LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH LAKESIDE LANTERN SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD IN OUR 56TH YEAR

APRIL

Greetings from your Pastor

Here we are, going into April already. It's true; time does fly when you're having a good time. The winter months have been a blessing for me, I have enjoyed seeing all of our northern friends who visit during the brutal winters we have in south Florida. Many will be returning to their northern homes in the next month or so. We will miss you all and look forward to your return in the fall.

As we continue to move through our Lenten journey I have encouraged you to seek God in a quiet and reflective way as we each focus on our relationship with the risen Christ. I have challenged you to spend time in silence to listen for that still small voice that God uses to communicate with us his plans for our life. I have told you many times how I have struggled with the silence and listening part of my devotional life. If you have felt the same way, you are certainly not alone. We will continue to grow in our faith as we develop this listening spirit that dwells in each of us.

I love what Oswald Chambers says in "My Utmost for His Highest." We don't consciously and deliberately disobey God—we simply don't listen to Him. God has given His commands to us, but we pay no attention to them—not because of willful disobedience, but because we do not truly love and respect Him. "If you love Me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Once we realize we have constantly been showing disrespect to God, we will be filled with shame and humiliation for ignoring Him.

"You speak with us,...but let not God speak with us..." (Exodus 20:19). We show how little love we have for God by preferring to listen to His servants rather than to Him. We like to listen to personal testimonies, but we don't want God Himself to speak to us. Why are we so terrified for God to speak to us? It is because we know that when God speaks we must either do what He asks or tell Him we will not obey. But if it is simply one of God's servants speaking to us, we feel obedience is optional, not imperative. We respond by saying, "Well, that's only your own idea, even though I don't deny that what you said is probably God's truth."

Am I constantly humiliating God by ignoring Him, while He lovingly continues to treat me as His child? Once I finally do hear Him, the humiliation I have heaped on Him returns to me. My response then becomes, "Lord, why was I so insensitive and obstinate?" This is always the result once we hear God. But our real delight in finally hearing Him is tempered with the shame we feel for having taken so long to do so.

Something for us to think about as we move toward the Resurrection of Christ and the gift God gave us in the person of Jesus Christ. Easter Blessings for each of you as we await the new day.

Blessings, Pastor David

A 13 year olds perspective on Sunday church

We will be periodically running newsletter articles on what a thirteen year old takes away from church on Sunday mornings. When Catriona approached me with an idea for how a teenager views "our" faith and how she is growing in her own walk with the Lord. I thought it would be a refreshing glimpse into how we could view our own faith and watch as a young person explores hers. Thank you Cat, we are blessed by your point of view. Blessings, Pastor David

3/9/2014 The praise songs were amazing! They were well performed as well as the sermon. The sermon was very well spoken today, it was by Susan Sylvester. The title of today's message was Why Jesus? Magician. It was about how Jesus does many miracles and that the Jews were saying that he was using black bad magic to heal. Also, there was a Sunday night revival that was amazing. The choir was beautiful. There was a great turn out and a lot of audience participation. I loved how Bob Going really interacted well with the congregation.

3/23/14 Today's sermon was Why Jesus? Savior. What I took from today's message was I that when Jesus talks to people it brings life to them. The praise songs today, by the way, were awesome.

As reported by Catriona Chennell.

ATLANTIC CENTRAL DISTRICT PRESENTS A WEEKEND ACADEMY:

Basic Lay Servant Ministries Class, Dancing with Words (the Art of Storytelling), Connecting Neighbors (UMCOR Disaster Preparedness & Response Training), Wesley Small Groups & Making a Friend. These classes are offered on Friday, May 9, 2014 6 –9 PM and Saturday, May 10, 2014 9 AM-5 PM at 1st UMC in Vero Beach. Each class is \$25.00+lunch. Registration required by May 1st. For more information contact the church office



The Chancel Choir Of Lakeside United Methodist Church Presents

Sunday April 13, 2014 7pm

Easter Cantata "Majesty" By Russell Mauldin

SAVE THESE DATES IN APRIL:

April 13, Palm Sunday- 10am, Easter Cantata, 7pm

April 17, Holy Thursday Service, 7pm

April 18, Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, 12:00pm





April 19, Easter Egg Hunt, 11am—1pm

April 20, Easter Sunday, (Sunrise Service) 6:30am, Easter Service, 10am



Mission Jar Focus

Our Mission Jar Focus for April – June will be to collect donations and items for the Adopt-A Family organization. Adopt-A-Family is a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit, charitable organization established in 1983. They are dedicated to restoring families in crisis to stability and self-sufficiency by providing access to all encompassing services for families and their children.

