



May 25, 2025

The shepherds desire to be supportive and accessible to you! We encourage you to speak to any one of us, or write a note about your concerns, or things we might help with.

Lakeview Church of Christ

Then Pharisees and scribes came to Jesus from Jerusalem and said, ²“Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? For they do not wash their hands when they eat.” ³He answered them, “And why do you break the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition? ⁴For God commanded, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ ⁵But you say, ‘If anyone tells his father or his mother, “What you would have gained from me is given to God,” ⁶he need not honor his father.’ So for the sake of your tradition you have made void the word of God. ⁷You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said:

⁸This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me;

⁹in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.

¹⁰And he called the people to him and said to them, “Hear and understand: ¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person.” ¹²Then the disciples came and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?” ¹³He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵But Peter said to him, “Explain the parable to us.” ¹⁶And he said, “Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth passes into the stomach and is expelled? ¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what defile a person. But to eat with unwashed hands does not defile anyone.”

Matthew 15:1-20

Straight from the Heart



CONTACT US

Mail: PO Box 44347

Tacoma, WA 98448

Email: office@lakeviewcfc.org

Phone: 253-537-5181 Website:

www.lakeviewchurchofchrist.church

OUR SHEPHERDS:

Kenny Coleman Darrell Davis

Jim Karkosky

Phil Leupold Ray West

Preaching Minister: Brent McFarland

MEETING AT:

1709 112th Street S. * Tacoma, WA

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 A.M.

Sunday Worship Assembly: 10:00 A.M.

(& live stream on You Tube)

Wednesday Bible Class: - 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday Bible Class on ZOOM - 7:00 P.M.

AIM - Adventures In Missions

Delano Bay Christian Camp

Mountain States Children's Home

Jos, Nigeria - Tom Ekpot

Paris Mission - Roland Mohsen

LIFE GROUP MEETINGS:

Jim Karkosky or Rex Farnsworth

Gary Calkins or Ray West

Darrell Davis or Don Mellor

Phil Leupold

Ray Glasman or C Baidoo-Essien

Rich Ewing or Wendell Tillman

Kenny Coleman or Matt King

Don Russell or Keith Purser

contact a host/facilitator for meeting time



Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Steven Fahnstrom was taken to ICU on Saturday, May 17th.
- Fran Tracey's surgery was postponed until the 27th of May.
- Ayana Davis has been diagnosed with a rare spinal cancer. She will begin radiation treatment on May 28th.

Please remember those with continued concerns:

Bob Bruns, Debbie Cornwall, Rich & Linda Ewing, Bob & Lily Hanson, Joan Haughwout, Duane & Sharon Henton, Don Langeliers, Eliah Leander, Marilyn Likens, Mike & Terry Martin, Dennis Mellor, David Newman, Brett Nowlin, Len & Janice Otte, Thomas Pruett, Carol Robison, Sunday Sawyer, Doug Smith, Cheryl Tillman, Charles & Betsy Tyson, Jack & Jane Voyles, Ida Wilson

**Let each of us please our neighbors for their good,
to help them be stronger in faith.**

Romans 15:2

Expanded Bible

LAKEVIEW CALENDAR

- ⇒ Cancer Support Group, 2nd Monday @ 6:00 pm
- ⇒ Martial Arts, Monday & Thursday @ 5:30 pm
- ⇒ Ladies' Thursday Bible Class @ 10:00 am
- ⇒ Men's Group, Thursdays @ 7:00 pm, room 2
- ⇒ Young Adults - Saturdays @ 5:30 pm, room 2
- ⇒ Ladies' Prayer Group - 2nd Saturday @ 10:00 am

TEENS

- ✦ Weekly Devo / Get Together, Fridays @ 6:30 PM

Men's Service Calendar - Contact Ryan Hill for June scheduling questions

MAY 25

Communion Don Russell

Reading James Reid

Closing Prayer Tony Pierce

May Trays: Brian Turner, Chet Hunter, Joseph Potter, Christopher Baidoo-Essien, Kevin Brazile, Ron Hollister, James Hainaut, Michael McFarland

MAY 18, 2025

Attendance: 218 Contribution: \$7,090



Please come to a bridal shower in honor of Tymme McCracken on Saturday, June 7th at 12:00 in the fellowship room. Lunch will be served. Tymme and Nick are registered on Amazon.

