

THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST

MESSENGER

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Blessed Trinity

Christians worship the one God who exists as three persons. The doctrine of the Trinity is, indeed, a mystery. However, the doctrine is essential. The Scriptures describe the one God who is three persons—Father, Son, and Spirit. These three persons are distinct from each other, but the three persons are also one God. The complexity of the Trinity rests on how one God can be three persons.

The Old Testament, though not as clearly as the New Testament, does reveal the Trinity. God is clearly addressed as the Creator in Genesis 1. God is the deliverer in Exodus 3. The Trinity worked inseparably in all these things. It seems that it was the Father who said "let us create man in our own image" (Gen 1:26-27). The Father's words to the Son are recorded in Psalm 110:1. The Spirit of God (the Holy Spirit) was at work in creation (Gen 1:2). When we read about "the angel of the Lord," we see a person who is distinct from the Father but also is described as God (Gn 18; 22:11-18; 32:24-30; Ex 3:2-6; Is 63:9; and Zech 3:1-4).

How can there be three divine persons if there is only one God? There is one God. Christians do not worship three gods. Christians must only worship God (Matt 4:10; Dt 6:13), but our one God exists as three persons. The three persons of the Trinity share the same essence and will. There is no hierarchy. There is no "society" as we think of it. Instead, the three persons are one God. Hebrews 1 described it this way: He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature (Heb 1:3). John said, "the Word was God" (Jn 1:1). Christians are commanded to baptize in the "name (singular) of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matt 28:20). The three persons have the same name meaning that they share the same divine essence.

In this way we begin to understand, though we will never comprehend, how we worship one God who exists or subsists as three persons. This doctrine is fundamental to Christianity. The Bible does not teach that the Father, Son, and Spirit are all one person. The Bible does not teach that Jesus was created or adopted into the divine family. The Father, Son, and Spirit are eternally one God.

Donnie L. DeBord, M.Div, Th.M

Welcome to Lomax!

A special welcome to our guests!

We are glad to have you visiting with us today! You are welcome here. We know you have a choice of where to worship, and you chose to be with us today — thank you.

At Lomax we want to be the church we read about in the Bible. Our goal is to glorify God with our worship and with our lives and to point people to Jesus Christ.

If you need anything during the service, ushers in the lobby can direct you to restrooms, the nursery, or a telephone. Please do us the favor of filling out a blue card located on the back of the pew in front of you. If you have any questions or if we can help



There will be a
bridal shower honoring
Mashaya Hinson, on Sun. April
11th from 1:30—3:00 in the
Christian Service Center.
Mashaya is registered at
Miss Millie's, Target and
Williams-Sonoma.
If you wish to donate to the
money tree, please see Betsy
Tiller or Gwen Hinson.



Sick: Jerry Ammons had successful leg surgery and is now at home recovering. Mike O'Brien was admitted to the hospital last week with low sodium levels but has returned home. Lynn Ammons is now at home dealing with ailments related to Cushings Disease. He has developed blood clots in his leg and lungs. Tom Kilpatrick will have a procedure on his prostrate on April 19th. Kenny Graves, former director of schools is in Stallworth Rehabilitation in serious condition. Melba Ogg, the aunt of Gary Hinson as well as her son Danny Ogg are in quarantine from Covid conditions. Cindy Baxter had successful cancer surgery on March 31st. Neci Baker will have surgery on April 12th. Both are dealing with cancer. Keep them and their families in mind as they both go through surgery and treatments.

Please keep all those of our number as well as friends and family that have had to endure the Covid-19 virus.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of **Ira Riley**, the brother of David Riley. He passed away Tuesday, April 6th. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

<u>Sympathy:</u> to the family and friends of Alice Landrum, former teacher in Lewis County. Her funeral was held Saturday, April 10th.

Continue to remember: June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Jana Grimes, Janice Johnston, Jane Lawson, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Mike O'Brien, Angela Riley, Howard Spears, Janice Sublett, Richard Whitehead and Charles Williams

Shut-ins: Sharon Edwards, Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

<u>In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center:</u> Michelle Huff and Betty Stafford.

Remember our military: Dustin Brugmann (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton), Cameron Hardison (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith), and Ethan Hardison (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith.



April 25th will be our next Friends & Family Day of 2021 and we will be honoring Bro. Malcom George for 70+ years of ministry. There will not be a meal after morning services. We will come back at 4:00 pm for evening service with hamburgers and hotdogs after this service. Please invite your friends & families for this great day.



