

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

AUGUST

Greetings from your Pastor,

By the time you receive this month's newsletter, my hope and prayer is that we are able to move into our new office space by the first week of August. It has been quite an experience in the life of our church since the fire on December 23rd destroyed our offices. During the past seven months it has been challenging to say the least to be "crammed" into the Youth Room with all the day to day activities of our church. I will be forever grateful to Carolyn Ludwig, our Administrative Assistant for everything she has done to keep business as usual during this time. When you see her, give her your appreciation as well. And I would also like to thank all of the servants who have helped out in the office and give them my deepest gratitude for the dedication to Lakeside UMC they have shown during this growing experience. I have said from the beginning that as bad as this experience was for our church, it would be a blessing in the end. We have seen an outpouring of support from our local community and churches. Our "new" office facility will allow us to serve our congregation and neighbors even better than before. Thanks again for your support and patience during this time of transition.

Once again we have celebrated the commitment of Lakeside UMC to reach out to our youngest neighbors with another successful Vacation Bible School. It is truly inspiring to see the love and patience in which everyone who served this year had for these children. We may be the only "Bible" some of these children will ever see and we can be happy with our part in bringing the Gospel to them. We had 41 children register for VBS and 40 Servants who helped guide them through the week. Thanks again to ALL who served and prayerfully supported this year's VBS. I am looking forward to next year, where I hear a beach/surf theme may be in the works.

From Steve Harpers book, *"Five Marks of a Methodist"* he states, John Wesley wrote in his works, *"The Character of a Methodist"* to provide the sustaining strength for what Methodism would become. His original document remains a gift to us today. In it Wesley gives us five marks to confirm our identity as genuine and fruitful disciples and followers of Christ.

- 1 A Methodist Loves God
- 2 A Methodist Rejoices in God
- 3 A Methodist Gives Thanks
- 4 A Methodist Prays Constantly
- 5 A Methodist Loves Others

The goals of Wesley for the church are the same for us today. Let's continue to strive together to be the church God wants us to be.

Peace, Pastor David

AUGUST AT A GLANCE

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| 01– UMM Breakfast Group
Back to School Bash/Picnic | 16– 12th Sunday after Pentecost
Boy Scout Kick-off |
| 02– 10th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion | 17– Book Club |
| 03– UMM | 18– DOWLL |
| 04– Sanctuary Committee
Boy Scouts | 19– Keenagers Summer Kraft Kamp
Healing and Communion
Bible Study |
| 05– Keenagers Summer Kraft Kamp
Bible Study | 20– Special Music Practice |
| 06– Special Music Practice | 21– Food Pantry |
| 07– | 22– |
| 08– | 23– 13th Sunday after Pentecost |
| 09– 11th Sunday after Pentecost | 24– Game Night |
| 10– | 25– Boy Scouts |
| 11– | 26– Keenagers Summer Kraft Kamp
Bible Study |
| 12– Keenagers Summer Krafting Kamp
Leadership Council
Bible Study | 27– Special Music Practice |
| 13– Special Music Practice | 28– |
| 14– | 29– Matthew Meals |
| 15– | 30– 14th Sunday after Pentecost
Children’s Home Offering |
| | 31– |

CROS has received \$30,000 to be matched by October 1, 2015. Every dollar you give will be matched dollar for dollar. Should you give cash, please mark you envelope “CROS Match”. Checks should be made payable to Lakeside UMC with “CROS Match” written on the memo line of your check. For more information, ask Audrea Miller or Betty McMurchy.

**CARING****SHARING****COMMUNITY**

Bible Study will continue on Wednesday nights, in the Fellowship Hall at 7 PM. Adam Hamilton's "The Call": What would lead a first-century rabbi to travel thousands of miles by sea and by land, to be beaten, imprisoned, and ultimately beheaded for his faith? It was a call- a call to turn the world upside down.

This is the story of the Apostle Paul, whose writings continue to shape the lives of one-third of the world's population, a man second only to Jesus in his impact and influence on the Christian faith, and whose witness defines what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

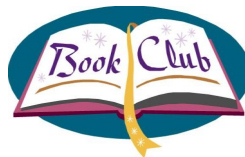
We hope you will join us for this 6 week study. Let Pastor David know if you are interested so we order enough books for all.

