

Welcome in Jesus Name!

Welcome & Announcements

Call To Worship: Psalm 145

Praise & Worship

Offering

Kids Moment

Congregational Prayer: John Keith

Hymn # 164 – Praise To The Lord The Almighty

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5: 43-48

Message: Be Perfect! Really?

Closing Hymn # 332 - Be Thou My Vision

Benediction

Following the service, please join us in the Fellowship Hall for light refreshments!

PRAYER

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” Matthew 5:44

- Father, purify the way we see that we might behold your glory in what you have created.
- We pray for our federal, provincial and municipal governments – may our leaders come to know you and lead with wisdom.
- Father, we commit our partners in mission into your hands: The Carters, the Kennys, The Botros’, the Jones’, and the Guatemala Team - may they be blessed and be a blessing. May they experience your love and power and we ask that you would bring them home safe.
- Father, we commit the planning for the Indigenous Conference (October 19th and 20th) into your hands
- Father, we pray for our renovation project. We thank you for Dan Wilson and Jim Dearing. Give us wisdom as we move forward.
- Father, we pray for students, families and teachers: keep them safe, let the seeds of your kingdom be planted in their hearts and may there be an abundance of fruit in their lives.
- Father, we commit all our summer camps into your hands: Fun, Faith, Sports, Youth, Basketball. We uphold Carolyn and her team as they serve. Let your love surround us!
- Father, We pray your presence would be felt by: *Kathy, Max, Paul, Pat, Robyn, Ruth G, Ruth K, Bob and Marie, Tony, Stuart and Joan, George and Cheryl, Gord* –you’re your healing hand be upon us!
- Father, ignite within us a deep longing to be with you, cultivate our character in us, heal our souls, strengthen our relationships and empower us to love and serve one another.
- Father, You have called us together: Help us to be patient and endure trouble as we wait for you to accomplish your will and establish your kingdom in our lives and in all the earth. We seek You, we trust You, we love You.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The Christian Education Committee** is looking for **volunteers for the Fall term**. If you are interested in participating in Sunday School in any capacity please contact Bernadette at 705 654 9933 or dnbgreen1@gmail.com Thanks!

***Needed! Slightly used safety work boots and gently used work socks** for men & women who are looking for construction jobs. These folks are being reached through the Salvation Army in Peterborough – donation box in Fellowship Hall.

***Sunday, July 8th -LBC Church Family Picnic!** This year’s picnic will be held at Bernadette & David Green’s home – **Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall!** A volunteer is needed to organize some children’s games – please contact Bernadette if you’d like to help. Thanks! 705 654 9933

- *July 9 – 13 **Village Day/Sports Camps** at LBC
- *July 16 – 20 **Village Faith/Youth Camps** at LBC
- *July 23 – 27 **Lkfld Basketball Camp** at LDPS

Pastor Ben, Carolyn and family will be on vacation from Saturday, July 28 until Sunday, August 26! If you have a Pastoral concern, please contact the church office.

New Addresses:

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SERMON NOTES

Where is Jesus taking us in His Sermon on the Mount? **“Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect” Matthew 5:48**

First, Jesus gives us a final, sixth, command: **“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you” Matthew 5:44**

Who are our enemies?

What does Jesus mean by love?

How do we love them?

- By controlling ourselves
- By praying for them

What happens when we love our enemies?

- We are reflecting the character of our heavenly Father
- We experience the love of the Father on a deeper level
- The way we see our enemies is transformed – we are all enemies of God and we are all in need of grace
- We are living counter-culturally according to kingdom of God values
- We are not showing partiality

The summit: Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect! This is not a command, it is a promise, why?

- Jesus’ words make things happen
- Jesus’ words emerge out of his desire
- The verb ‘to be’ is in the future imperative tense – better translated “going to be”

WHAT WE BELIEVE:

#1 – Jesus is Lord: We believe Jesus is God in our flesh. We believe He has been given all authority in heaven and on earth by His Father, and so we seek to learn from Him, and do what He says.

#2 – The Sufficiency of Scripture: We believe that the Bible is God’s Written Word and the purpose of the Written Word is to bring us into relationship with the Word made flesh, and so, we come to the Scriptures, expecting to be confronted, challenged, enlightened, and transformed, and to live our lives in sync with what God says.

#3 – The Priesthood of All Believers: We believe that every person has been created in the image of God, and in Christ, each one of us has been given access to the Father. In this sense, every believer is a priest, male and female, we don’t need to go through someone else in order to get to Jesus.

#4 – Mission and Evangelism: We believe it is Jesus’ mission in the world to make disciples of all people and the way we see Him doing this is through words and deeds. We take a holistic approach to mission and evangelism. We seek to share the Gospel, while at the same time promoting justice, social welfare, healing, education and peace in the world.

#5 – A Believer’s Church: We believe that Jesus chooses to form his church by bringing together believers for the purpose of worship, witness, fellowship and ministry. We believe that baptism and the Lord’s Supper are the only two ordinances given to us by Jesus.

#6 – Church Autonomy and Association: We believe that as a local church, Jesus is with us, and we have the ability and the freedom to make choices concerning our life together, but we also recognize that we are part of a universal church, and so we voluntarily choose to associate ourselves with other larger groups.

#7 – Freedom and Equality: We believe that faith cannot be coerced or predetermined by someone else. Because each person has been created in the image of God, each person must be treated with equal respect and dignity, and so we must allow each person the freedom to choose what they believe without judging them for it.

Welcome to Lakefield Baptist Church



***“Growing in and sharing
the love of Jesus Christ”***

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