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Beloved of God,

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed the Advent and Christmas season as much as I did. It was a wonderful season of worship together. I was reminded of the goodness of God that is known when God's people gather together to worship.

Last fall we experimented on the first Sundays of each month with a time of church-wide fellowship. Because of the way the first Sundays fall over the next few months, the Session has decided not to repeat those times of fellowship for the beginning of 2018. That said, we encourage you to eat lunch together with friends old and new on the first Sundays of each month!

Please remember that we will have a congregational meeting on January 14<sup>th</sup> beginning after worship. The purpose of the meeting is for Session to inform you of some of the experiments we will be trying over the next few months, as well as to keep you informed of our current discussions and decisions.

February 4<sup>th</sup> is Super Bowl Sunday, and Vanessa and I will again be hosting a party at our house. If you enjoy watching the game, or the commercials, or simply being together with friends, we'd love to have you

join us. Feel free to come over anytime after noon. All you need to bring is a snack to share. Please contact the church office for our address.

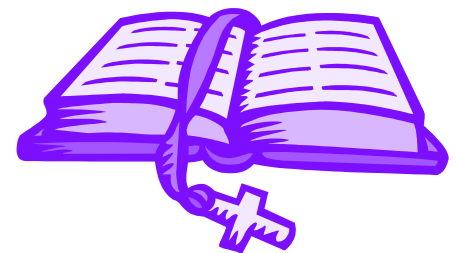
Next month we will continue with our **Everyday Mission** ideas.

I look forward to seeing you in worship!

Jonathan

## Mission Statement

Following Jesus.  
Growing together.  
Sharing God's love with  
neighbors near and far.



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
 JANUARY 14, 2018  
 immediately after worship**

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**ADULT EDUCATION**

**Adult Education  
 11:30 a.m. following worship**

No Adult Ed Jan 7 or 14.  
 Watch the WH for the new series.

**LVHPC MEN'S BREAKFAST**

When? 3rd Saturday every month  
 7:30 through 9:30 a.m.

Where? Laird Hall, LVHPC  
 1040 Baseline Road, La Verne

What? Food (bring your favorite breakfast  
 goodie to share)  
 Good stories  
 Sharing and fellowship  
 Bible Study and Prayer

**CHILDREN**

**LVHPC Kids' Programs  
 (for children ages birth - 5th grade)**

Nursery care: Birth to 2 years old  
 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Kids' Programs: Dismissed from Sanctuary after music.

Music and Bible lesson for ages 2 years– 5<sup>th</sup> grade.  
 Approximately 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

Recess on playground and snack time:  
 11:15 - 11:30 a.m.

2<sup>nd</sup> Hour Enrichment: Crafts & puppet ministry (1st-5th)  
 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Wiggles and Giggles: Story and play time (age 2 - K)  
 11:30 a. m. - 12:15 p.m.

**YOUTH**

**Student Ministries  
 (6th - 12th grade)**

Second Hour Sunday School  
 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
 Meets in the Youth Room

**Youth Group  
 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Meets in the Youth Room

(unless otherwise listed in the  
 What's Happening weekly calendar)

**ALL CHURCH**

**Ladies Bible Study**

Ladies Bible Study resumes  
 Tuesday, Jan. 9 @ 9:00 a.m.  
 in Laird Hall.



*Ladies' Bible Study*

**Offering Boxes**

If you haven't picked up your offering box yet, they are located in the Narthex again today. An offering box has been designated to each family who turned in a pledge card.

However, if you didn't turn in a pledge card, but would still like an offering box, please call Jenny in the church office to make arrangements. Or just stop by and request one.

Thank you!

**JANUARY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

Ken Harlan	1/5
Mores Mesa	1/5
Janell Sackey	1/5
Linda Boles	1/7
Elaine Blazek	1/8
Teresa Archbold	1/10
Suzi Oliver	1/11
Asher Smith	1/11
Janice McCay	1/13
Bella Watson	1/13
Isaiah Thomas	1/14
Bill Jeffers	1/15
Bertha Draayom	1/16
Ken Andrew	1/17
Linda Garcia Dahle	1/17
Larry Flickinger	1/20
Bobbi Wenrick	1/20
Ruben Guajardo	1/22
Liane Grellert	1/24
Esther Horner	1/27
Ellen Friestad	1/28
Adreaon Hardy	1/29
Diane Carroll	1/30
Elsa CadwalladerOlsker	1/31
Tom Latourelle	1/31
Sharon Pennington	1/31



If your name is missing, call Jenny in the church office and your name will be added to the database.

**SHARED MISSION GIVING**

The Shared Mission Giving (previously known as Per Capita) figure for 2018 remains at \$68 per member.

Thank you.

**New Prayer Group**

Several of us feel called to pray for our nation, our church, and the individual needs of our church family. We plan to meet at the home of Barbara Shock on the second Tuesday of each month from 1:00-2:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us. Prayer is foundational and a joy to gather together to pray. Come as you are and leave refreshed as you give your requests to our Lord. If you have questions, please call Barbara Shock or Joanne Salyards.

**Volunteer Opportunity**

If you have an interest in either maintaining or creating the lvhpc.org website, please contact Jenny in the office. Thank you.

## MINISTRY GROUPS

### Monday Dorcas Update

Beautifully handmade hats and scarves crafted by our knitters and crocheters, will be donated to the annual homeless dinner.



