

**LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**LAKESIDE LANTERN**  
**SHARING THE GRACE OF GOD IN OUR 62ND YEAR**

# APRIL

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL-

Bring your mask and remember to social distance.

**1st**– Holy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary at 7pm.

**2nd**– Good Friday: Sanctuary open for prayer at 11am.

Stations of the Cross Service inside at 12pm.

**4th**- Easter Celebration Sunday Service at 10am in the Sanctuary and online.

**7th & 14th**- Lenten Bible Study continues on Wednesdays at 6 PM in the Fellowship hall or live streaming. To be able to cover the Bible Study properly we decided we needed more time.

**1st, 15th & 29th**- CROS Food Pantry on Thursday, 4 - 6 PM

**11th**- Regular Sunday Worship at 10am and online.

**18th**-Regular Sunday Worship at 10am and online.

Native American Ministries Sunday

**19th**- Book Club– Monday, at noon on Zoom.

**24th**– Matthew Meals, 4-6 PM A free hot cooked meal given out in take out containers.

**25th**– Regular Sunday Worship at 10am and online.

## An Epic Year of Gratitude and Praise

The only way through hard times is ... well, through them.

You can't go over, under or around difficult seasons.

You simply plow through, one step at a time.

Last year was hard.

And that didn't go away because the calendar flipped to 2021.

But there is still good in *the* world.

"Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

— *Matthew 18:3-4, NIV*

Therefore encourage one another  
and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11, NIV

### **Sunday April 25th is World Malaria Day:**

Pray for continuing efforts to prevent malaria from infecting susceptible children in malaria-prone areas of the world.



"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." — *Philippians 4:6, NASB*

## *A Year of Gratitude*

*Letter taken from Compassion International,  
a Compassion Partnership Facilitator from Erlan, who is a  
Compassion alumnus and works in the Compassion Indonesia  
office. I hope you feel encouraged by his words.*

Dear Prayer Partner,

When I was a little boy, I was sponsored by a family from the U.S. through Compassion. My sponsor always sent me words of encouragement through letters.

**I still remember in one letter, they told me that they put my photo on the refrigerator so they could see my photo and pray for me every day. They also told me that sometimes their daughter took my photo and kissed it.**

When I read all that, I felt so special by knowing that they really loved me. At the end of the letter, they told me how much God loved me. This letter inspired me to accept Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. Since that moment, my life has been changed by the Word of God sent through my sponsor's letters.

I am so grateful for each person who invested in my life by giving me words of encouragement, hope and love. Proverbs 25:11 says, "The right word at the right time is like precious gold set in silver." Let us use our words to pray for and encourage one another.

In Christ,

Erlan

Compassion Indonesia\_

## United Methodist Women News

There have been so many changes in our lives during the past few months that sometimes fear, frustration and anxiety can creep in on us. We need to remember Philippians 4:6-7: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Find a quiet place to pause and listen for God's voice (from the Upper Room).

The Bookworms Circle and Susanna Wesley Circles won't meet until whenever we can resume meeting at the church. Members will be notified of the next meeting and the meeting schedule will be discussed at that time. The book club that meets at Lakeside has had several zoom meeting for their book reviews. We do not plan to issue a new yearbook now so please use the current one for phone numbers.

Barbara, our Treasurer, has sent our pledge money to the district. Payment of our district pledge is one of the requirements for the Mission Today award. Our pledges also support many local and national projects. Even though the district payment has been made please consider completing your pledge for this year if you haven't done so. You might also consider giving an amount equal to the cost of a ticket to our luncheon that we were unable to hold this year.

Make checks payable to United Methodist Women. They can be sent to the church (1901 12 Ave. South, Lake Worth FL 33461) attention Barbara Russum/UMW.

When we do meet to make plans for a new year, we need to consider the following: What can we do to make a difference? How can we improve what we do? Your suggestions and comments would be appreciated.

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## **UMWomen Opportunity: Online Zoom Training Event in April**

Please pass along this wonderful opportunity to persons in your units and groups, churches, etc. **Open to everyone.**

### **Greetings!**

You are invited to learn and improve your skills with the Zoom format! Please pass this along to your members in your Unit. Once you register you can choose to attend any or all of the training sessions and use the same link that is sent to you.

