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# LANTERN

201 Eucalyptus Drive, San Francisco, CA 94132  
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January/February 2023

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*From the Pastor's Desk*



Join us for worship every  
Sunday at 11 a.m.

*Arise, shine, for your light has come, and  
the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.*



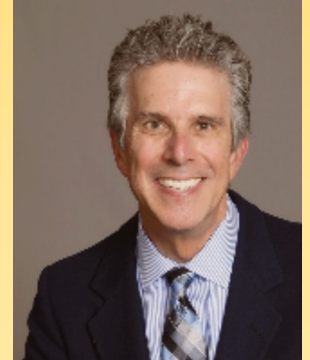
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The Rev. F. Christopher Gellini  
Pastor

*Happy New Year!*

Yes, it's another new year. I remember growing up and my grandfather telling me how time quickens as you get older. Of course, as a little boy I thought it took forever for the next year to arrive. Now that I'm older, I would apologize to my grandfather for not believing him. He was right. What happened to 2022? Actually, I'm looking forward to 2023 to see what the Lord will do in my life and the church's life.

And this is what we already know. Imagine what surprises God will have for us this year. Reminds me of a popular scripture for this time of year from the book of Isaiah, chapter 43:18-19a, "*Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?*" Would you be in prayer with your session, asking God to open our eyes to what he is doing so we can partner with him? It may be new for us, but what an adventure it will be.

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**AN INCLUSIVE HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE CELEBRATING GOD'S AMAZING LOVE.**

## What's going to be new in 2023?

- We no longer have the office of deacons. However, there will be a new deacons committee (a slimmed down ministry) on session.
- There will be 13 active elders on session in 2023. This is the most we've had since I arrived in 2013.
- Session has requested that we spend some time looking at our purpose as the body of Christ on the corner of 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Eucalyptus Drive. Much has changed since the beginning of the pandemic in March 2020, and we need to be in prayer, asking God for his guidance and direction.
- The youth group has three seniors involved as well as being the last three high school students. We have celebrated close to 15 high school students graduating over the past seven years who have been confirmed in Christ and sent off to the future God has for them.
- Judy Lindquist is working as temporary secretary until a new office administrator is hired.

*"May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May the Lord's favor be upon you and give you His peace."*

With much gratitude to God for every one of you!  
Pastor Chris

[PastorChrisLPC@lpcsf.org](mailto:PastorChrisLPC@lpcsf.org)



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Do you have a prayer request?  
Need prayer?

The online prayer request site is available 24/7 for your prayer requests. The LPC Prayer Group regards it as a privilege to offer prayer requests on your behalf.

To request prayer, visit: [lakesidepcsf.org/prayer](https://lakesidepcsf.org/prayer)

The Session, Staff, and Members are grateful for your generosity.

To make an offering to LPC, please place it in the offering place in the Narthex,

visit [LakesidePCSF.org/donate](https://LakesidePCSF.org/donate)

or mail a Check to 201 Eucalyptus Drive, SF 94132. Thank you!

The deadline for articles for the March/April 2023 **LANTERN** is February 15.  
Content may be sent to [dscarpenter@outlook.com](mailto:dscarpenter@outlook.com).

# WORSHIPPING THROUGH MUSIC, ART, AND DRAMA

*Thank you!*

What an amazing Advent and Christmas season we just had at Lakeside. From the darkness to the light, we sat in expectation and celebrated the birth of our Savior. Just amazing.

I want to thank so many people who helped ensure our annual celebrations happened without issues.

First, thank you to Dan Anderson who simple amazes me each week for his amazing playing, his dedication, and positive attitude. It simply makes my job so much easier.

I also want to thank every member of our Worship & Arts ministry who put in countless hours of preparation, rehearsal, and service to ensure we presented the very best we can in service to and in worship of Almighty God.



**Join us for worship each Sunday at 11am.**

Especially make plans to join us on Sunday morning, February 5 when we celebrate 80 years of worship and spreading the Gospel to the world. Our worship service will include communion and music for Brass & Organ, Jubilation Ringers, Chancel Choir, and more.

If you haven't returned to in-person worship, this is the moment to join us! We hope to see you on February 5 if not before!

Also, make plans to join us on Ash Wednesday, February 22, for a Simple Soup Supper at Six, and worship with communion and Imposition of Ashes at 7pm. All are invited. Let us travel to the cross together.

Mark your calendar now!

Ash Wednesday – February 22

Palm Sunday – April 2

Maundy Thursday – April 6

Good Friday – April 7

Easter – April 9

In God's Service,  
Don Scott

Don Scott Carpenter  
Organist and Director of Music, Worship, and the Arts

[DSCarpenter@outlook.com](mailto:DSCarpenter@outlook.com)

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

## JANUARY/FEBRUARY EVENTS AT LAKESIDE

### JANUARY

- 1 Second Sunday of Christmas – Randy Young, guest preacher, 11am
- 8 Epiphany/Baptism of the Lord, 11am  
Chancel Choir – Arrival of the Three Kings – Reaffirmation of Baptismal Covenant
- 15 Second Sunday after Epiphany, 11am  
Jubilation Ringers Ensemble – Chancel Choir
- 22 Third Sunday after Epiphany, 11am  
Chancel Choir
- 29 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, 11am  
Chancel Choir

