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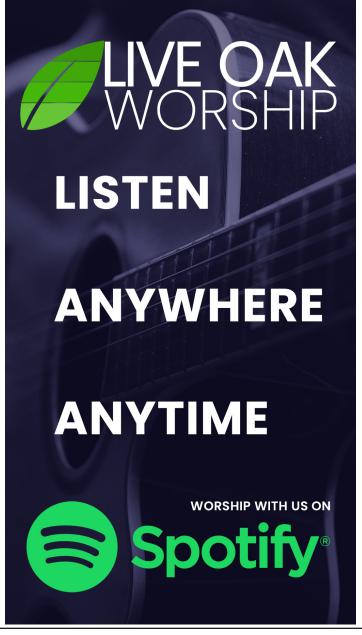
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK BY DR. MARK CROSBY

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

he 4th of July is the first Sunday of the month, and we are praying that all who love this great nation will celebrate the birth of a nation that was founded upon the Word of God as evidenced by the words in the Mayflower Compact, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States of America. Many never learned that woven throughout the Constitution are scriptural principles and paradigms. The second President of USA made it clear that "our Constitution was made only for a religious and moral people." Other founding fathers such as Patrick Henry, James Madison, and John Jay all held to the fact that our nation was founded upon the theology and philosophy created by the Christian faith.

Many have described our nation as a "city set on a hill" as a beacon of freedom and truth. However today there are many forces that want to strip America of her Christian heritage, and replace it with a secular humanist philosophy that places humanity (not God) at the center of what is "moral, acceptable and rational."

The concern that many have is that if we continue to see the erosion of faith, morality and traditional family values, then our nation will implode like many great nations and

empires in history. We are living in a time where there is an encroaching darkness that is making its way into our churches, businesses and culture. If we as followers of Messiah do not shine our light, then this encroaching darkness will take over and bring a darkness that will steal, kill and destroy what we once valued and loved.

In the month of July we will be preaching on the topic, "**The Encroaching Darkness**" and what we can do to shine a light that brings faith, hope and love.

So come out and see us in July and have a happy 4th of July celebration.

Hope to see you Sunday.

Mark C.



CAN LIVE OAK CHURCH BE AN ACTS 2 CHURCH?

BY PASTOR STEPHEN HEBERT

an Live Oak Church be an Acts 2 Church? This was once a question I wondered about when my family and I first started attending Church here in 2003. I thought it was a good question at the time and a legitimate one at that. In fact, as a husband approaching 8 years of marriage and a father of 3 very young, vibrant children, I was definitely seeking, praying and hoping to find an Acts 2 Church within driving distance of our home in Walker, Louisiana. Could Livingston Parish provide us with such a Church? I found this to be another good question that was weighing heavily on my mind...

I was raised in the Catholic faith until I was 11 years old. About that time, I spent the night with a friend named "Gabe" on a Saturday night, and his mom offered for Sunday to take me to their Church, take me to lunch afterwards and then take me home. It sounded like a wonderful plan to me, but of course, I had to bounce it off of my dad first. When I did finally build up the courage to ask him, he agreed without hesitation, and I was ecstatic! I guess he figured he might as well have the weekend off from having to punish me for embarrassing him and disrupting Catholic mass! Either way, I went into this particular weekend anticipating some wonderful things.

Well, I assure you Gabe's Church was no disappointment! It was a happening place for sure. They sure did invest in their children's ministry there too. I had the best time, and I walked out of there with one mission, and the mission was clear - to get my parents to start bringing us to Church there! If I remember the timing right, it took about a month or so, but eventually my parents finally caved, and I was never punished for acting up in Church again. What was interesting is, at this point, we were no longer "Catholic" but instead, "Non-Denominational." This was fine by me. All I knew at the time was that we were going to Gabe's Church. Not only was I enjoying a slice of heaven on earth (may I remind you I'm only 11), but my parents and sister were enjoying themselves too. This was my first experience attending a true, Acts 2 Church.



