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From the Pastor's Desk...

2 Corinthians 4:17 (NLT) – *“For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!”*

These past 16 months have shown us a lot of pain and suffering, if not in our own lives, around the world. 2 Corinthians 4:17 is one of the scriptures I refer to when I go through tough times, and there have been plenty of those during the pandemic. Who hasn't been moved watching or reading about the pain, suffering, and death that people have experienced due to COVID-19, or the struggles people have gone through being forced to isolate for long periods of time?

I read the following about 2 Corinthians 4:17 from the NLT Study Bible:

Our troubles should not diminish our faith and disillusion us. We should realize that there is a purpose in our suffering. Problems and human limitations have several benefits: (1) They remind us of Christ's suffering for us; (2) they keep us from pride; (3) they cause us to look beyond this brief life; (4) they give us opportunities to prove our faith to others; and (5) they give God the opportunity to demonstrate his power. See your troubles as opportunities!

I don't always see life this way. Yet, I know that our faith requires us to keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. When I go through seasons like this I know I need to lean more and more on Jesus. I also ask God, “What do you want me to learn from this?” I have found over the years that suffering is an opportunity God has provided for me to learn something important for my life or the lives of others. As disciples of Jesus Christ we are called to be “learners”, so we can be transformed into Christlikeness.

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One of the questions I've been asking myself lately is "What have I learned over these past 16 months of the pandemic?" At the Bible study I lead, I asked them this same question, "What have you learned over the past 16 months?" Here are some of their responses:

Patience,
 Being grateful to God for all we have,
 How much we miss one another,
 Slowing down helped me to slow down,
 Zoom is a good thing to use,
 The importance of having God in my life.

How about you? What have you learned over the past 16 months being isolated due to the pandemic? How have you seen God at work in your life? How have you grown to be more like Jesus? Has God revealed His power in your life? Have you looked beyond this brief life to what God has prepared for you?

Whether we go through good times or bad times, God is faithful and good and will not let anything we go through go to waste. Be encouraged! The light of the world lives and shines within us. Jesus will never leave you or forsake you.

Leaning on Jesus,

Pastor Chris



	May		YTD		Annual Budget
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	
Total Income	\$132,185.00	\$31,807.00	\$281,524.00	\$169,635.00	\$428,297.00
Total Expense	\$113,826.00	\$36,753.00	\$287,292.00	\$210,571.00	\$522,370.00
Net Ordinary Income	\$18,359.00	-\$4,946.00	-\$5,768.00	-\$40,936.00	-\$94,073.00

Vacation Time!

Pastor Chris will be taking much needed vacation beginning July 26th and will return on August 23rd. During this time, we will be blessed to hear some of our favorite guest preachers, so be sure to join us for worship.

Session News

Finance:

As most of you are aware we have been running on a deficit budget is year. Thankfully we were able to secure a 2nd PPP Loan that has cut that deficit considerably but not entirely.

I am happy to report that through the end of May, our income from pledges and offerings is slightly more than expected. Building use income is down from previous years due to restrictions that have been put in place with COVID-19. With the loosening of restrictions on June 15th many former renters have reached out to us to reserve their old spots which will also help reduce the deficit, which is more good news.

Expenses are for the most part running flat to what was expected. We have been able to do a couple major projects due to some generous gifts as well as the membership voting on allowing the use of some Heritage funds. These projects included a much needed upgrade to the women's upstairs restroom and installation of new AV equipment in the sanctuary to enable us to continue to have an online presence.

Taking everything into consideration (although we are still facing a deficit) we are around \$35,000 better off than what was projected for this time.

We appreciate your generous contributions you make to Lakeside Church.

Beth



Beginning July 4th!

No reservations will be necessary.

Church will be open to everyone. Everyone will wear a mask and there will be no social distancing.

Everyone sings with masks on.

Everyone will need to sign the Contact Tracing sheet every week and sign a Release and Liability Agreement, if you have not already done so. This will be done only once.

There will be no greeting at the door by the pastor after the service until further notice.

Children between the ages of 2 and 12 will be required to wear a mask.

Restroom will be open. Clorox wipes and gloves will be available.

Coffee Hour is postponed until August 1st.

Our Daily Bread

Our Daily bread for September, October and November are available. If you would like one mailed to you, please e-mail your request to Penny Blumenthal at secretarylpc@lpcsf.org along with your mailing address or call the office at 415-564-8833 ext. 14. You can also go online at <https://odb.org/> for everyday readings.



