

THE LAMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We are a family of faith wrapping our arms around God's world
and making Jesus Christ a way of life*

through **worship**, as we praise and glorify God;
through **study**, as we listen for God's Word in body, mind and spirit;
through **mission**, as we embody God's love in service to the world;
through **giving**, as we express gratitude to God;
through **fellowship**, as we love and care for one another.



DAY OF PENTECOST

JUNE 9, 2019

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

DAY OF PENTECOST

June 9, 2019

10:15AM

“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.” -Acts 2:1

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE

Sonata in g minor, K. 426

Domenico Scarlatti

WELCOME

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Bisham Singh

Leader: The Spirit gathers us to worship God

People: And builds us up in faith, hope and love:

Leader: so we may go forth into the world to proclaim the gospel

People: and work for justice and peace.

Leader: Let us worship God together!

* GATHERING HYMN 289

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

MUNICH

* INVITATION TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Holy Spirit,

you are so full of energy.

You are like fire.

And, like fire,

your all-consuming love

engulfed the disciples at Pentecost.

We confess that our lives this past week

have not blazed with holy fervor;

nor have we truly believed

that, in an instant,

you can captivate our spirits,

transforming the world of the ordinary

into a place of wonder.

We have expected little of our faith

and even less of ourselves.

Forgive us, we pray,

when we believe life must be as it's always been.

Come, O Spirit:

set us ablaze!

* KYRIE (*Hymn 578*)

**O Lord, have mercy;
O Christ, have mercy;
O Lord, have mercy,
have mercy on us.**

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (*Hymn 586*)

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 11:1-9

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Children are excused to go with their teachers to church school.)

SOLO

Little Keyboard Notebook for Anna Magdalena Bach
Prelude in C Major, BWV 846,1

Johann Sebastian Bach

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-13

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“All Together, Now!”

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* HYMN 291

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

SPIRIT

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

and binds us together with all believers

in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

**In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

**With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY Little Keyboard Notebook for Anna Magdalena Bach Polonaise in G Major, BWV Anhang 130

Johann Adolph Hasse

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING

* SENDING HYMN 297

“In Christ Called to Baptize”

ST. DENIO

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Sonata in B-flat K 544 (Cantabile)

Domenico Sestieri

* All who are able please stand

Welcome to Lamington: If you are a guest, please fill out the information card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or to the pastor or usher at the end of the service. The church office is closed on Mondays and open Tuesday-Friday from 10:00AM-4:00PM. Please note that the office may sometimes need to close early due to a personal reason or an emergency—it is best to call/email the office to be sure we are in: (908) 572-7013, lamingtonchurch@gmail.com. If you have a pastoral care emergency and need assistance immediately, please contact Pastor Carl Wilton at (908) 910-5360.

Today's Worship Notes

The flowers on the Communion Table have been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Whitman by Christie, Kate and Taylor.

The Day of Pentecost may be the third biggest holiday of the Christian year, but to many it's a very distant third: behind Christmas and Easter. The miracles at the center of those holidays — Jesus' birth and resurrection — we marvel at from afar. Not so with the strange signs of Pentecost! The divine gifts are focused not on a single individual, but on an entire community. Tongues of fire dancing over the apostles' heads. The clamor of a multitude of languages. It's a chaotic, mystifying scene. God uses such wonders to prime the little band of disciples to explode outward into all the world, sharing good news. Such gifts are available to us, as well — if we have the courage to claim them!

LITURGIST: Bisham Singh
DEACON ON DUTY: Jodi Antunes
LEMONADE HOST: Suzy Nagle

Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

Prayer Request Cards can be found in the pews. Please place your request(s) in the offertory plate, or email/phone the church office at lamingtonchurch@gmail.com / (908) 572-7013. Please remember to keep the church office updated on prayer requests submitted.

We Pray For...

- † **Rebecca Terry**, who is recovering from surgery. We pray for healing and a quick recovery.
- † **Henry Aulenbuch**, seven and half years old, Henry has finished treatment for a brain tumor. He is resting at home. His legs don't work and he is confined to a wheelchair. We pray for Henry's continued healing and strength.
- † **Gunnar Bickhardt**, was born on July 30, 2018 with heart issues and has gone through two open-heart surgeries. Gunnar will soon be one year old and is doing great! He is eating well and will soon be discharged from feeding therapy. His physical therapy is progressing too—he is getting up on all fours and beginning to rock back and forth—Gunnar is very motivated to reach his brother's toys! We continue to pray for Gunnar's ongoing healing and progress.
- † **Peter Nicoletti**, who continues to battle cancer. We pray for strength and comfort as he undergoes treatment. Peter is the brother-in-law of Katina and Ivan Medina.