Widows Ministry - We are happy to announce that Wendell and Cheryl Tillman have volunteered to lead this ministry. If you are interested in helping this effort or know of a specific need for one of our widows, please let them know.

5th Sunday Singing - June 29 at 5:00 pm, hosted by Kibler Ave. They will be providing soups for the dinner. If you wish to contribute to the meal, please take a dessert.

Lakeview Family Picnic - August 2, the annual picnic for all of the Lakeview family! There will be lots of delicious food and fun for everyone.

Family Day!

Paula Davis (as a Lakeview representative on the Delano Board) will be assembling a basket for the upcoming celebration. If you would like to donate funds toward the basket, see Paula Davis or Don Mellor. Please provide your donations by June 1, 2025.



Delano Bay Christian Camp
www.delanobay.org

Family Day
Enjoy and Celebrate Delano!

**PRICE:
FREE!**

JUNE 7th, 10 am - 3 pm

Come enjoy Delano, get signed up for camp, spend a day on the beach or throwing a frisbee on the Meadow!



**Break Bread
With Us**

Bring a picnic lunch for your family, or, for a small donation, get a burger, chips, and a drink.



**Pie and Gift
Basket Raffle**

Every church is bringing a basket and raffle tickets will be available for purchase!



**Water, Beach,
Sports, and Fun!**

Meadow Frisbee, Volleyball with Friends, pick-up Basketball games, Slip 'n Slide, and so much more!

Dear Beloved brethren,

On behalf of my wife, Sandra, my children, the staff and students of the School of Biblical Studies, Jos, I greet you all in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We thank God for seeing us through the month of April. We pray that the same grace given to us through the month of April be extended to us in the month of May, 2025. You might have heard of the sad incidence that happened in some local communities around Jos in the month of April. In two different communities within a span of two weeks, the Islamic militant loaded themselves with weapons went and attacked innocent harmless villagers and killed them. In those two places, more than 100 people were murdered in their homes. The attackers were ruthless to kill even 3 year old babies and pregnant women. This has left the environment in the state of mourning for some days now. We are afraid if we will have many people coming for this year's lectureship and graduation. We know God has his way in everything. Continue to pray with us for safety please.

Academics—We appreciate you all for praying for us to have a successful semester. Our Students have completed their exams and now leaving for campaign for Christ evangelism. The Semester was very short because it was loaded with many activities that nearly overwhelmed us. Though there were security threats in the out skirt of Jos as I mentioned earlier, the city of Jos was peaceful throughout the month of April. We know this would not have happened without God causing peace to remain in Jos city. As Affiliate of the University of Jos in awarding degree in Christian Religious Studies, it is required of us that the University sends their officials to matriculate the year one students into their program of study. In this case, three officials were sent during the month of April: The Head of Department of Religions and Philosophy, a representative of the Vice Chancellor and a representative of the Registrar. The carried official welcoming of the year one students into their program. A picture of the officials in Red academic rope, some of our staff in their black rope standing in the middle row, and the matriculated students in the front and back rows.



Our Medical Clinic - Our Medical Clinic kicked started its clinical service operations on the 11th of April, 2025. It was marked by free medical services to people who came for the ribbon cutting ceremony. The clinic being a primary health facility offers services like malaria tests and treatment, typhoid fever diagnosis and treatment, child delivery and maternity, vaccination of babies against the killer diseases, diagnosis of hepatitis and treatment, handling of emergency cases, medical counseling, etc. We have bought some medications and necessary tools for the clinic. One important equipment that is not in the clinic is the scanning machine. Since we are going to provide maternity services, there is need to have scanning machine for the pregnant women. But without it, the clinic is providing other services it is capable of providing. At least, our students will not have to be carried outside at night when they fall sick. This also will help us to provide holistic services to the host community. Below are pictures of activities during the grand opening ceremony. We have four nurses, four ward maids, one lap scientist, two security men, and a visiting doctor. He will come once a week in the interim, except occasion demands more than that.



