



Lakeview News

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Lakeview United Methodist Church

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OCTOBER 5 COOK OUT

The Worship Committee is inviting you, the congregation of Lakeview, along with the members of St. Luke's United Methodist Church, to come to either a Cook Out or a Cook In (depending on the weather) on World Communion Sunday on October 5 at 4:30 pm. Please bring a dish to share and enjoy meeting the members of our sister church. We hope to see all of you there!



ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order and opened with scripture and sharing by Mary Ferguson, and prayer by Pastor Richie. Those present in addition to Mary Ferguson and Pastor Richie were, Marilyn Colby, Norma & Bud Newbrough, Frankie Noble, Wayne Kersey, Fred McKinney, Robin Black, Dave Ashley & Don & Marilyn Morton. The minutes of the August meeting were accepted as printed.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report was distributed. Income for the month was a little below average, but with additional monies received we were able to pay some toward our Conference Apportionment.

The Finance Committee will meet during September and come up with a proposal for repaying borrowed monies from our building fund.

Christian Education – No report.

Family Ministries – No report.

Nurture – On Sunday, November 23, 2008, we will have the annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Committee will meet at a later date to finalize the details.

Parsonage – A color is being chosen for the shutters for the parsonage, and we will proceed with the painting shortly.

Pastor Staff/Parish Relations – Next meeting is scheduled for September 16, 2008.

Trustees – The new roof has been installed on the Education Building, and we expect gutters to be installed later this week.

The current project is getting the pastor's office restored. Painting has been completed and we anticipate new carpet will be installed next week.

Worship – The next Worship Committee meeting is scheduled for September 15, 7 pm at the church.

We will be making plans for Thanksgiving and Advent shortly.

A cookout with St. Luke's will be held October 5, 4:30 pm at the church.

A Community Sing is scheduled for September 28th at the church, and The Presby Pickers will be at our church on Sunday, November 2.

Pastor's Report - Pastor is currently visiting parishioners and getting to know the church family.

We are considering a Bible Study in a combined setting with St. Luke.

Miscellaneous – Reminder: Our fall yard sale – September 20. Persons may start bringing items for the sale anytime and putting them in the multi-purpose room.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Bud Newbrough.

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Is it **September** already? School has started, college students are gone, teachers are back to work, and church programs are getting into full swing. We thank and praise God for all this goodness in our lives and for the small miracles that happen every day. We thank and praise God that the recent accident at the Bayer plant was not a major disaster for this area, though it was, for at least two families.

Julie Simon had a great **Community Sing** last month and is planning one more for the last **Sunday in September, the 28th**.

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She also tells me that she has lined up the **Presby Pickers** to come to the church on **Sunday, November 2**. That should be a fun evening!

Also, the **Lakeview Choir** has started rehearsals and praise be to God, some old new faces showed up. By old, I mean they have been in the choir at a time in the past. They were **Sherry Knapp, Janet Pennington and Jim Rose**. We're happy to have them back!

Add to that the excitement created by our **Possibilities Program** directed by our **Karen Kersey**. Have you figured out how you can contribute to that yet? We thank the **Sunday School Class** that provided the delicious lunch.

Don't forget the **September 20th Yard Sale!** One may begin bringing items to the church after the 11th of September. We need your treasures, your trash, your neighbors and your relatives treasure and trash and just about anything else one can lay ones hands on to make this our biggest sale ever. Church yard sales seem to be on the increase as I have noticed ads and signs for other churches that have never done them before. But hey, recycling is a good thing for everybody. We also need your baked goods just like the last time.

We express our appreciation to all those who work with our children in Christian Education. **Bud Newbrough, Sunday School Superintendent** passed out **Noble Prize Awards** to the many members of our church who help teach the good news of **Christ** to Lakeview's children.

Did you notice the new paint job in the **Pastor's Office?** **Don and Marilyn Morton** have been working to get the office ready for **Pastor Richie** to occupy soon. Cleaning up the leaks from the roof has been a lot of work, so we are especially grateful to all of you for the money contributed to repair the roof. Hopefully, the new roof will end those leaking problems that we have endured for a long time. **Praise God!** Thanks also to **Ed Schott** for working on the carpet to try to clean up the awful roof damage.

We are happy to report that part of our church sports a new roof! The roofers finally completed the job a couple of weeks ago and we are thrilled! We still need more contributions to retire the debt that project required. Thanks to all of those who have been so generous thus far.

The **Adults Night Out** program kicks off with an evening hosted by **Don and Marilyn Morton and Helen Cherry**. The program will be a review of the recent trip **Karen Kersey** took to Japan. I know she will have lots of interesting information to impart. That is **Thursday, September 11, 2008** at 7:00 pm at the church.

Hallelujah! Good news for the **Herscher Family!** **Doris's** grandson, **Gavin** and his wife **Jennifer** gave birth to a brand new generation when their daughter **Mela** was born on August 30, 2008. **Mela** was 6# 10 oz at birth and 19 inches long. That makes **Doris a Great Grandmother**, but we already knew that! Congratulations to the happy family.

While we rejoice at good news in one family, we pray for **Jan and Roger Armstead and their family** while **Jan** undergoes further surgery to combat the cancer in her jaw. Should you wish to

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send a card or other expression of support, their address is:

Jan and Roger Armstead
7623 Holland Drive, S.W.
Huntsville, AL 35802
Email wwarmstead@aol.com

We've had lots of visitors these past Sundays. Last week we had **Amy Bailey Harris** and her son, **Sam**, and **Bob Fry** visiting **Sis Bailey** and **Carol** and **Charlie Fry**, respectively.

We especially appreciated the folks **Julie** has had in worship to assist with the music during the summer months. Thanks, **Julie**. **Dan Cain** who was musician when **Julie** was away and the young woman flutist whose name I don't know, were great.

We give a great big thank you to **Matt Goodwin** who filled the pulpit when Pastor Richie was on vacation. Good job!

We ask for healing prayer for **Carol Fry** and **Fran Casto**. **Carol** is having a lot of undiagnosed pain and will have an MRI this week. **Fran** is undergoing therapy for a troublesome knee. **Charlie Fry** appears to be on the mend after a long period of ailments.

Another person who needs healing prayer is **Regina Miller**, **Sherry Knapp** and **Janet Pennington's** mother, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

A crew of Lakeview men spent a few hours at the **Jericho House** helping out in

their construction project. I think they were in charge of the electrical finishing.

They included **Dave Koontz**, **Bill Casto**, **Don Morton**, **Dick Thompson**, **Jim Rose**, and **Bud Newbrough**. Thanks, Guys, for helping out at this important community project, a shelter for women and children in crisis. Our **Barbara Koontz** has been a valuable member of the board of **Jericho House** for many years and **Dave** has been a big help there, also.

Congratulations to our **Elizabeth Wilson** who came in second in her age group at the **Charleston Distance Run**. I don't know whether or not I should mention it, but she smoked her dad, our **Don Wilson**, who also ran again. As far as I could tell, after checking that newspaper article until my eyes were ready to fall out on the page, those were the only **Lakeview** family members I could discern. Congratulations to all of the **Wilson**s for their dedication to healthy living.



The Finance Corner

	Income	Expense	Conf. Pmt*	Gnrl Fnd Bal
Aug-08	\$7,831.78	\$8,273.31	\$1,834.00	\$9.14
Year-to-Date	\$70,727.02	\$72,021.51	\$8,070.01	

*Lakeview has made 5 conference apportionment payments in 2008, but is still approximately \$5,000 behind schedule.