



Lakeview NEWS

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Lakeview United Methodist Church

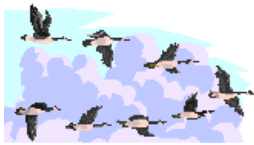
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INVITATION

Pastor Richie invites your prayerful consideration of the opportunity to become a member of our church family, Lakeview United Methodist Church. Many of you already support the church with your prayers, your presence, your gifts and your service, so this is merely a chance to make it official.

Some folks have already requested Pastor Richie's assistance in taking this important step. Should you so desire to become a member, please contact Pastor Richie at 304-553-3661.

CARING CORNER

We include in this month's caring corner:

Fred and Georgeann McKinney, who though they were in church this past Sunday, continue to struggle with health issues,

Richard Paxton, who has been fending for himself this week, because his helper, Tina, has been away,

Charmaine Lepley, who has been recovering at home after back surgery this summer.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Wayne Kersey and opened with prayer. Those present in addition to Wayne were Ron Colby, Dave Koontz, Bud Newbrough, Karen Ekstrom and Don & Marilyn Morton. Motion (Ron/Bud) carried to accept the September minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report - The treasurer's report for September 2012 was distributed, and motion (Ron/Dave) carried to accept the report.

Finance - The committee met and finalized some of the areas where money will be used: The deck on the parsonage will be paid from three separate memorial funds, and the washer/dryer for the parsonage will be taken from previous yard sale money, plus our plans are to establish an emergency fund that would be used for health insurance in case at a later date we get a pastor who is not covered under a health insurance plan by another family member. The committee also recommends putting \$500 per month into this fund. The committee will sponsor a covered dish dinner/ auction on October 28. Everyone is encouraged to make an item (bird house, flower arrangement, etc.) or auction a service (rake leaves, mow lawn, etc.) and the funds from the auction will be earmarked for the use of the people from our church who are helping the shelter people in St. Albans.

The first Sunday in November will be pledge Sunday. The budget for 2013 will be presented and the committee will provide lunch for the congregation, and pass out pledge cards.

Worship - The committee will meet October 8, 7pm to work on the calendar for the Advent Season.

Outreach - The committee will meet October 8, 7pm to work on the calendar for the Advent Season.

Family Ministries - The committee is working on a Christmas presentation - *Journey through Bethlehem*. This will be scheduled for Sunday, December 16.

Trustees - In the process of getting quotes for replacing the education wing furnace, experienced people in the field advised that we may want to replace the old furnace because of its poor efficiency (as compared with today's high efficiency units), but that the life and reliability of the old furnace should not be a concern. Based on that information, we will not replace the existing unit at this time.

The parsonage furnace/air conditioner is in need of replacement and Wesley White will do the job for whatever cost is to him. It is in the range of \$3000, will take at least a couple days to install and he will be looking for man power to help with the physical work.

PS/PRC - The committee will meet October 10 at Lakeview to establish salaries for our music director and custodian for 2013.

The committee will meet October 17th with St. Luke to establish the Pastor's salary.

Miscellaneous - Ron Colby brought up the topic of looking for a paid person to work with Lakeview's youth. Perhaps hire a Youth Coordinator for a certain number of hours per month at a specific cost. We have a great core group now working with the youth, but perhaps it is time for us to look for some additional help. The consensus of the group is that we need to keep our focus on the youth at the church, including making sure that we have a Bible School Coordinator for next year.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Wayne.

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

It's October!! The leaves are falling, the air is crisp, the days are shorter. But the most important thing of all is that, **it is Yard Sale Time** again! October 13!! For the first time in a few years, we will be able to again use some of these monies for outreach! So let us attack the task with vigor and enthusiasm. God loves a happy worker, doesn't he? And don't forget the Bake Sale. And buying biscuits!!

We are happy to report that Pastor Richie officiated at the lovely outdoor wedding of Megan Kersey and Chris Baucom on September 29, in Florida. Megan is the daughter of Karen and Wayne Kersey and the granddaughter of Marilyn and Don Morton. Word has it that everyone had a grand time! Congratulations to the happy couple!

The Finance Committee is sponsoring an Auction to be held on October 28 at 6:00 pm. So it is time to dust off your creative skills and come up with an idea for something to auction off. This auction won't be a success if YOU don't participate. If you remember from past years, you may auction a service (leaf raking, for instance), a meal, either in your home or provided at the buyer's home, a craft item you have made, or anything else you can think of. Ask around and see what others are doing or have done in the past and maybe you will find inspiration. There will be a pot luck dinner to accompany this auction. The money raised from the Auction will be used to support the Outreach that is being done at the Homeless Shelter in Saint Albans.

Speaking of this ministry, it was a lovely evening on Tuesday for the hot dog cookout for the folks from the Shelter came to Lakeview. Thanks, Kathi, Linda and Connie. We also ask for prayer for Dick

Campbell, Connie's husband, who is undergoing treatment for bladder cancer.

Carol and Charlie Fry give thanks for healing of their son Bob's pancreatitis. Bob lives in Virginia and had been very ill, so we are happy also that he is well.

This reporter wasn't present the Sunday that Mary and Tom Ferguson announced the impending birth of their second grandchild. Carrie and Josh Kelley, who live close to Savannah, GA, are the happy parents to be of a baby girl expected in February, 2013. Unfortunately, daddy Captain Josh will be in Afghanistan when the baby is born as he will be deployed in December. So we wait excitedly for news of this baby's birth. Congrats to all!

We ask you to continue to remember Georgeann and Fred McKinney who are not getting out as much as they used to.

We ask you to remember Karen Wilson who is recovering from surgery this past week.

Let us hope and pray that we will have good weather, not much competition and a good time working and serving God's people with our October Yard Sale.

October and November Anniversaries

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

October and November Birthdays

MARILYN COLBY	10/2
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

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 to make budget \$ 7,000.00
Income during September 2012 \$ 8,059.00

All bills are paid in full and our Fair Share payment to the conference is paid 100%,

Our church family is very faithful to their financial responsibility to God's church. God truly blesses Lakeview.

The Finance Committee will sponsor a Covered Dish Dinner with an Auction on Sunday, October 28 at 6:00 pm. Please bring something to Auction. We will use all the money contributed to support the Outreach Ministries that Kathi McCormick, Linda Martin and Connie Campbell lead at the Twin Cities Shelter.

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