So what in the world is an Acts 2 Church? As Bro. Mark would say, "I'm so glad that you asked!" Well, we have to turn in our Bibles to Acts chapter 2 to find out.

Acts Chapter 2: 42 – 47 (NIV) says: "They devoted themselves to the apostle's teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."

Since birth and the original change from the Catholic Church we were attending to a Non-

Denominational Church, I have belonged to a handful of other Churches throughout my life. I can honestly say there has been no comparison to Live Oak Church. My family and I have been a part of Live Oak Church since some of our best friends, Darren and Shannon Donze, invited us to visit during Vacation Bible School. After agreeing to the invite, we came cautiously, not realizing that our lives would be changed forever. Since our arrival on that first Sunday evening in July of 2003, our lives have been transformed by the Word of the living God, by our relationship with our Savior Jesus Christ, by the renovation work of the Holy Spirit, by the preaching and teaching of Dr. Mark Crosby, and by the special relationships formed with various church members - our brothers and sisters in Christ. Due to the traumatic experience of the COVID-19 virus for me and my family last year, and the tornadiclike path of destruction it left behind on our lives, we had desperate needs, and our family, our friends and the people at Live Oak Church stepped in and rescued us. This Church has proven itself to be a true and Godly, Acts chapter two Church.

By reading these verses in Acts Chapter 2, does that help clarify? These Scriptures describe what a true and Godly church really is, and Live Oak Church meets the bar. It fulfills the criteria. What can I say? My church family is truly amazing! I mean really, truly amazing! I had spent a month in the hospital with an additional three months of recovery at home. I had not worked for my two jobs for more than three months, and I am the bread-winner for our family of five. In addition, not only did we have our regular monthly bills piling up, but the medical bills started pouring in, along with insurance premiums I had usually paid from payroll deduction through my paychecks. Although I had short term and long term disability, I had not started the paperwork until mid-October after I was discharged and finally home from the hospital. Neither Stephanie nor I could have anticipated all of these things happening the way they unfolded. Starting the paperwork is better late than never, but it took three to four weeks to process the application according to the company representatives. We were lucky to have everything submitted, and we were able to start receiving benefits Thanksgiving week.

With so many devastating factors in play, the odds were stacked up against us, but the good Lord was at work, and our brothers and sisters in Christ went into action to pray for us, to feed us and to supplement us financially until other money would start coming in. Stephanie and I reflected on these blessings so many times during the timespan. It was so nice to be caught in the safety net of Almighty God! He had everything arranged, and we never had any stress in the various areas of our lives that we would normally have stressed over, even though our savings was depleted after the first six weeks of paying our bills. We were guessing that God knew how stressed we were on the medical side of things that He protected us in all of the other areas knowing our weaknesses and limitations.

Since I have been back in action, one of my missions has been to work on developing the CARE TEAM at Live Oak Church. With each given month that the Lord blesses us with ministry, we have all sorts of needs that arise with our parishioners in our Church on any given day. I am working with Kelli Nolan to organize a group of volunteers to help "Care" for our parishioners. If you have a gift of compassion, hospitality and care for others, please consider joining us in this ministry. Currently we are seeking volunteers to visit, make phone calls, write cards, cook and deliver meals to our parishioners in need. If you are interested in participating, please email me your name, email, phone number and the areas you would like to serve.

God Bless,

Pastor Stephen Hebert

Pastor Stephen Hebert stephen@loumc.org

NEW MEMBERS BY SAM LOBELLO

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SENIOR ADULTS BY LANDRA REED



"It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible."

- GEORGE WASHINGTON

his July we are going to celebrate our beautiful country on the 5th from 11:00am to 3:00pm in the FLC. There will be food, drinks, a comedian via video, games, and more. Come celebrate with us! Don't forget to sign up at the Connection Center.

