

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

JULY

Greetings from your Pastor,

I pray this finds everyone doing well and your summer is off to a great start. We find ourselves in a time of discernment for the future ministry of Lakeside UMC. Christina Harden has been our Youth Coordinator for quite a while. She has served tirelessly in the ministry of our children and has been a behind-the-scenes leader in the ministry of Lakeside. We thank her profusely for her dedication to the children and families of Lakeside UMC. Now with her resignation, we are challenged to move forward with this ministry. We must have a program in place before we can attract young families with small children and youth. If we wait until someone shows up with children to start a program it will be impossible to keep them here. As the old saying goes "If you build it, they will come". My prayer is that **YOU** will be in prayer as to where God is calling us in ministry to this group of believers. The Leadership Council has been tasked with seeking ideas and inspiration in how to move forward with the Children's Ministry. Please keep this endeavor in your prayers as we seek the next Leader for this vital position in our church. The children are our future and we must provide for their spiritual development and growth in Christ if we are to be the church God calls us to be.

In 1st Chronicles, chapter 4, we are given the genealogy of Adam to Israel and the family of Judah. In verse 10 we read the prayer of Jabez. It states in verse 9 that Jabez was more honored than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, "I bore him in pain." Jabez called on Israel's God; "If only you would greatly bless me and increase my territory. May your power go with me to keep me from trouble, so as not to cause me pain." And God granted his request.

I believe this prayer will work for us as well. As we bring this next step in our ministry here at Lakeside to God in prayer, let's pray that God would increase our territory and those we influence for the Kingdom of God. I cherish your prayers as we move forward.

In Service to God,

Pastor David

Honoring Our Lakeside Men

Our Lakeside family celebrated Father's Day by honoring all men on Saturday, June 14th. Spearheading this special "All American" event was Christina Harden. Everyone was encouraged to wear USA colors. Many Lakesiders stepped up to help the Harden family with decorations, set up, serving, performing, and cleanup.

The attendees experienced a skit, a short history about Joseph (Jesus' Earthly father), some stories about our dads and grandfathers, and prayers for all of our men. Dr. Jim Short won the door prize; It was a trophy with a Bar-B-Q grill on top and the words "Daddy-O of the Patio!"

Dinner included hot dogs & hamburgers (with all the fixin's), potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans, macaroni & cheese, deviled eggs, chips, cookies, cupcakes, tea, and lemonade. Everything was delicious! A great big THANKS to all the volunteers who prepared the yummy food!

Christina wishes to thank ALL the people that came to support this celebration! Everyone had a good time visiting, laughing, and eating!

Healing and Communion Service - We will be having this service on the fourth Wednesday evening of this month due to VBS. Our next Healing and Communion service will be on July 23rd at 6:00 p.m. We will gather in the sanctuary for a time of healing, prayers, and worship. We will then share in Holy Communion together as we gather at the Lord's Table.

Our condolences go out to the family of Rev. James Maxfield, who passed away on June 13, 2014. Pastor Maxfield was the pastor of Lakeside UMC from the years of 1985-1989. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Jan, and daughter Amy.

Our condolences go out to the family of Doris Downey, who passed on June 24th. She was 102 years young. She attended Calvary UMC when she was able and her family wanted her church family to know of her going home to her Lord. There will be a memorial service later in the year.



RECYCLE NEWSPAPERS

DID YOU KNOW????? There is a bin for recycling your newspapers at the back of the parking lot? LUMC receives (\$\$\$) for each 100 pounds of recycled newspapers. Isn't that a nice and easy way for us to be good stewards of the Earth and also make a little \$\$?

BUT – DID YOU KNOW????? LUMC receives NO PAYMENT for the total contents of the bin if there is **any** PLASTIC, CARDBOARD, OR GARBAGE in the bin when they come to pick it up. That includes the plastic newspaper wrappers and plastic bags that might hold lots of shredded papers.

