Living Out Our Wedding Vows Day-to-Day by Cheryl Goss

My husband and I married in 2007. It was a beautiful, traditional wedding. My son walked me down the aisle. Our first pastor officiated the wedding. And, during the middle of our wedding—before our wedding vows, he gave me a white Bible. This Bible was a gift from my soon-to-be mother and father-in-law.

The pastor asked us both to hold it in our hands, and these were his words: "With this Bible, we will bring our lives together before Christ and base it around God's Word."

I wish I would have remembered those words more often during these years of marriage. We have a good marriage and have now been blessed with three children.

But I can tell you, all marriages have their ups and downs. Everyone brings their own insecurities. And, when you are in the daily routines of life, the enemy can creep in. He uses these things to plant seeds of doubt, anger, and frustration in your marriages and lives.

I do not want to give the enemy credit for anything. But he wants nothing more than to destroy you and your marriage. We must make sure that when we come to any crossroad in our marriage (that might threaten our wedding vows) we must hold to those words: "With this Bible, we will bring our lives together before Christ and base it around God's Word."

I know, that's much easier said than done! I can look back at our marriage and see where I allowed the enemy to creep in, where I allowed him to plant seeds of bitterness and frustration.

May these verses comfort and encourage you today.

 Galatians 5:16 (NLT): So, I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.

Our nature is to fall into sin; with that comes those seeds of anger, bitterness, hatred, this is precisely where the enemy wants us.

• Galatians 5:22-23: But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things.

Lives and marriages rooted in God's Word produce the fruit of love, joy, peace. This is how God wants you to live and act related to your spouse.



# WELCOME TO LAKEVIEW CHAPEL Sunday, March 14, 2021 / Worship 10 AM

Song Here I Am To Worship

**Invocation** 

**Welcome & Announcements** 

Worship Prayer Duane

Song Tremble
Song More Than Amazing

Message You Did WHAT?

Pastor Dave Havener

Song Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Song You Never Let Go

**Benediction** 

Sermons are available online at:

https://www.lakeviewowego.com https://www.facebook.com/lakeviewowego

### **Events and Information**

Continue to pray and uplift Stu & Joyce as they go through this very difficult time. Stu would be encouraged if his church family sent words of encouragement by card or phone call.

<u>LUNCH ON THE GO</u> – Lakeview will provide an Irish themed Lunch on the Go today following the morning service as you exit the church. If you would like to help, please see Kelly.

**EASTER LILIES** - If you would like to place a lily in the church for Easter in memory or honor of a loved one, please fill out the order form in your bulletin and place it in the offering box or church office. Orders need to be in today.

<u>CHILDREN'S BELL CHOIR</u> – The children's bell choir will be practicing during children's church time in March to prepare for a performance on Easter Sunday morning.

<u>COUPLES SMALL GROUP</u> – The Tuesday evening couples group will start a new study '*The Art of Marriage*' on March 16 at 6:30 PM. The group will meet at Lakeview in the fellowship hall. If you have any questions and are interested in joining, please see Chad & Judy.

#### SPRING REFRESH 2021 / A VIRTUAL EVENT

The Alliance Women's Spring Refresh Conference will be held Saturday, April 24 at Lakeview. Theme: 'Free to Walk in the Spirit.' The keynote speaker is Merilyn L. To facilitate the event, we need to know who is interested in attending. Please contact Mickey or call the church office by March 21. More information to follow.

#### INTERNATIONAL WORKERS CONFERENCE

Our International Workers Conference will be held Sunday evening, April 25 through Wednesday evening, April 28 with International Worker Mark E. who serves in Bosnia, More details to follow.

<u>LOST AND FOUND</u> – Lost and found items are located on the coat rack between the church office and the pastor's office. Items will be kept until the end of the month before being donated.

We're building a community of faith in God that LIVES WELL but not by SIGHT.

## **Small Group Ministry**

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#### **Adult Group** (Led by Steve & Kristie)

Meeting Friday evenings 7 PM at Steve & Kristie's home. Using 'The Steps to Freedom in Christ' material. For more information, call the church office (607)-687-3261.

### **Couples Small Group** (Led by Chad & Judy)

Starting Tuesday, March 16 at 6:30 PM. Meeting at Lakeview in the fellowship hall. Reviewing *'The Art of Marriage'*. For more information, call the church office (607)-687-3261.

### **Bible Study Groups**

#### Women's Bible Study (Led by Anne)

Tuesday mornings from 9:30 AM-12 Noon at Lakeview. Meeting in the sanctuary.

#### Men's Bible Study (Led by Pastor Dave)

Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 PM at Lakeview. Meeting in the fellowship hall. Reviewing 'Outrageous Justice' from Prison Fellowship.

### Women's Bible Study (Led by Mickey)

Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 PM at Lakeview. Meeting in the first-floor classroom by the stairs. Studying *'The Daniel Prayer'* by Anne Graham Lotz.

**Prayer Group** (Led by Art) Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 PM at Lakeview. Meeting in the church office.

# Wednesday Night Youth Programs (6:30-8 PM)

**IMPACT** (Teen Group 6th–12th grade)

## **This Weeks Calendar**

Tuesday	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Couples Small Group
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Prayer Meeting, IMPACT (Teen Group)
	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study, Women's Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Adult Small Group