On July 23rd we will have a Game Day. No lunch, but snacks and drinks will be provided. Look for the sign up sheet for time and place.

Those that came last time had a ton of fun, good laughs and a time for fellowship. We have games like Mexican Train, Yahtzee, Cornhole, Bunco, and Monopoly. And if you are competitive come play against Mr. John Hay. He's our lucky winner.

Finally, a prayer of Thanksgiving for Brother Sam. He did well with his open heart surgery. Please continue to pray for healing.

"Now the Lord is the spirit, and where the spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." - 2 Corinthians 3:17

MEN'S MINISTRY BY SAM LOBELLO





GRIDIRON 2021



GRIDIRON 2022 - will feature Tim Tebow, Kirk Cameron, Fred Luter, Steve
Farrar, Phil Waldrep, Charles Billingsley & more
MEN'S STEAK DINNER FELLOWSHIP - COMING SOON!
MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST - Saturday, July 10th at 7:30 AM
DEEPER LIFE FOR MEN with David Tate - Mondays at 6:30 PM
MEN'S HOME STUDY at Robert Poole's - Mondays at 6:30 PM
MEN'S PLAY AND PRAY BASKETBALL - Thursdays at 6:00 PM
REFUGE ADDICTION RECOVERY with Bro. Sam - Thurs. at 7 PM

IRON MAN STUDY with Jim Otken - Fridays at 5:30 AM

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

BY JEANETTE CLARK & MALLORY WILLIAMS

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irst things first, there was a MISTAKE in the June newsletter!!! One of our dear women brought it to my attention and I am incredibly grateful. Our monthly fellowship breakfast in August where we will pray for students, teachers, parents, and staff will be held on Saturday, August 7th at 8:00am. NOT on the 3rd as the article said. My apologies!!

So a little while back I announced that we need your help with a questionnaire. We want to hear what your desires are for the program. Scan the QR code on the right for a link to our questionnaire, or type the link on the bottom of this page.

We're so excited to announce that we have an active Facebook page! We will use it to share what is going on in Women's Ministry. Look for Live Oak Ladies on Facebook. You can also search @LiveOakWomensMinistry or type the link on the bottom of this page.

The women's ministry is now listed on the app for giving! Please consider supporting our ladies ministry so we can continue to grow our fellowship and our faith in Christ together.

We are still in our study of Job in Mrs. Jan's ladies Bible study on Monday nights at 6:30pm. Please consider visiting, even if you can't come every week. We would love to have you.



God bless you all,

Mallory and Jeanette

Scan this QR code on your mobile device for a link to our questionnaire!



Questionnaire Link

https://loumc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/55/responses/new

Facebook Link

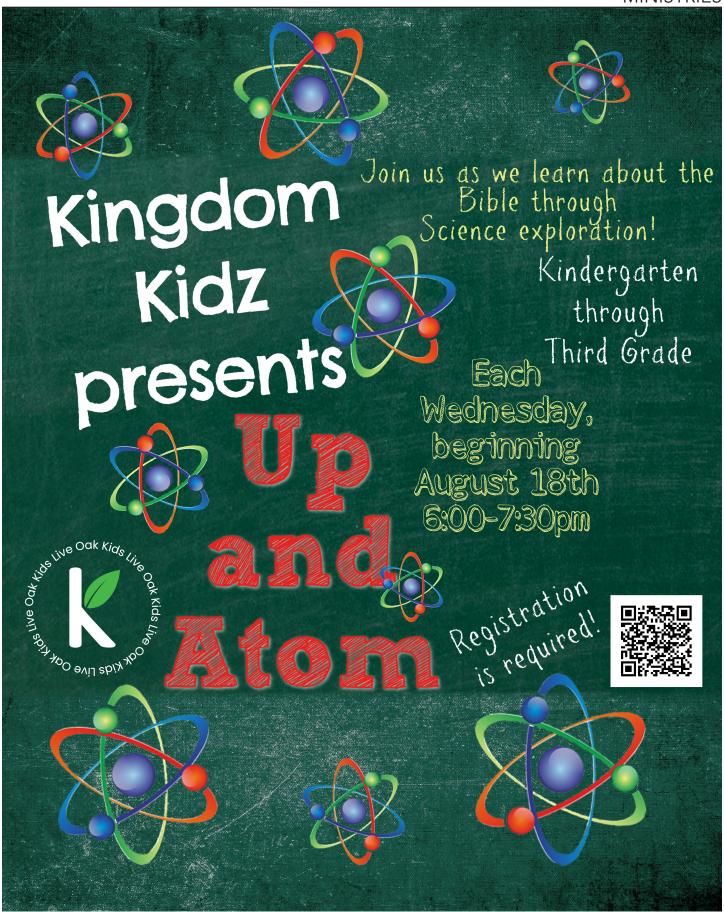
https://www.facebook.com/LiveOakWomensMinistry/