The Upcoming Week

Sunday, June 9	9:15AM 10:15AM 10:30AM 11:30AM 11:30AM	Mission Meeting Worship – Day of Pentecost Church School Deacon Meeting Basket Day Meeting
Sunday, June 16 * Father's Day *	10:15AM 10:30AM	Worship – Trinity Sunday Church School

Note: Next Session Meeting is on Tuesday, June 18 at 6:00PM in the Gladish Room.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton, PASTOR
James Goldsworthy, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
Regina Morris, OFFICE MANAGER
Bess Ploener, DIRECTOR OF HANDBELLS & ALTO SECTION LEADER
John Burke, TENOR SECTION LEADER
Bennett Spotts, BASS SECTION LEADER
Victoria Borrelli and Yiran Zhao, SOPRANO SECTION LEADERS
Thomas Larsen and Susan Scott, SUNDAY NURSERY CARE
Lori Larsen, CHURCH TREASURER (*volunteer*)

The Officers of The Lamington Presbyterian Church

Session

Class of 2020

Valerie Fraser
Jim Grubel
Greg Halsey
Alison Paine
Georgie Schley
Immanuel Thomas



Class of 2021

Hunter Lewis
Patrick Palmer
Duncan Rose
Meridith Scott (*clerk*)
David Smith
Odesa Stapleton

Deacons

Class of 2020

Cindy Campbell
Monica Immanuel
Etta Marshall
Sandi Ramsay
Laurel Rose

Class of 2021

Sallye Grubel
Eleanor Halsey
Mary Jenkins
Melinda Nye
Barbara Pereyra
Joe Scott



Flowers for the Sanctuary Many Sundays Available

All are welcome to place flowers on the Communion Table for services. You may bring your own, have a florist deliver them or we can order them for you. We welcome an arrangement of just greens, a potted plant or a vase of cut flowers. You may want to remember or recognize a special event, a family member(s) or a friend. Please contact Nancy Hance with questions or to reserve a Sunday--phone: (908) 439-3755, email: chance3@comcast.net

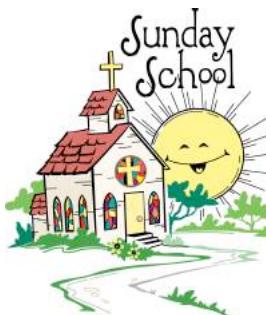
Samaritan Homeless Interim Program--SHIP's Galley



During the summer months, on the third Fridays of **June, July, August and September**, members and friends of Lamington Church will *meet at 10:00AM in the Lamington Church kitchen* to prepare bag lunches for SHIP's Galley. The bagged lunches will be taken to St. John's Episcopal Church in Somerville and distributed to the homeless, unemployed, hungry and poor. **Lamington Church will serve bag lunches at St. John's on: June 21, July 19, August 16 and September 20.** Six volunteers are needed to help each month. Please call Mary Jenkins at (908) 704-9197 if you can assist with this mission project.

Common Threads Ministry We're Taking A Summer Break

The Common Threads fellowship and ministry group is taking a break from gathering during the summer months. **We will resume meeting after Kick-Off Sunday, September 8.** If you need more information or have questions, please contact Dyanne Diaz-Piedra at (908) 442-3544. Wishing all our happy knitters a safe and relaxing summer! See you in the fall!



Sunday School Reminder

During the summer months of July and August—we do not have Sunday School. However, childcare is available if needed.



**Sunday, September 8
Kick Off Sunday**

**Saturday, September 28
Big Band Jazz Night**

Watch for more details to come!

Please Call Ahead!

We are currently NOT accepting any donations for next year's Basket Day. The Church basement will be undergoing some repairs over the next few months and items cannot be stored. A notice will be sent to the congregation when our donation status changes. To be sure we can accept your donation--please call the Church Office before dropping off items. Thank you for your cooperation!

