



# Lakeview NEWS

December 2018

Lakeview United Methodist Church

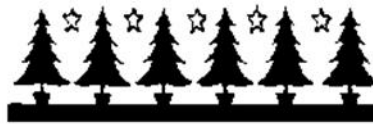
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## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Kathi McCormick and opened with a reading from Max Lucado's "It All Happened in a Manager" and a prayer. Those present in addition to Kathi were Pastor Richie, Don & Karen Wilson, Wayne Kersey, Dick Thompson, Ron Colby, and Marilyn Morton. Motion (Ron/Wayne) carried to accept the November minutes as printed.

**Treasurer's Report** – The treasurer's report for November was distributed, and motion (Ron/Don) carried to accept the report. All bills for the month have been paid. Noted that our water bill is back to normal for the month. Ron Colby says the city sometimes makes an adjustment in charges if there was a leak and he will pursue this with the city for the month of October when the church bill was exceptionally high.

In conversation with Roger Armstead, Roger asked that the memorial monies received in memory of Jan be used for the music program of the church. Kathi will convey this information to our music director.

**Finance** – The 2019 Pledge Drive is underway and plans are to remind the congregation that we are hoping to finish up the drive by December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Trustees** – The ice maker in the kitchen refrigerator was not working properly, and has been replaced.

**Family Ministries** – On December 16<sup>th</sup> there will be a covered dish Christmas dinner at 5 pm, with the children's Christmas program to follow.

Noted that we are very pleased to have Nancy Smith back on board after her bout with heart surgery.

**Outreach** – To date fifteen Christmas Baskets have been assigned, and names have been provided. A list of items suggested for the baskets has been distributed and plans are to have the baskets delivered by December 21<sup>st</sup>.

At an earlier date Lakeview voted to give Keith McFarland \$500 for his work in Africa. Motion (Don/Wayne) carried to follow through on this. Contact will be made with Bill McFarland to determine the best way to get the funds to Keith.

## ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL-Cont'd

**PS/PRC** – At a previous meeting a motion carried to help Dave Williams with his rent expenses for a couple of months while he is recuperating. This will occur in December and January.

**Pastor's Report** - Christmas Eve Service will be held at Humphrey's at 6 pm.

The Youth Group is going well – 10-12 youth in attendance each week.

General Conference will be held in St Louis, MO in February. Information about Conference will be distributed in January.

The Bishop has been meeting with pastors helping them become familiar with the vote which will take place in February of 2019. Our Conference sends delegates to vote at the General Conference.

**Miscellaneous** - Plans are to have another 5K Run next year. Don Wilson and Wayne Kersey will work on this endeavor.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Richie.

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## NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

Everyone is in a tizzy, there is so much to do. It is December after all, and there are cards to send, presents to buy and wrap, parties to attend, people to visit, and of course, we must save time to prepare for the season of Advent. We are all waiting for the birth of the Christ Child. There is never enough time to get it all done and yet, every year, we celebrate the birth of that special child who brought light into a dark world. Now that is really something to celebrate!

Jamie and Barbara Robinette are celebrating the birth of baby Piper June, born November 27, I believe. Charly and Trevor must be so excited to welcome a new baby sister to the family. Congratulations to all of them.

We are so happy for the return of Nancy Smith to our congregation and to the role

she plays with the Lakeview children. Her smiling face is a welcome addition wherever she goes. We are so happy for your recovery, Nancy.

We give thanks for all of the Lakeview volunteers who manned the Love Light Tree in support of the local Hospice organization. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

And the Annual bell ringing for the Salvation Army at our local Kroger Store was a big success also. Thanks again to the volunteers for the support of this wonderful organization.

A big shout out to all who came to the first ever Breakfast with Santa pancake Breakfast on December 2. This event raised money for the Saint Albans High School Soccer Team and our Organizer, Tara Lane, pronounced it a huge success.

The Lakeview Choir will be presenting their Christmas Cantata on December 9, in the Worship service. Cameron Burford is scheduled to come sing *Mary, Did You Know?* Tracie and the Choir hope you will be in church that Sunday.

For many years Marilyn and Ron Colby have headed the Christmas basket effort for Lakeview. Be sure to help them out by volunteering to provide a basket for a family or to contribute to the purchase of turkeys and hams for the families. Thank you, Ron and Marilyn, for continuing this important ministry.