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BY FAITH STORCK

hew! We. Are. Tired. Are you tired? I mean, are you VBS kind of tired? There's no tired like VBS tired. Trish and I wanted to take a moment and thank each and every one of our VBS volunteers that helped make VBS successful. Whether you helped cook dinner, serve dinner, emptied trash, wiped down tables and swept the floor, helped with check in, taught, or led kids around to their rotations, directed the skit, acted in the skit... YOU ARE APPRECIATED VBS is a family event here at Live Oak and it takes so many people to make it successful Each and every person that helps, whether you think the task is big or small, is investing in the next generation of Live Oak Church. From the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU.







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FOURTH OF



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN JULY

July 1st

Karmyn Kilpatrick Mike Brazzell Michelle Shaffer Anna Gelpi Bryce Coleman Jay Sartwell Jackie Williamson Kristy Mixon

July 2nd

Linda Aguillard Micaela Degruy Desiree Price Zachary Tidwell Avery Condo Sandra Morgan

July 3rd

Margaret Leaphart Lance Danos Kate Ponthier Eric Rogers Caleb Futch Barbara Gallo JuliaRose Walker Esther Landry Elisha Wood **Brett Overton** Bonni Blouin Mark Griffith Fallon Gnann July 4th

Drew Johnson James Papizan Billy Ott Mike Sullivan Christopher Jarreau

July 5th

Robert Marionneaux Joseph Parker Kohen Orgeron Leah Rowe Brandon Belcher

July 6th

Beverly Cutrer Bobby Hall Andy McLean Phil McLean

Carol Rachal Stephanie Swindle Camden Hall Twania Bordelon

July 7th

Judith Morrow Tammy Jones Brett Lalumia Dan Vallot Maci Hooge Isabella Ory Beau Forrest

July 8th

Dot Easley Jean Ainsworth Jeff Robinson Zachary Badden Rhett Holder

July 9th

Andrew Campbell Trevor Hodges Anita Boissenin Ellis Johnson

July 10th

Brianne Hall Brandon Palmer Luke Zachary Dean Moss

July 11th

Beverly Easterly Alexis Davison Elizabeth White Robert Brown Hazel Landreneaux

July 12th

Taylor Alleman Victoria Mayers **Bubba** Griffin Sue Griffin Tara Shows Al Fugler Trent Erwin Ashley Luminello Jennifer Griggs Charles Templeton Cameron Mckenzie John Kojeski

July 13th

Amber Jordan Hayden Sandifer Joy Danos Jeanne Weishar Erin Carraway **Bobby Blouin** Dale Arnold Kendall Ziegler Kevin Ziegler

July 14th

Brandon Tullier Jason Alexander Aiden McCulley Collin McClure Grayson Bajo George Aucoin Cheryl Cashio Brooke Ransome

July 15th

Blayklee Mayeux Jessica Haynes Melinda McPherson Madison Stringer Henrietta Thames Jennifer Brooks