Healing and Communion Service - The next Healing and Communion Service will be Wednesday, August 19th at 6 PM.

Men's Breakfast Group

Lakeside's men will meet at IHOP (corner of Federal Hwy. and Hypoluxo Rd.) on **Saturday, August 1st** at 8 AM. Come and join us for a great time of fellowship and food.

United Methodist Men will meet on August 3rd at 7 PM.



Book Club will meet the third Monday of the month, August 17th at 12 PM in the Library Contact Sharon Bouyoucas (968-1892), if you have any questions.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Alain Huff
- 3 Donna Linderson
- 6 Tess Hartle
- 20 Joyce Walters
- 25 Evelyn Garrett
- Lois Mahoney
- 26 Chuck Blankenship
- 30 Jean Crawford
- Greg Hagen

REMINDER:
The church public office hours are Monday - Friday from 9 AM to 1 PM. Please plan to conduct your business during these hours.

Don't see your August birthday listed? Please let us know.



Happy Birthday!

The Lakeside United Methodist Church Memorials Committee

Gifts made in honor of a loved one are used to enhance the worship service, or are used for beautification of the sanctuary or other church properties. The donor, or the family, may choose to designate the use of the funds. Please consider remembering a loved one in this manner. Contact Tom Harden for more information.

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

After the death of a member of the church family, the Bereavement Committee shows sympathy to, and concern for, the family by providing a simple meal after the funeral service.

The committee volunteers are led by Jean Crawford (561-584-4458) and Betty McMurchy (561-968-9497). If you would like to help this group by providing food, helping with set-up, or assisting with cleaning up, contact the ladies listed above.

While there is no charge for this service, donations to help defray the costs can be made payable to the church, with Caring Committee listed as the notation.

AUGUST



FUN

LAKESIDE'S GAME NIGHT

We are having fun getting to know our fellow Lakesiders at Game Night! The 4th Monday is August 24, 2015, 6:30-8:30PM. Bring a favorite game, your own cool beverage, and a friend! All ages are welcomed at this activity.

CARD MINISTRY

Thank you for your generous donations of stamps, cards, and money. We continue to send out cards to different people each week. Take a few moments and stop by the "Card Signing Table" to add your name to the list of folks sending greetings to our fellow Lakesiders. Be a Blessing to Others!



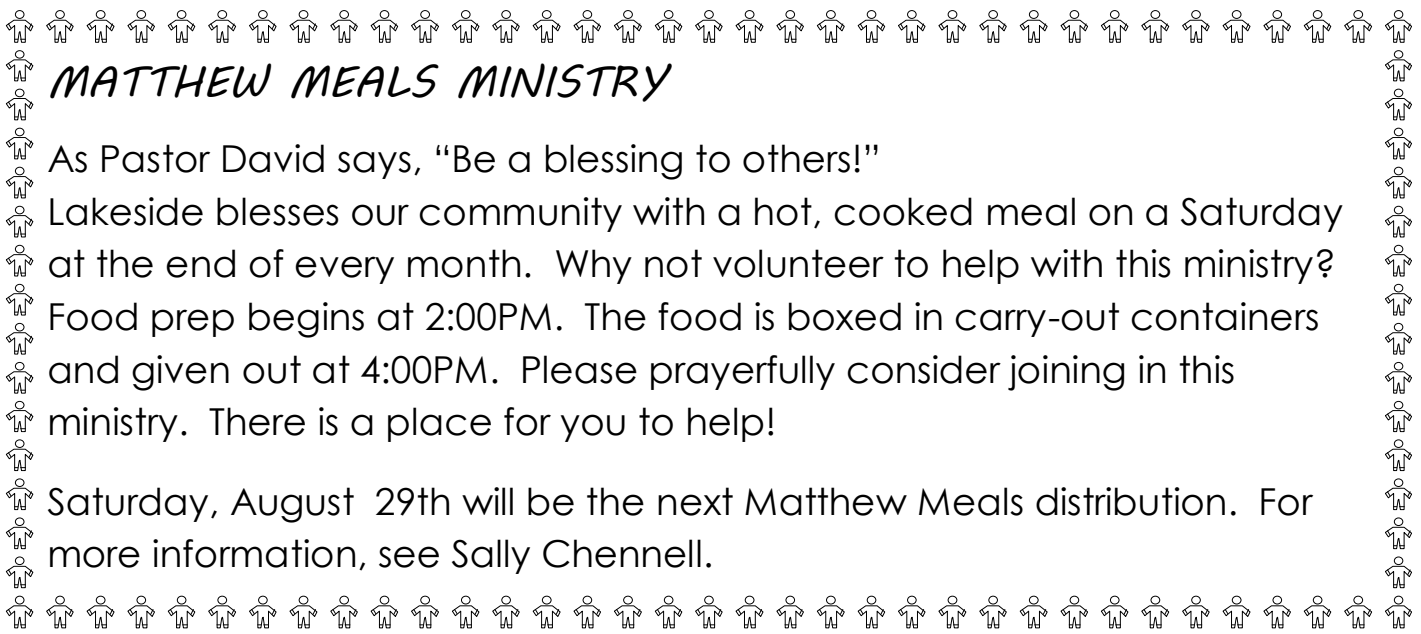
D O W L L (Dining Out With Lakeside Ladies) Save the date!

