

# THE LOMAX CHURCH OF CHRIST **MESSENGER**

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#### Jesus: True Human

God purchased the church with his own blood (Acts 20:28). At least two important theological truths can be seen in this brief declaration from the Spirit: 1) Jesus was true God; 2) Jesus was also true human; and 3) Jesus' blood was necessary for salvation as a divine sacrifice. The incarnation– when the Son added a human nature to his person–is necessary to the salvation of God's people. This divine sacrifice was possible only because the Son of God assumed to himself a complete human nature. "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father" (Jn. 1:14, KJV). The Word did not stop being God. Gregory of Nazianzus explained that "Without ceasing to be what he was, he became what he was not." Therefore, Christ was both human and divine. He did not stop being God. God the Son remained unchangeable (Js. 1:17). Christ's human nature experienced change (Lk. 2:52)—human life, weakness, death, resurrection, and ascension.

Modernity saw the rise of theological liberalism and with this liberalism came the idea that Christ emptied himself of his deity. God cannot change or be limited. Change is a distinctively creaturely characteristic. Therefore, any limitation in the divine nature, even the divine nature of Christ, must be rejected. Furthermore, if Christ was not true God, then we do not have a true divine sacrifice (Acts 20:28).

The incarnation, therefore, involved a human nature and a divine nature joined in one person. This union of the two natures in the one person is best "acknowledged in two natures, inconfusedly, unchangeably, indivisibly, inseparably; the distinction of natures being by no means taken away by the union, but rather the property of each nature being preserved, and concurring in one Person."[" Christ was both human and divine. The divine nature was transcendent and distinct from human nature. Christ's human nature was exactly like our human nature (Heb. 2:17 -18).

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

### ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 12th after the evening worship services at the home of Rick & Cindy Morrow Please bring finger foods and a gift to exchange. There will be child care available the night of the Christmas party. See Cindy Morrow to reserve a spot for your children.





Sick: Mike O'Brien is back in the hospital dealing with lung problems and is in need of our prayers. Karen Eglinton will have back surgery in the next few weeks. Bill Judkins, the son-in-law of Nadine Turnbow is dealing with pancreatic cance. Sara Rogers will have spinal cord stimulator surgery on December 8th. Connie Nolin is having some back issues and will have surgery next Tuesday. Ronnie Riley, father of Lee Riley had surgery on Tuesday, November 30th at Vanderbilt and is doing well. Caleb Clement, the grandson of Hershel Anderson was involved in a sports accident breaking bones in his face. He had surgery at Vanderbilt and has improved now that he is home and recovering. Danny Bates is in Maury Regional with C-Dif and other complications. Matthew Jones, the grandson of Rick & Ann Jones is in need of our prayers. He will soon be sent home from Vanderbilt. Bob Cummins, the father of Ashley Heath is in Maury Regional and is need of our prayers.. Please remember all those who have been or are currently dealing with the COVID Virus.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Jana Grimes. Her funeral was held Sunday, Dec. 5th @ 3:30.. Sympathy to the friends and family of Dorothy Tanner, the sister of Faye Kilpatrick. Her funeral was held Sunday, Dec. 5th. @ 2:00.

Sympathy to the friends and family of Wanda Vineyard. Her funeral was held Sunday, Dec. 5th @ 1:00 with a Celebration of Life held Monday, Dec. 6th.

<u>Continue to remember:</u> Jerry Ammons, Lynn Ammons, June Bates—Life Care of Centerville, Nell Bunch, Lovada Burklow, Jean Curry, Barbara Eglinton, Rochelle Ely, Dustin Flowers, Sharon Grinder, Janice Johnston, Bill Judkins, Faye Kilpatrick, Freida Lewis, Jennie Martin, Becky Mears, Thomas McMillian, Danny Milam, Howard Miller, Gary O'Brien, Mike O'Brien, David Roth, Janice Sublett, Mike Tatum, Nadine Turnbow, Richard Whitehead, Charles Williams and Jerry Yates.

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

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: Michelle Huff, Melba Ogg, Jean Pace and Betty Stafford.

**<u>Remember our military:</u>** *Dustin Brugmann* (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), *Kerry Conkle* (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), and Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton).



The Lomax Congregation has received a \$150.00 donation to the Food for Friends Program in memory of Wanda Vineyard.

The Lomax Congregation has received a \$200.00 donation from the Kimmins Congregation to assist with the Christmas Dinner.