July 16th

Todd Huovinen Reed Hayden Eva Bannister Charlotte Truax

July 17th

Jamie Sauceda Sheri Abbott Marci Hancock Monica Gerace Mike McCleary Brian Weaver Micah Lambert Chloe Badeaux

July 18th

Kane Rosado Sherry Mullen Brayden Vallot Madelyn Richardson Amy Wilson Sheli Crosbie

Cameron Sheffield Lyman Parker July 19th Mary Kathryn Mestepey Hope Dupuy Louise White Teri Leiva Carolyn Verret Aubrey Johnson Kelsey Miller Britny Miller Keith Rachal Aubrey Mohr Carol Ducote July 20th Kevin Clark Timothy Marquess J Shoemaker Barney Crist Todd Normand Tony White **Bob Taylor** July 21st Ben Moore Tanya Reardon Keith Lejeune Marlee Signorino July 22nd Savanna Raines Sheryl Waltman Blake Gagliano Jennifer Rizzi Trevor Landry Rachael Morrison **Brielle Vincent** Wanda Guidry Rebekah Vincent Jerry Neyland Kayla Ziegler Bella Culmone July 23rd Mallory Botos Courtney Johnson Crystal Schmolke Walker Watts Raelee Clark

Hadleigh Gremillion

Logan Reardon Cathleen Poche Peter Michgelsen Shelby Knight Tia Sibley **Chandler Swarts** Debbie Chutz Bernie Naul July 24th Wesley Murphy Brian Ensminger Kennedy Rabalais Bonnie Rabalais Landon Porter Rick Raborn Brian McCumsey Stacy Crenshaw Selina Rodriguez July 25th Trent Barnett Chris Ducote Chance Lemoine Tiffany Conrad Toni Terral July 26th Ashley McClary Wendy Condo Tara Nickels Keith Chavers Sadie Melancon Andrew Stansbury Travis Harris Steven Grace Savanna Williams Billie Hunter Abigail Capestany Miranda Jarreau Mallory Jarreau July 27th William Sheffield William Vicknair Glenda Conlee Dylan Bossom Lindsay Stoltz July 28th Dara David

Wyatt Bossom

Scott Bueche Latonia Roberts Steven Adams July 29th Ava Barker **Bonnie Bruce** Damon Miley Heather Miller Phinn Alexander Patty Nance Amy Desrosiers July 30th Cali Crain Ryder Annison Lori Brewer Hal Edge. III Lyn Wiedeman Eli Freeman Jacob Delaughter Kandie Distefano Raegan Corley Robin Truax Jan Pitzer Kathleen Coupel July 31st Keith Leaphart Ben Leboeuf Abby Idler Abby Barnum Kalyn Shilling Marie Harris Mackenzie Riegling Nicholas Devenney Melanie Mulkey Samantha Chavers



July 2021 | Calendar of Events

A TIME AND A PLACE FOR EVERYONE

For more information about groups and events visit www.loumc.org or call (225) 664-4801

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

8:00 AM Worship Service

8:45 AM Children and Student Ministry Sunday School

8:45 AM Adult Co-ed Sunday School Classes:

Pastor Mark Crosby - Chapel Bob Morrison - Room #212

Dickie Davis - Room #202

8:45 AM Senior Adults Sunday School Classes:

Beverly Thames - Room #201 Marcia Arnold - Room #215

9:30 AM Men's Sunday School Class:

Robert Poole - Room #211

9:30 AM College and Career

Nathan Lott - FLC

9:30 AM Children's Church 9:30 AM Worship Service - In-person & Livestream

11:00 AM Children's Church

11:00 AM Worship Service - In-person & Livestream

Last Sunday of each month:

6:00 - 8:00 PM College and Career Worship Service - Chapel

MONDAY

6:30 PM Women's Deeper Life - Chapel

6:30 PM Men's Deeper Life - Room #201

6:30 PM Men's Home Bible Study - Robert Poole's House

WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM Worship Wednesday - Online

