

THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST

MESSENGER

A place to <u>belong</u>. A place to be <u>loved</u>. A place to <u>serve</u> God and others.

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Just One Day

Surely, we could do more than just one day. Good mothers are notoriously undervalued. Don't they deserve more than one day? We tend to appreciate these great servants only when we need them or when they aren't there. Let us do a better job of honoring all those who distinguish themselves through service.

Jesus taught us to give what is appropriate to those who are deserving. To Caesar, we give that which is due to Caesar, and to God, we give the things that are due to God. Should we not also appropriately give honor to those servants who are deserving? Romans 13:7 instructs us to "Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed." In Romans 13:7, Paul did address financial responsibilities, but he also moved beyond those physical responsibilities to emotional responsibilities. This genuine appreciation is, of course, more important than an offering or gift. True servants deserve our genuine appreciation.

How are you going to display your appreciation? How can we display our genuine appreciation for those who have been such a blessing to us? As we think about returning thanks to our mothers, wives, and others, we must also remember to thank God from whom we receive each and every blessing. Thankfulness is vital to our relationship with one another and vital to our relationship with God. Surely, we understand that just one day a year is not enough for our mothers and it certainly is not enough for our God. Let us always express our thanks to God for all his wonderful blessings.

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





Sick: Mike O'Brien will resume his cancer treatments soon. Jennette West will have shoulder surgery on May 18th. Fave Kilpatrick is now at home and recovering. Gene Kilpatrick had successful knee surgery and is now home recovering. Chuck Oppermann had successful knee surgery but will not be able to be out for several months. Molly Reasons hurt her back this week. Kenneth Carroll, the father of Wesley Carroll, is now at home recovering from a fall and surgery last week. L. C. Bowen, cousin of Tom Kilpatrick had surgery Friday, May 7th at Vanderbilt.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of **Noah Woodall**, the son of Scarlett Woodall. Visitation will be Sat. May 8th from 10 till 11 followed by funeral..

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

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

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: 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)



The yearly Diana Singing for June 11-12 has been cancelled this year. We are planning to have our own Singing on June 11th to coincide with other congregations. If you have interest in this, please let Boo or Matthew know.

May 9—honoring our 2021 Seniors

Brooklyn Carroll Ian Carroll Skylar Everett Zach Holder Aaron Hunter Faith James Mackenzie Kolb Molly Reasons Reagan Webb

Please bring finger foods and refreshments for the reception following services in the CSC. If you would like to donate for the Senior Gifts, please see Kara Farr..



Food For Friends:

<u>May 13th</u>

Team 3 (Sharon & Sue)

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



Our monthly Food for Families distribution is Thursday, May 20th

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

A LOOK AHEAD

May 9—Mother's Day May 9—Senior Night

May 13—Primetimers Trip to Fish Camp
May 16—Youth Committee/VBS

Update

May 17-18—Day School Graduation

May 21—LCHS Graduation

May 23—L2L Info. Mtg. @ 5:00

May 24—All Age Devotional June 6-9—Lomax VBS

July 3—4th of July Celebration

July 11-13—Gospel Meeting with Dr. Justin Rogers

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

What prophet saw trees "the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine"?

(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 And we count everyone because everyone counts. ...Our thanks to our elders and all the good work they are doing. Also, thanks to Boo, Donnie, etc. and all the good work they are doing.

ABUNDANT LIVING: Think deeply, Speak gently, Laugh often, Word hard, Give freely, Pay promptly, Pray earnestly, Be Kind.

DON'T FORGET PROVERBS 31 THE VALUE OF A WORTHY WOMAN: We assume that our church house will be full today as we rise up and call them blessed.....Yes, LET US PAUSE AND PRAISE THEM.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Shortly after tying the knot, a young married couple started arguing over who should make the coffee. Being a good Christian woman, the wife went to the scriptures for her answer. She said that the Bible specifically stated that men should be the ones to make the coffee. Puzzled the husband asked her where in the Bible it said that. Very confidently, the wife opened her Bible and said, "It's right here—HEBREWS."

Boo's Belyeu

On May 14, 1804 William Clark and the Corps joined Meriwether Lewis in St. Charles, Missouri and headed upstream on the Missouri River at an average of 15 miles per day. Heat, swarms of insects, and strong river currents made the trip arduous at best. The word arduous means involving or requiring strenuous effort; difficult and tiring. It is impossible in this article to say the details of the incredible journey and its results the impact on our country.

Do you ever wish to have an incredible journey, an incredible duty to carry out? There is not greater journey, nothing more important, than the Christian life. John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." A journey to eternal life what could be greater? John 14:6 "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me." A journey to be with God it makes all other expeditions seem insignificant in comparison. Never think your effort; your hardships are not worth the journey. Gal. 6:9 "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

Mother's Day

Where did Mother's Day come from? While naysayers have tried to identify this holiday with past pagan rituals, the truth is Mother's Day began as a day to honor good Christian moms. Anna M. Jarvis (1864-1948) is credited with bringing in the celebration of Mother's day with the first observance at a church service held on May 10, 1908. The idea itself did not take long to be spread to churches all over.

Our mothers are worthy of honor! God has given us instruction on how we are to treat our parents. We find this command in Exodus 20:12: "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you." The word "honor" means to show re-spect, to reverence, even to hold in awe. What this means to us is that, no matter what our age (since this is a timeless command), we are to hold our mothers in high esteem. The truth is, we honor God by honoring our mothers.

To all the mothers present today and all who have passed from this life, we say a word of appreciation. Thank you for bringing up your children with good values. Especially thank you for doing your best to bring them up in the Lord!

Larry Fitzgerald
Abilene. TX

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 05/02

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A.M. Divie Class	119
A.M. Worship Service	187
P.M. Worship Service	91
Wednesday PM	127

Contribution: \$14,069.00

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



May 30th will be our next 5th Sunday Contribution. This will go to the Building and Remodeling Fund.

Please keep this in mind as we prepare to give.

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Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Jeremiah Jeremiah 20:14



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

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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)



Lomax Christian Day School will present its Graduation Program on Monday, May 17th and Tuesday, May 18th at 7:00 in the evening in the Lomax auditorium. A reception will follow in the CSC.

We are always grateful for the attendance of the members of Lomax. If you would like to volunteer, please see Jan HIII.

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