



# TLC CONNECT

Friday - August 14, 2020

*Here we are, a church seeking to stay connected with people in the midst of a pandemic ... So here we go, offering you the following ways to stay connected with Jesus and The Log Church community.*



## Connect This Sunday through Worship @ 9 or 10:30am Either Live or Online

This Sunday, August 16th will be a special Sunday where Pastor Mark will be interviewing Pastor Fred Cressman, Director of Reach Global Malawi. The focus will be an open discussion about how a global perspective can impact your view on God, the Bible and the Church. Can we actually get some things "Twisted" about God, His Word and His Ways when we do not have a Global Perspective? How can a global perspective not only help us but how can it change us?

## Stay Connected Through Our Website

Have you visited our website lately? [www.crosslakelogchurch.org](http://www.crosslakelogchurch.org) Did you know we have a whole section devoted to helping you stay connected to Jesus at home? [www.crosslakeefc.org/TLC@Home](http://www.crosslakeefc.org/TLC@Home). Our website can help you worship at home, as well as provide great tools and resources to help you maintain a faith at home focus personally, with your spouse, children, teenagers and grandchildren.

## Connect Through Baptism on Sunday, August 23rd

Are you ready to say yes to the invitation Jesus has extended to you to..."come, follow me?" Our stance on baptism is pretty straight forward ... Jesus went all the way to and through the cross for you, will you now jump willingly into the waters of baptism to show that you are "fully in" to being a Christian = Christ follower? Even if you were baptized as an infant you may now want to personally show the world that you have committed yourself to being a lifelong follower of Christ and there is no better way than to be baptized in the waters of Crosslake. Our baptism service will be from Noon-1pm and will take place at the Crosslake Corps of Engineers campground beginning at the picnic shelter. For more information, call the church office at 218-692-4141 or email [troy@crosslakeefc.org](mailto:troy@crosslakeefc.org)

## Stay Connected Through Prayer

If you need prayer, simply email your prayer request to: [sarah@crosslakeefc.org](mailto:sarah@crosslakeefc.org) and you will have over 200 people praying for your request. If you want to be a part of our prayer chain, email Sarah and she will add you to the team.

## Keep Your Children Connected

Laurie Atwater, Children's Youth Leader, is preparing to launch our Faith @Home online Kids Club for 4 year olds through 4th graders starting Wed., Sept. 23rd. You and your children will have amazing experiences together at home as you interact with Laurie and her team of volunteers via ZOOM who will bring amazing music, teaching, crafts and games for you to do as a family. On Sunday mornings your 3-5 year old children can join our Children's Church during the sermon time. They will love their time with Tasha and her team of volunteers who will lead them in some fun games and activities.

## Keep Your Teens Connected

Our Youth Director David Hughes has multiple ways to help teens stay connected through events like the Mini Golf outing that is scheduled for Wed., August 19th at 6pm or online groups. For more information go to the Anchor Youth Ministries Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/groups/crosslakeefcyouth/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/crosslakeefcyouth/) or contact David at [david@crosslakeefc.org](mailto:david@crosslakeefc.org).



## Stay Connected Through Your Giving

As faithful followers of Christ we have been called to give back to the bride of Christ, the church, so she can continue to help others know, love and follow Jesus. Your giving truly makes a difference as it enables us to reach and serve so many people both online and in person. You can give to The Log Church online at [www.crosslakeefc.org/give-online/](http://www.crosslakeefc.org/give-online/) or you can send checks to The Log Church office, 37218 County Road 66, Crosslake, MN 56442. Our year to date giving is at \$294,924.13 which has us (\$14,216.64) behind budget at this time. Your giving can help us close that gap.

## Stay Connected To Our Staff/Elders

Do you have an idea, a question, a need or something you would like to know? Our staff and elders would truly love to hear from you. Give us a call, email us or simply stop by the office and we would love to hear how you are doing. We truly want to stay connected with you at this time so please reach out. We are working on a survey that we will be sending out that will help us know how we can do an even better job of serving and staying connected with you.

Here are a few things happening with our staff/elders...

- **David Hughes** and his wife Bailey bought a house in Brainerd and have recently moved in.
- **Troy Nelson** and wife Barb are still looking for a home to purchase. Please keep them in your prayers.
- **Ben and Jill Gibbs** have moved to a new home across from Manhattan Beach.
- **Ryan DeYounge**, Mandi's husband, landed a job with Essentia Health St. Joseph's Hospital.



## Stay Connected Through Devotion

*Waiting In Faith* from In Touch Ministries

**Hebrews 11:6-16** When I was a young boy, my mother let me plant some seeds in her garden. Although she explained that the plants would take time to appear. When nothing happened after several days, I decided to dig them up to check for progress. I found no plants, but what's worse, I also ruined the possibility of ever seeing any. Hebrews 11 records examples of people who by faith, waited for what God promised, even when it wasn't visible.

- *Noah continued building an ark despite the many intervening years until the predicted flood (Heb. 11:7).*
- *Abraham looked forward to the land God promised, though the fulfillment did not take place during his lifetime (Heb. 11:8-10).*
- *Sarah had to wait until she was well beyond childbearing age before God finally gave her the son He'd promised (Heb. 11:11-12).*

## Stay Connected G.O.A.L. (Go Out And Live)

Right now is a time when local business and restaurant workers are receiving a lot of difficult and angry comments from people who don't like the mandate that now requires masks to be worn. Let's set a GOAL to bless these workers whenever the opportunity presents itself. Ask them how they are doing. Tell them you are sorry for the way others may have treated them. Offer to pray for them, or better yet, offer to pray with them. Leave them a tip with a card that says you are loved and appreciated...a friend from The Log Church. Let's be the hands and feet of Christ loving those around us who are working hard to serve us in this pandemic.

*If we expect God to work according to our timetable, we're likely to face disappointment. The people mentioned in Hebrews had to wait many years; in fact, some of the promises made to them won't be fulfilled until after Christ returns.*

*The Lord doesn't work like a gumball machine – we can't cash in a promise and assume the fulfillment will pop out. Ours is a long-term walk by faith.*