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LAKESIDE LANTERN

SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD IN OUR 54TH YEAR

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HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

FEBRUARY: Winter is still blowing in on many of our states, but here in South Florida we barely know that winter is around. A few cool days with sweaters or a light jacket and we know that winter has arrived.

I wonder if we have been the same way with our New Year's Resolutions. We start out knowing that it's the right time of year for us to make them and to do something about them: Exercise more, Read our Bible more, Pray more, Eat less, etc.... But do we get complacent as time goes on? When the wind blows our thoughts in another direction today it's like the weather changing.

Let's make an effort to make our resolution for 2012 (and for the future) to reach out and welcome everyone to Lakeside United Methodist Church. We look forward to you joining us as we have lots of rich and meaningful activities for all. We hope that each and every one of you will come for worship on Sunday at 10:00am and throughout the month as we join together in Christian worship and fellowship. Come and bring your family and friends for a God enriched experience.

Ash Wednesday

In Western Christianity, Ash Wednesday marks the first day, or the start of the season of Lent, which begins 40 days prior to Easter (Sundays are not included in the count).

Lent is a time when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline. During some Ash Wednesday services, the minister will lightly rub the sign of the cross with ashes onto the foreheads of worshippers.

The Bible does not mention Ash Wednesday or the custom of Lent, however, the practice of repentance and mourning in ashes is found in 2 Samuel 13:19; Esther 4:1; Job 2:8; Daniel 9:3; and Matthew 11:21.

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Did you know?

United Methodists and some other churches, bury or hide the *Alleluia* during Lent. Our United Methodist worship resources do not call for this and do not offer directions for doing so. However, there is a long tradition for suspending the use of *Alleluia* from either the Last Sunday after Epiphany or Shrove Tuesday (the day before Ash Wednesday) until the first service of Easter. Such a practice enriches and shapes our prayer and our sense of discipline as we anticipate Easter.

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- 1) Susanna Wesley Circle/ Wednesday Night Dinner/ Devotions/ Trustees
- 4) Atlantic Central District 2012 Leadership Training Event
- 5) Communion Sunday/ Youth Room Dedication/ Souper Bowl Sunday
- 6) Bookworms/ UMM
- 8) Keenagers/ Church Council/ NO Wednesday Night Dinner/ Set up for Rummage Sale
- 11) UMW Rummage Sale
- 12) Membership Class/ Youth Sub Sandwich Sale
- 15) Wednesday Night Dinner/ Devotions/ Finance Committee
- 17) Food Pantry
- 19) Blanket+ Sunday/ Membership Class/ Youth Sub Sandwich Sale
- 20) President's Day/ Church Office closed/ UMW Ex. Committee
- 22) Ash Wednesday Service/ NO Wednesday Night Dinner
- 25) Matthew Meals
- 26) UMM Sunday & Cross & Flame Sunday/ Camping Sunday/ Gospel Concert/ First Sunday in Lent
- 29) Wednesday Night Dinner/ Devotions/ Staff Parish

Mission Jar Outreach

Mission Jar for January through March is the "Servants of the Great I Am." They need T-shirts, socks, sample size toiletries, and food they can put in their backpacks (cheese and crackers, single serve fruit, hard candy, gum, etc.).

Thanks for supporting Lakeside's Mission Jar
Lakeside Finance Committee



Greetings from Your Pastor

We have started the new year with a flurry of activity and a sense of excitement here at Lakeside. The Wednesday Night Dinners have been a hit! We are looking forward to starting our Devotional/Study Series "Ashes...To Fire" which will begin on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22nd) after the service and run through Pentecost (May 27th). I hope each of you will consider joining us for this inspirational study.

As we read in Jeremiah 29: 11-13 we hear Jeremiah encouraging the elders and people that had been taken into exile to Babylon from Jerusalem. He tells them they have great things coming in their future. He tells them they have a hope and a future, v. 11 and goes on to say they will call upon the Lord and pray and He will listen to them. He says they will seek Him and find Him when they seek Him with all their heart. We had 18 women from Lakeside attend the Annual Women's Retreat in Leesburg and this was the Scripture theme for the weekend which focused on Hope. They returned home with a Spirit of Hope for our Church and faith family. I pray this can become a key scripture for us as well, that we will continue to seek the Lord and pray to Him for our hope and future. We have a bright future ahead of us and I look forward with great anticipation to the promise and hope that we find in the Lord.