Book Club News



The Lakeside Book Club continues to meet once a month on Zoom.

Book for the July 20th meeting is Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout and the book for August is The Guest List by Lucy Foley. Each month, a volunteer is the discussion leader, but everyone is encouraged to participate.

We welcome all to our fellowship. If you would like a copy of our reading list for 2021 or join our group for an occasional meeting, please contact the Church Office or Sandra Tye for meeting times and locations.

LAKESIDE CHILDREN'S CENTER

The Children's Center ended the school year on June 2nd. The teachers and staff were able to bid farewell to 40 graduates on June 3rd at four separate graduation ceremonies. Our graduates will be matriculating to St. Brendan's Catholic School, St. Cecilia's Catholic School, St. Stephen's Catholic School, St. Gabriel's Catholic School, Our Lady of Angels Catholic School, San Francisco Day School, Stuart Hall for Boys, Commodore Sloat Elementary School and West Portal Elementary School. The school year had its own unique challenges due to the pandemic, but together in partnership with the families, the Children's Center had a very healthy, safe and successful school year. As we look forward in anticipation of the 2021-2022 school year, we reflect on the blessing of 2020-2021:

- The 2020-2021 school year sadly saw the loss of two of the most important figures of the Children's Center. Mrs. Louanne Heath, who was the director of the school for 38 years, passed away at the beginning of the school year. Mrs. Meredith Johnson, who was the assistant director and kindergarten teacher at the school for 43 years, passed away this spring. Plaques and staff, their friends at the Church, and by their former students.
- Ms. Melinda Chong, who has served graciously as the Site Supervisor for the last four years, is being promoted to Assistant Director beginning July 2021. Her steadfast dedication to serving the children and families and her tenacious commitment to propelling the school forward is rightfully being recognized in this new role. With Ms. Melinda's promotion to Assistant Director, Lakeside will return to its original administrative structure of Director and Assistant Director.
- Ms. Vivian Ta, the school's enrollment coordinator, welcomed a healthy baby boy in March, Gavin Ta. Gavin is Vivian and her husband Duc's fourth child. Congratulations to the Ta family!
- Ms. Pilar Manning and Ms. Destynie Carreon, completed their first year as the Caterpillar teachers. Ms. Desytne also completed her Bachelor's degree from San Francisco State University while teaching full-time. We congratulate her on her acceptance into the Masters program at SFSU, where she will continue her studies in Early Childhood Special Education.

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- Ms. Chelsea Chow, a former Lakeside graduate, and Ms. Katie McCarthy, also completed their first year as the Butterfly teachers.
- Ms. Sandra Puccinelli completed her first year as the Firefly teacher.
- The school and parent community worked closely together to implement the COVID protocols this last school year. A special thanks to the PVO board, Presidents Emily Moriarty de Ayora and Liz Teshara, Fundraising Chair Kate Ward, Treasurer Annie Petrides, Communications Chair Melissa Zeidan, and Head Room Parent Coordinator Angie Clifford, for their unwavering
- encouragement, support, and faith in the Children's Center. Without their partnership, the school would have struggled to complete a safe and healthy school year. In addition to their assistance with the COVID protocols, the PVO board helped implement the Diversity and
- Inclusion curriculum, researched technology platforms for the school's enrollment and
- communications, and are currently working towards configuring healthy and safe small
- in-person family events for the 2021-2022 school year in celebration of the school's 60th
- anniversary.
- At the end of the 2020-2021 school year, the Children's Center purchased Brightwheel, a new school management software to assist with enrollment, billing and communications. Brightwheel will move Lakeside towards the future with a centralized platform that provides contactless sign in and out for families, reminders for tuition payments, electronic payments, seamless parent communications, realtime injury and incident reports, and online student portfolios, all in a safe, encrypted environment. Jinlu Lei, the bookkeeper, who has overseen the billing for the school will work with the Children's Center administration for a seamless transition in using this new system. We are grateful for the continued collaboration with Jinlu.
- The Children's Center is grateful for the continued prayers and support from the Session and the Church. With the blessing of the Session, the school has been able to continue to make health and safety a priority. The Church leadership and community have been most understanding and cooperative in working with the school in implementing the strict measures that were necessary in order to bring the children back on campus for in-person learning. The school would especially like to thank Sandra Tye for her leadership and guidance as the head of the Children's Center Committee, Bill Tuiasosopo for his continued assistance in the upkeep of the school building and grounds, Beth Phipps for her work as the Chair of the Finance Committee, Gail Hemingway for her support in HR matters, and Margaret Elam for helping the school navigate SFDPH's COVID procedures and protocols. The children, families, teachers and staff of the Children's Center want to thank them and the Church for their goodwill and consideration during this unprecedented time.