Food For Friends:

April 15th

Team 6 (Kay & Annette)

If anyone can help deliver meals, be at the CSC at 10:30 am

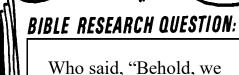


Our monthly Food for Families distribution is <u>Thursday</u>, <u>April 15th</u>

If you have not brought your grocery items in, please do so by Wed. morning if possible.

A LOOK AHEAD

April 11—Bridal Shower for
Mashaya Hinson
April 11—Youth Committee & VBS
Planning Session
April 16—Family Game Night @
6:00 pm
April 18—Housewarming for
Brice & Emily Van Hook
April 24—Young Mens Seminar @
East Main in Murfreesboro.
April 25—Friends & Family Day
plus All Age Youth Cookout @ 5:00
May 17-18—Day School Graduation
June 6-9—Lomax VBS
July 11-13—Gospel Meeting with



Who said, "Behold, we count them happy which endure"?

Dr. Justin Rogers

(answer next week)



KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Meditations with Malcom

A special welcome to all our visitors. We are glad you have come our way. Remember that Lomax is truly a growing church for a coming Lord. And remember that The Son always shines at Lomax

SENTENCE SERMONS: ABILITY without ambition is like a car without a motor.....You will get run over unless you stay on the right track....A word from a small group can motivate a lot of folks.

LET US REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS...Some folks brighten a corner when they walk out....And remember that every pessimist in history is buried in an unmarked grave,....:Good humor is the lubricant of life,

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: No wonder a hen could not find her eggs since last Sunday was Easter....."She - I learned that kisses provide the language of love." He—"Lets talk this one out." She was so old when she went to school they did not have history. Old golfers never die. They just tee off and putt away.

Boo's Belyeu

I was scrolling through the National Day calendar to get ideas of what to write about this week. How did we get all these National Days? This week we have National Barber Shop Quartet Day, National Cheese Fondue Day, National Pet Day, National Big Wind Day, National Peach Cobbler Day, National Reach as High as You Can Day that is just to name a few. Is it possible we make too many? It is great to plan and to remember. Not sure how to plan or celebrate "Big Wind Day." Proverbs 16:9 "The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps." It is good to plan, but we must always remember the Lord needs to direct our steps. James 4:13-15 "Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit" 14 yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. 15 Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that." So it is we are to be busy, plan, and work as long as the Lord allows. Celebrate every day he gives us and "Reach as high as you can."

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The Lomax Congregation has received a \$100.00 donation this past week to go to the mission work of Maurice Jadon in Nazareth.

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The Lomax Congregation has received a donation this past week to go to the Day School in memory of Ira Riley.

God, Time, and Promises

God dwells in eternity and time means nothing to Him (2 Peter 3:8). However, His word and His promises mean everything to Him. "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). The Lord promised that there is coming at time when this earth and everything in it will be destroyed (2 Peter 3:10). The end of the earth and the dissolving of all material things prompted the statement of 2 Peter 3:11, in which the Bible teaches, "Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness?" Are you the person you should be?

Charles Box

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BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 04/04

A.M. Bible Class	124
A.M. Worship Service	203
P.M. Worship Service	105
Wednesday PM	142
Contribution:	\$8.145.00

Weekly Budget \$6,000.00

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study — 9:00 am Worship Services — 10:00 am Sunday Evening — 6:00 pm Wednesday Primetimers - 10:00 am Wednesday Bible Study — 7:00 pm



Friday, April 16th @ 6:00 pm. Come on out and enjoy food, fellowship & fun! Please see Kara Farr to sign up for food.

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Lomax Christian Day School 796-7373

Last week's Know Your
Bible Answer:
Joseph,
to Potiphar's wife
Genesis 19:9



Please continue to check out the New Visitation Bulletin Board in the foyer for updated information.

ELDERS:

Jeff Dye — 306-8463 John Eglinton—446-5646 Rick Morrow —615-430-6663 Mike Parker—628-2961 (Please leave a message)

DEACONS

Lynn Ammons (Worship Assign., Grounds) **Wesley Carroll** (Transportation, Day School) **Matthew Farr** (Special Events) **Colby Hamm** (Young Families Ministry) **Chris Hunter** (Visitation) **Greg Mullinicks** (Audio/Visual, Bulletin) **Chuck Oppermann** (Missions) **Jeff Spears** (Education) Marty Spears (Finance)

Van Hook Housewarming
Sunday, April 18th 1:00-2:30
"Pop" on by 112 Ashley Marie Dr
Colors in home: navy, gray and
mustard yellow There's also an
Amazon Wish List and money
tree available. See Kara Farr for
details.

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