Items needed:

Diapers Diaper wipes

Children's shoes Children's socks

Children's underwear Towels

Sheets Washcloths

Personal Hygiene Products (not trial size, please)

KEENAGER MEETING:

We wish to invite everyone age 50+ to our Keenagers meeting. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall at noon on Wednesday, April 9, 2014. Please come and join us for a covered dish lunch. Our program will be by Lilianna Herrera of Palm Beach County Senior Services. Please bring your own table service and enough food to feed 8-10 people. We're looking forward to getting together on the 2nd Wednesday from January - April. See you there and invite a friend! For more information call Beverly Hartman @ 585-3058.

You are invited to attend the Call to Prayer & Self Denial on Saturday, April 5, 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. This is an annual observation of the United Methodist Women. Bernice Ohannes will be the leader. A sparse lunch will be served. Please call Bernice (248-420-9978) or Betty McMurchy (968-9497) if you have any questions.



Connect Cards

Please remember to at least sign your name on the **Connect Card**every week. If you have any changes, please indicate the new
information on the card. We want to have your current information
for Lakeside's new directory! These cards are also used to document
attendance for the church's annual reports and to keep your
contact information current. Thank you!

TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN --- If you do not have e-mail and would like to be advised of prayer requests during the week, please make note on your Connect Card; please include your phone number.







PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are collected by our Ushers during the Praise Songs.

The UMM Indoor Yard Sale is quickly approaching. Saturday, April 26th, 8AM -1PM is the date to be ready. Go through your closets, attics, garages and bring your things down that are gently used, but no longer necessary for your household. Remember it may be just what someone else is looking for. Call the church office at 585-7519 if you need help getting bigger things picked up and we will connect you with the right people.

RECYCLE – Our church has several places on campus where you can recycle. In the Narthex, there is a box to recycle your ink cartridges from your computer printers. In the back parking lot by the office is a blue dumpster where we collect office paper, newspaper, magazines, & catalogs. Please do not put plastic bags, phone books, wrapping paper or bows, wax or plastic covered paper, cardboard or trash in this dumpster. These are both fundraisers for the church.

Healing and Communion Service & Lenten Study - Come together on Wednesday evenings for a healing and communion service at 6:00 p.m. We will gather in the sanctuary for a time of healing prayers and worship. We will share in Holy Communion together as we gather at the Lord's Table. Following the service at 7:00 p.m. we are having a Lenten Bible study through April 16th. The study is based on Rueben P. Jobs book, "Listen Praying in a Noisy World". I hope you will join in this opportunity to pray for one another as well as healing prayers for yourself. Hope to see you there. Pastor David

Daytime Lenten Bible Study- On Fridays at 10 AM. It will be at Bernice Ohannes condo in Covered Bridge.

Bernice Ohannes 544B Franconia Circle Lake Worth, FL 33467 Cell: 248-420-9978

Take Lake Worth Rd. west past Jog Rd. until you Pinehurst. Turn right at the light on Pinehurst drive to Covered Bridge Rd. Turn left onto Covered Bridge Rd. to the second left turn which will be Franconia Circle. Turn left onto Franconia Circle go to the 1st right which Franklin Court. Franklin Court is where Bernice lives. Park over next to the Trash containers in guest parking spots. WELCOME!

Help needed for The Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th . It has always been an exciting time here at Lakeside when the children come to hunt eggs. We will need volunteers to help us again this year. We need plastic eggs. We need individually wrapped candy (please no chocolate) that will fit into plastic eggs. Help with putting the eggs out, with making, serving and cleaning up lunch, help supervising children and helping parents that have multiple children who need assistance. If there is anyone who would like to perform a skit or song to entertain the children we would appreciate your help this way. Christina could really use your help. If you have ideas, questions or ideas feel free to call her at 313-7470 or e mail her at hchrissy@bellsouth.net.

