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MAKE YOU
FISHERS
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Lakeview United Methodist Church

2624 East Parkview Drive, St. Albans, WV 25177

Richie McNeil, Pastor

August, 2019

Notes from the August Board Meeting:

Opening

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Bud Newbrough and opened with prayer. The minutes of the June 4, 2019 meeting were distributed and unanimously approved.

Present

Bud Newbrough, Wayne Kersey, Dick Thompson, Marilyn Morton, Jeff Ekstrom, Karen Kersey, Deborah Rowe

Treasurer's Report – Jeff Ekstrom

The treasurer's report for June was distributed and it was unanimously accepted. Karen Ekstrom will need \$500 for the Walk Against Hunger (Sept. 20). Options offered were 1) take up a love offering on Sunday or take funds out of the yard sale proceeds. Check needed by the end of August. Jeff will write a check on Sunday to the St. Albans Ministry Alliance.

Trustees – Dick Thompson

There is a fault in the thermostat in the nursery room. Will be about \$150 to fix. Solution: Turn the AC on earlier in the morning to cool the room before Sunday school.

Nurture – Dick Thompson for Linda

Linda and John Carr are planning an after-church get-together. A date has not been chosen.

PS/PRC – Wayne Kersey

He is meeting next Tuesday with Humphreys church to decide salaries for Pastor Richie, Tracie, and Dave. The charge conference needs salary information.

New Ideas – Karen Kersey

PALS Readers

Suggestion made for a new program called PALS readers, (People at Lakeview Serve). It would be like a program conducted by St. Andrews. Project: Volunteers from the church would read a book selected by the teachers (2nd or 3rd grade). Afterwards a copy of the book would be given to each student with a name plate in the front stating: Given with Love from the Lakeview United Methodist Church. The students start their own personal library. Suggested school: Andrews Heights Elementary, may add Lakewood Elementary later as funds allow. Motion (Jeff/Wayne) carried to do 1 trial year with Andrews Heights Elementary. Karen will meet with the teachers/school this week.

Bible Journaling

Karen suggested meeting beginning Thursday, September 5, 2019 from 9:00 – 10:00 to do Bible Journaling. You can doodle in a special Bible Journal

or you can doodle on a sketch pad or scrap paper. The art would coincide with the scripture on that page. Art supplies will be available to share.

Website

Donald Griffith is the new webmaster. Website: lakeviewunitemethodistchurch.net

Miscellaneous

- A discussion was held on how to help Dave Williams with his upcoming move. No decision was made.
- Karen Kersey will do the newsletter for this month. Norma will send Karen her article.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer. Special thanks to Debbie Rowe, our new Administrative Board secretary.



Notes from the Unknown Reporter...

AUGUST 2019

This reporter cannot believe this, but it is August already and the children and teachers are headed back to school in just a few days. The summer has been hot and muggy and I am sure many will be welcoming cooler days.

Some important news is this! After a hiatus of the newsletter of a couple of months, we have a new editor, Karen Kersey. We are grateful that Karen has retaken this ministry. She did this many years ago. Watch for other things she will be doing. Thank you, Karen!

Also of note is that Debbie Rowe has agreed to serve as recording secretary for the Administrative Council. Thank you, Debbie.

One of our most pressing concerns at the moment is the severe illness of a couple of our members.

Please pray for Ron and Marilyn Colby as they navigate the health care system to treat Ron's heart and health issues. Also on this list are Ed and Daryl Schott who have discovered that Ed also has cancer and they, too, are making decisions and choices about treatment options. Please pray for these folks without ceasing.

We don't want to diminish the needs of others who also have health and other life issues to deal with. These include Dick and Linda Thompson, Jim and James Rose, Dave and Sandy Ashley, Sis Bailey, Dave Williams, Dottie Hamon, Jack Bowman and I am sure, many others. Please forgive this reporter if I have forgotten to name one of your loved ones.

Now on to the Good News! Lakeview's Vacation Bible School was a roaring success with almost 40 children participating! This is a huge thank you to those who made it happen, including Tara Lane who coordinated the whole project. A special thank you to our Tracie Atkinson who served as the music person for Lakeview's VBS as well as the one at Humphreys VBS. She has also arranged for the special music this summer.

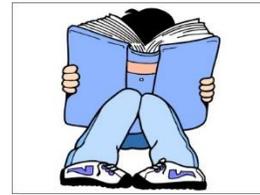
The White and the Koontz Families have both recently celebrated long term marriages. Bob and Sally have been married for 65 years and Dave and Barbara have been married for 66 years. Now that is an accomplishment! Congrats to them and their families.

Barbara Koontz thanked Lakeview for its generous response to the Manna Meal plea for breakfast cereal. Max Belcher, chef extraordinaire for the Manna Meal program was extremely grateful for the offering.

Once again, Lakeview answered the cry for help when a request from the SA Food Pantry came our way. Many bags of groceries were provided to fill the shelves of the pantry. Thank you, Lakeview.

Congratulations to our Ruth Anderson and Doris Herscher who both celebrated their 90th birthdays barely a week apart in July.

This reporter is at the end of this article. As school starts, we send best wishes for the children and teachers for a successful school year full of fun, learning and especially, safety. So, folks, say a prayer for them and slow down in the school zones.



PALS readers at Andrews Heights Elementary

PALS stands for People At Lakeview Serve! Lakeview Church is volunteering to be read aloud partners with 3rd grade at Andrews Heights Elementary. We will read a book to students in two different third grade classes, then give a copy of that book to the students so they can start a personal library of their own at home. Classroom teachers will select engaging books that are level appropriate for third graders within our budget guidelines. Lakeview will do this once a month for six months. Book plates will be in each book that say, "Given with love from the members of Lakeview United Methodist Church." Students can then sign their names on the book plate. What a great way to nurture and support the leaders of tomorrow. If you are interested in being one of the readers or helping with the program, please see Karen Kersey or Kathi McCormick. Thanks!

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| A graphic for Bible journaling featuring a lightbulb with a heart inside, and the text "JESUS I am the Light of the World. John 8:12". | <p><i>Bible Journaling</i></p> <p>THURSDAYS 9:00AM</p> <p>Beginning September 5th</p> <p>BE THERE!</p> |
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Starting in September.....every Thursday morning at 9-10 AM. People who like to doodle, people who think they can't draw and are willing to trace, people who just want to check it out are all invited to illustrate in their Bibles or on plain paper. Ideas on how to get started for those with no experience are available. We'll start with a short devotion, introduction to a new art supply or skill, followed by time to draw and share.

Questions? Call or text Karen Kersey 304.610.2230

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Donald Griffith is the new Web Master for Lakeview's Web site. Please send him any schedules, like ushers or mowing so he can post them on our site. All past newsletters are posted there as well, thanks to Don Wilson. Check it out!

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Start the new school year out right!
Come to church each Sunday and
join Ms. Nancy Smith, our
wonderful children's church leader,
to learn about Jesus and God's love.



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