



Lakeview NEWS

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Lakeview United Methodist Church

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ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Wayne Kersey and opened with prayer. Those present in addition to Wayne were Pastor Richie, Don Wilson, Ron & Marilyn Colby, Karen Kersey, Linda Thompson, Dave Koontz. Bud Newbrough, Linda Martin and Don & Marilyn Morton. Motion (Ron/Bud) carried to accept the May minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report - The treasurer's reports for June and July 2014 were distributed, and motion (Ron/Don W.) carried to accept the reports.

It was noted that cleaning supply costs are over budget and Jeff will check with John McCormick who oversees this portion of maintenance for the church.

VBS was very successful, but to date we have not had any bills - please turn in your bills as this helps with planning for next year's budget.

Motion carried (Ron C./Don W.) to accept the treasurer reports.

Finance - The committee is starting the process of preparing the 2015 budget.

Trustees - Jim Rose and Dick Thompson are in the process of updating the furnace controls and we would like to express our gratitude to them as this is a "big project" for the church and has the potential to save money in the coming years.

The Ekstrom boys resealed the wooden railings at the entrance to the education building. Thanks, Tanner & Mason.

A proposal was made to have a "little library" sponsored by Lakeview at the corner near our church sign. This is a small enclosed space (like a big mailbox) where books can be placed - (if you need a book, you are welcome to take one—if you have read a good book and would like to share it, you are welcome to place it in the space). Scrap wood is available and people have agreed to build it, and a person to monitor it - therefore, a motion carried (Bud/Jeff) to proceed with this project.

PS/PRC - The committee is waiting to hear the results of the St Luke resolution, and then will proceed with work on budget, etc.

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Worship - Committee will meet September 2, 6 pm, at the church to make plans for the remainder of the year.

Outreach - Bill McFarland has expressed his thanks to Lakeview Church for providing Keith with a computer, and conversation with Keith indicates things are going well with it. He hopes to prepare a CD/DVD to share with the congregation by Christmas.

We have collected meat products and towels as an outreach from Lakeview.

The new need for St. Albans Homeless Shelter is blankets and we will be announcing this in our upcoming church services.

A motion carried (Jeff/Ron) to allow \$500 from our past garage sale to be used by Kathi McCormick and Linda Martin for needs at the Twin City Shelter.

Sunday School - Effective in September we will have the following classes for Sunday School - (9am)

- (1) - Bible Study Class - leader Bill Casto
- (2) - Contemporary Class - leader Kathi McCormick-Linda Martin-Wayne Kersey
- (3) - Nursery (rotation)
- (4) - Kindergarten thru 3rd grade - Patty Moss
- (5) - 4th grade & up - Karen Kersey
- (6) - Children's Sermon - Kathi McCormick, and then will provide a handout if they want it for the youth who will remain in church during the church service.
- (7) - There will be a nursery during church for preschoolers.

Nurture - The committee has agreed that a Thanksgiving Dinner on the Sunday before Thanksgiving is not the best date for the

dinner, and would like to propose the first Sunday in November as the date for our Church/Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

Family Ministries - Patty Moss did a super job getting Bible School organized. We had 27 youth registered at the church and 17 tweens who met at various members' houses. Thanks to all those who participated.

Our next emphasis will be a Christmas program - a couple ideas are in the works.

Pastor's Report - Pastor announced that he is proud of the leadership at Lakeview, the many things that they plan and accomplish. This comes at an especially difficult time, because our sister church, St. Luke, which he co-pastors, will be bankrupt by December 1st. There will be no services at the church for the next two weeks, while they visit other churches, and the last Sunday Service there will be October 26.

St. Luke is looking for a church to merge with and Lakeview, St Andrew, St Peter's and Humphrys Tornado are possibilities. If they agree and pick a church before the end of October, the property can be sold and the monies given to their church of choice or otherwise the Conference takes over.

Miscellaneous - Motion (Bud/Dave) carried to schedule a Fall Yard Sale, Saturday, October 4th. Dave Koontz said that Jericho House will have a yard sale Sept. 13 at Gateway (across from the post office) and asked that if they had items left, he might bring them to our yard sale. (Everyone was ok with this and Dave will handle that part of it).

A motion carried (Jeff/Don M.) approving the use of our facilities for a Lakeview Fire Department Blood Drive on September 13.

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A tri-fold Lakeview Church handout has been prepared and we have 100 copies printed – at a cost of \$20. Motion carried (Bud/Jeff) that this comes from the Outreach budget. This is available for visitors and some extra copies will be located at the back of the sanctuary.

Since printing our last directory, we have several new families and because of the way we printed our 2011 directory, we are able to print extra pages. Bud will handle taking the pictures of those who wish to be included and Don M. will print the extra pages.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 2.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Richie.