We meet each Monday in Laird Hall from 2:00 - 3:30. We welcome more willing hands. We have teachers available for beginners. Please watch for news about our 15th Anniversary Celebration happening in

### Getting to Know our Girls at Providence Children's Home

Juliet Ndinda Mutiso is 9 years old. Her mother had four children Juliet, Jacklyn, Jane and Ndanu. The mother, Mwende, was a single lady often left the children at home alone.



Found alone and wondering the streets, a neighbor rescued the four children at the Katangi Market. The whereabouts of the mother are still unknown.

Machakos Rescue Centre referred Juliet and her sister Jacklyn to Providence Children's Home. They were admitted into Providence on December 15, 2016. The two younger sisters, Jane and Ndanu, were admitted into the Mama Ngina Children's Home in Nairobi for care and protection.

Juliet just turned a year old since joining PCH. She is now able to read English and Kiswahili. Currently in class one, Juliet loves dancing and making new friends.

Juliet is experiencing difficulty with social skills. Your prayers for her and her sisters are welcomed.

With the educational, psychological and spiritual support she is receiving at Providence, thanks to all the partners, she is doing much better and God willing, will prosper.

### Winter Shelter for Homeless

Our Homeless Ministry Group will be working with Glenkirk Church again this year to serve our local homeless. If you want to experience this ministry group, this is an excellent opportunity! We need 30-40 volunteers and financial donations. Can you help? We will be serving dinner on Jan. 12, and preparing breakfast and lunches. Come alongside other LVHPC members and show compassion to friends in need.

Contact Jenn Smith for more details.

### SATURDAY QUILT DATES IN 2018

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Jan. 13  
 Feb. 10  
 Mar. 10  
 Apr. 14 (9:00 - 3:00)  
 May 12  
 Jun. 9  
 July 14  
 Aug. 11  
 Sept. 8  
 Oct. 13 (9:00-3:00)  
 Nov. 10  
 Dec. 8  
 Time is from 9:00-12:00 unless noted otherwise.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING? AT LVHPC IN JANUARY

January 2018						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

<p><b>JANUARY 1</b> HAPPY NEW YEAR!</p> <p><b>JANUARY 3</b> 10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting</p> <p><b>JANUARY 6</b> 10 - 12 pm - Meet &amp; Greet (Baby Joylia) 1:00 p.m. - Memorial Service Dorothy McCullough</p> <p><b>JANUARY 7</b> 9:00 a.m. - Choir/Praise Team 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:30 a.m. - Adult Ed 4:00-6:00pm - PCH Mission Trip (Laird) No Youth Group</p> <p><b>JANUARY 8</b> 2:00 p.m. - Dorcas 7:00 p.m. - Mission MG. 7:00 p.m. - Small Group</p> <p><b>JANUARY 9</b> 9:00 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study 7:00 p.m. - Admin Committee?</p> <p><b>JANUARY 10</b> 10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting 3:00 p.m. - Connect MG (Library) 6:15 - 7:30 - Girl Scouts (Laird)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 11</b> 9-11 a.m. - Grace Bible Study 7:00 p.m. - Deacon Meeting (Laird)</p>	<p>7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><b>JANUARY 13</b> 8:00 a.m. - Homeless breakfast (Pomona) 9:00-12:00 - Saturday Dorcas (Laird)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 14</b> 9:00 a.m. - Choir/Praise Team 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:30 a.m. - Adult Ed 11:30 a.m. - Creative Team(Office) 5:00-7:00 - Youth Group</p> <p><b>JANUARY 15</b> 2:00 p.m. - Dorcas (Laird) 7:00 p.m. - Small Group (Library)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 16</b> 9:00-11 am - Ladies Bible Study 6:00-9:00 pm Boy Scout Training (Laird)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 17</b> 10:00 am. - Staff Meeting 6:30 p.m. - Finance Committee?</p> <p><b>JANUARY 18</b> 9:00-11 am - Grace Bible Study 7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><b>JANUARY 20</b> 7:30-9:30 am Men's Breakfast (Laird)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 21</b> 9:00 a.m. - Choir/Praise Team 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:30 a.m. - Adult Ed 12:00 p.m. - Senior Lunch @ Hillcrest 5:00-7:00 - Youth Group</p> <p><b>JANUARY 22</b> 2:00 p.m. - Dorcas (Laird) 7:00 p.m. - Small Group</p> <p><b>JANUARY 23</b> 9:00 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study</p> <p><b>JANUARY 24</b> 10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting 6:15-7:30 - Girl Scouts</p>	<p><b>JANUARY 25</b> 9:00-11:00 - Grace Bible Study (CFC) 7:00 p.m. - Session Meeting (CFC) 7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal</p> <p><b>JANUARY 27</b> 8:00 a.m. - Homeless Breakfast (Pomona)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 28</b> 9:00 a.m. - Choir/PT Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. - Worship 11:30 a.m. - Adult Ed 5:00 - 7:00 - Youth Group</p> <p><b>JANUARY 29</b> 2:00 p.m. - Dorcas (Laird) 7:00 p.m. - Small Group (Library)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 30</b> 9:00-11:00 - Ladies Bible Study (Laird)</p> <p><b>JANUARY 31</b> 10:00 a.m. - Staff Meeting</p>
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