

LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, July 8

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service
- 12:15PM Deacon Meeting
- 3:00PM LBAC Dodgers vs. Angels Tailgate Party
- 5:00PM LBAC Dodgers vs. Angels Gametime

Monday, July 9

- 8:45AM Vacation Bible School (8:30AM Doors Open)
- 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Tuesday, July 10

- 8:45AM Vacation Bible School (8:30AM Doors Open)

Wednesday, July 11

- 8:45AM Vacation Bible School (8:30AM Doors Open)

Thursday, July 12

- 8:45AM Vacation Bible School (8:30AM Doors Open)

Friday, July 13

- 8:45AM Vacation Bible School (8:30AM Doors Open)
- 8:00PM Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, July 14

- 8:00AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Sunday, July 15

- 9:00AM Morning Coffee
- 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service

MISSIONS

<http://www.lbac.org/missions>

GROWTH GROUPS

<http://www.lbac.org/gg>

Mid-week Bible Studies for all Adults

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/children>

Sunday Mornings

Gospel Project @ 9:30AM
Fun-N-Funky Hour (Summer Break)

AWANA

<http://www.lbac.org/awana>

Wednesdays through May (Summer Break)

YOUTH MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/youth>

JH & HS Foundations - Sundays (Summer Break)
The Deep (Study) - Tuesdays @ 7:00PM
Summer Youth Group - Thursdays @ 7:00PM

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/women>

Woman To Woman Mentoring

Contact: sherylnnelbac@gmail.com

Lydia House Meals Ministry

Contact: robbi@apabrandu.com

Women Connecting with Missions

3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00PM

Crafty Women

2nd Saturday of each month @ 10:00AM

MEN'S MINISTRIES

<http://www.lbac.org/men>

Contact: mensministry@lbac.org

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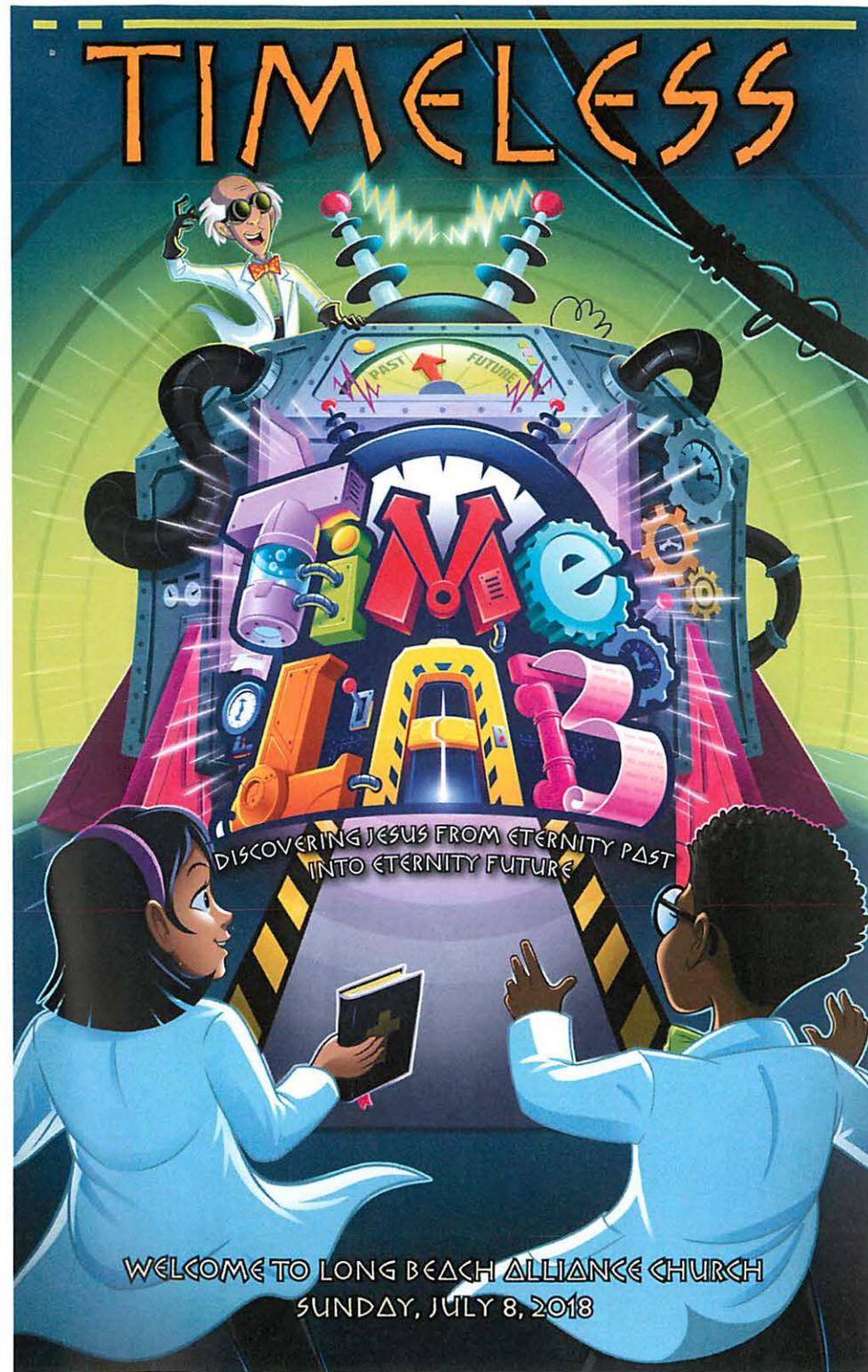
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Weekly Schedule

