

Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church
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Worship Schedule

10:00am Worship

11:00pm Fellowship

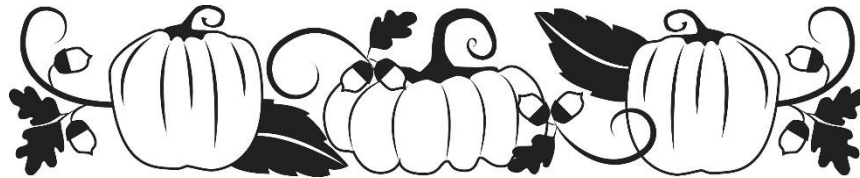
*Childcare for children up to 3 years old is available during the service.
If you have any questions, please call the church office at 882-7909.*

Important Dates to Remember

October 3rd, 5:30pm – Wednesday Night Dinners Resume

October 7th, 10:00am – 1st day of Sunday *Cool*

October 7th, 10:00am – 1st day of Middle School/High School
Confirmation Class



October 2018

Greetings with the joy of Jesus Christ!

It seems like just yesterday we were wrapping up another year of church school and church activities. And here we are once again at the beginning!

Sunday October 7 marks the beginning of a new church school year, with new leaders, new learners, and new growth in Jesus Christ awaiting us!

Please plan to attend worship October 7 with your families. We will begin at 10am in the sanctuary. Following the Children's Message, the kids ages 3 – 12th grade will leave worship with their teachers, Sue Anderson and John Emmons. The elementary aged children will be exploring the parables of Jesus during the fall months. The middle school, high school and confirmation class will be using an age appropriate PCUSA curriculum called "Big Questions/Big God" which will focus on the promises that new members make when joining the church. It's going to be a great fall and I do hope that your kids will present as often as possible.

Because spiritual growth, like any other growth, requires consistent nurturing care and sustenance. Our families grow spiritually by being present in worship and in church school. We learn the Bible stories and prayers, we learn the traditions of the church and the stories of faith of those who have gone before us, and in doing so, we develop a heart for mission, evangelism, and outreach. The Holy Spirit touches us and our families, our children and teens, our young adults and elders, and we grow in the knowledge that Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church is *our* church, that God loves *us*, and that Jesus calls *us* to continue to grow as disciples.

So here's the word for October 2018:

- Commit yourself and your family to worship and to Christian education this fall.
- Be in church every Sunday that you are physically able. Worship is at 10am.
- Commit to bringing your children and teens for Sunday *Cool* and Sunday school and Confirmation class.
- Commit to educating yourself, too. There is Bible Study every Tuesday, Adult Seminar on Wednesday evenings, and the sermon response group every Sunday following worship.
- Make the fall of 2018 a time of growth for you and for your family. There's no time like right now!!

Please give me a call if you have any questions. Otherwise, I'll see you in church!

Pastor Nina

Pre-school and Elementary Sunday *Cool*
Every Sunday
during 10am worship
beginning Sunday, October 7

Calling all kids, preschool through 5th grade! Explore through art, music, story, and the magic of puppetry the many ways that God is at work in our lives.

Children will start in church with their families and then will move to Sunday *Cool* after the children's message. You will pick them up downstairs after church. Please bring your children and then stay to worship yourselves. We look forward to this exciting new way of sharing God's love with our kids.

Mark your calendars—

Sunday *Cool* fun begins—October 7 during 10am worship



Middle School/High School/Confirmation Class
Every Sunday
during 10am worship
beginning Sunday, October 7

Beginning on Sunday, October 7, John Emmons will be leading grades 6 through 12, including the 2018-19 Confirmation Class. Class will meet during 10am worship and will focus on "Big Questions/Big God." Kids will start in church with their families and will move to Tween/Teen Sunday *Cool* after the children's message. Please come, bring your teens, and participate in this exciting new way of sharing God's love with our kids.