6:00 - 7:30 PM Kingdom Kidz - Kindergarten through 3th

6:00 - 7:30 PM Axis 456 - 4th, 5th and 6th Grade

6:00 - 7:30 PM 78Jump - Junior High

6:00 - 7:30 PM FocalPoint912 - High School

THURSDAY

6:00 PM Men's Play and Pray Basketball - FLC

7:00 PM Refuge - Room #201

7:00 PM Mid Week Worship - Chapel

FRIDAY

5:30 AM Iron Man Study - Room #202 6:00 PM Adult Co-ed Bible Study - Room #202

ADULT EVENTS

NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

8:45am in Room #102

4 Week class that restarts the first Sunday of every month. For more information email Sam LoBello at sam@loumc.org

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

6:30pm in the Chapel

Second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

For more information email Stephen Hebert at stephen@loumc.org

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Second Saturday of each month at 7:30am

Our next one will be Saturday, July 10th in the Conference Room.

Men's Steak Dinner Fellowship - Coming Soon!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

On Saturday, August 7th, we will begin having a monthly breakfast fellowship on the first Saturday of each month at $8:00 \, \mathrm{am}$.

Our August prayer breakfast will focus on back to school where we will pray for students, staff, teachers, as well as parents!

If you have any questions please call the church office or reach out to Mallory or Jeanette!

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Saturday, July 5th from 11:00am - 3:00pm in the FLC.

We will be celebrating our beautiful country.

There will be food, drinks, a comedian via video, games, and more.

Sign up at the Connection Center.

We will have a Game Day on July 23rd.

No lunch, but snacks and drinks will be provided.

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FAMILY EVENTS

SUMMER FUN IN KID MIN

This summer on Wednesday nights, we will be having activities on and off campus for children that have completed Kindergarten through 3rd grade at 6:00p.

Registration is required to attend Movie Tavern and Brushfire.

Look on the church app or on our Facebook page for more information.

KINGDOM KIDZ PRESENTS UP AND ATOM

Join us as we learn about the Bible through science exploration! For children that have completed Kindergarten through 3rd grade. Each Wednesday beginning August 18th, from 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Registration is required!

CHILDREN'S MUSICAL THEATRE CAMP

Our Children's Choir will be holding a musical theatre day camp July 12th - 16th. The camp will run from 9am - 12pm with a performance that Friday night at 6:00pm.

This camp is open for students entering 1st - 6th grades.

In this year's musical, "A Not So Terrible Parable," the parable of the Good Samaritan comes to life as a fun, over the top, mysterious whodunit.

Registration is now open, so be sure to get your kids signed up today!

MEET OUR TEAM

Coming together from a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences, our skilled team of pastors and ministry professionals are the backbone of Live Oak. Their ideas and leadership help shape the direction and mission of our organization as we continue to grow.

PASTORAL



Dr. Mark Crosby Senior Pastor



Rev. David Orges Executive Pastor



Rev. Dickie Davis Associate Pastor



Rev. Stephen Hebert Minister of Pastoral Care

FINANCE



Jim Otken Treasurer

ADULT MINISTRY



Rev. Sam LoBello Director of Adult Ministries

COLLEGE & STUDENT MINISTRY



Rev. Nathan Lott
Director of College
and Student
Ministries

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

NURSERY



Trish Graves Children's Ministry Director



Faith Storck Children's Ministry Assistant



Ila Clark Mother's Day Out Director



Austyn Chopin Nursery Director

WORSHIP



Rev. Trent Barnett Director of Worship Ministries



Seth Doiga Music Director



Rev. David Easley Assistant Music Director



Danny Wilson Audio Engineer

OFFICE



Linda Holdman Administrative Assistant



Kim Pamplin Office Professional



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MAINTENANCE



Chris Lacara Maintenance Director

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