

Our Ministry Schedule



Sunday, December 26th

- 8 am Centering Prayer Service, Chapel
- 8:45 am Nursery Care available
- 10 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15 Lakeside: A Time to Come Together, Fireside Room
- 12 pm Kenya Mission Group, Fireside Room

Wednesday 6:30 am Centering Prayer Service, Chapel

Thursday 4:00 pm Pastor Kim dives at the Monterey Bay Aquarium

Friday Church office is closed
6:30 pm Al-Anon Meetings, Fireside Room

Saturday Happy New Year

Sunday, January 2nd

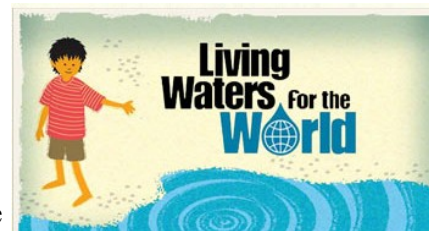
- 8 am Centering Prayer Service, Chapel
- 9:45 am Nursery Care available
- 10 am Worship Service with Holy Communion; Sanctuary
- 11:15 am Lakeside: A Time to Come Together, Fireside Room
- 12 pm Kenya Mission Group, Fireside Room
- 12 pm Taking down of the Advent and Christmas decorations

Hope Abounds for the New Year!

As we break out the new calendars and make our New Year resolutions, it is also a great time to reaffirm our connection to God. A vital faith has many expressions from a kind gesture to changing your entire day to help someone in need. We wish to tell your story of how you are displaying your faith. Please share your story with so that as God works through you, others maybe inspired! Send your stories to the Church so that we might praise God together.

Just in case you need to send another gift, try this!

For Presbyterians rushing to find just the right belated Christmas gift, there's a better option than fighting the crowds and heading out to the nearest big-box store.

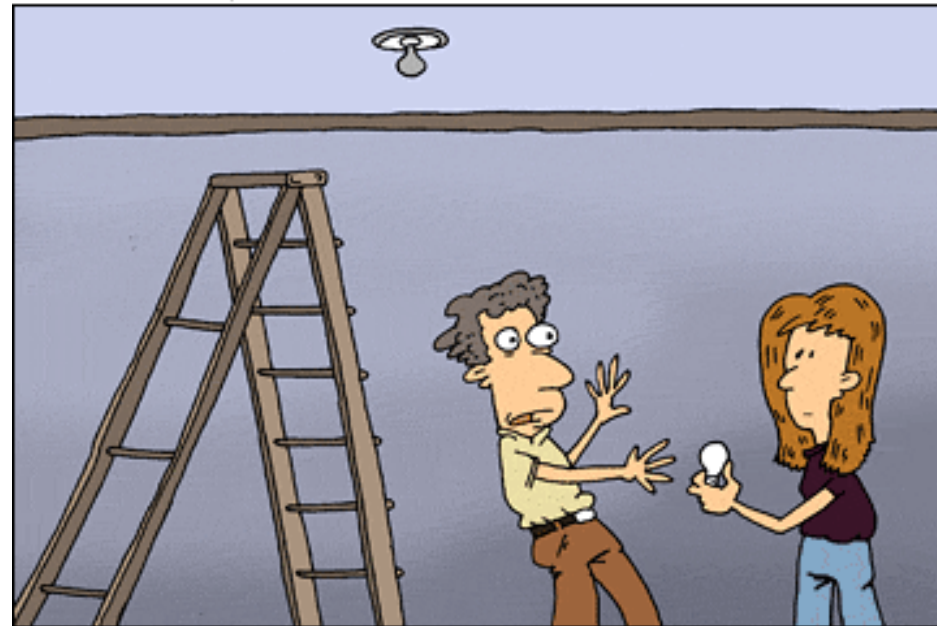


[Living Waters for the World](http://www.livingwatersecard.org/), a mission resource of the [Synod of Living Waters](http://www.livingwatersecard.org/), will provide an e-card for each donation made as an alternative gift for a family member or friend. LWW trains and equips mission teams to share clean, sustainable water to communities in need around the world and in the Appalachian United States.

When you make a donation to LWW in the name of someone on your gift list, they'll get a [personalized e-card](http://www.livingwatersecard.org/) from LWW, explaining how the gift made in their honor helps bring clean water to those who need it.

For more information or to send a donation please see: <http://www.livingwatersecard.org/>

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Make a Musical New Year's Resolution

Make a new 2011 resolution: join our Music Ministry team!



The Lakeside Adult Choir, Handbell Ringers, and Jubilate Children's Choir will resume rehearsals in the New Year.

Adult Choir begins again with Thursday rehearsals starting on January 6, at 8:00 pm, after the **Handbell** rehearsal at 7:00 pm.