### **You are invited to a Zoom meeting.**

When: Apr 18, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

### **Register in advance for this meeting:**

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAudOCgrj4sGdSFyvejMQxY3rU\\_NV4NpUcF](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAudOCgrj4sGdSFyvejMQxY3rU_NV4NpUcF)**

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

## **How to Zoom to engage and revitalize your Units**

Over this past year we have had to learn new ways to connect. Many of us are struggling and feel the frustrations of meeting in person and abiding by the Covid-19 guidelines. As United Methodist Women we know the importance of fellowship as we participate in learning about global missions and those in our own communities. We have been hampered with our usual fund-raising activities to support our mission of helping women, children, and youth. We are limited in living out our vision of Faith, Hope and Love in Action.

## **Roadblocks to increasing and keeping members Engaged**

Younger and working women have busy schedules and little time for the traditional meetings we have held. They are less likely to spend a full day at an event or half day at a Unit meeting that may have a special program. Many grandmothers who have been loyal members are now taking care of their grandchildren during the day while their parents are at work or they may be caring for a parent or spouse who cannot be left alone due to health issues.

## **Questions about using virtual settings for Meetings**

How would Zoom help your unit grow? How can using this video phone tool keep us connected and engaged while offering opportunity for raising the needed money for our missions? What has been holding you back from using this technology? Does Zoom have to replace all gatherings and activities? How can the virtual setting help us to be the best we can be while in the comfort of our own homes?

## **Answers about using virtual settings for Meetings**

Your units can grow when you have a virtual meeting in the evening which would include those women mentioned in the previous section about roadblocks. Many are already using this format with their jobs and would gladly spend time sharing with other women this way. Learning basic skills will increase your confidence and help you grow both spiritually and emotionally as you share with others and are able to encourage them to do the same. Virtual meetings can be limited to business meetings, deciding, and preparing for fund raising or social activities, training leaders in the different positions, or just a simple prayer gathering, or book review get together. If someone doesn't have Internet capabilities, you could have someone who does buddy up with them. Most of our churches have Internet where several could join and stay socially distant while others are on Zoom. The possibilities are endless.

## **Training Opportunities**

Training members to be unafraid and willing to try find something they are unfamiliar with is not an easy task. As a way of support, your District is providing you with a series of training using the Zoom format. Kim Wendt, Vice President of Atlantic Central District has graciously agreed to help us learn the best ways to use Zoom. Depending on your ability and need there will be three sessions listed below. You may want to attend one or more sessions depending on your experience.

**Session 1 – Beginner:** learn the controls you need to use to navigate a Zoom meeting as a participant such as chat box, reactions, audio and video settings, etc.

**Session 2 – Intermediate:** learn how to host, cohost, create an invite email, record, share your screen to show a document, PowerPoint, or a video, and set up a meeting with registered attendees.

**Session 3 – Advanced:** learn ways of enhancing your meetings using breakout rooms, polls, spotlighting, closed captioning, file sharing.

### **Cost of Zoom**

You need a paid Zoom account to host a meeting that is longer than 40 minutes. While some Units don't have it in their budgets to purchase a Zoom account, your District, is offering you the opportunity to schedule meetings through its account, subject to District events and meetings. A monthly calendar of events will be sent to all Units to be see available dates and times.