Respectively submitted by the Children's Center Executive Director, Michelle Adelsheim



Birthdays, Anniversaries and the Heifer Project

Because of your generous donations in honor of your birthdays and anniversaries, we continue our tradition of donating on the **Fourth Sunday** of each month. We have raised **\$721.00 out of \$5,000.00** and towards our sixth Ark comprised of two water buffalos, two cows, two sheep and two goats, along with bees, chicks, rabbits and more. Thank you for your continued support.

July Anniversaries

Joel & Barbara Bruxvoort 07/29

July Birthdays

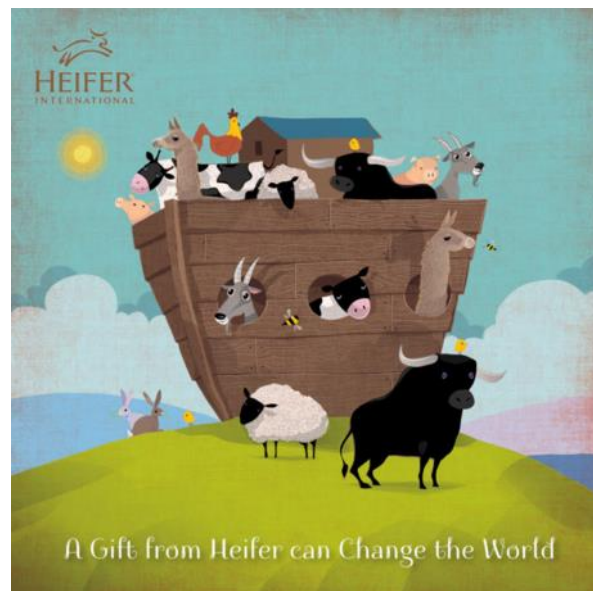
Jesse Medlen 07/02
 Roger Parks 07/06
 Sherman Van Lieu 07/07
 Mimi Johnson 07/08
 Eric Newton 07/08
 Eric Lien 07/10
 Jerry Blumenthal 07/12
 Gail Hemenway 07/16
 Margaret Colfer 07/19
 Margaret Elam 07/20
 Pam Rupright 07/20
 Daniel Anderson 07/23
 Helen Ong 07/22
 Kevin Phipps 07/24
 Kalani Tuiasosopo Sanders 07/25
 Lee Wies 07/29
 Cynthia Young 07/30

August Anniversaries

Eugene and Sharon Thomas 08/01
 Steve and Elizabeth Aurilio 08/03
 Brian and Margaret Colfer 08/11
 Mark and Helen Kashevaroff 08/12
 Christopher and Angie Padian 08/13
 Rudy and Susan Smith 08/15
 Bill and Julie Tuiasosopo 08/20
 Sherman and Shin-Hee Van Lieu 08/30

August Birthdays

Steve Aurilio 08/03
 Bill Robinson Jr. 08/05
 Sydon Chang 08/07
 Karl Morthole 08/08
 Will Robinson 08/09
 Erica Brode 08/24
 Jim Coppfer 08/24
 Hegla Fielding 08/26
 Daniel Fielding 08/27



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OR CURRENT RESIDENT



CHURCH HOLIDAY

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5th.

SUNDAY Events

Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 am
Coffee Hour will resume on
Sunday, August 1st

Lakeside Presbyterian Church

The Reverend Chris Gelini, Pastor
Don Scott Carpenter, Director of Music, Worship & Arts
We are Lakeside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), an inclusive community of faith striving to live and tell the good news of Jesus Christ. Through God's Blessings, we seek to provide an inviting, supportive and challenging atmosphere for worship, education, fellowship and service.

Office Hours:

Mon. 8:30am-12:30pm
Tue., Wed. and Thurs. 8:30am-4:00pm
Fri. 8:30am-12:30pm
www.lakesidepcsf.org