The 3rd Tuesday is **August 18, 2015**. The ladies are headed to **Cracker Barrel**. It is located at **1475 SW 8th St, Boynton Beach, FL 33426** To carpool, meet at the church @ 4:00PM. The "caravan" will leave for Cracker Barrel about 4:10PM. Or just meet us at the restaurant!

Directions: I-95 South to Woolbright. Head west; stay in the right lane. Turn right at the light (SW 8th). Turn left into Cracker Barrel parking lot.

OR . . . Take Congress South. Turn left on Woolbright. Head east: Stay in left lane. Turn left at the light (SW 8th). Turn left into Cracker Barrel parking lot.

If you plan to join us, contact Teresa Wilhelm by email, text, or phone, or you may call Carolyn at the church office. Please reserve your place **by 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, 8/18/15**. If you forget to call us, you may still attend the activity, but we cannot promise that you will be sitting with our group. We're looking forward to seeing all the ladies at **DOWLLs** this month! Why not bring a friend? Teresa Wilhelm; wilhelmwellness@gmail.com; 561-317-2808 cell Carolyn/Church Office: 561-585-7519



MATTHEW MEALS MINISTRY

As Pastor David says, "Be a blessing to others!"

Lakeside blesses our community with a hot, cooked meal on a Saturday at the end of every month. Why not volunteer to help with this ministry?

Food prep begins at 2:00PM. The food is boxed in carry-out containers and given out at 4:00PM. Please prayerfully consider joining in this ministry. There is a place for you to help!

Saturday, August 29th will be the next Matthew Meals distribution. For more information, see Sally Chennell.

FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

Volunteers are needed to assist with this ministry on the 3rd Friday of each month. While the pantry hours are 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon, volunteers are needed 9:30AM –12:30PM. For more information, see Sally Chennell. The next date is Friday, AUGUST 21st. Distribution of food: 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon

Dear Lakeside United Methodist Church,

Just watching the daily news can cause us to feel we are drowning in hopelessness, with more bad that happens in the world than good. Women who visit First care are often caught in the throes of hopelessness, overwrought with despair. But your gift to the ministry is helping us turn the tide, enabling us to spread hope in seemingly hopeless situations. Thank you on behalf of the fearful young woman who recently visited the clinic:

Katie's pregnancy caught her by surprise and she was terribly fearful that the alcohol she had consumed would affect the development of her unborn baby. She didn't want to have an unhealthy baby. Weighed down with guilt and fear, she came to First Care for information on abortion.

Katie's counselor assured her that "there is never a 100% guarantee that a baby will be born healthy, even when everything is done just right." The counselor educated her further on what to do next and how to give her baby the best chance at being healthy. With renewed hope, Katie chose life for her baby!

Thank you so much for your very generous donation of diapers, wipes, clothes, bottles, etc... and the financial donation.



Because of the hope in Him,
Sharon Brewer, Executive Director of First Care

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.