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

Hello, Lakeview! Wow! Two months! That is the longest vacation I have ever had! But it is good to be back on schedule and begin again the process of keeping Lakeview informed. May God be praised!

A lot has happened the last few weeks. We had a great Vacation Bible School with our Patty Moss leading the effort. Most of the Lakeview congregation helped at some point throughout the week and many children were served---- more than 40 children and tweens. We had a beautiful evening for a nice picnic the last evening and we give all the thanks and praise to God our Savior and all of you! We also appreciated the monetary support from those special individuals who donated.

We are especially grateful for the many boxes of Kids Kit items that were donated through the Vacation Bible

School program. Kathi McCormick and the children assembled these items just in time for our Don Griffith to send them on their way to the Sojourners children for school.

What a special treat it was to witness the Baptism of Marianna Grace Baucom, beautiful infant daughter of Chris and Megan (Kersey) Baucom of Alachua, Florida on July 27, 2014. Marianna is Wayne and Karen Kersey's first grandchild and Don and Marilyn Morton's first great grandchild. It was also a joy to welcome Stephanie and Brett Kersey and Rick Morton for the celebration. We thank the Kersey's for the special reception that followed. God be praised!

It was also a special treat to welcome back to our congregation Bob and Sally White, who have returned to Lakeview and Saint Albans from the sunny skies of Florida after having lived there for several years. As good fortune would have it, they are living on the same street as their former residence and even better, they are close to Kathi and John McCormick, their eldest child and close to Wesley, their only son. Congratulations to Bob and Sally and their children for having accomplished this monumental task. God be praised!!

Blessings abound! It was also a joy to welcome back to Lakeview, Violet Smith and her son Mark. They visited from Texas recently and we were happy to see that she is in good health.

Doris Herscher announces that her grandson, Gavin Herscher, will be teaching and/or coaching at South Charleston High School this fall. Gavin currently resides with his wife and two children in Columbus, OH.

It was a joy to have Pastor Jeff Arthur and his wife, Linda, worship with us this past Sunday. Jeff blessed us with a beautiful

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song and he helped Pastor Richie serve Communion. Let us remember Pastor Jeff with prayer as he battles Multiple Sclerosis.

We continue to ask for prayer for Georgeann and Fred McKinney. And while we are at it, we ask for prayer for Joe and Lynn Bostic and their family as they continue to care for Fred and Georgeann.

We ask for prayer for Bill Rose as he undergoes a knee replacement surgery on August 13 at Saint Francis Hospital. We hope he will be a good patient and that Mary will be a good nurse.

We also hope and pray that little Sophie and Rylee McNiel are recovered from the virus they had this past week. And we hope that Leslie doesn't catch it!

We ask for prayer for Linda Thompson as she seeks to resolve health issues in the coming months. And thankfully, we are happy that Dick Thompson is feeling better after a long haul with a back problem.

We pray for safety for our school children and their teachers as we begin another school year. May God bless them all.

And just to prove that the fall schedule is about to begin, the Fall Yard Sale date is set for October 4. Time to scout the closets, drawers and shelves for the treasures you may wish to donate.

Here we are, back in the swing of things, for the busy fall season. Thank you, Lord, for a blessed summer and respite from the full load of activities. Happy School, Happy Fall, and we will see you next month.

July, August and Sept. Anniversaries

BACCHUS	7/1
KOONTZ	7/5
BILL&MARY ROSE	7/9
ROWE	8/19
BOBBERA	9/4
DAVIS	9/12

July, August and Sept. Birthdays

LOGAN PENNINGTON	7/3
BARB THAXTON	7/4
KENNY PENNINGTON	7/4
CHARLIE FRY	7/14
DORIS HERSHER	7/19
MEGAN KERSEY BAUCOM	7/22
RUTH ANDERSON	7/25
SOPHIE LEA MCNIEL	8/2
ALEX BODEN	8/10
ANGIE POTTER	8/10
CHRIS EDWARDS	8/11
ED SCHOTT	8/14
MONA IDDINGS	8/17
MARIA BELCHER	8/18
SAVANNAH BODEN	8/26
OREN DAVIS	8/29
GIANNI COLLEVECCHIO	8/30
DON GRIFFITH	8/30
MACIE DAHMER	8/31
JASON BLACK	9/3
RICHARD PAXTON	9/4
NORMA NEWBROUGH	9/6
DEBBIE ROWE	9/11
LOREN EDWARDS	9/14
MAX BELCHER	9/16
GEORGEANN MCKINNEY	9/17
CAROL DAVIS	9/26

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please send an email to: Donaldp.wilson@yahoo.com and I will add you to the list.

FINANCE CORNER

Monies needed to make Budget \$7,770
Income for July \$5,910

All bills are paid in full. Thank you.

Finance Committee