Regular Ministry Schedule & Contacts



ANGELS VS. DODGERS RIVALRY SERIES

Today, July 8!



VS



Tailgate Party (under the Big A) • Begins @ 3:00PM
Food & Drink Provided • Game Time @ 5:00PM

Got Questions? Visit the Men's Courtyard Table or Call John Moses @ 562.755.0920

Men's Breakfast

FREE! All Men Invited!

Saturday, July 14
8:00AM • LBAC Gymnasium

Got Questions? Visit the Men's Courtyard Table or Call Greg Coles @ 310.293.9818

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget %</u>
Weekly:	\$12,041.97	\$7,099.10	59.0%
Month-to-Date:	\$12,041.97	\$7,099.10	59.0%
Year-to-Date:	\$529,846.68	\$509,241.02	96.1%
Disbursed YTD: \$520,196.00 GOF Balance: -\$10,954.98			

IS HEAVEN FOR REAL?

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1) THE RELATABLE JESUS FROM NAZARETH

What do you think of when you think about Jesus? Most of us think about the Jesus we can relate to, the guy from Nazareth who grew up as the oldest son of Mary & Joseph and had a bunch of siblings.

Like most people, you might relate to Jesus suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane, earnestly praying and sweating through his anxiety and struggles (Luke 22:39-46).

Maybe, like a lot of others, you picture Jesus as the mocked and beaten sacrifice for your sins; falsely accused, tragically convicted, and brutally executed by crucifixion (Matthew 27:26-31).

Of course, these pictures of Christ's life here on earth are accurate! However, like looking at a picture of yourself from many years ago, they recall something from your past which is only a shadow (sometimes quite dim) of the present. This is also true of Jesus Christ!

2) THE UNBELIEVABLE CHRIST OF TODAY

Once Jesus returned to Heaven in the clouds (Acts 1:9), all the divine qualities which He had set aside (Philippians 2:5-8) in order to be like you and me "in every respect" (Hebrews 2:17-18) were taken back by Jesus, a return to Jesus' full heavenly glory (John 17:5).

It's important to recognize that Jesus the Son provides us an earthly example of how to have an authentic relationship with God the Father (Hebrews 4:14-16). But, like an old snapshot, we should also see Jesus as He is today, to make sure we know Him as He truly is right now!

With this in mind, John, the writer of "the Revelation of Jesus Christ" provides us with a vivid snapshot of Jesus Christ standing in the midst of his future bride, the church (Revelation 1:12-20).

A relatable Jesus is indispensable for our faith. But a victorious Jesus of Revelation? That's the Jesus of today, the Jesus you and I need to face tomorrow, and the Jesus we must see "face-to-face" in order to live lives of victory in the love of Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 8:31-39).