WEDNESDAYS@LAWRENCE ROAD

a time for midweek spiritual renewal and fellowship.
Opportunities abound for children, teens and adults.
Please plan to take advantage of this chance to
recharge your batteries,
grow in your faith,
and spend time with friends and family.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS THIS FALL BEGINNING OCTOBER 3

Youth Fellowship/LOG

The English School Conversation Groups

Adult Seminar 6:45pm – 8pm

Community Fellowship Dinner 5:30pm – 6:30pm

Wednesday Adult Seminar

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3 – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

DINNER: 5:30PM TO 6:30PM

STUDY: 6:45PM – 8:00PM

JOIN US FOR

COMMUNITY DINNER AND A SPECIAL STUDY

**“Heresies and How to Avoid Them:
Why it matters what Christians believe”**

By: Ben Quash and Michael Ward

Come join us for conversation and reflection as special guest facilitator, Inna Nikolyukin, leads us in think biblically about what we believe and why it matters.

A limited number of books have been ordered. If you would like one, please contact Pastor Nina.

(\$20/per copy)

If you plan to order your own:

Books are available through Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com.

FRANCESCAS

Francesca's Book Club meets the first Monday of each month in the church lounge at 1:00 PM.

If the first Monday is a holiday, we meet the following week. We invite everyone who is interested to join us. Our books to read are suggested and selected by members of the group. The book we are currently reading and will be discussing at our October 1st meeting is “Women of the Castle” by Jessica Shattuck. Our November book selection is “The Orphan's Tale” by Pam Jenoff. A Christmas luncheon is planned for December 14th at the Acacia restaurant in Lawrenceville and we'll also have the regular meeting on the first Monday. Please call or e-mail me if you have questions or feel free to come to one of the meetings.

Claire Biddulph (609-882-8670 or biddulphc@aol.com)



Sanctuary Flowers

LRPC needs some Flower Power! If any of the dates below are meaningful to you, either as a memorial, or a celebration, please consider being a flower donor. The cost is \$30 for two bouquets. You decide what the dedication will say and the flowers will be in the church sanctuary for Sunday worship on the date donated with your dedication in the bulletin. Please contact Mary Loetscher at

Johnmary93@verizon.net, or call
609-882-4390 if you are interested or if you have any questions.

Dates that are still open: **December 2, 9, and 16**

Some people keep them, some donate one or both to the Deacons to take to our sick or homebound members, the choice is yours.



Nursery School News

We are off and running with a full house! Oh, what a busy start it has been and we are thrilled to welcome 55 families and 57 children to LRPCNS. The children are adjusting quite well to their new classrooms and we are looking forward to a wonderful year.

It takes a village to get the school up and running for our September opening. I want to thank the cleaning service for their hard work. Our classrooms are so pristine and welcoming. I also want to thank my husband and Linda Townsend for helping me get the courtyard weeded and the bushes trimmed as the grounds were quite overgrown. Randy Potter, a dad in our school, took charge of the playground and had it all cleaned, freshly mulched and ready to go. I also want to thank our dedicated teachers and assistant teachers for coming in the last couple of weeks in August to get their toys sanitized and their classrooms ready. All of this work was done in the very hot, uncomfortable August heat. We are so grateful to all of you as we couldn't do it without the help, thank you, thank you, thank you!

October brings autumn leaves, scarecrows, pumpkins, acorns and of course, Halloween! Yoga, Music and Spanish also begin this month. The Parent Association will kick off the year with a Welcome Back Picnic at Veteran's Park and a mum sale, partnering with Willis Greenhouse. Our Back to School Night is scheduled for October 23. How quickly the calendar gets filled when school is back in session. Although summer is always welcomed, we are rejuvenated and ready to go. Happy Autumn, may it be filled with crisp, cool, sunny days!

The English School

at the Lawrence Road Presbyterian Church



The fall semester started off with a bang! We had our new volunteer trainings on August 29th and August 30th. I'd like to welcome all of our new volunteers: Jayni Borek, DeAndra Baldwin, Rohan Suvarna, Wendy Harris, Jennifer Kluempfen, Rohan Suvarna, Emilee VanFossen, Kyle Solowski, Usha Padmanabhan. We also blessed to have them! I am so very thrilled that many people have emailed TES with their desire to help our students.

The first night of classes was busy and chaotic as always. We registered 68 students for Monday Night classes and 6 students for Thursday Night Citizenship Class. While the enrollment is down from previous years, with approximately 14 students per Monday Night class, a smaller classroom helps the students receive additional attention, especially at the lower levels.