***"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13***

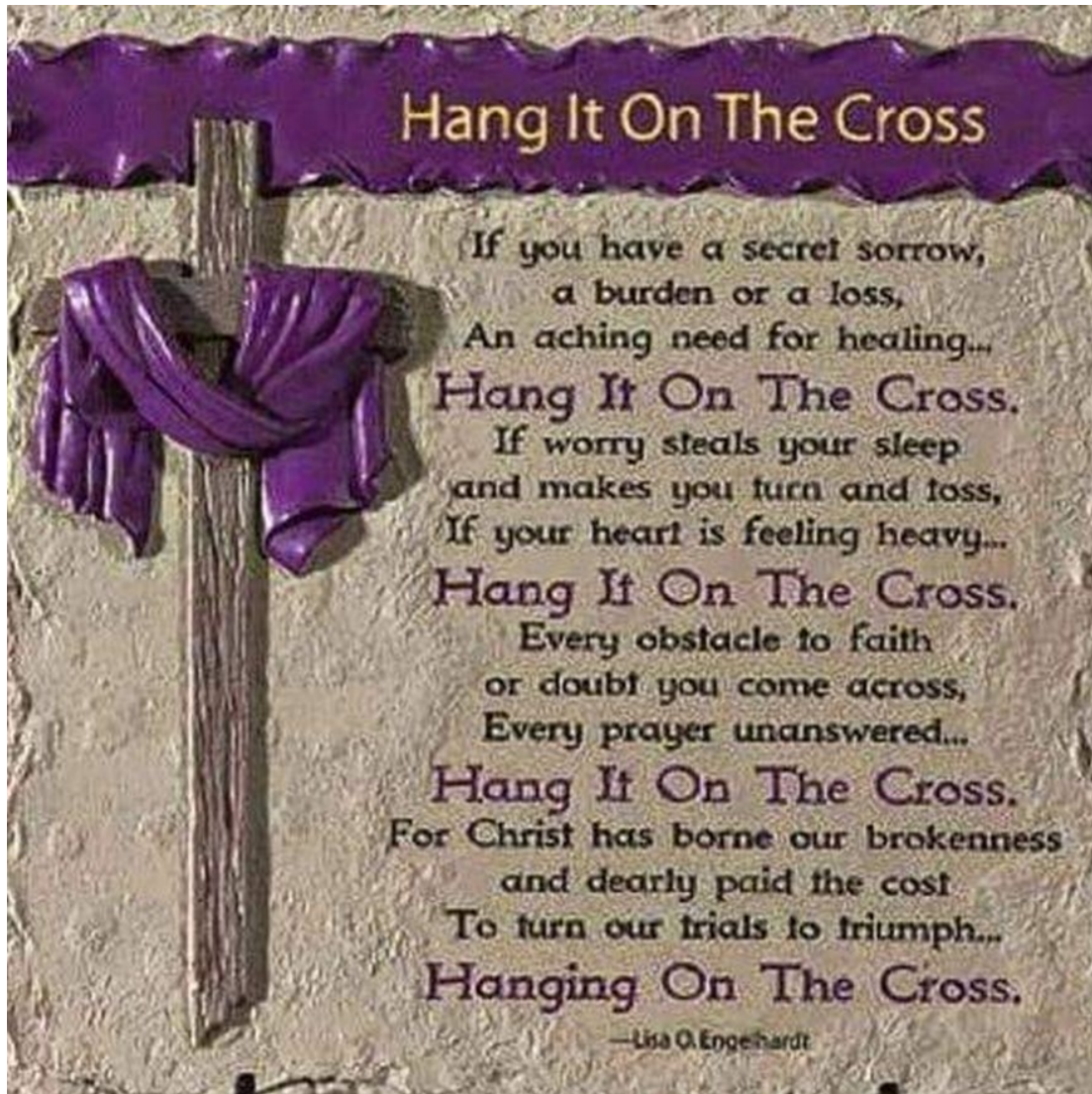
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**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY– continues Wednesday, April 7th & 14th at 6:30 PM.  
“Words of Life”– Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today by  
Adam Hamilton is our Lenten Study Text.**



**Lakeside United Methodist Mission Statement**

Sharing the grace of God through: Worship, Sacraments, Fellowship,  
Prayer, Study, Service, Witness, and Love.

**Vision Statement**

Be a welcoming church reaching people with God's love within our  
community and beyond.



### **Book Club 2020 Selections**

April Book Club will be on Zoom again. We hope YOU will be ready to join us on APRIL 19th at Noon.

#### **Book Club List for 2021.**

>> APRIL: Janet Lane - The Book of The Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate.

>> MAY: Janice Hatt - The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd

>> JUNE: Helen Gilmore - Legendary Locals of West Palm Beach Florida by Janet DeVries and Ginger Peterson

>> JULY: Clare Shore - Title to be forthcoming

>> AUGUST: D'Ette Matthews - Finding Dorothy by Ely Letts

>> SEPTEMBER: Betty McMurchy - The Oysterville Sewing Circle by Susan Wiggs.