### FEBRUARY

- 5 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service and Celebration, 11am/lunch 12:30pm  
Brass & Organ – Jubilation Ringers – Chancel Choir
- 12 Sixth Sunday after Epiphany, 11am  
Chancel Choir
- 19 Transfiguration Day, 11am  
Chancel Choir

### LENT

- 22 Ash Wednesday, dinner 6pm/service 7pm  
Simple Soup Supper – Imposition of Ashes – Communion
- 29 First Sunday in Lent  
Jubilation Ringers Ensemble – Chancel Choir



# LAKESIDE HAPPENINGS

## CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

### 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Does anyone remember when Lakeside was founded and opened? Or better yet when it was supposed to have been? Come and find out the history of our beloved church as we celebrate 80+ years of Lakeside ministry. Mark your calendars for February 5, 2023, the celebration will be held in the Lakeside social hall after church at 12:30 pm. This will be a catered event so watch for your invitation in the mail. RSVP's will be due back by January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

The committee, consisting of Judy Lindquist, Elaine Padian, Jane Sharp, Mike Copani, and myself have been working hard to make this a very special event. If you have any fond memory or a bit of memorabilia that you would like to share with your fellow Lakesiders please contact any of the above-mentioned committee members. More information on this very special event will be coming soon. So, stay tuned.

Thank you !

Beth Phipps  
Celebration Chair

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**FEBRUARY 5, 2023, 12:30 PM**



# SESSION

Ed Andre  
Joel Bruxvoort  
Margaret Colfer  
Margaret Elam  
Gail Hemenway  
Jesse Medlen  
Karl Morthole

Jesse Medlen  
Judith J. Murio  
Beth Phipps  
Jane Sharp  
Susan Brissenden Smith  
Beverly Wong  
Cindy Young

## MISSION PROJECTS

### ADVENT PROJECT 2022

Thank you very much for contributing so generously to the Advent Project, 2022. Many of you purchased blankets, toys, and gift cards to Safeway, Target and Ross, matching pink parkas for the girls, a microwave, toaster, and pots and pans! Gifts also included several items of clothing for each girl. All gifts were wrapped or in festive gift bags and delivered to Compass Family Services on December 14. I know the family appreciates all your gifts; please remember to pray for them during the year: **Luisa, Luis, Laia and Ana.**

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Advent Project 2022. I appreciate all of you and give thanks to the Holy One who through you provided needed items and gift cards for this family!

### FOOD BARREL UPDATE –

We are ending the collection of groceries at this time. The Food Bank no longer picks up the barrels and it has become difficult to deliver the items to the Food Bank. If you are interested in helping with the delivery, please call or email me and we can start collecting food again.

Margaret Elam [melamsf@gmail.com](mailto:melamsf@gmail.com) 415.225.2223

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One of our **ongoing ministries** is providing grocery items to the **SF-Marin Food Bank**. You have been so generous in bringing bags of non-perishable items to LPC and placing them into the Food Barrel; Thank you!

This ministry continues until no one is hungry in San Francisco.



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## HEIFER PROJECT



At LPC, we celebrate our birthdays and anniversaries by supporting the Heifer Project. We encourage you to donate to this project in celebration of your special day. In honor of your special event, we encourage you to donate to fund by "feeding" the heifer which stands ready in the Narthex on the third Sunday of every month. Have you noticed that his spots are "global"? For every \$5,000 LPC raises, we donate 1 "Ark" to be used in a myriad of ways. An Ark includes two water buffalo, two cows, two sheep, and two goats, along with bees, chicks, rabbits, and more.

For more information on the Heifer Project, visit [heifer.org](http://heifer.org).

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## BOOK CLUB NEWS

Why do we read? Have you ever read a book that you can't put down? Want to learn something new?

The Book Club read stories that excite our imagination. The books we read span different centuries and locations. Our December book, *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens brought us to the London of 1830's. At the January meeting, we will discuss Lucy Foley's best new seller, *The Paris Apartment* that takes place in modern day Paris. The February book, *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith takes us to New York at the turn of the twentieth century.

We welcomed a new member, Liz Moore to our Book Club. She lives in the West Portal area and is a recent transplant to the west coast.

We continue to meet on Zoom on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. We welcome all to join us for book discussion and fellowship. Please contact Sandra Tye for more information.

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## FINANCE REPORT

	November		YTD		Annual Budget
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	
Total Income	\$57,147	\$36,478	\$405,298	\$388,320	\$428,098
Total Expense	\$59,341	\$39,649	\$485,486	\$452,029	\$497,896
Net Ordinary Income	-\$2,194	-\$3,171	-\$80,188	-\$63,709	-\$69,798

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*An inclusive house of prayer for all people celebrating God's amazing love.*

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Lakeside Presbyterian Church is a missional church rooted in loving God, loving our neighbors, and living our lives in a manner befitting the Lord. We celebrate our faith through worship, education, mission, and outreach. We are committed to bringing all the warmth, beauty and God's presence at 19<sup>th</sup> and Eucalyptus directly to you! We invite you to interact with us in new ways, and we hope you find a measure of comfort and God's grace in our time together. Everyone is welcomed here.