Speaking of teachers...we are so happy to welcome back two wonderful teachers to the Monday night roster. Maria Bohn is co-teaching level 1 with Trina Duke and Emilee Pooler is teaching level 4. We missed them.

Our Wednesday Night Conversation Night, coordinated by Heather Patel has been running very smoothly. With our many tutors participating, the groups are smaller, which gives the students the opportunity to practice speaking English with one another. Thursday Night Tutoring, coordinated by Katy Ells is also running smoothly. As of today, we now have enough tutors for each student who requested a tutor.

SAVE THE DATES:

- All are welcome to our End-of-the-Semester Dinner which will be held on Thursday, November 15th from 7 pm – 8 pm.
- Please come to our Vendor Fair, which will be held on Saturday, November 17th at the church. Time and details to follow.

If you think you might like to volunteer, but you aren't sure that a weekly commitment will fit into your life right now, there is still a place for you! We can always use help for one-off events like: Potluck Suppers, Vendor Fair, Student Registration, and Social Events. Contact Paula Rainey at info@TheEnglishSchoolLRPC.com or call 609-540-0451.

Yours in Christ,
Paula J. Rainey

www.TheEnglishSchoolLRPC.com

LOG High School Youth Fellowship

We reunited after our summer break on Wednesday, Sept. 26th with a Game Night and Ice cream bar!

We start our regular Wednesday program on October 3rd to coincide with first Wednesday Night at LRPC dinner. We will have a bonfire to sit around and catch up with each other and understand the structure of the programming which is new this year. All high school age youth are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend!

We stay in touch with each other via our Facebook page, L.O.G., <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1075641299188868/> sharing prayer requests, wishing each other Happy Birthday, affirmations, post lots of pictures of our events, etc. Our Facebook page is a “Closed Group”, however, if you are a high school youth or parent of one we encourage you to join us and see what we’re doing, please let one of the adult leaders know.

We have an awesome group of young adults (18-24 yrs.old) and this year they will be meeting separately with their own program starting on Wednesday, October 10th. Also, they will share dinner together at Wednesday Nights at LRPC.

Thanks to last year’s success, the youth plan to go caroling again to homebound and shut-in congregants on Wednesday, December 19th. More service activities are being planned so stay tuned!!

Danielle Allison, Sue Anderson, John Emmons, Pam Esbrandt, Amanda (Mandy) Canto, Debbie Nixon, and JoAnn Trevor.



CHOIR NOTES

The LRPC Chancel Choir is already busy rehearsing and having great fun making music together! The October rehearsal and performance schedule is listed below.

OCTOBER

Monday, October 1	9:00 AM	Rehearsal
Sunday, October 7	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Rehearsal Sing During Service
Monday, October 8	9:00 AM	Rehearsal
Sunday, October 14	9:00 AM	Rehearsal
Monday, October 15	9:00 AM	Rehearsal
Sunday, October 21	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Small Group (a capella) Sing During Service
Monday, October 22	NO Rehearsal	
Tuesday, October 23	7:00 – 8:45 PM	“POWER Rehearsal”
Sunday, October 28	9:00 AM	Rehearsal
Monday, October 29	9:00 AM	Rehearsal

Thank You Notes

Dear LRPC Family & Friends,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers you gave me after Sunday service during my recent visit to NJ. It was great to see many of my NJ church friends and catch up with events in their lives. You are all very special people in my life.

Thanks again for your hospitality and the lovely flowers.

Sincerely,
Shirley Jones
Venice, Florida



Oct. 9 Prithika Mitra
Oct. 10 Jessica Hurst
Oct. 11 Rishika Mitra
Oct. 13 Bruce Friedeborn
Victor Vasquez
Matthew Hoffman
Oct. 15 Peter Erickson
Oct. 17 Jenna Lamont
Patricia Slack
Oct. 18 Ellen Rowcotsky
Dylan Watt
Oct. 19 Laura Parlacoski
Ann Walker
Oct. 20 Jason Parlacoski
Oct. 22 Richard Evans
Marian Nixon
Robert Vecere Jr.
Oct. 23 Paul Kindt
Oct. 26 Richard Duke
Oct. 27 Bruce Cranstoun
Cody Anderson
Oct. 29 Mary Allison
Oct. 30 Sandra Phillips
Oct. 31 Chris Clark
Emily Nagele