When this newsletter reaches you I will officially be retired from the South Florida Water Management District and I can focus my attention on being your Pastor. I am very blessed to have this opportunity and I am excited to serve this faith community. Let's see what the Lord has in store for us as we embark on this journey together.

Let's become a Church that prays together and prays in our private time with God for the hope and future of all we do here at Lakeside.

Blessings, Pastor David

"Give thanks
to the LORD
Almighty,
for the LORD
is good;
his love
endures
forever."
Jeremiah
33:11

New Members Class: Led by Pastor David

If you are interested in joining Lakeside UMC, There will be a new member class and orientation starting on Feb. 12th and on Feb. 19th @ noon after Sunday Service. We will meet in the Youth Room, each session will be no more than 1 hour. We will receive new members on March 4th with a reception to follow to welcome our new members. Let me know if you would like to join or transfer membership. Blessings, Pastor David

New Study Series: Ashes... To Fire

Led by Pastor David

A new 14 week Study Series begins the week of Ash Wednesday and leads us up to Pentecost. (Feb. 22nd thru May 29th) This will be a church wide opportunity to study and spend personal time with Jesus as we journey together with the entire congregation, including the children and Youth. They will be following the same Study during this time. Sign up sheets will be available during Wed. Dinners and on Sunday in the Sanctuary. A Love Offering of \$10.00 for the Devotional/ Journal would be appreciated.

Blessings, Pastor David

**Praise the Lord!
Praise the name of
the Lord; give
praise, O servants
of the Lord.
Psalm 135:1**

MATTHEW MEALS

Our Matthew Meals will be on Saturday, February 25th. They serving hot meals to the community with the help of volunteers. We use volunteers to prepare the meals, serve them and do the clean up of the kitchen afterwards. Lakeside needs your help with these meals coming up through out the year. We start cooking around 1:30pm. The meals are served 4-6pm. in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

FOOD PANTRY

The next date for the Food Pantry will be Friday, February 17th. The Food Pantry will be open 10am to 12:30pm. We gave out 34 bags of food last month and our shelves are bare. Please watch your store ads and pick up a little something extra when you shop to help the food pantry. Thank you.



KEENAGERS— will meet on Wednesday, February 8th at 12 noon. They will have a pot luck luncheon. Please bring your own table service and enough food to feed yourself and at least 8 more people. Beverages will be provided. If you invite guests to come please bring table service for them also. The program will be a travelogue of the Holy Land given by the Hartmans and the Prathers. Sounds interesting! Hope you will join us.



ALTAR FLOWERS

2012

The 2012 Flower Calendar will be on display in the Narthex starting in January. We request that for each Sunday only one family sign per line. You are always welcome to add an extra display if the Sunday you want is already taken.

Wednesday Night Dinners

The Wednesday Night Dinners have been a great success with our kickoff on Jan. 11! We have had a nice turnout with much fun and fellowship. We will be starting a 14 week Study Series, Ashes... To Fire, beginning Feb. 22nd (Ash Wednesday), and continuing through May 27th (Pentecost). It will be a journey of intentional, intensive fellowship with Jesus. Guidance through worship, personal Bible study, and daily reflections will be included. If you are interested in joining us, please sign up now. A Devotional/ Journal will be needed for this Study with a Love Offering being accepted for the cost of the Journals (\$10.00). I look forward to this journey with each of you and encourage you to join in the learning and fellowship.

Sign Up Sheets will be available at the Wed. Dinners and also in the Sanctuary on Sundays.

**MEMORIALS
COMMITTEE**

The Lakeside United Methodist Church Memorials Committee uses memorial funds for the enhancement of the worship service or for the beautification of the sanctuary & church property. Funds received as memorials are placed as designated or undesignated categories as specified by the family or donor. We urge you to consider a gift to the Memorials Committee when you are honoring or remembering loved ones. Call Frank Hamilton, Chairman or the Church Office for more information.

**Atlantic Central District
2012 Leadership
Training Event**

**Saturday, February 4,
2012 - Trinity UMC, Palm
Beach Gardens**

**"Inspiring and
Empowering Intentional
Disciples"**

This **FREE** leadership-training event will inspire and equip laity, lay staff, and clergy. The program is provided by your Apportionments District Work Funds. The day includes a wide variety of classes, a light breakfast, lunch, childcare and a wonderful time to grow and connect with other leaders in our district.

