

May 28, 2017

Issue 22

# Lincoln Park Church of Christ

## Love is Committed

In every wedding that I've ever been to or officiated there have been vows made. The bride and groom look one another in the eyes and make promises of faithfulness and commitment. "I'll be there for you no matter what." "You're the only one for me for as long as we live." Things like that. And I think this is a good thing. I think commitment is an important part of love. What kind of love do we have if we are devoted to someone one day and care nothing for them the next? What kind of love do we have when we are kind when things are going well but inconsiderate when they are not? That's a very weak kind of love if it's love at all.

Perhaps this helps us think about Deuteronomy 6:5: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength." How do I live this out? How do I love God more? One answer is that we can choose to become more committed. Perhaps our commitment to God is good when we have what we want, and we doubt him when troubles come. Or maybe it's the reverse: we seek God when we are in trouble and ignore him when we aren't. Either way, I would encourage us all to be committed to God all day, every day. Our love for Him cannot be dependent on how our day is going.

Why not take a moment right now and make a decision? I encourage you to speak these words to God: "Lord, I will love you no matter what." Whether you are swimming in blessings or everything is taken from you love the Lord. When Job lost it all he said: "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised" (Job 1:21). Do we have that kind of commitment to our Lord? To worship Him in good times and bad? If not, let's decide today that this is the kind of love we are going to have from this day forward. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength . . . all the time.

AM Sermon: Commit to Loving God in 2017

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 6:5

PM Sermon: Serving God When You Don't Want To

### Sunday A.M.

<u>May 28, 2017</u>	<u>June 4, 2017</u>
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Song Leader	Chu. Middleton	R. Alt
Prayer	R. Coss	E. Stewart
Communion	P. Danz	D. Smith
Assist	Chr. Middleton	D. Thomas
Pass	Cyl. Middleton	M. Perry
Pass	Z. Thomas	R. Castillo
Scripture	T. Raupp	S. Danz
Usher	B. Samu	B. Hoffman
Usher	T. Brooks	D. Clay
Prayer	L. Montgomery	Chu. Middleton

### Sunday P.M.

Prayer	R. Bone	L. Montgomery
Communion	P. VanHorn	J. Fussell
Prayer	S. Lance	S. Fiori
Bible Time	G. DiCarlo K. Danz	Bible Time resumes in Oct.

### Wednesday Midweek Bible Study

<u>May 31, 2017</u>	<u>June 7, 2017</u>
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Song Leader	L. Montgomery	D. Smith
Prayer	R. Castillo	S. Lance

## ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

**SAMARITAN LADIES:** Every Wednesday at 10 am in room # 5.

**MEN'S GROUP:** Every Thursday at the Tim Horton's on Allen Rd. / Goddard Rd. in Taylor at 7:00 am AND 4:00 pm.

**LADIES' LUNCHEON:** Saturday, May 27 at 11:30 am at On The Border 3310 Fairlane Allen Park (on the hill).

**TEEN NIGHT:** Changed to Saturday, May 27 from 7-10 pm at the home of Matt and Lisa Perry. There will be BBQ and a bonfire. See Matt for more info.

**ORPHANS LIFELINE:** Donations are due on Sunday, May 28.

**GRADUATION PARTY FOR VALERIE TOMASZEWSKI:** June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2-5. Sign the list at the back of the auditorium if you are planning to attend.

**FREE MARKET:** Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 3 (9 am-1 pm) for our annual FREE Market. Please do not bring your donations until June 3. Contact Julie Moran for more info.

**BIBLE MARKING CLASS:** Monday, June 5 from 7-8:30 pm. The topic is "Spiritual Blessings in Christ".

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Saturday, June 10 at 9:00 am at Charlie's in Lincoln Park.

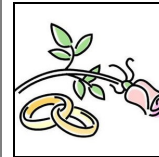
**E&D MEETING:** Sunday, June 11 at 4:30 pm in the fellowship room.

**HELPING HANDS:** Monday, June 13 at 10:00 am.

**PICNIC NEWS:** Our annual picnic will be on **Tuesday, July 4** at Lion's Park at noon. (No picnic on Memorial and Labor Day.)

**MISSION TRIP FOR TEENS:** A trip to Schulz Lewis Child and Family Services in Indiana is being planned for the teen group, to help with various tasks around the campus. The trip will be August 24 - 27. Housing and some meals will be provided. The only other costs are for spending money and extra food.

**NEW BROTHER IN CHRIST: CYLER MIDDLETON** was baptized on Sunday, May 14 by his father, Chris. We rejoice with Cyler and his family.

**BEST WISHES**

**BRIAN & BETHANY DANZ** were married on Saturday, May 20.

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

**REBECCA VAUGHN** had extensive dental surgery on Tuesday, May 22 at U of M Hospital. Please keep Rebecca in your prayers as she recovers. She is back at the Medilodge of Taylor.