Opening of the Clinic
Dr. Solomon - Ribbon Cutting

Evangelism - During the month of April, we conducted 86 studies with 987 prospects. The drop in the number of studies is because of our students involvement in their final exams. However, out of the number of people studies, 7 people obeyed the Gospel, and were baptized for the forgiveness of their sins. We gave out 2,302 tracts and 7 Bible were also given out. Our students and staff are now out for 9 days of intensive door knocking. This time we are going to 4 places outside Plateau, one place within Plateau, and the rest of the students will cover the city area of Jos, making a total of 6 places.

Student Farm - We have had our first rain of the year in the month of April after more than 6 months of dry season without any rain. Agricultural work across the State of Plateau will begin. Already, our garden beds are greenish with green beans, peas, tomatoes, spinach, etc. With the rising insecurity in the Northern Nigeria, people prefer to farm only in the areas close to the house to avoid kidnapping and attacks. This automatically creates scarcity of farm land. We teach our students how they can use small space to cultivate their vegetables to subsidize family needs. We also teach our student how to raise chicken, fish, and rabbits. This is our newly made rabbit cage that has its feeder and drinker all within each cage.



May God bless you all in every good way in this year and even beyond.

Grace and Peace,
Tom Ekpot (PhD)



***A Family Focused on GOD* - 1 John 3:1**

John Ostic will bring us a series of lessons in Room 4 each afternoon at 2:45 pm, July 10-12, 2025

Thursday: "A Family Focused on God: In fellowship with Him and one another"

Friday: "A Family Focused on God: Separated from the world"

Saturday: "A Family Focused on God: Practicing righteousness together"

John has been one of the pulpit ministers for Springbrook church of Christ in Renton, WA, for more than 20 years.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 David Cornwall Doug Smith	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Becky Purser	9	10 Kurt & Machel Turner	11 Dexter & Teresa Hutton	12	13 Brittany Brazile Lennie Brazile –5	14
15  Moses Schadegg – 1	16	17	18 Charles Kondo	19  Fred & Peggy Horner Bob & Ann Riley	20  Blake Myers—20	21
22	23	24	25 Ilia Smith Matt & Megan King	26 Kevin Brazile Marty Riggs	27	28 Shelley Jellison
29	30 Terri Tyson	Ecclesiastes 6:11 The more the words, The less the meaning, And how does that profit anyone?				 2025 June

June	Chronological
1	□ Proverbs 4-6
2	□ Proverbs 7-9
3	□ Proverbs 10-12
4	□ Proverbs 13-15
5	□ Proverbs 16-18
6	□ Proverbs 19-21
7	□ Proverbs 22-24
8	□ 1 Ki 5-6, 2 Ch 2-3
9	□ 1 Ki 7, 2 Ch 4
10	□ 1 Ki 8, 2 Ch 5
11	□ 2 Ch 6-7, Ps 136
12	□ Ps 134, 146-150
13	□ 1 Ki 9, 2 Ch 8
14	□ Proverbs 25-26
15	□ Proverbs 27-29
16	□ Ecc 1-4
17	□ Ecc 5-8
18	□ Ecc 9-12
19	□ 1 Ki 10-11, 2 Ch 9
20	□ Proverbs 30-31
21	□ Psalm 119
22	□ 1 Ki 12-14
23	□ 2 Ch 10-12
24	□ 1 Ki 15:1-24, 2 Ch 13-16
25	□ 1 Ki 15:25-16:34, 2 Ch 17
26	□ 1 Ki 17-19
27	□ 1 Ki 20-21
28	□ 1 Ki 22, 2 Ch 18
29	□ 2 Ch 19-20
30	□ 2 Ch 21-23