>> OCTOBER: Anne McCartney - Tilly and the Crazy Eights by Monique Gray Smith.

>> NOVEMBER: Planning Session for 2022 selections

>> DECEMBER: Holiday Luncheon

Continue to read while you shelter in place. We will let you know when we are able to meet again.

## **Matthew Meals**

Matthew Meals will be on April 24th this month.

We will follow the most recent CDC regulations for the preparing of the food and providing the food to the public. Due to the new social distancing concept, if people are interested in helping, please reach out to Pastor David 585-7519 or Jane Harden 586-3015. We are keeping a very, very limited number of people to help and they will be keeping a list of who is doing what!

## **FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY**

**THE CROS FOOD PANTRY IS ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 3<sup>RD</sup> AND 5<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY  
OF EACH MONTH IN THE AFTERNOON.**

**Remember all you need to bring is a picture ID and something with your current address on it. The next Food Pantries will be on Thursdays, April 1st, 15th, & 29th from 4 – 6 PM. We will be partnering with CROS Ministries, who will be bringing the food to pass out from their truck.**

**At this writing they will still be coming to give out already bagged food to people. Because the Pantry is held outside on the porch if it is raining they do not come.**

**Church and Mission giving**– Our giving has to be modified to accommodate the new reality of not gathering in person. Electronic giving through PayPal is the best way to do this. Many of you are already on our giving platform. If you are not giving electronically, this would be a good time to do that. You can click on the giving option on our website at [lakesideumchurch.org](http://lakesideumchurch.org) under the GIVING banner

If you prefer to make your gifts by check, you can mail it to:

Lakeside UMC  
1901 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.  
Lake Worth, FL 33461

# PRAYER REQUESTS

**Police and Military personnel**  
**Health Care workers and First Responders**  
**COVID-19 deaths and illness**

**Cancer:**

**Marilynne Tilley**  
**Elizabeth Merchant**  
**Lane Laubscher**  
**Kathy Chandler at home**  
**Sarah Rowe**  
**Gary Fitzgerald, kidney cancer**  
**Denise, stage 4 cancer, daughter of Sister**  
**Chris of The Great I Am.**



**Other Health:**

**Helen Branson**– health issues  
**Wanda Laubscher**- Lupus.  
**Selburn & Joan Dacres**  
**Carl Linderson**-Meniere’s Disease/vertigo  
**Don Morphesis**  
**Vinnie Manna**- hip pain.  
**Michael**, son of Vinnie Manna, heart issues.  
**Beverly Engler**-Manor Care Delray  
**Maryann Davis**  
**Albert Jordan**  
**Brad Swain**- kidney & aortic aneurysm  
**Mike Ryals**, recovery from skin cancer surgery.  
**Lindsey Moretz**, 27 yr. old niece of Max Moretz, lung surgery  
**Debby Aliff**-breathing and other health issues.  
**Betty**, sister of Emma Orrock in KY  
**Randel** , Brother of Emma Orrock's  
**Beverly Josefson**  
**Anna and Craig Spear**

**Marcia, Nanci Branson’s supervisor**  
**Debby, friend of Barbara Russum**  
**Chrissy Harden**  
**Monica Harden**

**Hospice Care:**  
**Mary Ann Giel**

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Don't see your  
April  
birthday listed?  
Please let us  
know.  
Happy Birthday!



**April Birthdays**

- 4 Vincent Manna
- 6 Charlotte Holloway
- 14 Bonnie Keene
- 28 Kathy Chandler
- 30 Mary Lou Brenenstuhl

**We have a Place for  
You!**



**KEENAGERS:**

Due to COVID 19, KEENAGERS will not be meeting until further notice.



**Easter Prayer**

Easter reminds us that each time we deny you, Lord, another nail is sharpened; and each time we defy you, Lord, into your hand it's hammered. When faith is weak, temptation strong and courage fails, forgive us, Lord and once again become that risen presence within our hearts.  
Amen

