

Friday - Dec. 15, 2023

TLC CONNECT

The Log Church
Crosslake

WELCOME TO THE LOG
CHURCH - DEC. 17TH



Prepare the Way!

Luke 1:57-80

WHY? Why did John have to prepare the way? Join us Sunday to see how this simple question is answered. It might surprise you.

— You Are Invited —

ABIDE WORSHIP

*An evening of
worship and prayer*

Monday - Dec. 18th
6:00 PM

— THIS SUNDAY —



**CHRISTMAS CONCERT
DEC., 17TH
DURING 9:30 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE**

There will be songs performed by our TLC Christmas Choir, led by Alyssa Readel, in lieu of our regular musicians.

*Invite a friend and
join us!!!*



The Christmas Eve Offering
will be given to our
Mission Partners,

**REACH GLOBAL
CRISIS RESPONSE**

**THIS COMING WEEK AT
THE LOG CHURCH**

SUNDAY - DEC. 17TH

9:00 AM Pre-service Prayer
9:30 AM Worship Service

MONDAY - DEC. 18TH

6:30 AM Small Group Study
6:00 PM ABIDE Worship

TUESDAY - DEC. 19TH

3:30 PM Bone Builders
7:00 PM AA Group

WEDNESDAY - DEC. 20TH

— No Wed. Night Activities —

THURSDAY - DEC. 21ST

3:30 PM Bone Builders

FRIDAY - DEC. 22ND

9:00 AM Mom & Child Connect
6:00 PM College-Aged Christmas
Gathering

Christmas Eve Worship

Sunday, December 24th

9:00 & 10:30 AM and

7:00 PM Candlelight Service

The 10:30 AM service will be live-streamed on our You-Tube Channel

The Nursery will be available for children under 3 yrs. of age during the 10:30 AM service only.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE DEC. 20th Agenda

THERE WILL BE NO WNL ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK.

KIDS Club

WILL NOT MEET ON
Dec. 20, Dec. 27, Jan. 3, Jan. 10
We will resume Wed., Jan. 17th

ANNUAL STAFF LOVE OFFERING



You can give to our annual love offering to the staff until the end of the year by simply noting "staff offering" in the memo or in notes with online giving. Here is a list of our current staff:

- Troy Nelson, Pastor
- Mike Neumann, Pastor
- Sarah Dawdy, Office Manager
- Nate & Alyssa Readell, Worship
- Kathryn Neumann, Worship
- Mary Amiot, Finance & Marketing
- John Lindahl, Custodian/Maint.
- Dalton Atwater, Live Stream Tech.
- Nancy Gibbons, Nursery Director
- Logan Olson, A/V Director



BUDGET REPORT as of Nov. 26, 2023

YTD Giving	\$446,901.00
Under Budget	\$94,937.00

Devotion - The Real Reason for Christmas

submitted by: Jan Van Rooyen

Although we usually meditate on the birth of Jesus at this time of the year, His purpose in coming to earth was to die for you and for me and pay for the forgiveness of our sins.

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Philippians 2:8

He was born to die on the cross that we might be reconciled to God. When Jesus came to earth, it really was a moment when God Almighty shed His glorious appearance and exchanged it for the clothing of human flesh. Jesus' coming was entirely a love-motivated decision—*"For God so loved the world."* John 3:16. So great is the depth of His love for the sake of our redemption, God laid aside all of His radiant glory, took upon Himself human flesh, and was manifested in the very likeness of a human being. Jesus

humbled Himself "... and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." So vast is His affection for us that He took the pain and shame we were due and offered up His life as a ransom for ours. As pre-existent God, Jesus came to earth for this purpose. But as man dressed in flesh. He despised the thought of the cross (Hebrews 12:2) and could only endure its shame because He knew of the results that would follow.

1. Take a moment to reflect on the love of God reflected in the coming of Christ.
2. What can you do on this Christmas Eve to more fully "In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:5)? Are there specific ways you can show humility toward others or prefer someone else above yourself?

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

One of the most important things we do as a church is ministry to our children! To do it well we need you all to be involved! We all need to do our part and it might be as simple as rocking a child in the nursery or leading games in the gym. You might be a great storyteller, or you listen well and could work with children memorizing God's Word. So simply ask, "What is God asking me to do?"

JAMAICA

MISSION TEAM

The team invites you to partner with them to fill their suitcases with supplies for Westhaven Children's Home. They will be in the Gathering Space each Sunday through December with a list of needed items.



EFCA ReachGlobal Crisis Response aids local churches in a crisis site to not only repair homes but build relationships that will then multiply through the body of Christ to reach out into the community, discipling to their neighbors and growing the Kingdom of God!



Experienced People in Christ

EPIC

- **Thurs., Jan. 18th 4-5:30 PM**
Food Packing - Nisswa followed by Tasty Pizza North

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THESE EVENTS ONLINE & INDICATE WHAT YOU WILL BRING

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