WHAT CAN YOU DO???? Bring your papers to the bin, put them in but take away the plastic. There is a dumpster on the other side of the parking lot if you want to put the plastic there. **THANKS FOR YOUR HELP.**

KEENAGER ADULT SUMMER CAMP

Our "campers" continue meeting the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at noon each month. The group is creating craft items to be sold at the annual Holiday Bazaar.

Camp is open to all adults, including non-Lakesiders. Feel free to bring your own crafts. Or, if you need assistance making something, we will help you. There are also many crafts already there for you to enjoy. Come and join us for a couple of hours! For more information, see Shirley Turner or Teresa Wilhelm.

Mark your calendars! Future camp dates: 7/9, 7/23, 8/13, 8/27, 9/10, 9/24, 10/8, & 10/22.

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. These cards are also used to document attendance for the church's annual reports and to keep your contact information current. Thank you!

We were happy to welcome new members Judy Jaksch, Marjorie Powell and Clare Shore into our Lakeside Family on Sunday, June 22nd.

Our condolences go out to Peggy Morphesis and her family on the passing of her mother, Helen Benn, on Friday, June 27, 2014. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

Mission Jar Focus

The Mission Jar Focus for July-Sept. will be School Supplies. We start collecting early because that is when we see the sales at our local stores such as Walgreens, CVS, Wal-Mart, Target, Dollar General, etc. We collect and deliver supplies to our local elementary schools (Barton, South Grade, Highland, and North Grade) as well as Lake Worth Middle.

Suggested items are: crayons, markers, scissors, pencils, spiral notebooks, back packs, school glue, hand sanitizer, boxes of tissues, rulers, folders, composition books, paper, etc. Donated cash will be used to purchase supplies for these schools. Thank you for your generous support. We have many needy children in our area.

The Finance Committee

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 \$12,565.00 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

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, Pastor David will be glad to talk to you about the trip and give you more information.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL- The Ice Cream Social was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who donated food and helped with the social. You all are the greatest!

Dear Friends,

As we approach Annual Conference I want to thank you for packing STOP HUNGER NOW meals this year. Because of churches like yours across our conference we met our goal of one million meals in March, 4 months early! Now we are exceeding that benchmark and even more hungry children will be fed.

Thank You! Know that this very day, perhaps in a dusty village, a child will be sitting at his rustic wooden school desk and a plate of steaming rice and beans will be set before him. He will eat and be filled - because you cared. God bless you!

Pam Carter, wife of Bishop Kenneth H. Carter, Jr

Bible Study each Wednesday, at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will be studying "The Story" by Randy Frazee. Each story reveals the God of grace; the God who speaks; the God who acts; the God who listens; the God whose love for his people culminated in his sacrifice of Jesus, his only Son, to atone for the sins of humanity."

**Dear Pastor, Could you please say a prayer for our Little League team?
We either need God's help or a new pitcher. Tim, age 11**

Boy Scout Troop 204 gratefully appreciates the wonderful support of donations and attendance the congregation provided for our spaghetti dinner last Saturday afternoon. Thanks to your generous support, seven Scouts and two leaders will experience a week of adventure at Camp Daniel Boone in the North Carolina mountains. They will leave this Saturday morning and return next Sunday evening. Please pray for a safe experience for our Troop. Thanks again. God Bless You All.

Ken Chennell, Committee Chairman, Troop 204

Mission U (formerly School of Missions) - July 10-13 - Florida Southern College, Lakeland. Courses: "How Is It With Your Soul", "The Church and People With Disabilities", "The Roma of Europe". Cost \$200 includes dorm room and meals. Contact Nancy Gettys for additional information.

CARD SIGNING –



Our Card Ministry is growing! There are 7-8 cards for you to sign each week. We send cards to our shut-ins, those that are ill or injured, folks that just need some encouraging, and new members, to name a few.

Some of you say you don't know the person receiving the card. That's OK. After all, we are ALL brothers and sisters in God's family! Just knowing all those colorful names represent people that took a few moments to sign the cards means SO MUCH!

