

Leipsic First Christian Church

Good Morning!

A great concern of the future of Christianity is found in the company believers keep. Really. For the most part, we who follow Jesus tend to hang out with people just like us—those who also follow Jesus. This is not to say that Christians should abandon their friendship with fellow Christians. In no way should that be done. But have you ever looked at your circle of influence lately? Are there people there who live outside of a relationship with Jesus? If there are, then these are the very people that we somehow need to bring together with the hopes of somehow getting them to find out who Jesus is. (Have you been praying for the person whose name you wrote down on the post-it note last week?) Jesus called a man named Levi (we also know him as Matthew) who was seen as the lowest of the lows in society—a tax collector. But what is neat about Levi is that he made sure his fellow “low-life” friends were introduced to Jesus. Today we will look at Mark 2:13-17 to see what Levi did not long after Jesus called him to follow Him. He invited Jesus to supper! Wait ‘til you see who the guests were!

Thanks for being here today! -- Pastor Tim

Praise and Worship:

The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Thy Word

The Stand

10,000 Reasons

No Other Name

Opening Song: 67—*Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

Communion Song: 256—*The Old Rugged Cross*

Sermon Title: *“Eating Supper with Sinners” (Mark 2:13-17)*

Closing Song: 636 —*The Light of the World is Jesus*

Serving Today:

Elder: Mark DePue

Deacons: Derek Maas, Dave Coil, Grant Steingass, Brett Deitering

Deaconess: Tonya Deitering

Organist: Mary Bishop

Acolyte: Caden Erford

Nursery Today: Diane/Jadyn Cupp **Next Week:** Kelly Tussing

Junior Church Leaders: Maranda & Stephanie Berger

March 10, 2019

Church News and Announcements

- **TONIGHT a Brand New Youth Ministry** will begin starting at 5:30 and ending at 7:00 in the Church basement. This will be for young people in grades 4-8. We will begin with a supper followed by some games and then a lesson. Pastor Tim, Nate Coil, and Kenzi Cupp will be leading the group.
- **The Healing Hearts Prayer Team** will **NOT** meet tomorrow.
- **The Church Elders** will meet on Wednesday in the Pastor's Study beginning at 6:30 PM.
- **The Church Board** will meet on Wednesday in the Church basement beginning at 7:30 PM.
- **HELP!!!** FCC will be participating in a soup project (details to follow) in April as an outreach opportunity. Please save beef broth from any roasts or cans of beef you may open. **We will also be looking for special homemade baked goods to sell as well.** The funds raised will go toward our efforts to provide Christmas celebrations for families in our community this year. Thank you in advance for helping in this way. The event will take place on April 6 at the Leipsic Community Center.
- **March/April Nursery:** 3/10: Diane/Jadyn Cupp; 3/17: Kelly Tussing; 3/24: Jori/Ryan Shoemaker; 3/31: Tonya Deitering; 4/7: Kris Cupp
- **Offering Last Sunday:** \$2,316.00; **Weekly Budget:** \$2,034.81

Outreach Opportunity

- We have been asked to assist the Kairos Prison Ministry (www.mykairos.org) by baking homemade cookies for the ministry's upcoming retreat at the Allen County Prison in April. Churches in Putnam and Paulding County are assisting with this. The cookies are to be a hard cookie with NO frosting or powdered sugar on them. Place cookies in quart bags in quantities of a dozen with the type of cookie labeled on the bag. The cookies need to be prepared by Sunday, March 24. Bring them to church and they will be delivered.

Thanks!

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Our Mission statement can be simply stated as **Know, Grow, and Show**:

We seek to **KNOW** God through worship and fellowship;

We seek to **GROW** spiritually and corporately;

We seek to **SHOW** the community who Jesus is.

WELCOME! If this is your first visit to Leipsic First Christian Church (or even if you have been hanging out for a long time) we are so glad you are here. Sometimes, when we visit some place new, we have lots of questions. So here are a few notes that might answer some of those questions:

- **We're nothing special**—just a bunch of Christ followers on a journey to figure out how we fit in God's Kingdom and how to live in this world. We make mistakes like everyone else but we are striving to do better each day.
- We serve **Communion** (the Lord's Supper) **every week**. Ours is an "open table" which means that you don't have to be a member here to participate in communion. The only requirement is that you have confessed Jesus as your Lord and Savior. As the trays are passed just take each element and pass it on to the next person. (Go ahead and give the cup back).
- We serve **coffee** (usually). It's located up at the front of the church in the room on the left.
- We have a **nursery** for children from birth through age 4. It's downstairs in the basement in the northwest corner.
- **During the school year** we have a **Junior Worship** service in the basement that takes place during worship for children grades K-5.
- We have this wild **greeting (or fellowship) time** that takes place early in the service. Hold on to your hats, because this is a crazy friendly place and you will be greeted multiple times.
- **More about Leipsic First Christian Church** can be found on our website (see below)

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