

LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
LAKESIDE LANTERN
SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD IN OUR 54TH YEAR

OCTOBER

Greetings from your Pastor

Fall is in the air, did anyone notice? The wind from the northeast and the days are a bit shorter. Pumpkins will be arriving soon for our annual Pumpkin Patch and the anticipation of our Fall Indoor Yard Sale. After what turned out to be a busy summer at Lakeside we can now look forward to the hustle and bustle of our winter season. It will be good to welcome the return of our winter residents and their involvement in the life of our church. We have many new faces and new members in worship and fellowship each week and I encourage everyone to introduce yourselves if you see a new face.

Our focus for a few weeks now has been the power of prayer. We have experienced the need for fervent prayer for those in our congregation who are suffering from serious health concerns. I have always believed in the healing power of prayer. I have related the story of a young lady who is the daughter of dear friends of Nanci and I who was involved in a horrific car accident while visiting in Phoenix, Arizona. As she lay near death for three weeks in a coma. I felt the urge from God to travel with a friend to Phoenix just after the accident to lay hands on her and pray. God left me with the impression that I needed to go immediately and miraculous things would happen. I began to vision the outcome as we prepared to travel and on the flight to Phoenix. I got the feeling that when I placed my hands on her and prayed to God she would immediately wake up and get out of bed. We arrived in Phoenix after midnight and went straight to the Phoenix Children's Hospital Pediatric ICU where our friends were by their daughter's side. After grateful hugs we went in and prayed and asked God for immediate action. I must say I was a little stunned when she did not open her eyes and respond to us. And now after her recent two year milestone of recovery I see my impression of a miraculous healing and what God had in mind were very different. She is a beautiful fifteen year old child of God who continues to amaze us all with her spiritual maturity and insight into the Kingdom of God.



I have prayed for and anointed the sick. Wonderful things have happened, but I am certainly no healer. My simple, childlike faith takes God at His word. In James 5:15 he speaks of the "prayer offered in faith." I encourage you to pray for one another as we face life's trials. Just as I did not get the instant response I was expecting from God in the middle of the night in an ICU in Arizona, we still are first hand witnesses to the miracles God has for each of us. I wish this to be a normal practice in the church--when man backs away and lets God take center stage. Jesus gave us this advice in Mark 11:24 "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

Pray and Believe
Blessings, Pastor David

The 345's Small Group

This past month, five of us met in our first meeting as a small group. Fun, Fellowship and Food...what more could you ask for! It was a great way to get started. Our group discussion was very informal but very thought provoking as our first topic was "Where did YOU see God today?"

The 345's group will meet every two weeks in the home of one of our members. Anyone and everyone is welcome but the group is designed for folks in their 30's, 40's and 50's who have busy lives but still need a little time to connect with others and study His Word. See Bob Going for more details or email him at rgoing@regionsrc.com. Our next meeting will be October 1st followed by October 15th. We hope to see you there.

Wish List for the Nursery

The nursery is in need of highchairs, a gate for the doorway, and a foldable play yard. If you have any of these items that you no longer need, please consider donating them to Lakeside's Nursery. Please see Christina Harden for more information.

Nursery Volunteers needed: As our Middle and High School age children will be staying in the regular church service with Miss Christina, we will be needing more volunteers to help Miss Teresa in the nursery each Sunday. If we could get enough people to sign up we could make up a schedule and rotate the responsibility so that no one has it too often. If you would be willing to help please see Teresa or Christina or call the church office 585-7519.

MATTHEW MEALS—

We want to thank all of those who generously donated to Matthew Meals last month. We appreciate your continued support. We are blessed each month to be able to serve our community by giving them a hot cooked meal, but we need your help. Lakeside's next Matthew Meals will be on Saturday, October 27th.

Volunteers are needed to prepare the food, serve the meals, and clean up the kitchen afterwards. Lakeside needs your help with these meals each month. Cooking begins around 1:30pm. The meals are served 4-6pm. in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

The Mission Jar Focus for October - December will be C.R.O.S . Christmas Gift Cards. The Finance Committee would like to thank everyone for being so generous during July, August and September. We were able to collect enough school supplies to give to five different schools in our community. It means so much to the children who are unable to afford their own supplies. It is also a huge help to the teachers who spend a large amount out of their own pockets each year to outfit their classrooms. Once again thank you.

Thank You's in the Mail: We have received thank you letters from Lake Worth Community Middle School, South Grade Elementary School, Barton Elementary School, and North Grade Elementary School, all thanking us for the wonderful school supplies we provided for their students. They are so happy that we were able to help them.

Card Ministry

The Card Ministry has been quite busy! We are sending cards to shut-ins, new members, folks that are ill, and those that need to know Lakesiders care. Thank you for your donations of stamps, cash, and cards. With your support, we will be able to continue this much appreciated ministry.

Remember to stop by the "Card-signing Table" in Fellowship Hall after the Sunday morning service. The recipients are very grateful for your thoughts and prayers!

Keenagers Adult Summer Camp

Wednesday, October 10, 2012, will be the last day of camp for this year.

We've had a great time working on crafts, sharing ideas, and getting acquainted! Pack a lunch and come to camp on the 10th, rain or shine.

Bring a friend, too! Any early-arriving "snowbirds" are invited to join us!

Regular Keenagers' meetings will resume Wednesday, December 12, 2012.