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United Methodist Men

The men will meet on Monday, April 7th at 7:00 PM in the Library. Hope to see you there!

Men's Breakfast Group

Our men will meet at 8:00 AM on Saturday, April 5th at the IHOP on the corner of Hypoluxo Road and Dixie Highway.

Please save all USED greeting/Christmas cards to be used for a Bazaar craft project. (Writing on the back of the pictures is OK.) Give them to Teresa at the Card-Signing table.

MATTHEW MEALS

We are blessed each month to be able to serve our community by giving them a hot cooked meal. We need more people to assist with this most beneficial ministry. Lakeside's next Matthew Meals will be on Saturday, April 26th. Volunteers are needed to prepare the food, serve the meals, and clean up the kitchen afterwards. Cooking begins around 2:00PM. The meals are then served 4-6PM in the Fellowship Hall. Prayerfully consider helping with this great outreach to our community! All are welcome.

UMW NEWS

Bookworms -

Meets Monday, April 7th at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Susanna Wesley Circle

will meet
Wednesday,
April 2nd at
11:00 at the
church to carpool to lunch.

UMW Executive Committee

Meets Monday, April 21st at 7:00 PM in the library.

The Capital Campaign was kicked off on March 8, 2013, for the refurbishment and replacement of Sanctuary Sound and Lighting systems as well as a replacement for the Dishwasher in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Our goal is \$20,000 for this much needed work. To date we have raised \$12,000.00 toward our goal with the generous giving of our faithful congregation. I pray that God would touch each of us to join in on this crucial part of our ministry here at Lakeside UMC to make our worship service and activities the best they can be. We honor God when we strive to give our best for His glory. I pray God's richest blessings upon each of you as you prayerfully consider your gift to this much needed work.

Blessings, Pastor David

CARD SIGNING -

A reminder for our seasonal guests and new members . . .

Please stop by the Card-Signing Table after church in the

Fellowship Hall each week. (You don't have to personally know the
people receiving the cards.) The recipients tell us it is great to see all
the names of the people who took time to be a part of the "Greeting"!

Thanks for your continued support!

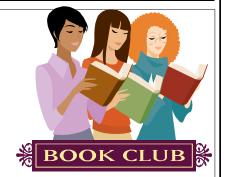
Teresa Wilhelm

ADOPT-A-SUNDAY: The coffee fellowship time is open for adoption. We would like to have groups or individuals adopt a Sunday to take care of the coffee time from set up, serving, and clean up. The food and the supplies will be supplied. We need your help!! See Sally Chennell if you would be willing to Adopt-A-Sunday.

FOOD PANTRY- Change of time for 2014! The Pantry will now be open 10 AM to 12:00 PM (instead of 12:30 PM). Our food pantry continues to be held on the 3rd Friday of the month. The next Pantry date will be Friday, April 18th. Thank you for your continued support of this outreach ministry.

HELP NEEDED- One of regular volunteers for the Food Pantry is moving away and we could use your help. If you could give a few hours of your time the 3rd Friday of the month from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM to help us it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Sally Chennell 641-2185.

Women's Book Club—third Monday of the month, April 21st at 12—1:30 PM in the Library. This is a Book Club that was started at our sister church Calvary and has moved over to our campus now. Any and all women are invited to come and be a part of this daytime group. Hope you will come and join in.



In the mail: We'd like to thank you and the Lakeside Family for all the help you gave Jewell Schattie's family. You made a difficult situation easier. Thank you Lakeside Family. Michael & Edwina Candidus

April Movie Fun For All will be Saturday, April 26th. "HEAVEN IS FOR REAL"

The true story of a small-town father who must find the courage and conviction to share his son's extraordinary, life-changing experience with the world.

The film stars Greg Kinnear as Todd Burpo and co-stars Kelly Reilly as Sonja Burpo, the real-life couple whose son Colton (newcomer Connor Corum) claims to have visited Heaven during a near death experience. Colton recounts the details of his amazing journey with childlike innocence and speaks matter-of-factly about things that happened before his birth ... things he couldn't possibly know. Todd and his family are then challenged to examine the meaning from this remarkable event.



Time to be announced later.

