SPRING 2022

Here Comes Summer

Our first full Breeze will be out on May 28, but we wanted to give everyone a heads-up mini-version with some of the dates and events to look forward to this summer.

A LETTER FROM PASTOR CHRIS SCRUGGS



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Dear Friends:

As I write this article, it is just about one month from the beginning of the summer season at Linwood Park. Kathy and I will soon be stepping on a plane to come to Ohio for a few weeks, anxiously awaiting the opportunity to see you all and have a brief time of fellowship. We can hardly wait.

This summer, our theme is going to be "The Kingdom of God." My plan is to spend three weeks at the beginning looking at the first chapters of <u>Genesis</u> and just one passage from <u>Isaiah</u>. The story the Bible tells is of a world that was begun in fellowship with God and creation, with human

beings as the crown and God-appointed leaders of that creation. We were designed to be stewards of that creation with God as the ultimate king of creation. However, we human beings took (and still take) the tragic step of seeking our own good, missing the good that God intended. The result was all the sufferings and failures of human civilizations over history. Therefore, we needed a Messiah, an anointed servant leader, a "King of Kings" who gives himself for our restoration.

As with last summer, there will be several people leading worship in the Park and acting as the pastor in residence. In a few weeks, you will know all of their names. For the time being, I just want to introduce one of them: Doug Stevens. Doug will be at Linwood in July and early August and will be preaching on the all-important 4th of July weekend. I have been privileged to get to know Doug and know he will be very popular with the residents of Linwood Park.

At the end of the week of creation, God creates the Sabbath as a time of rest and reflection. This is where Linwood Park is special. It is a place where many people seek rest, reflection, renewal, and a recharge of their batteries, physical, mental, emotional and spiritual. The first and most important thing most of us do at Linwood is STOP! Stop our daily routine. Stop our daily labors. Stop our home improvement and other projects and rest.

Rest of course leads to reflection. At Linwood we have time to reflect on the year just past and the year to come. We have a chance to think about the meaning of life, our goals and aspirations. Because Linwood is such a family place, we have the opportunity to renew and restore our families and friendships. What a lucky people we are to be able to have such a place!

Kathy and I will see you soon. In the meantime, may the LORD bless and keep you and give each one of you grace and peace.

Save the Date

Be sure to put these dates on your calendar

First Worship Service Sunday, May 29 - 11 a.m.

Linwood Council of Christian Life Meeting Saturday, May 28 – 8 a.m.

LPCOA Meeting Saturday, May 28 - 10 a.m. The Tabernacle

Blessing of the Park Saturday, May 28 – 7 p.m.

Official Park Opening Friday, June 10

Kids' Sunday School Starts Sunday, June 12



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