The **Lakeside Jubilate Children's Choir** rehearsal, Cindy Young, Director, will continue rehearsals beginning Wednesday, Jan. 5, 4:00 to 5:30 pm. Call the church office at 415.564.8833 for more information, if needed.

Bible Study Notes for the Week

The Bible passages for today are in your bulletin and in the pew Bible (RSV).

- Isaiah 63:7-9, page 657*
- Psalm 148, pages 558-559*
- Hebrews 2:10-18, page 209+
- Matthew 2:13-23, page 8+

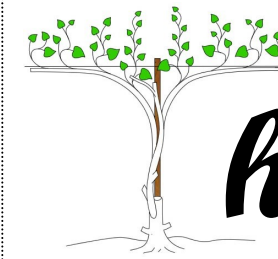
For your enrichment through the next week, the Bible passages for next Sunday are:

- Ecclesiastes 3:1-13, page 589*
- Psalm 8, page 478*
- Revelation 21:1-6a, page 249+
- Matthew 25:31-46, page 32+

Note: The pew Bible is the Revised Standard Version.

* Old Testament, 1st half of the pew Bible + New Testament, 2nd half of the pew Bible

Check out the podcast versions of these readings at the National Presbyterian Church website: www.pcusa.org/devotions/podcast or www.biblegateway.com



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"In all your ways acknowledge Him." - Proverbs 3:6a

A Season of Thanks

A big **thank you** to everyone who helped with our Annual Lakeside Living Nativity. We all shared the "reason for the season" with the many travelers on 19th Avenue who passed by our church corner.



And a big **thank you** to all who helped make our 5 pm Family Christmas Eve Service and our 9 pm Candlelight Christmas Service something to remember! The family friendly early service was once again appreciated by so many. And the Candlelight Service of Lesson and Carols was splendid in its retelling of the Christmas message. We are grateful for the vision of the Worship and Arts Committee at this time of the year. And, we are blessed at Lakeside to have so many wonderful participants, our readers, our Lakeside Youth Ringers and Signers, our Lakeside Choir and Instrumentalists, and more, who share so willingly with our community!

Next Sunday, January 2nd, we will be "un-decorating" the church. Plan to stay for a little while after the service to help take down the Christmas trees, lights, and wreaths. Thanks!



Music Notes for Today

Angels from the Realms of Glory (#22) was written in 1816 by James Montgomery (1771-1854), a native of Scotland and the son of Moravian missionaries. He was imprisoned in England more than once for writing controversial opinions. Six of his hymns are in our hymnal, including "Go to Dark Gethsemane" (# 97) and "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread" (# 505). The blind composer, Henry Smart (1813-1879) was the editor for the Presbyterian Hymnal (1875) and the hymnbook for the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland. He dedicated this tune to the Regent Square Presbyterian Church in London, hence its tune name, "Regent Square."



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The Grapevine provides weekly updates and announcements for the ministries of Lakeside Church. For more information please ask any member, usher, staff person or contact the Church.



Welcome to Lakeside Presbyterian Church

We are Lakeside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), an inclusive community of faith, striving to live and tell the good news of Jesus Christ. Through God's blessings, we seek to provide an inviting, supportive, and challenging atmosphere for worship, education, fellowship and service.

Next Sunday—2 Cents a Meal—Bring your pennies!

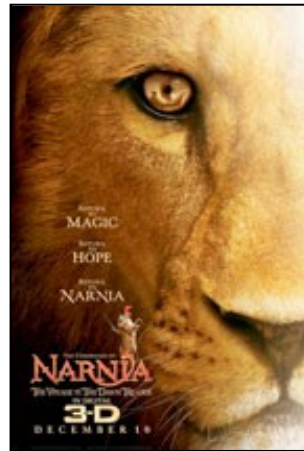
Can you set aside just two pennies from every meal to help end hunger? These pennies add up! For several years Lakeside members have been contributing to the "Two Cents a Meal" hunger program of the Presbyterian Church. Participants set aside two pennies from every meal (about 42 cents a week) in gratitude to God for their meals.



It is a reminder that small acts of faith can make a difference in the lives of others. Bag up your pennies and put them in the basket on the table in the sanctuary foyer. For more information see Dvorah Miller. The Presbyterian website also has information about this hunger program and others at www.pcusa.org/hunger/centsability.

New Chronicles of Narnia film is NOW Showing

Presbyterians are among the many readers who have long embraced C. S. Lewis' fantasy series, the *Chronicles of Narnia*. It is good news that, despite the lack of commercial success of the second Narnia film, *Prince Caspian*, Walden Media has found a new partner, 20th Century Fox, to bring us the third in the series scheduled for release December 10th.



Michael Apted, who helmed such distinguished films as *Gorillas in the Mist*, *Coal Miner's Daughter* and *Amazing Grace*, will direct members of the familiar cast to bring to the screen this thrilling adventure, *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*.