To our new Lakesiders, we invite you to stop by the "Card-Signing Table" each Sunday during Fellowship time. It should be easy for you to see our TALL sign on the table near the stage.

For long-time church members, please come by the table and sign the cards. There are new cards every week. Let the recipients know you care and are praying for them!

And to our Ever-Faithful Signers, we all say THANK YOU for stopping by every week!

See you next Sunday at the Card-Signing Table!

Teresa Wilhelm

Tai Chi - The Area Agency on Aging will provide **free** Tai Chi classes in our fellowship from September through November. We need a minimum of 14 people to start the classes and class members must commit to continuing throughout the entire length of the classes. Time and week day to be determined. If you are interested, contact Nancy Gettys or Ellen Keene.

Dear God, Is there any way to do extra credit to make sure I get into heaven? Benjamin, age 8

Dear Friends:

Your generous donation to the Church World Service Blanket+ program tells people in crisis, "You're not alone. Someone cares."

We are deeply grateful for your support. Because of your compassion,

- Families who have lost their homes to tornadoes, floods, earthquakes and other disasters are getting help with blankets, emergency food and shelter– and with rebuilding their lives and livelihoods.
- People struggling against crushing poverty and harsh climates are learning sustainable farming practices that will help them keep food on the table– and take it to market.
- Vulnerable children have access to clean, safe water and the nutritional food essential to growth, development and life itself.

On behalf of all the people who feel more hopeful and less alone because of your generosity, we thank you.

May God bless you for your support,

Rev. John L. McCullough

President and CEO

Church World Service

Dear Friends in Mission:

Thank you for your support of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Through your gift, you are helping to provide assistance for survivors of human trafficking, funding for health and development projects that alleviate hunger and poverty, holistic community-based health programs, and access to clean water and sanitation. This is just a sampling of the good works that gifts like yours make possible. Thank you for giving so generously.

This gift will bring hope to those who need it most.

Grace and Peace,

Roland Fernandes

Shawn Bakker

General Treasurer

Deputy General Secretary

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**Dear God, Did you mean for the giraffe to look like that,
or was it an accident? Norma, age 7**

United Methodist Men

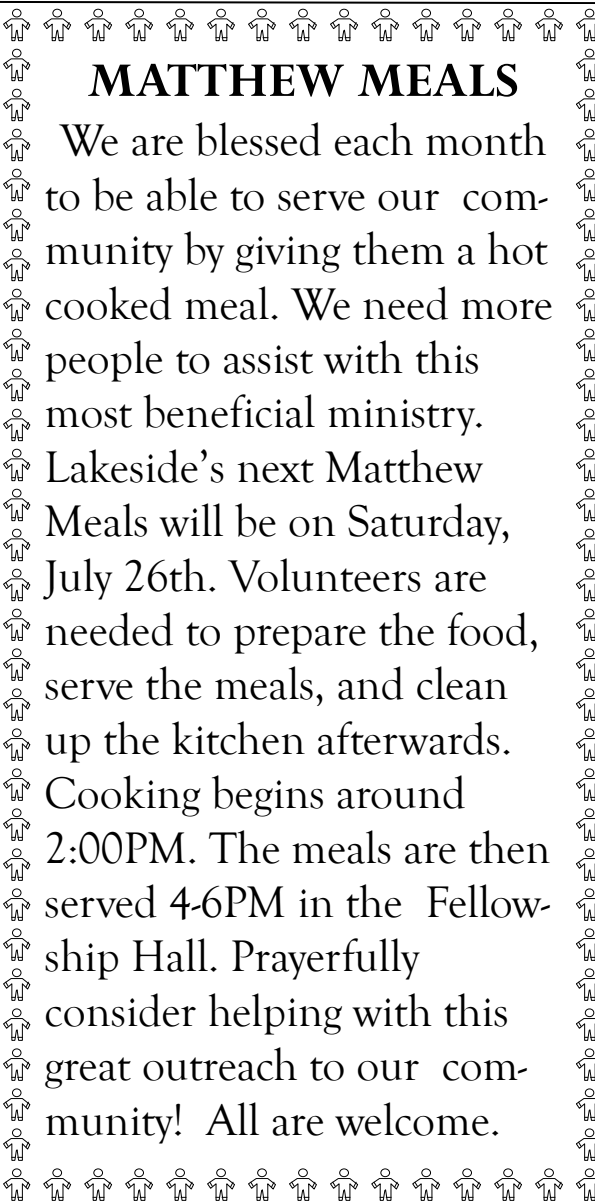
The men will meet on Monday, July 7th at 7:00 PM in the Library. Hope to see you there!

