



# Lakeview News

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*Lakeview United Methodist Church*

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## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Bud Newbrough and opened with everyone praying the Lord's Prayer. Those present in addition to Bud were Pastor Richie, Don Wilson, Wayne and Karen Kersey, Dick Thompson and Marilyn Morton. Motion (Wayne/Don) carried to accept the April minutes as printed.

**Treasurer's Report** - Report accepted (Wayne/Don) with the correction that the \$101.43 spent for Sunday School materials be charged to Education rather than Family Ministries.

**Finance** - \$500 was given to Keith McFarland for his work in Uganda. This was presented to him in April when he shared the story of his ministry there.

Motion (Marilyn/Don) carried to purchase a membership to Lakewood Pool for the McNiels for 2017. This will be from the designated fund and not involve Humphreys Church.

**Family Ministries** - Children's church has been started again and Karen Ekstrom had the first session on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Karen

Kersey arranged for literature to be used and the first six months have been assigned. There are four sources for lessons and are clearly marked so there will be no mix up - if an assigned teacher cannot be in attendance, they are to make arrangements for a replacement.

The Family Ministries Committee has agreed to meet monthly with Pastor Richie and plans are for the committee to meet digitally.

Family Ministries is currently working on the church's prayer chain - trying to make it more inclusive, more effective and more automated. Karen Kersey will head the project.

**Trustees** - The Dixon family has donated a "basketball pole and net" to the church. This will be used by the youth practicing their skills. Many thanks for this addition.

**PS/PRC** - Contacts are still being made for a piano player for church, but no success to date.

**Pastor's Report** - Easter services were well attended - these included Maundy Thursday Service, Good Friday Service, Sunrise Service and Easter Worship Service.

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL-Cont'd

Conference this year will be June 8 - 11.

Lakeview Bible School will be June 18 - 22.

Humphreys Bible School will be June 12 - 14.

Pastor Richie will be on vacation May 22 thru June 11.

**Miscellaneous** - Fall Yard Sale is scheduled for September 30.

Pastor Richie closed the meeting with prayer.

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## Children's Church

April.....Karen Ekstrom

May.....Barbara Robinette

June.....Linda Martin

July.....Karen Wilson

August.....Karen Kersey

September.....Tara Lane

## Children's Church



Kindergarten through Fifth Grade  
right after the Children's Sermon

## NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

Lakeview has celebrated another glorious Easter Sunday, beginning with a Sunrise service at the lake and a delicious Easter breakfast (many thanks to the Nurture Committee) in the multipurpose room. Both Lakeview and Humphreys (as our guests) turned out in full force in addition to a full house for Easter Worship. Afterwards, the children enjoyed the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Except for an afternoon shower, it was a glorious Easter proclaiming the good news that Christ is Risen, Christ is Risen, indeed!

It was good to have Keith McFarland, his wife, Laura Beth and their six beautiful children with us for this past Sunday evening, where they told us about their life as part of New Hope/Uganda in Uganda, Africa. They have been stationed there for the past thirteen years mentoring, teaching and serving in this ministry. Their stories are remarkable as they seek to follow God's will for the fatherless children in Uganda, while rearing their own family. They will be returning to Uganda in June for another 2 ½ year term. We pray for God's safety and mercy for them once again.

Vacation Bible School is coming up! I am sure your help is needed. It will be June 18-22. Again, we thank Tara Lane for her leadership.

Dick Thompson thanked those who have signed up to help clean the church this spring. If you feel called to clean something, permission is granted and you can do it in your own time and in your own way. What a great offer—and it will be appreciated.

We ask for prayer for Johnny and Mary Carr as John begins a chemotherapy treatment program.

We ask for prayer for Charlie and Carol Fry.

## NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER – Cont'd

Charley recently had some minor surgery. I believe he is home and recovering.

We ask for prayer for Cameron Burford, Pastor Richie and Tracie's cousin. Cameron has been at Lakeview to sing for us many times with his beautiful voice. He is battling a viral infection of unknown origin.

It was great to see Cameron Ashley in church with his lovely friend, Molly Veith. I hardly knew Cameron with his beard! We pray for his continued healing from his auto accident.

