



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 Karen Kersey, Pastor Richie, Bud Newbrough, Linda Thompson, Ron Colby and Don & Marilyn Morton. Motion (Bud/Linda) carried to accept the March minutes as printed.

Finance - We are having our Yard Sale on Saturday, April 13, and to date we have not designated where the funds will be used. Jericho House in St. Albans is very low on funding at this time and would appreciate it if we could help out. We have \$300 in our budget allotted to Jericho House and Ron Colby suggested we double that amount using funds from the Yard Sale. No vote was taken and the Finance Committee will make a recommendation.

PS/PRC - Twelve families have helped with a survey of the church hymns that the

congregation knows/likes as a resource for Chong to help with hymn selection.

Worship - The services for Holy Week were shared with St. Luke. Our Easter Sunrise Service was held inside due to inclement weather. Mark Nelson played the bagpipes for us, which was a nice addition to our service. We will make a donation to the youth of his church, at his request, rather than paying him for this service.

The choir provided beautiful music for our Easter Service. The Worship Committee purchased flowers for the altar on Easter. Also ten new hymnals will be purchased for use in the sanctuary.

Outreach - The committee worked on a blood drive in the multipurpose room on Saturday, March 23 in conjunction with the Lakeview Fire Department. This venture was very much a success and plans are to use our facility again for another drive during the fall months.

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Nurture - There were 55-60 people in attendance at the Easter Morning Breakfast.

Family Ministries - The Coffee & Conversation time has been a successful venture. Plans are to take a break for the summer months and perhaps pick back up during the fall.

The committee considered having a "Parable Dinner" during the year, and because of scheduling conflicts, this also will be moved to the fall months.

The Tweens/Youth Group is planning to have another *Drive In*.

Trustees - There was discussion regarding our church sign - to make some minor repairs and leave the sign as is or to replace it. Pros and cons were discussed and it was decided to table this till a later date.

Also, it was called to our attention that sometimes the church doors have been left unlocked and that we need to remember - if you unlock the church, it is your responsibility to make sure it is locked when you leave.

Bud reminded us that April 20th will be spring cleanup day for our church - he is posting a list of the items to be taken care of and if someone is unable to come the day of the cleanup and is agreeable to take on one of the projects, please sign up so we know which projects will be accomplished.

Pastor's Report - The Nominations Committee met and recommended some names for persons to help with Children's Ministries. Karen Ekstrom will follow through for the remainder of the year in this capacity. A couple other names were suggested and plans are to contact them also, to make for a smoother running children's program at Lakeview.

Amy Humphreys is coordinator for Vacation Church School this summer and will be arranging the dates shortly.

The Confirmation Class was a joy to work with and a special part of our Easter Service, to have three members taken into Lakeview's membership.

The Pastor will be at an Emmaus Walk April 18 thru April 21. Wayne Kersey will handle the service on the 21st.

On April 28 we will have a guest speaker, but Pastor Richie will handle the service.

Bud Newbrough will be our delegate to Conference this year.

Miscellaneous - Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 7.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Richie.

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It was a glorious Easter Sunrise, except, of course, for the rain. But the rain dampened no spirits as the strains of our wonderful bagpipe player, Mark, piped us into the sanctuary. But the Word proclaimed was Jesus Christ is Risen, He is Risen, Indeed!

Again the piper led us into the multipurpose room for a wonderful breakfast, organized by Linda Thompson, Chair of the Nurture Committee. Thank you, Linda!

Worship, as usual, on Easter at Lakeview was inspiring. Three of our young people were confirmed in the church. Samantha Humphreys, daughter of John and Amy Humphreys, Tanner Ekstrom, son of Jeff and Karen Ekstrom and Drew Lane, son of Craig and Tara Lane were confirmed and we are so proud of them. Pastor Richie was very complimentary of these young people who took their confirmation

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instruction seriously. Congratulations to each of them and their families.

The Lakeview Choir led by Chong Coughlin presented special music and it was very well received. The choir includes Charlie and Carol Fry, Don Morton, Karen Kersey, Mary Carr, Dotty Hamon, Patty Moss and Bud and Norma Newbrough. The addition of Tracie Adkinson's beautiful soprano voice was very much appreciated. Her beautiful spirit is as much appreciated as her lovely voice.

For only the second time in recent memory was the Easter Egg Hunt held indoors, again due to the rain. But that didn't seem to deter the children's enthusiasm for the goodies inside the eggs. All in all, it was a wonderful day at Lakeview. It was also gratifying to see those of our extended church family who were visiting from out of town that day. Hallelujah! Christ is Risen Indeed.

We give thanks to the Family Ministries Committee, headed by Karen Kersey, who organized and planned the Wednesday evening dinners during Lent. About 25 people attended each evening and the food was delicious. So thank you to all of the cooks!!!

Pastor Richie did a great job leading the Lenten book study. The video that went with the book was especially interesting to this reporter. It gave a glimpse of the Holy Land to someone who doesn't expect to travel there.

Our Spring Yard Sale held on April 13th I am assuming will be the usual big success. We get to clean out our closets, people get

to buy our goods at inexpensive prices, the leftovers get donated and the monies raised get given away. What a great giveaway!!!

We congratulate Savannah Boden who recently won first prize in her class room at the Literary Fair. Then her submission "Katie and the Cupcake Cure" was judged Grand Champion for the Lakewood Book Fair.

We congratulate Tanner Ekstrom and Drew Lane who recently served as pages at the WV State Legislature.

We hope John Carr is recovering well from his recent surgery.

We ask for continued prayer for Fred and Georgeann McKinney.

The Red Cross held a Blood Drive at Lakeview on March 23 that netted 48 pints of blood for their organization. This event was sponsored by the Lakewood Volunteer Fire Department. We were pleased to offer this service to the community and they liked us so much they are coming back next year! That is the way a great community works! Hallelujah!

Our Doris Herscher has announced that her son David and his family will be relocating from Virginia to Canaan Valley where David has been named the head honcho the Canaan Valley resort. Congratulations, David!

As we glory in these beautiful spring days with everything in sight blooming, we are reminded of the resurrection each and every day. Jesus Christ is Risen, Indeed!



April and May Anniversaries

ASHLEY	4/10
GRIFFITH	4/15
THAXTON	5/5
BODEN	5/20
CASTO	5/26
KERSEY	5/29

April and May Birthdays

ALLI THAXTON	4/10
BOBBY MCCORMICK	4/13
DON MORTON	4/18
JOHN CARR	4/20
KAREN EKSTROM	4/22
ROBIN BLACK	4/23
CAROL FRY	4/26
CAITLYN ASHLEY	5/6
HOLLIE FERGUSON	
BACCHUS	5/8
TIM FERGUSON	5/8
SANDY ASHLEY	5/9
FRAN CASTO	5/13
VIOLET SMITH	5/14
SANDY ROBERTS	5/19
SARAH BOWMAN	5/19
ASHLEY WILSON	5/20
AMY HUMPHREYS	5/22
JEFF EKSTROM	5/28
MARILYN MORTON	5/28
LINDA THOMPSON	5/28

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

Income needed for Budget	\$7,438.00
Income for February	\$9,960.00

All bills are paid and we are paid in full to the Conference Fair Share Giving.

This weekend, Saturday April 13, we had a Yard Sale. Together with the Yard Sale, we had a Bake Sale and Breakfast Food Sale. We had a marvelous day. Our friends and neighbors and members of our community contributed lots of nice things to sell and we SOLD lots of stuff. Yeah, Lakeview! Thanks to everyone who helped. God blesses us GREATLY!!!

For the Finance Committee
Bud Newbrough