Carol Fry reported that Charlie's recent hospitalization may have been due to a mix up in medicines. She is grateful that that this has been discovered by a watchful health care provider.

Pastor Richie and sis Tracie have reported that their mom, Valerie McNiell has moved to a new town home in Culloden. This is a new chapter in Valerie's life and we are excited to share it with her.

December 16, there will be a Potluck Christmas Dinner at our church at 5:00 pm.

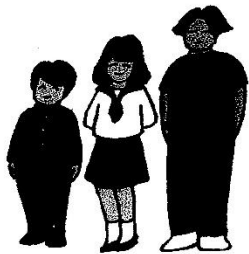
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Following in the Sanctuary will be the Children's Christmas Program. Here's hoping YOU will be in attendance.

The Worship Committee, headed by Barbara Smith and Laura Poe, and the Youth group were responsible for decorating the church for Christmas. We say "Great Job" and "Thank you."

Don't forget to bring in gloves, hats, scarves, and sox for the Jesse Tree in the back of the Sanctuary. These items, as always, are donated to the Sojourners Shelter as gifts for the folks who reside there. We give thanks for your generosity to those who need help in this cold weather. And if you have an extra coat, please consider taking it to the Heart and Hand mission in South Charleston.

This reporter wishes all of you the Hope of Christmas, Peace in the World, Joy in the Celebration and Love in your Hearts this Advent Season. See you in the New Year.



### Kid Kits

Items to include into your  
Kid Kits

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

## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

If you are aware of any local community needs, please contact the Outreach Committee (Ron Colby chair) or the Administrative Board (Kathi McCormick chair).

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### 2019 Pledge Drive

Our church provides a vital ministry for our congregation and community. Your giving pays for ministerial support, staff salaries, outreach missions in the community (Jericho house, homeless shelter, etc.), church programs, and utilities and maintenance for our facilities.

The 2019 Lakeview budget is an increase over the 2018 budget.

The Finance Committee has prepared a packet of information that has been distributed.

If possible, please return your pledge card by December 16, 2018. Your pledge is confidential.

If you have any questions about our church finances, please contact any member of the finance committee: Don Wilson, Wayne Kersey, Jeff Ekstrom, Janet Painter, Don Griffith, Bud Newbrough, James Robinette, Don Morton, or Dave Koontz.



### FINANCE CORNER

Monies needed to make Budget	\$7,958
Income for November	\$9,767*

\* A portion of this income is for 2019 pledges paid for the entire year.

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

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Linda Thompson has the responsibility of keeping the church calendar for managing the facilities of the church.

**We are trying to schedule rooms and etc. so we do not have two or more persons or groups trying to use the same facility at the same time.** Please call Linda at 304-727-3723 or 304-546-8460 or Email [lindathompson1@gmail.com](mailto:lindathompson1@gmail.com) to reserve a room or any part of the church.

**At the same time let her know if you need heat, air conditioning or kitchen facilities and at what time.**

### December and January Birthdays

<b>BUZZ KNAPP</b>	<b>12/4</b>
ELIZABETH BOBBERA	12/7
DARYL SCHOTT	12/7
DICK WEBB	12/12
DON WILSON	12/13
RON COLBY	12/14
DAVID GIPE JR	12/17
JOE HUDSON	12/18
BUD NEWBROUGH	12/18
FRANKI NOBLE	12/18
BOB IDDINGS	12/19
KAREN KERSEY	12/28
HELEN CHERRY	12/29
<b>LESLIE BODEN</b>	<b>1/12</b>
CHARLI RUSSELL	1/12
DAVID POE	1/13
RYAN EDWARDS	1/13
JOHN HUMPHREYS	1/17
WAYNE KERSEY	1/21
EVAN ROWE	1/26
TANNER EKSTROM	1/28
TOMMY ATKINSON	1/29

### December and January Anniversaries

<b>COLBY</b>	<b>12/23</b>
HUMPHREYS	12/28
NEWBROUGH	12/28

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.

## ROOF FUND

The roofs over the multipurpose room, kitchen, choir room and classroom/nursery are approximately 20+ years old and will need to be replaced in the next few years. The cost for replacement is estimated to be around \$25,000. A Roof Fund has been established to accept donations toward replacing these roofs. If you would like to donate, please give it to Jeff or Karen Ekstrom and designate it for the Roof Fund. Thank You.