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

Grace and peace, Roland Fernandes,
General Treasurer, General Board of Global Ministries

Vacation Bible School by: Catriona Chennell

When we went into the Sanctuary last Sunday it was beautifully decorated. Ms. Luann and Ms. Robynne outdid themselves yet again with this year's VBS. This year's theme was "G-Force, God's love in action." The Bible Verse we based this week off of was "In God we live, move, and exist Acts 17:28. This week we had local kids come to the church. We fed them and then sent them off into groups to go to different stations. The stations were music, crafts, recreation, snack, and Scripture zone. Also, this past week the kids were taught different dances/songs that they preformed today (Saturday) in front of their parents. Tomorrow at the Sunday morning service they will treat the congregation to a performance as well. This past week I helped in the Scripture Zone helping kids dress up for the Bible story time. One camper stood out to me. Tyler was very respectful to all the leaders and showed his caring side throughout the week. Thanks to Ms. Robynne and Ms. Luann for putting this together. Also to all the other volunteers you helped teach these kids about God and that is why we are all there. It was a blessing and so are you !

Thorns of life by: Catriona Chennell

Today we read from 2 Corinthians 12:2-10. Pastor David started off by saying "What has God planned for you to do?" Our pleasures in life: golf, shopping, or taking trips can turn into a thorn in your side. People may think that God wants you to be happy, but God wants you to be holy before happy. While you are being holy you are becoming happy. In todays society people are made to believe that you deserve everything. Paul did a lot of suffering, he was shipwrecked and was put into prison. Paul killed people that he claimed he was helping. Pastor David brought up a good question "Did Paul make a wrong career move?" By that do you think he was talking about how Paul was happy all the time? He was strong during his weaknesses. Paul went through a lot of things yet he was always happy. Whatever it was Paul thought it was his weakness. Someone is there to take the thorns out. What are your thorns? Do you say I am so happy for my thorns, because that's what Paul did. Give God your thorns because it will help. ! As it says in 2 Corinthians 12:7 "And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure."

Prayer!

Dear Lord,! Thank you for offering to take our thorns and relieve us from our burdens. Thank you for our everyday blessings. Thank you for letting us live everyday of our lives.! Amen

Kitchen needs: The kitchen could use some new hand towels for hand drying and dish drying. Also, we could use some new containers for us to use to send left overs home.

Mission Jar Focus

The Mission Jar Focus for August-Sept. is 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



Jean Crawford appreciates the cards and prayers received upon the death of her grandson, Ray Davis Jr.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



KEENAGERS SUMMER KRAFT KAMP

Our crafters continue to meet and create each Wednesday in Fellowship Hall from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Why not join them? You do not have to know how to "craft" to be helpful. People are needed to cut out materials, glue pieces together, baste fabrics, etc.

Bring your lunch or eat before you come. NO FOOD OR DRINK IS PROVIDED.

Remember . . . ALL items created over the summer will be for sale at the annual UMW Bazaar in November.

Special thanks to Mary Ann Giel and Shirley Turner for their awesome ideas!

(For more information see Shirley Turner, Ruthie Rawson, or Teresa Wilhelm.)



Bookworms, Susanna Wesley & the UMW Mission Team will not meet in July & August. Meetings will resume in September.

SUSANNA WESLEY CIRCLE

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BOOKWORMS CIRCLE

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**We have a Place for
You!**

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

CHURCH LIBRARY- If you have borrowed a book from the Church Library and are finished reading it, would you please return it to the Library so someone else may enjoy reading it too. Thank you.

CHURCH OFFICE- Due to the fire in the church office on Monday, December 22, 2014, we are still temporarily set up in the Youth Room. We are back to normal office hours, 9:00-1:00. Thank you for your prayers and support during this time of restoration. Things are finally coming together in the old church office and we hope be moving back into it soon.

To the dear friends of my sister, Wanda Bell,

My sister found the family that she thought she had lost in your church family. She often talked about Lakeside with tears in her eyes, and told me how much you meant to her. Thank you for being the loving people you are.

Wanda's coming home meant everything to me. Before when Wanda came home it usually meant chaos. When she came home this time I knew her life had been changed.

Please know that Wanda enjoyed the days she had back at home with us. Thank you for your love and prayers. I will forever be grateful for the last year and 10 months that I had with her. God taught me so many lessons through his word.

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud." (1 Corinthians 13 :4)

Our Condolences go out to the family of Ray Mohlman, brother of Chuck Mohlman, on Ray's passing. Also, condolences to the family of Earl Crocker, who passed away last month.