The Lomax Congregation has received donations to the Day School Program in memory of Jana Grimes and Wanda Vineyard.







# Boo's Belyeu

Just a little more than a week back we made the bus ride to help with Disaster Relief. Special thanks to the people who took time out of their busy schedule to help with such a worthy cause. We were short staffed this time and hopefully more will go next time. So many of our Primetimers step up each time we go. They are amazing. What a wonderful work we assist in doing the boxes to be sent out and the church sending monies to Disaster Relief also. This year 5.8 million was sent in supplies across the US. Alabama, Georgia, Texas, New Jersey, Arkansas, Oklahoma, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky received help. Floods, winter storms, hurricanes, tornadoes, wild fires Disaster Relief helped in all of these this past year. With every supply box is a new testament giving folks not just the essentials to endure the hardships of life physically, but the word to give them the peace that passeth all understanding Philippians 4:7. Thanks to all of you for your contributions to Lomax and of course all of you of the past year who made the trip to do boxes. May God bless this wonderful work.

### LOMAX STUDENT MINISTRY

\* **Monday, December 20th-** Caroling, devo, dinner, and games -We will be caroling around 5 pm, then coming back and having a meal. Please bring finger foods/desserts. We will be having a devotional and games after dinner. If you have any questions please let Saul or Brice know.

\*\*\* There will be no Family Meal Night or Lads to Leaders in December. We will resume these in the new year.

\*Friday, February 4th through Saturday, February 5th - 2022 Lomax Youth Rally. Mark your calendar now \*Friday, February 25 through Sunday, February 27 - Challenge Youth Conference, a huge youth rally in Gatlinburg. Sign up sheet is in the foyer now!

Sunday, June 19 through Wednesday, June 22 Lomax VBS



#### Pray for Others Without Ceasing

Paul's famously inspired words in 1 Thessalonians 5:17, "pray without ceasing" really come to light when observing all of his two letters to the church in Thessalonica. As documented in Acts 17, Paul, Silas, and Timothy establish the Lord's church there after spending three Sabbaths reasoning with them from the Scriptures (v. 2). Ultimately, angry Jews chase them out of town, leaving the newly found congregation to be on its own, but of course, not without having been taught

and solidified with the Truth. Paul commends these faithful children and greatly encourages them, by way of example, in his own prayer life to be ceaseless in prayer for others. He writes, "we give thanks to God always for all of you" (1 Thess. 1:2); "For this reason we also constantly thank God that when you received the word of God" (1 Thess. 2:13); "as we night and day keep praying most earnestly that we may see your face" (1 Thess. 3:10); "We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brethren" (2 Thess. 1:3); "To this end also we pray for you always" (2 Thess. 1:11); "But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren" (2 Thess. 2:13).

As is fitting, take time this season (and every season) to give thanks to God for everything, for this is His will for us (1 Thess. 5:18). But, also, don't neglect your own requests for prayer. Paul twice asks the good brethren in Thessalonica to "pray for us" (1 Thess. 5:25; 2 Thess. 3:1). The constant encouragement of praying for others without ceasing will surely help see us through our spiritual walk together until our Lord comes again. *Jon Warnes Brown Trail church of Christ Bedford. TX* 

BY THE NUMBERS For the week of 12/05	
A.M. Bible Class	126
A.M. Worship Service	192
P.M. Worship Service	91
Wednesday PM	116
Contribution:	\$8,807.00
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



Christmas Caroling December 20th @ 5:30 pm See Brice or Emily for details. *Lomax Church of Christ* 931-796-5381 Email: info@lomaxchurch.com <u>MINISTERS:</u> Donnie DeBord – 628-9276 Malcom George - 796-0045 Jeff Spears—306-1362 Saul Calderon—817-905-5324 Brice Van Hook—636-639-0153

Lomax Christian Day School 796-7373

Last week's Know Your Bible Answer: Hosea Hosea 4:6



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



Ladies are invited to meet every Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the Library to prepare cards and have prayer for those in need. If you know of any to whom we should send cards, please meet with the ladies on Wednesday evenings or contact Betsy or Gwen.

### **ELDERS:**

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

#### **DEACONS**

Matthew Farr (Special Events, CSC Scheduling) Colby Hamm (Young Families Ministry) Chris Hunter (Visitation) Greg Mullinicks (Audio/Visual, Bulletin) Chuck Oppermann (Missions, Correspondance Courses) Jeff Spears (Education) Marty Spears (Finance)



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