INFORMATION: Contact Rod Groom at rod.groom@gmail.com or 772-595-5731. Register at www.flumc2.org

UMW NEWS

Tuesdays, 10:30am
Intercessory Prayer Circle,
Library
Wednesday, February 1st,
10:00am Susanna Wesley,
Library
Monday, February 6th,
7:00pm Bookworms, FH
Monday, February 20th,
7:00pm Library
UMW Ex. Committee
RED BIRD MISSION
LOOK, CUT, and BRING IN.
Campbell Soup Labels,
Betty Crocker Squares,
etc... Place in the envelope
in the Narthex or hand to
Anne Fralick.

Rummage Sale: The UMW Rummage Sale will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, February 11, from 8:00 - 1:00 PM. Enjoy bargain hunting? Want to support mission work at the same time? Come shop for the whole family: clothing, books, toys, shoes, small appliances, furniture and much, much more! If you have large items that need to be picked up, call Chris Boer 721-5992, Marty Hartman 585-3058 or Frank Hamilton 588-0941. Set up will be Thursday and Friday, February 9 and 10, from 8:00 - 1:00. Come alone or bring a friend. All are invited, and you do not have to be a member of the church to help!

YOUTH NEWS

February 5th is the Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday. The youth will be taking up a collection for C.R.O.S and the food items collected will be for our food pantry. **February 5th** will also be the dedication of the youth room immediately following the service (and before heading to fellowship time.) We will bless the room and allow the congregation to walk through to see all of the remodeling. **On February 12th & 19th** the youth will be taking orders for their sub sale. Sub sandwiches will be delivered on the 26th. Proceeds go towards camp scholarships.

Pop Tabs: We are still collecting pop tabs from soda cans, soup cans, etc... They are used for the aluminum in them. The McDonald House is the charity that benefits from these. Please give them to Kathy Chandler.



THANK YOU

Lakeside would like to send out a heart felt thank you to the Murry Hills Super Seniors Group, who donated money to help our food pantry when it was much needed. Thank you so much for your continued support.

Being deeply
loved by
someone gives
you strength
while loving
someone deeply
gives you
courage.

Lao Tzu

**UMYF YOUTH
GROUP:**

The Lakeside Youth Group is looking forward to starting up with some fun activities and new ways to learn about Christ. Hope you will come and bring a friend

1 Corinthians 13

New International Version 1984 (NIV1984)

¹ If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ² If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸ Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. ¹¹ When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me. ¹² Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. ¹³ And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

What's that new sign on the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall Buildings? Structures with light-frame truss roofs shall be marked with the letter "R". The approved symbol is a Maltese Cross measuring 8 inches horizontally and 8 inches vertically, of a bright red reflector color.

The 2012 church Offering envelopes are now available in the church narthex. If you have not yet received yours please see Barbara Russum either before or after the worship service to pick them up. If you do not have church offering envelopes and would like to have some, please let Barbara know and she will be glad to see that you get some. If you are unable to get to the church to pick up your envelopes, please call the church office and we will mail them out to you. 585-7519



IN THE MAIL

December 28, 2011

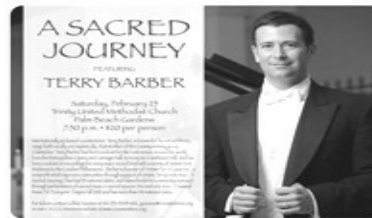
Dear Friends,
Thank you for contributing to C.R.O.S. Ministries' Christmas Giving Program. Please know that because of you and our other community partners, we can provide Christmas gifts to more than 1,00 children from families with low income throughout Palm Beach County. Your generosity means a great deal especially during these tough times.

This is wonderful.
Thank you lots.

Peace and Grace,
Rev. Pamela A. Cahoon
Executive Director

Coming events from the UMM: Sunday, February 26th—the United Methodist Men will have their annual UMM Sunday Service and present the Cross and Flame Awards for the year. All are invited to join us in worship this special day.