Lucy and Edmund Pevensie go back to Narnia, along with their unpleasant cousin Eustace Scrubb, to join Prince Caspian and the little warrior mouse Reepicheep in search of a band of lost warriors. They sail across the sea aboard the royal ship the Dawn Treader, encountering many mythical creatures such as dragons and dwarves and, of course, Aslan the Lion at the far edge of the world. The film is being heavily marketed to church audiences with a promotional trailer released in June. Judging from the trailer, it should be quite a trip!

- Ed McNulty

Continuing Education for Adult Members & Friends

The Christian Education Committee of our Session has been considering the important aspects of Spiritual Growth opportunities at Lakeside. The Committee is at the point where **YOUR** help is needed. We are finalizing an information-gathering process, which will include a survey on January 9 in the form of questions we think will help provide a basis for more specific, concrete planning in this important area. At the outset, there are certain questions that we feel apply to us all as a fellowship of followers of Jesus Christ.



- How do we, as people calling ourselves Christians, become true Christians?
- There are obstacles in everyone's lives to following Jesus and how do we deal with these?
- What worries and concerns do we have, which vary from individual to individual, that make it harder to be true Christians?
- And what is the place of a faithful, compassionate and caring church community in answering these questions?

Please think about this subject, lift up prayers for assistance and be ready to help us as we seek together to spiritually strengthen our community.

Great Music & Handcrafted Gifts Make a Difference



Lakeside Church and the our large community have been blessed with two special projects. First, during the past month our **Kenyan Mission Team** has been offering handcrafted goods for sale. Members of the Covenant Presbyterian Church of Palo Alto and with our membership were given opportunities to purchase wonderful pieces of artwork. **Over \$1200 was raised.** These gifts will permit 120 students to attend elementary school for an entire year

in the Meru district of Kenya. Thanks be to God.

On Sunday December 12th, more than 100 people enjoyed the phenomenal music of **Daniel Glover and Maxine Chan**. It was Lakeside's third time to be blessed with their incomparable music. They graciously donated all proceeds to Lakeside's Mission Projects. **The generous gifts of those present totaled \$1414.** Food, medical supplies, and other things of necessity will help children as close as Jose Ortega Elementary School and as far away as Bali, Indonesia. This concert could have only happened by the tireless ministry of **Helen and Ray Ong**. It was originally through their connections that our congregation was first introduced to Daniel Glover and Maxine Chan. This year's concert found Helen and Ray helping with publicity, staging, a special meal for the musicians, greeting most attendees by their first names, and baking over 21 dozen cookies for the reception! (*Ray said he helped take care of the broken cookies!*) Thank you to Helen, Ray, Dan Anderson, all the members of choir who baked cookies and helped with the reception, Tanner and Elizabeth Baldrige, Teuila and Kalani Tuiasosopo for their floral arrangements and several others who made this third annual event so successful.



Glover

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Englishman William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) set the text of What Child is This (# 53) to a popular folk tune, "Greensleeves." This melody has been mentioned or used in everything from Shakespeare to Play Station games. The original concluding words of verse two, "nails, spear shall pierce Him through, the cross be borne for me, for you," are replaced in most versions by the text of verse one.



Canterbury

The term Doxology is derived from the Greek and is usually identified with a short hymn of praise, often to the Triune God. It has its origins from a similar worship practice in the Jewish synagogues. These songs of praise, actually small statements of faith, were frequently added to the last verse of a hymn, psalm or prayer. During Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany seasons we are using the fourth verse of "All Praise to Thee, My God" (# 542). An

Englishman, Thomas Ken (1637-1711), who was an Anglican priest and later a Bishop, wrote this text in 1674. The tune, "Tallis' Canon," is by Thomas Tallis (1505-1585) who composed for English royalty, including Henry VIII, and Elizabeth I. He was also the organist at the Canterbury Cathedral.

Go Tell it on the Mountain is an African-American Spiritual with stanzas by John W. Work II (1876-1925). The second edition of Kenneth Osbeck's "Amazing Grace: 366 Inspiring Hymn Stories for Daily Devotions" says that Work and his brother, Frederick J. Work (1879-1942), "were early leaders in arranging and promoting the cause of spirituals." The devotional book also comments that Christians should share the message of Christmas throughout the year. So, "go tell it everywhere!"



We are concluding our Christmas Celebration with Handel's Hallelujah Chorus from his well-known oratorio, "Messiah." This has become a recent Internet favorite hit with everyone from shoppers at Wanamaker's in Philadelphia to Canadian Food Court diners and others joyously belting out the song. The San Francisco City Chorus hosts an annual "Sing-Along Messiah" at Lakeside every year on the first Sunday of December. And we now ask that you join our Lakeside Choir members in this joyous musical offering. The Baroque composer George Frideric Handel (1685-1759) was born in Germany but spent most of his professional life in England. His "Water Music" and "Royal Fireworks" suites also remain classical favorites.



May you be inspired to meditate on the music and texts.