



THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

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Reverence

“For our God is a consuming fire” is the reason given for why we should “worship acceptably with reverence and awe” (Heb 12:28). When modern worship is surveyed, there is unfortunate lack of reverence displayed among the worshipers both inside the service and outside the service. Why is our culture captivated with irreverence? Why does everyone want to rebel? Why do we want to live as we want and expect everyone to accept all our choices? Wouldn’t it be better to live before God in a way that is acceptable to him? Shouldn’t we live with reverence and awe to prepare us for the sacred moments when we are able to worship with reverence and awe?

Christian worship is to be done “with reverence and awe” (Hebrews 12:28-29). Louw and Nida, in their lexicon, stated that in the Greek word “εὐλαβείας” translated “reverence” “there is also a certain element of awe, which may be interpreted in some instances as implying even fear. The implication of such reverent fear or awe is, of course, obedience.” “Awe” was likewise described as, “profound respect and awe for deity.” Those who appropriately revere God and are in awe of him will find their lives blessed. God said, “But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings” (Mal 4:2).

Even Jesus’ prayers are characterized by reverence. Hebrews 5:6 says Jesus offered up prayers and was “heard because of his reverence.” We must prepare for worship with our lives lived with reverence and awe. Worship then can be the pinnacle of our lives before God. The reverence and awe with which we live will be exemplified as we worship. While Christians can draw near to God with boldness, we must also remember that we are in God’s presence and that deserve proper decorum in worship and life.

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

All Age

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DEVOTIONAL

May 24th at Lee Riley’s River Lot
Please see Lee Riley for Directions

We will leave the building at 4:30 pm. Please let Saul or Brice know if you are going. We will be having hamburgers & hot dogs so see Saul or Brice for food items to bring. Please bring clothes you don’t mind getting dirty to play outside & in the creek. (Please do not wear swimsuits as outerwear).

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Sick: *Mike O'Brien* continues his cancer treatments. *Jennette West* had successful shoulder surgery and is at home recovering. *Faye Kilpatrick* is in NHC Columbia room #2402 for rehabilitation. *Pop Hinson* had surgery May 20th at St. Thomas Hospital to clear up infection on his shoulder. *Chuck Oppermann* had a good news on his knee. Still will be in a brace and walker for another month. *Ralph Conkle* had surgery May 20th to have an ablation repair on his heart. *George Collison* will have tests run to determine if spots on his head are cancerous on May 27th. *Lisa Chambers*, the daughter of Jerry & Alice Ammons had successful shoulder surgery and recovering at home.. *Caleb Clement*, the grandson of Hershel & Sherrie Anderson had successful surgery on his nose as well as on his vocal chords. *Matthew Jones*, the son of Jonathan & Michelle Jones has been in the hospital on a ventilator the past week.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of *Ed Burklow*, the brother of Bob Burklow. Visitation and Funeral will be held Saturday, May 15th.

Celebration of Life Service: June 5th for *Roy Shannon* at the Centerville Church of Christ @ 2:00 pm.

Continue to remember: *Jerry Ammons, Lynn Ammons, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Neci Baker, Cindy Baxter, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Kenneth Carroll, 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.



Food For Friends:

May 27th

Team 5 (Kay & Kathy)

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



**Food
for Families**

Our monthly Food for Families distribution is **Thursday, June 17th**

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

A LOOK AHEAD

May 23—L2L Info. Mtg. @ 5:00

May 24—All Age Devotional

June 2—Family Meal Night

June 6-9—Lomax VBS

June 11—Lomax Diana Singing

June 20—Friends & Family Day

July 3—4th of July Celebration

July 7—Family Meal Night

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

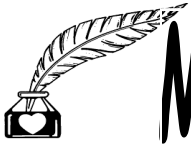
July 15—Primetimers Trip to Beacon Light @ 4:00 pm

July 16—Singing @ Springer

BIBLE RESEARCH QUESTION:

Who said, "Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon"?
(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. ...

LOVE IS THE FLAG flying high in the castle of the heart, when the King is in residence there....I asked God for strength, that I might achieve, but was made weak that I might be made humble...I asked God for riches, that I might be made happy, I was given poverty that I might be wise....I asked God for all things that I might enjoy life, I was given life that I might enjoy all things.

ON THE LIGHTY SIDE; YOU may not trust your wife, just look who she married....After having children, Adam and Eve started getting a lot of questions from their kids about why they no longer lived in Eden. Adam has a simple answer for this: "Your mother ate us out of house and home." for this: "Your mother ate us out of house and home."

Boo's Belyeu

On May 24th 1844 Samuel Morse, yes of "Morse Code," sent his first message covering about 38 miles from Washington DC to Baltimore. The message "What hath God wrought?" from Numbers 23:23. You may wonder why this message? What does it mean? Samuel Morse a religious man sent a message that is an expression of wonder and marvel at what God has made. This is no ordinary invention. In that day should you want to send a message you must hand deliver it, well usually by horse. The telegraph Morse code was the fastest long distance form of communication in the world. It was pivotal in WWII. Isn't it refreshing to read the inventor's message giving credit to God? Deut. 8:17-18 ¹⁷ Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' ¹⁸ You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day." A warning we do well to remember all we have, all we amount to is a blessing from God.

Tomorrow

I have a riddle for you! What is it that a man does not have, but that he often uses to rob himself of happiness here and heaven hereafter? You looked at the title, didn't you? The answer is, "Tomorrow."

"Tomorrow" is one of the most dangerous words in our language. It robs of happiness and is the thief of souls. How so? Read on!

"I'm going to do that important job... tomorrow!" "I'm going to spend more time with my family...tomorrow!" "I'm going to break this terrible habit...tomorrow!" "I'm going to learn more of God's will for my life...tomorrow!" "I'm going to become a faithful Christian...tomorrow!" Since we are so prone to center our lives around "tomorrow," there are two things that we need to consider about it:

We cannot live tomorrow! Try as we may, tomorrow is still "unborn." We only have today. Live today! Do not worry about tomorrow! The Master said, "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6:34),

We have no promise of tomorrow.

Tomorrow, we may lose our desire. Tomorrow, we may be incapacitated. Tomorrow, we may be dead. Tomorrow may bring the Judgment. Tomorrow may never come. Tomorrow may be too late. "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2).

In great wisdom Solomon declared, "Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth" (Proverbs 27:1). Do not let "tomorrow" be the tragedy of your life and soul!

*Dwight Fuqua
Sparta, TN*

BY THE NUMBERS
For the week of 05/16

A.M. Bible Class	128
A.M. Worship Service	190
P.M. Worship Service	98
Wednesday PM	99
Contribution:	\$6,708.00
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



Next Sunday, 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:
Saul
Acts 9:6



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

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(Please leave a message)

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(Young Families Ministry)
Chris Hunter
(Visitation)
Greg Mullinicks
(Audio/Visual, Bulletin)
Chuck Oppermann
(Missions)
Jeff Spears
(Education)
Marty Spears
(Finance)

LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST VBS

FINDING FAITH

JUNE 6TH-9TH

JUNE 6TH 6:00 PM

JUNE 7TH-9TH 7:00 PM

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES, CRAFTS, AND SINGING.

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