Come and watch a movie with Christian friends. <u>All are invited</u>. The movies are at The Cinemark Theater at the Boynton Beach Mall. We usually go to the first showing to get the cheaper price.

!Israel (Holy Land Trip)

Its official, Nanci and I are registered to be Tour Hosts for a trip to the Holy Land (In Israel not Orlando) with a departure date of February 9, 2015. We are very excited to be returning to the land where Jesus trod. This is a once in a lifetime kind of trip, on my bucket list for sure! If you are interested in joining us I would be glad to talk to you about it. See Pastor David for more information.

Feinstein Challenge

From March 1 – April 30, your cash and food donations to CROS will be put toward the Feinstein Challenge count. The more received the bigger the portion of the \$1 million, pledged by the Feinstein Foundation, will CROS receive. Please help them by donating to CROS during the months of March and April. Please write "Feinstein Challenge" in the memo line of your check or credit card donation. Checks can be made payable to Lakeside UMC with the notation on the memo line of your check OR checks can be made payable directly to CROS with the same on the memo line of your check. Contact Audrea Miller or Betty McMurchy if you have questions.

THANK YOU

Dear Lakeside Family,

Thank you so much for the lovely expression of sympathy upon the passing of my mother, Barbara M. Knoch. I appreciated it greatly.

I look forward to becoming a member of this loving community in the near future.

Sharon Bouyoucas

Dear Lakeside Family,

Thank you so much for your kind words of sympathy upon the passing of my husband, Ernest John Bouyoucas. I appreciate them very much.

Sharon Bouyoucas

We have received many thank you letters from our brothers and sisters at Global Ministries thanking us for our donations to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Some thank yous have also arrived from the Florida United Methodist Children's Home for continued support of their many programs. Your contributions to Church World Service have been acknowledged as well with many thank you letters. These letters are too numerous to add here, but they all want you to know how very much they appreciate your donations and continued support of the programs and ministries.

UMW Reminder:

The Red Bird Mission in the Mts. of Kentucky thank you.

We send them BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION and LABELS FOR EDUCATION.

They redeem these for equipment and supplies.

Look for them on the following products: General Mills cereal; Pillsbury refrigerated dairy products; Betty Crocker meals and baking products; Kleenex boxes and Campbell Soup Labels.

No Cost to you, just a commitment to look and act. The deposit envelope is to the right as you enter the Narthex on the bulletin board.

LENTEN AND EASTER OFFERINGS

The following are the Lenten and Easter offering recipients. Please pray for God's direction as you give generously.

Lenten Offering – C.R.O.S. Ministries

Non-Lilies – Lakeside Food Pantry, Lakeside Pastor's Discretionary Fund, and Florida United Methodist Children's Home

2014 Non Lilies

Non-Lilies for Easter

In lieu of purchasing a lily plant to decorate the Sanctuary,

please consider making a donation to one of the three ministries listed below. You can give it "in honor of" or "in memory of", someone special to you or your family. Just write the name(s) of the individual(s), designate your choice of fund, and attach your donation, then send it to the church office. The names of the donors and the honorees will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

DONOR NAME	-
IN HONOR OF	-
IN MEMORY OF	
AMOUNT (will not be printed in the bulletin) \$	
TO BE LISED FOR: (circle one)	



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Lakeside Pastor's Discretionary Fund

FL UM Children's Home

Lakeside Food Pantry

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We have a Place for You!

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

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Hilton Jarvis
- 6 Charlotte Holloway
- 7 Rick McManus
 Marlene Simmons
 Wendy Wolfe
- 13 Lori Kimmey
- 18 Jane Aalto
- 23 Lena Fitzgerald
- 28 Kathy Chandler



Did we miss your birthday? Please let us know.

Happy Birthday!

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

CONTINUING

WEDNESDAYS THROUGH

APRIL 16TH

AT 7 PM

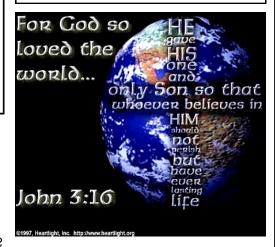
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL





FOOD DRIVE FOR LAKESIDE & CROS FOOD PANTRIES

During the month of April, we will be collecting food for both Lakeside & CROS Food Pantries.



16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

John 3:16 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

