



Lakeview News

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Lakeview United Methodist Church

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ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Ron Colby, and Pastor Richie opened the meeting with a devotion. Those present were Pastor Richie, Ron Colby, Bud Newbrough, Jeff Ekstrom, Jason & Robin Black and Don & Marilyn Morton. Motion (Bud/Don) to accept the September minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report was accepted as printed (Don/Robin). It was noted that we did not make a Conference Apportionment Payment, which leaves Lakeview two payments behind for the year. Some monies are still coming in for the yard sale, but the total is approximately \$2250.

Finance – Our yard sale was a success – a good sale with lots of merchandise, fewer people attended this year but there was much competition activity wise – but we were able to make \$2250 which allows us to meet our obligation of providing a payment toward our church indebtedness and add some money to our 'parsonage roof fund'.

The 2010 Budget was presented and a motion (Don/Robin) carried that we accept the budget as presented. The budget has to be approved in order to be presented at Charge Conference – October 29.

Plans are to have a potluck dinner on Stewardship Sunday, November 8, 6 pm, in order to present the budget to the congregation and secure pledges for the 2010 year.

Trustees – There has been discussion regarding replacing the roof on the parsonage, metal vs. shingles, when this should take place, how we are going to pay for it, etc. Bill Casto surveyed the current roof and determined that we would need material for approximately 2,800 square feet. He also feels that the current roof will be ok until spring when more of the committee will be available to develop a plan for the roof replacement.

Outreach/Family Ministries - Advertising was done for the yard sale.

Cards will be sent out to the community alerting them to our "Thanksgiving Dinner" on Sunday, November 22.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL –Cont'd

End of the year Outreach projects are being planned:

- (1) Christmas Baskets
(Ron/Marilyn Colby)
- (2) Hospice Love Light Tree
(Marilyn Morton)
- (3) Jesse Tree (Robin Black)

Parsonage – The riding mower was repaired, but has broken down again and is in the process of being repaired. Also, the hand mower is in need of repair and Bud Newbrough will check on this.

PS/PRC - Lakeview PS/PRC met to establish 2010 salaries for our music director and custodian for 2010. A joint Lakeview/St. Luke Parish PS/PRC also met to develop salary numbers for our Pastor for 2010 and to review the process for handling shared expenses. The concept of the joint PS/PRC with St. Luke was new for both churches, but has not been a problem.

Worship – Committee met and dates and activities have been lined out for the remainder of the year.

Pastor's Report – Charge Conference is scheduled for October 28, 6 pm, at St. Luke.

The Emmaus Walk will be October 23-25 and our Pastor will play a prominent role. We will have a guest speaker on Sunday, October 25.

The Pastor will also be out of town November 13-15.

Miscellaneous - Reminder that the Walk for Hunger will be Sunday, October 18 and Richard Paxton, John Carr and Bud Newbrough will be walking representing Lakeview. Persons are encouraged to pledge funds for this – monies going to Christ's Kitchen.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Jason Black.

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

The leaves are falling, the temperature is dropping, the rain is dreary and winter is approaching. The earth is preparing to rest, while we at Lakeview are preparing for **Stewardship Sunday, Thanksgiving Dinner, Advent Season** and our **Christmas Cantata**. Can there be a busier time in the life of the church? The Nominating Committee has been busy filling the church officer slate in readiness for Charge Conference, which will be held on Wednesday, October 28 at Saint Luke's Church at 6:00 pm.

Pastor Richie's Bible Study is in full swing at Lakeview for the month of October and in November we will be back at St. Luke's. We're studying First Corinthians and at this writing have reached chapter 7. Pick up that Bible, study a little and meet us in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm. Your input is welcomed!

The World Communion Sunday was celebrated with an indoor picnic and outdoor Communion on October 4 at Lakeview Church. **Our brothers and sisters at St. Luke's** joined us. We thank the Worship Committee (**Marilyn Colby**) and the Nurture Committee (**Franki Noble**) for the delicious food and their hard work.

