John 14, New Living Translation

¹⁵ "If you love me, obey my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you. ¹⁷ He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you. ¹⁸ No, I will not abandon you as orphans—I will come to you. ¹⁹ Soon the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. Since I live, you also will live. ²⁰ When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. And because they love me, my Father will love them. And I will love them and reveal myself to each of them."

²² Judas (not Judas Iscariot, but the other disciple with that name) said to him, "Lord, why are you going to reveal yourself only to us and not to the world at large?"

²³ Jesus replied, "All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them. ²⁴ Anyone who doesn't love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵ I am telling you these things now while I am still with you. ²⁶ But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you.

²⁷ "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid.

Volunteers

1st Service Coffee Server: Diane Brantsen

2nd Service Coffee Server: Jan Kovalcik/Sheri Vanderlaan

1st Service Nursery: Connie Reahm

2nd Service Nursery: Bryan & Rebekkah Wolffis

Deep Sheet

How do most people manage frustration and anxiety?

What is the "new commandment" of Jesus?

Who is the Advocate and what does he do?

What is the gift that Jesus promises?

Other Notes:

May/June Weekly Bible Readings

Date	Day	New Testament	V	Special Prayer	Old Testament	
25	Su	1 Corinthians 15			Job 29	
26	Mo	1 Corinthians 16			Job 30	
27	Tu	2 Corinthians 1			Job 31	
28	We	2 Corinthians 2			Job 32	
29	Th	2 Corinthians 3			Job 33	
30	Fr	2 Corinthians 4			Job 34	
31	Sa	2 Corinthians 5			Job 35	
01	Su	2 Corinthians 6			Job 36	



Laketon Bethel's Core Values:

A. ACCEPTANCE:

Everyone, regardless of who they are, what they have done, or what they are doing, will be accepted here. Laketon Bethel will be a safe place to explore your relationship with Jesus.

B. BIBLE:

The teachings of Jesus, contained in the Bible, are the final authority for faith and practice. We will study these teachings with open minds and the best scholarship available.

C. CONNECTION:

We invite people to connect with Jesus and with each other in all that we do.

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Sherwin's Ten Reasons for Going to Church Every Sunday

1. Renew

Everyone goes through times where enthusiasm for life melts away. We all have times where our faith diminishes. Worship on Sunday renews faith and energizes attitudes for all of life.

2. Laugh

Yes. We laugh. Humor is a valuable part of worship. Most of it is unplanned. Sherwin's brother told him years ago that: "People aren't laughing at you because you're funny, they are laughing because you are so stupid..."

3. Pray

Face it. You don't pray much. Church services remind you of the importance of prayer. They jump start your prayer life. You learn more about prayer. When your family is with you, they see you praying and that is an example that changes lives.

4. Sing

Songs of faith can move mountains of despair. You probably won't like all the songs. But some of them will change your life.

5. Help

You will often find ways to help in your community. When you help, it reduces inherent narcissism. You think less of yourself and more of others. You become more grateful for what you have. You become a better person and a happier one.

6. Give

Yes. Put in some money. Do something with your cash for God instead of for yourself. Don't expect anything back and you will be surprised at how blessed you are. We all waste money. Here you have an opportunity to do something positive with it.

7. Meet

Connect with other people. Laketon Bethel accepts everyone, including you. Many friendships are made on a regular basis. We have great coffee and cookies, which help in all sorts of discussions.

8. Learn

The guy up front is trained and experienced and often knows what he is talking about. You will learn something every Sunday.

9. Grow

When you put what you learn into practice, you will find positive changes in your life. You will have unstoppable growth in ways you don't always expect.

10. Jesus

The church exists because of Jesus. When you participate in it regularly, he is pleased. One day you will meet him face-to-face. If you regularly connect with him through weekly worship services, that meeting will be happy.

Announcements

<u>Jr. High J.A.M.</u> Today is the final Junior High J.A.M. We will be helping Hand2Hand today.

LBRC Kids Library The Library for Kids has books available for borrowing. The Book display is found across from the Nursery. Stop today and pick up a book to help brighten a child's life!

Whether you are visiting for the first time or looking for a church home, please stop by our welcome table in the entryway. Our friendly volunteers are eager to greet you or answer any questions. We would love to connect with you!

Service Opportunities

Introducing Service Bulletin Board We are introducing a new Service Bulletin Board next to the Nursery. It contains church needs you can donate to, volunteer and church information. The information will rotate every 1 - 2 weeks. Check it out!

<u>Hand2Hand Packing</u> We are meeting for Hand2Hand packing this Tuesday at 7pm. We can always use more volunteers if you would like to help!

<u>Sunday School Totes</u> We are in need of 60 totes to reorganize Children's Church Supply Closets. The approximate size is 18x12x7. If interested in donating cash or totes, please see Ed Luzadder.

<u>Nursery Help Needed</u> We are looking for Nursery help for the Second Service. If you are interested, please see Tina or Sally.

<u>Sacred Suds</u> Sacred Suds is an organization that helps the homeless. It offers showers, laundry, technology and housing by appointment. For any questions, please see Lois Cordle or call her at 286-5700.

Special Senior: David Utzinger

Please sign the cards located on the table in the entryway.

Order of Worship-9:00am

Gathering Song
"House of the Lord"
Call to Worship
"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
Welcome & Announcements
Congregational Prayer
Worship in Song
"He Hideth My Soul"
"It Is Well With My Soul"
Crosstalk - "Calm in the Soul"
Offering

"There Is a Peace"
Benediction

"Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go"



Order of Worship-11:00am

Gathering Song

"House of the Lord"

Call to Worship

"New Creation"

Welcome & Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Worship in Song

"Trust in God"

"Raise a Hallelujah"

Crosstalk - "Calm in the Soul"

Offering

"He Is"

"God Be With You"

Benediction