We ask for prayer for Ally Poe, who seems to be back at square one, after a neurologist decided muscles were the source of her problems instead of nerves. Whichever it is, we ask for healing prayer for this beautiful young woman.

We ask for prayer for Kenny Bowyer, Karen's husband, who suffered a small stroke a few weeks ago.

Great grandbabies are being born everywhere with both Helen Cherry and Doris Herscher announcing the birth of new ones. Congratulations to the happy families.

Children and teachers are counting the last days until school is over and who could blame them with this hot weather we have been having! So, the lazy, hazy days of summer are almost upon us. Let's hope for a successful Vacation Bible School, an accident free summer, and good weather to enjoy!

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### FINANCE CORNER

Monies needed to make Budget	\$7,533
Income for April	\$9,533

All bills are paid in full.

If you have any questions concerning the budget, please see any member of the Finance Committee.

Thank you. Finance Committee

## GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANTS

This month the nominees for good and faithful servants are Bill and Fran Casto. Many of you are already aware of Bill's contributions to Lakeview. Bill has taught the Adult Sunday School Class for over 50 years and has only recently taken on team teachers. I am sure he has served in every office of the church as well as the Treasurer for many years. And just how many churches have hand crafted hand rails in their hallways? Not many, I am sure. Bill's fixit skills are known far and wide and we have been fortunate to take advantage of every one of them. There was never a "NO!" proffered, but how can we get this done? And done, it was. The children will always remember the man who passes out chewing gum in church and that is our Bill.

We cannot overlook Bill's helpmate and wife, Fran, who has been at his side these many years providing support and comfort. She, too, has shared her talents, serving as Financial Secretary for many years, opening their home to many meetings, parties and visitors, while often providing the food for these gatherings. With Bill's travels all over the world for his job at Union Carbide, it was Fran who kept the family functioning at home. In past years, Fran worked as a nurse at the Red Cross, drawing blood samples for the Blood Bank.

Nowhere will you find two more dedicated Christians, serving their God, their community and Lakeview. Bill and Fran are Charter Members of Lakeview, which started in 1961. Thank you, Bill and Fran.

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# Vacation Bible School

June 18 – 22

Save the Date!

Family Ministries



### Kid Kits

Items to include into your Kid Kits

- 16 Count Crayons
- Pad of Paper
- Coloring Book
- 2 Pencils
- Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- Comb or Brush
- Stuffed Animal
- Children's Book

### May and June Anniversaries

<b>THAXTON</b>	<b>5/5</b>
BODEN	5/20
CASTO	5/26
KERSEY	5/29
<b>BLACK</b>	<b>6/3</b>
MORTON	6/4
MCCORMICK	6/7
WILSON	6/7
FRY	6/10
KELLY	6/13
ROBINETTE	6/14
THOMPSON	6/17

### May and June Birthdays

<b>CAITLYN ASHLEY</b>	<b>5/6</b>
HOLLIE FERGUSON	
BACCHUS	5/8
TIM FERGUSON	5/8
SANDY ASHLEY	5/9
LAURA POE	5/12
FRAN CASTO	5/13
VIOLET SMITH	5/14
MARY ROSE	5/17
SANDY ROBERTS	5/19
SARAH BOWMAN	5/19
ASHLEY WILSON	5/20
AMY HUMPHREYS	5/22
STEPHANIE GIPE	5/26
JEFF EKSTROM	5/28
MARILYN MORTON	5/28
LINDA THOMPSON	5/28
<b>MARY CARR</b>	<b>6/6</b>
BILL CUMBERLEDGE	6/8
SALLY CARPENTER	6/10
ADAM POE	6/12
CAMERON ASHLEY	6/14
JAMIE ROBINETTE	6/17
AMI IDDINGS	6/18
CAMERON	
STRAWDERMAN	6/18
ADAM PENNINGTON	6/19
JANET PAINTER	6/29

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

### KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Kroger has donated \$151 to Lakeview United Methodist Church for their Community Rewards program for the quarter. The more people that sign up, the more Kroger will donate. If you need help in signing up, please contact Dick Thompson.