**WEDNESDAY
NIGHT
DINNERS**

We continue to have a nice time of fellowship at our Wednesday Night Dinners! Pastor David & Susan Sylvester are leading a Bible study on the New Testament at 7 pm which we all are enjoying.

Whether you stay for the Bible Study or just come for dinner at 6 pm, we hope you will join us each Wednesday Night for this time of Christian fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Everyone is welcome!

The United Methodist Women will hold their annual Fall Breakfast on Saturday, October 27, in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited to attend. The menu will include strada, fresh fruit, rolls and coffee or tea. Child care will be provided. Tickets are \$5 each and available from Shirley Turner and Peggy Morphesis.

NEW IN THE UMM: The Men's Breakfast Group is meeting at the IHOP at the corner of Hypoluxo Rd. & US 1 (Federal Hwy) on the 1st Saturday of each month. You are invited to a time of fellowship and breakfast on October 6th @ 8:00 am. Please come and join in. Invite a friend to come along with you!

United Methodist Men will meet on Monday, October 1st at 7 PM in the Library. Hope to see you there!

UMM Indoor Yard Sale

United Methodist Men will be having their famous indoor yard sale on Saturday, October 13th. It is not too early to start checking those closets for items to donate: Clothes, Furniture, Books, TV's, Electronics, Housewares. If you have items to be picked up or items to bring to the Church, call Frank at 588-0941 or Chris at 317-657-4033. Tell your friends, your neighbors, and your family; now is the time to get rid of those things that have been collecting dust. Bring it on down and we'll be glad to use the money collected for a good cause (like sending the youth to summer camp.)

UMW NEWS

Intercessory Prayer Circle, Tuesdays, 10:30 AM
Library

Bookworms: Monday, 7 PM October 1

Fellowship Hall

UMW District Annual Meeting Saturday, October 6 in Vero.

Susanna Wesley Circle: 10 AM Wednesday, October 10
Library.

UMW Executive Committee - 7 PM Monday, October 15 Library

The UMW Bazaar will be held Saturday, November 10. If you have jewelry you no longer want, please consider donating it for the bazaar. Contact Peggy Morphesis.

CROS Walk Sunday, October 14, 2012

The walk is a 5K (3.1 miles) along Flagler Drive. We walk rain or shine. Water stations will be available along the route and fruit is available at the end of the walk. No roller skates/ blades, bikes, scooters, or skateboards will be allowed. Strollers and wheelchairs are allowed. Our fund raising goal is \$100 for each walker as well as each walker should bring a can of tuna or jar of peanut butter. All funds raised for the Walk go to support C.R.O.S. Ministries' programs. Our Lakeside Youth are available to accept your donations of cash or checks. Checks should be made payable to "CROS Walk". To register to "walk" or if need more information, contact Betty McMurchy, 968-9497.

C.R.O.S. Ministries

During the month of October, Lakeside will be collecting non-perishable food items for CROS and Lakeside's Food Pantries. Suggested items include : canned tuna, peanut butter, macaroni & cheese, 2# bags of rice, dried beans, cereals (hot or cold), dry milk, pasta, sauces, jelly, canned vegetables/fruit/meat. Drop off in the collection box in the Narthex.

COUPONS FOR C.R.O.S.

The staff at C.R.O.S. Ministries is very grateful to the Keenagers, and all Lakesiders, for the coupons that have been collected. Coupons are given out at the Food Banks to help the people stretch their food dollars. Keep those coupons coming in! Put them in the box in the Narhex or give them to Teresa at the "Card-Signing" table. Thanks for your help.

A Membership Letter/

Response Form was sent to the following professing members Sept. 12, 2012, regarding their desire to maintain their membership: Nathan Brown, Lynnette Conway, Brandon Stephenson. To date, we have had no response.

ATTN: Pumpkineers!

Lakeside's Pumpkin Patch is right around the corner. (October 13th) Please see Ken Chennell to sign up to volunteer at the Patch. Thanks for your continued support. Ken

GARDEN? Please get in touch with Anne McCartney quickly if you are interested in planting (or donating) a garden plot for the 2012-13 Florida growing season. It will be best if you contact her before Oct. 30th. You don't have to plant before then, though. She can be reached at: 561-236-7223 (cell) or anmccartney@bellsouth.net. Plots are still available for \$20 for the season. It would make Anne happy if there were more Lakeside people growing their own vegetables and flowers this season.

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**We have a Place for
You!**

**Sunday Small groups
8:45 AM
Sunday worship
10:00 AM**

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2-Rebecca Wilhelm
Acosta
- 3-Justin Chennell
- 12- Colin Spino
- 15-Jane Burchett
Don Morphesis
- 17-Arlene Faust
- 19-Kathy Ball
- 28-Kathy Howard
- 29 -Joan Dacres



Did we miss
your birthday?
Please let us
know.

Happy
Birthday!

**If you are receiving this newsletter in error, please
contact Lakeside United Methodist Church to be taken
off the mailing list.**

FOOD PANTRY The next date for the
Food Pantry will be Friday, October 19th.
The Food Pantry will be open 10am to
12:30pm. We gave out 45 bags of food last
month. Thank you for your continued
support of this outreach ministry.



CROS-The Lake Worth Food Pantry has
moved to Adopt-A-Family located at 1712 2nd
Ave North, Lake Worth (one block north of the
roundabout on Lake Worth Road & just west
of North A Street). The Pantry is open
Monday thru Thursday 11 am to 2 pm.