**DOUG CLAY** has been suffering with gastric and knee (arthritis) problems. He has been to the ER three times. So far tests have not found anything abnormal but he is still in pain. Please keep Doug in your prayers.

**INDIANA CUAREZMA**, sister of Javier, is in the final stages of lupus. She is in a hospital in Costa Rica and is not expected to live much longer. Please keep Javier and his family in your prayers.

**JERRY WHITE** is in need of our prayers as he awaits a bone marrow transplant. Please keep his wife Bonnie in your prayers as well.

## IN SYMPATHY

**NORMA ALLEN**, grandmother of Lisa Perry, passed away on Sunday, May 14. Her funeral service was held on Thursday, May 18. Please keep the family in your prayers.

**VINCE SPARKS**, uncle of Judy Stewart, passed away on Sunday, May 21. Please keep Judy and her family in your many prayers.

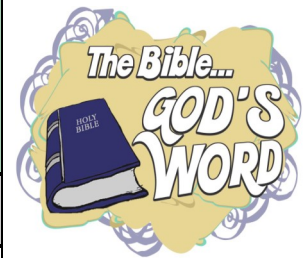
CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Virginia Clay, Laura Farr, Margee Frost, Ed & Gera Ingle, Tony Ingle, Mary Jane Johnson, Yolanda Joiner, Paula Kimbrel, Pat Longoria, Gil & Glenda Maldonado, Don Mandernach, Randy Mathews, Trudy McCain, Peggy Morton, Matt Nasceif, Mae Perry, Al Petrovich, Faye Porter, Sheryl Prosis, Garry & Kathy Ruphard, Louise Sparks, Jim & Val Toby, Leila Wallace, Bryanna Williams



## ELDERS' EDIFICATION & ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER

### HUMILITY



### CALL TO WORSHIP

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:17

Apart from God we are nothing. Humility is the application of that recognition. Walking humbly, however, doesn't make you a doormat. It doesn't prevent us from accomplishing the important. Rather, the opposite is true. In the place of humility, we find strength, because we won't be afraid to let God do whatever He wants to do through us.

When approached by the angel Gabriel about becoming the mother of Jesus, Mary's reply was a model of humility. "Let it be to me according to your word." Luke 1:18. In other words. "Okay, God. You're in charge. No problem. I want whatever You want and I trust You to know what's best."

The humble don't question God. They just open the door and let Him in. "Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time." 1 Peter 5:6

Encouragement Series

Love, Chuck



### SCRIPTURE READING

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

Deuteronomy 6:5

**SERVICES**

*Sunday*  
Bible Study 9:30 am  
Worship 10:30 am and 6:00 pm  
*Wednesday*  
Bible Study 7:00 pm



**SERVING THE LORD IN MAY**

*Communion Preparation:* Karen Danz  
*Care of Baptismal Clothing:* Gina DiCarlo  
*Closing the Building:* Randy Coss

**OFFICE INFORMATION**

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**MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**



Don Mandernach  
Helen Middleton  
Heather Boze  
Judie Davidson  
Virginia Clay  
Val Toby  
Linda Coss  
Sidney Williams



Charlie & Phyllis Roberts  
Matt & Lisa Perry  
Bill & Brenda Hoffman  
Jim & Val Toby  
Steve & Candy Lance

**THEME**

**"Commit to the Lord in 2017"**

**DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE FOR MAY**

- 1) 2 Kings 8-9
- 2) 2 Kings 10-12
- 3) 2 Kings 13-14
- 4) 2 Kings 15-16
- 5) 2 Kings 17-18
- 6) 2 Kings 19-21
- 7) 2 Kings 22-25
- 8) 1 Chronicles 1
- 9) 1 Chronicles 2-4
- 10) 1 Chronicles 5-6
- 11) 1 Chronicles 7-9
- 12) 1 Chronicles 10-12
- 13) 1 Chronicles 13-16
- 14) 1 Chronicles 17-19
- 15) 1 Chronicles 20-23
- 16) 1 Chronicles 24-26

- 17) 1 Chronicles 27-29
- 18) 2 Chronicles 1-4
- 19) 2 Chronicles 5-7
- 20) 2 Chronicles 8-10
- 21) 2 Chronicles 11-14
- 22) 2 Chronicles 15-18
- 23) 2 Chronicles 19-22
- 24) 2 Chronicles 23-25
- 25) 2 Chronicles 26-28
- 26) 2 Chronicles 29-30
- 27) 2 Chronicles 31-33
- 28) 2 Chronicles 34-36
- 29) Ezra 1-2
- 30) Ezra 3-5
- 31) Ezra 6-8

**CONTRIBUTION**

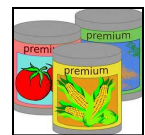
**WEEKLY BUDGET**

\$3,400

05-07-17	\$3,754
05-14-17	\$3,321
05-21-17	\$1,743
05-28-17	



**FOOD PANTRY**



Needed items

Canned carrots & spinach  
Canned pineapple  
Chicken Helper  
Toiletries  
PLEASE check expiration dates on all donated food.