Men's Breakfast Group

Our men will meet at 8:00 AM on Saturday, July 5th at the IHOP on the corner of Federal Hwy. and Hypoluxo Rd.

FOOD PANTRY— The Pantry will be open 10 AM to 12:00 PM. Our food pantry continues to be held on the 3rd Friday of the month. The next Pantry date will be Friday, July 18th. Thank you for your continued support of this outreach ministry.

HELP NEEDED— We could use your help. If you could give a few hours of your time for the Food Pantry on 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.



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, July 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.



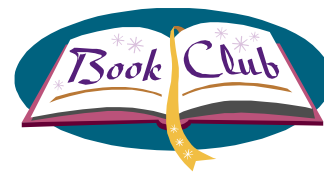
UMW NEWS

Bookworms, Susanna Wesley Circle & UMW Executive Committee

will not meet during June, July & August. Meetings will resume in September.

Dear Pastor, Our father should be a minister. Every day he gives us a sermon about something.

**Michael, age 7
Aron, age 9**



Women's Book Club— third Monday of the month, July 21st at 12—1:30 PM in the Library. Any and all women are invited to come and be a part of this daytime group. Hope you will come and join in. Contact Sharon Bouyoucas or Janet Lane, if you have any questions.



July 14-18, 2014

Monday — Friday 5:30pm to 8:30pm

FREE

Vacation Bible School

Ages: Kindergarten — 6 Grade

It will include dinner, snacks, crafts, games,

Bible stories, music, and science lessons,

full of God's message and lots of fun.

For more information, call (561) 585-7519

Check out our VBS website link at: <http://cokesburyvbs.com/Lakesideumc>

where you can see our program information (plus the introduction video)

as well as places to register your child

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Did we miss your birthday?
Please let us know.

Happy Birthday!

**CHURCH CHUCKLES—
Jason scolded his dad for
helping a neighbor paint
his house. He told him:
“The commandment says
‘Thou shalt not cover thy
neighbor’s house!’”**



- 5 Edgar Breese
- 13 Bunny Carr
Dorothy Lione
David VanVleet
- 16 Destiny Harden
Leona Ohren
- 18 Beverly Knapp
Ladelia Becraft
- 19 Eugene Nusbaum
- 21 Audrea Miller
- 23 Sally Chennell
Brandon King
- 24 Max Moretz
- 26 Seth Hagen
- 29 Darren Fields

**We have a Place for
You!**

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

Dear Friends,

Even though many of you already know we don't serve children in need for a thank you, it's always nice when we hear from a former resident who shares how we were able to make a difference in his life. I wanted to share one recent testimonial with you. This former resident recently posted his thoughts on Facebook when looking back at his time at the Florida United Methodist Children's Home.

"Every time I tell people I was in a children's home they say, oh wow I'm so sorry that must have been rough. I tell them it's the best life any kid can have... so many brothers and sisters, a ropes course, recreation, pool, bowling, great Christmas holidays, great food, and many mothers and fathers that care so much about you. I tell them I feel sorry for any normal kid. These were the best years of my childhood. Thank you FUMCH for being there when we needed you the most."

Thanks to your congregation's generous gift we are able to provide for so many innocent children, who through no fault of their own, need a safe and loving place to call home.

May God bless you and your family, Charlie Perry, Board Member,
The Florida United Methodist Children's Home