffith, James Family, Mya James, Bob & Billie Jorda, Ellen Julsen, Alicia June, Addison Knaus, Nathan Lackey, Lois Landis, Mallory Martin, Jean McAtee, Pat & Jennifer McFerrin, Crissy & Richard Miller, Ray Moore, Mullins Family, Pardaen Family, Pollard Family, Pat Rash, Margaret Richardson, Ricky Severson’s mom, Sam Sexton, Bobby Smith, Jan Snyder, Kelly Spears, Grant Story, Joe & Doris Sula, Bob Talley, Eric Thomas, Mike Thomason, Jim Thurston, Edrie Tiller, Tanner Underwood, Joe Walker, Weems Family, Sheri Wiltland

Please contact the office with your birthdays, anniversaries, joys, or prayer requests!

Church Photo Directory

If you haven’t had your picture taken yet, we will have one more session on May 4th during the Sunday School hour. If you cannot make it, please contact Hollis Biddle at (254) 772-1011 to schedule an appointment.

2-on-2 for Lakewood

Can you spare 2 hours on the 2nd Saturday, May 10th, 8-10am to spruce up the building? Landscape areas, windows, etc. Bring any tools or supplies you may have. No need to sign up, just come!
Consider How to Provoke One Another to Love & Good Deeds

And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

NRSV Hebrews 10:24-25

This has always been one of my favorite passages. I love what it asks us to consider, especially as we continue through the Easter Season. Holy week took us through a real spiritual roller coaster of highs AND lows. Hopefully you were challenged to seriously consider the spiritual implications of what it is we want from the Messiah, what we do to the Messiah when we don't get it, and God's response to our humanness. But what about how the messages of Holy Week affect how we treat one another?

Let’s take a moment and assume that we all know how to provoke one another. Let’s face it—some of us are better than others at getting a rise out of our family and friends, but we all know how to do it. We live in a culture which makes pushing one another’s buttons not just an activity but it’s an art. Not only on an individual level, but we have entire careers and businesses built on the idea of provoking folks to action.

Okay, so we’ve established that we know how to provoke. Now I want you to consider just what it is that you’re provoking others to do. Are you provoking them to anger? Sadness? Jealousy? All things of the Cross? Or, as our scripture suggests, are you provoking your family, friends and neighbors to love and good deeds? Things of the Empty Tomb? When’s the last time you encouraged someone to do what’s right? And I don’t mean right for you or what you want; but really encouraged them to love and do what is best for the Kingdom on Earth. So how about it? Will you consider it?

Peace,
Pastor James