The Nurture Committee is also planning for another Community wide Thanksgiving dinner at Lakeview on November 22, 2009

Once again, Lakeview, with the help of God, the community and everyone's donations, pulled off another successful Yard Sale. It was held on Saturday, October 3, 2009, when many other functions were in full swing in Saint Albans. Over \$2,300.00 was earned and that money will be put to good use.

Congratulations, Lakeview!

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We continue to ask for prayer for those of our number who have been ailing in recent weeks. Those at the top of the list include: **Fred and Georgeann McKinney**. Fred is recovering from heart surgery and Georgeann is trying to take care of him. **Diane Cumberledge**, who had a particularly long stint in the hospital with pneumonia issues, is recovering and **Bill**, her husband, who is trying to take care of her. (I spoke with Diane and she is feeling much better, thank you!) We ask for continued prayer for **Mary Carr** and her **Johnny** as they continue her treatment for breast cancer. **Linda Martin** has been struggling with a bad back and needs our prayers. This reporter also spoke with Christina Hyden (Nicole Milam's sister) and she reports that **Gary Hunter**, Angie Hyden's fiancé' is recovering from colon surgery, his lymph nodes were clear and he will require no further treatment. **John Humphreys' mother** is recovering from knee replacement surgery. **Don Wilson** continues to recover from his knee surgery.

We remind you of the recent death of **Josh McCormick, Kenny and Karen Bowyer's** son. Josh was only 22 years old at the time of his death from cancer and we send our love and sympathy to his family. A memorial dinner was served at the Bowyer home and we thank those who contributed to that effort.

We thank **Charlie Fry** who took the time and his energy to stain and polyurethane our wooden hand rails outside the church. He did a fine job and though this reporter noticed it right away, she forgot to include it in last month's newsletter. Thank you Charlie!

Bill Casto has crafted a second set of wooden candle holders for use during Lent with our new wooden offering plates. The first set magically disappeared and Bill was kind enough to craft a second pair of beautiful walnut wood. Thank you, Bill!

We announce the marriage of **Oren Davis and Amber Caravassos** on October 17, 2009 at the home of mom and pop, **Carol and Barry Davis**. We congratulate the happy couple!

The Finance Committee invites you to a Stewardship Sunday Potluck Dinner on November 8 at 6:00 pm. So round up a potluck and come on down while we discuss the financial condition of our church. Those wonderful DVD's of our church activities will be included in the packet of information you will receive.

The **Lakeview Choir** is preparing for a **Christmas Cantata** in conjunction with **St. Luke's Choir**. We thank our **Julie Simon** and **St. Luke's Donna Masters** for masterminding this cooperative effort. More details next month!

FINANCE CORNER

The total income to the Church General Budget from January 1, to the end of the third quarter September 30,

2008	\$64,387.00
2009	\$63,263.00

As of September 30, 2009 we are two Fair Share Giving Payments behind in our giving. Two payments is approximately \$3,200.00.

Monthly Income needed to support Budget	\$7,165.00
Income in September 2009	\$5,740.00
Shortfall	\$1,425.00

Let us with God's help try to do better.

Finance Chairperson Raymond Newbrough

October and November Birthdays

MARILYN COLBY	10/2
FRANCES PAXTON	10/3
TIFFANY MCCORMICK	10/5
BARBARA KOONTZ	10/5
KAREN BROWN	10/6
MASON EKSTROM	10/6
AMELIA ROWE	10/8
KAREN BOWYER	10/14
JACOB SAYRE	10/14
KATHI MCCORMICK	10/20
JENNIFER PARSONS	10/24
LISA SAYRE	10/25
DAVE ASHLEY	10/27
DOT HAMON	10/29
DAVE KOONTZ	10/29
ALLEN PARSONS	10/30
BOB CARPENTER	11/13
JOHN MCCORMICK	11/15
FRED MCKINNEY	11/15
SIS BAILEY	11/17
BRAD DAVIS	11/29

October and November Anniversaries

KNAPP	10/1
SCHOTT	10/10
PENNINGTON	10/16
SAYRE	10/23
BOWYER	10/25
IDDINGS	11/11

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please send an email to Donald.paul.wilson@verizon.net and I will add you to the list.

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