C.R.O.S. Ministries Musical Event



"A Sacred Journey"
Concert featuring Terry Barber
Saturday, Feb. 25 * 7:30 p.m.
\$20 per person
Trinity UMC PBG

Internationally acclaimed countertenor, Terry Barber, is known for his extraordinary range both vocally and stylistically. Past member of the Grammy winning group, Chanticleer, Terry Barber has been a soloist for the best venues around the world, from the Metropolitan Opera and Carnegie Hall, to Moscow 's Svetlanov Hall, and has been a soloist on recordings for every major record label with a variety of artists from Madonna to the London Philharmonic. Barber is founder of Artists For A Cause Inc., a nonprofit which improves communities through support of artists.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FEBRUARY 2012 Lakeside United Methodist Church COMPANION CHURCHES: Haitian Church, Sunday, 9:30 am, 5:30 pm; Monday, Tuesday, Saturday, 7:30 pm, Friday, 9:30 PM Outreach Ministries for Jesus, Sunday 12 pm, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 7:30 pm					Regular Sunday Schedule Prayer Time 8:20 am Small Groups 8:45 am Worship 10am UMYF Youth Group, Sundays, 4-6 pm	
			1 Susanna Wesley Circle 10 AM Trustees 6 PM Potluck dinner 6PM Devotions 6:30PM	2 Chancel Choir 7 PM	3 AA 8:30 PM	4 District Leader Training Event – Trinity UMC in PBG
5 Holy Communion REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE Youth Room Dedication Souper Bowl Sunday	6 Bookworms 7:00 PM UMM 7 PM	7 Intercessory Prayer 10:30 AM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM	8 Keenagers-12noon NO Potluck dinner Church Council 7:00 PM Rummage Sale Set Up-Tables	9 Chancel Choir 7 PM Rummage Sale Set Up 8-1	10 AA 8:30 PM Rummage Sale Set Up 8-1	11 UMW Rummage Sale 8am – 1 pm FH Outreach Church rehearsal in PM in FH
12 REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE Membership Class Youth Sub Sale Orders	13	14 Intercessory Prayer 10:30 AM	15 Potluck dinner 6PM Devotions 6:30PM Finance 7:00 PM	16 Chancel Choir 7 PM	17 Food Pantry AM – 12:30 PM 8:30 PM	18 10 AA
19 REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE Blanket Sunday Membership Class Youth Sub Sale Orders	20 President's Day/Church Office Closed UMW Ex. Comm. Mtg. 7 PM	21 Intercessory Prayer 10:30 AM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM	22 NO Potluck dinner Ash Wednesday Service 7 PM	23 Chancel Choir 7 PM	24 AA 8:30 PM	25 Matthew Meals 4 -6 PM Outreach Church rehearsal in AM in FH
26 REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE UMM Sunday & Cross & Flame Camping Sunday Gospel Concert	27	28 Intercessory Prayer 10:30 AM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM	29 Potluck dinner 6PM Devotions 6:30PM			

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WE HAVE A PLACE FOR You!

Sunday Small groups

8:45 AM
Sunday worship
10:00 AM

Happy February Birthday to:

Feb. 3 Wanda Laubscher
Feb. 4 Megan Call
Feb. 7 Hal Walters
Feb. 8 Arlie Taylor
Feb. 12 Peggy Morphesis
Feb. 13 Ed Tyson
Feb. 14 Happy Valentine's Day!
Feb. 15 Frank Call III
Feb. 17 Wanda Bell
Feb. 18 William Kruger
Feb. 21 Janae Harden
Feb. 22 Nicole Blanton
Feb. 27 Tom Harden
Feb. 28 Eleanor Dosh
Ruth Dunmire

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Blanket+ Sunday, February 19-

What is the CWS Blankets+ Program?

Blankets+ is a special mission opportunity for all ages. Some 8,000 congregations and groups across the U.S. hold CWS Blankets+ events, providing funds to help people in need around the world, including the U.S.

For over 60 years, Church World Service has worked in partnership with local communities to identify their needs and access the resources they need to build the foundation for a more viable future, including:

- Blankets, tents, food and other emergency supplies in the wake of a disaster
- Tools and seeds for refugees returning home to replant their fields
- Wells for families living in drought prone areas to provide clean, safe water to drink and to irrigate crops and gardens
- Literacy training and microcredit for women struggling to realize their potential.