

LPC News for the week of May 17, 2026

Welcome! Thank you for worshipping with us! Whether you are a regular churchgoer or are visiting for the very first time we are *so* glad you are here! We hope you will register your presence in worship with us in the black friendship pads, located in the pew racks toward the center aisle, so we can keep in touch.

Church office hours for the summer: The church office will be closed on Tuesdays from May 19 through the end of July. During this time, our office hours will be Wednesday-Friday, 9:00-2:00pm.

Pastor Alex Away Dates this Summer: This summer, pastor Alex will be out of town on vacation or continuing education the following dates: May 25-30 and June 22 - July 3.

Men's Ministry: This is the last week of official men's small group meetings. The Wednesday group will not meet this week. Below are next week's dates, times, and places:

Thursday at 10:00 am (May 21): Lakeview Presbyterian, 5914 Canal Blvd, led by Ruben Chrestman

Saturday at 8:30 am (May 23): PJ's on 5555 Canal Blvd, led by Andy Chrestman and John Guidry

The Outreach Task Force (OTF) met on Sunday, May 3, and is scheduled to meet again on Wednesday, June 10. In the interim, members are reviewing online and print resources regarding growing churches. If you would like to provide input or recommend any valuable resources, please contact Gary McCall at wgmccall1211@gmail.com or any members of the OTF.

Congregational Meeting Today There will be a congregational meeting immediately after worship today to receive a report from the 2026 officer nominating committee and elect elders to be installed on Session in the fall.

The Adult Sunday School Library Class is now studying the Old Testament Book of Habakkuk (Ha-ba'-kuk). Habakkuk's message to God's people in Judah is to « Trust the Lord No Matter What ». Habakkuk is unique in that the prophet is NOT speaking to God's people, but to God Himself. Habakkuk asks God, "Why is there so much evil and tragedy in the world?". Habakkuk also asks God Why He would send the people of Judah to Babylon as punishment when the people of Babylon were much more evil than the people of Judah?

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES FOR MAY, AND JUNE: Dust off your hearts and your desire to serve others and participate in one or more of these programs for the hungry and the unhoused of Greater New Orleans.

APRIL, MAY and JUNE: Jefferson Presbyterian Church Food Bank (4450 Jefferson Hwy). At the Church on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month grocery bags of food are given to qualified, registered folks between 9-11am. Food is packed at the church on the Thursdays prior to their distribution. Filling the grocery bags begins at 7am and usually lasts until 9 am. Dates are as follows: Thursday bag filling: June 4, June 18. Saturday bag distribution: May 16, June 6, June 20

Men's Clothing Drive for Program of Hope Unhoused Guests: Whether it is time for Spring Cleaning, Yard Sale shopping or you just want to help clothe a child of God, the time is now. The men who visit POH every Wednesday need of summer clothing. Particularly men who are of small or medium sizes! Everything is needed: pants/shorts/shirts/light jackets/socks/shoes. If you purchase your clothing donation, you can be reimbursed! Bring your receipt and complete the reimbursement form in the Church office. Bring your clothing to the Church Office and we will schedule a sorting and sizing service project after Church one Sunday.

MAY: Parkway Presbyterian will bring lunches to **Program of Hope every Wednesday** in May. They **need volunteers to join them at 8:30am** on Wednesdays to help distribute lunches/assist with clothing distribution, and welcome POH guests. Let Charlene Berry know you plan to attend or just show up on a Wednesday in May!

No Worship at LPC 5/24! Go to Jefferson Pres! On Pentecost Sunday, May 24, we will worship at Jefferson Presbyterian Church (4451 E Falk Pl, 70121) at 11:00am as part of the 2026 shared worship series.

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NOLA Area Book Study: Pat Ellzey, an Elder at Chinese Presbyterian Church in New Orleans is leading a study on the book *Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America: A Guide to Reclaiming the Good News of God's Grace*. They will meet weekly on Sundays at 2:30pm at Chinese Pres. (2901 W Esplanade, Kenner), beginning 4/19 (excluding Mother's Day 5/10). Contact Pat Ellzey at booboohew21@gmail.com for more information!

Preacher's Bible Study: The preacher's Bible study is currently meeting on Thursdays at 11:30am in the church library. See you there!

FELLOWSHIP REFRESHMENTS: The fellowship committee has decided to offer donuts during our coffee hour this summer. If you would like to provide donuts on any Sunday please sign up on the bulletin board or contact Pat Sharpe at acottageplace@gmail.com or calling 504-388-8400 by Saturday evening. You may provide alternative refreshments if you wish to sponsor a coffee hour. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary and coordinate with Pat Sharpe.

CAMPUS CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 17

Sunday, May 17	7th Sunday of Easter	
9:00am-12:30pm	LPC worship, Sunday school, & Fellowship	Whole campus
9:30am-11:30am	New Life Church Sunday school and choir rehearsal	Upstairs
1:00pm-4:00pm	New Life Church worship, Sunday school, and Fellowship	Whole campus
Monday, May 18	<i>LPC Office closed</i>	
10:00am-11:30am	Aerobics Dance Class	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm-9:00pm	Scout Troop 150	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, May 19	<i>LPC Office closed</i>	
10:00am-11:30am	Aerobics Dance Class	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm-9:00pm	New Orleans Orchid Society	Fellowship Hall
6:30pm-7:30pm	Eagle Scout Board Review	Library
Wednesday, May 20	<i>LPC Office open 9am-2pm</i>	
9:00am-2:00pm	PCHAS Client Session	PCHAS office
6:00pm-8:00pm	Monthly Session Meeting	Online, Fellowship Hall, Library
Thursday, May 21	<i>LPC Office open 9am-2pm</i>	
9:00am-2:00pm	New Orleans Art Association	Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
10:00am-11:15am	Men's Ministry Meeting	Library
11:30am-1:00pm	Bible Study	Library
12:00pm-2:00pm	PCHAS Client Session	PCHAS office
6:00pm-7:00pm	Cub Scouts	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm-9:00pm	Pontchartrain Men's AA	Library
8:00pm-9:00pm	New Life Church prayer meeting	Sanctuary
Friday, May 22	<i>LPC Office open 9am-2pm</i>	
10:00am-11:30am	Aerobics Dance Class	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, May 23		
6:00am-8:00am	New Life Church Morning Glory Prayer Group	Sanctuary, Library
6:00pm-8:00pm	Crushed Grapes AA	Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
Sunday, May 24	Day of Pentecost	
9:00am-12:30pm	LPC worship, Sunday school, & Fellowship	Whole campus
9:30am-11:30am	New Life Church Sunday school and choir rehearsal	Upstairs
1:00pm-4:00pm	New Life Church worship, Sunday school, and Fellowship	Whole campus