

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

JULY

Graduation Recognitions

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!!

Natasha McDonald, Granddaughter of George and Barbara Russum
Graduated Valedictorian from Fayetteville High School in Fayetteville, TN
She will be attending the University of Alabama at Huntsville pursuing a career as a Nurse Practitioner.

Great Grandsons of Bill and Joyce Kruger
Karee Burroughs, Graduating from Wellington High School. He will be attending Florida Agricultural/Mechanical University in Tallahassee, in August.

Darin Gobey, Graduating from Coral Gables High School.
He will be attending Iowa State University in August.

God bless you in your future endeavors.



Courage Bible Study

By Tom Berlin

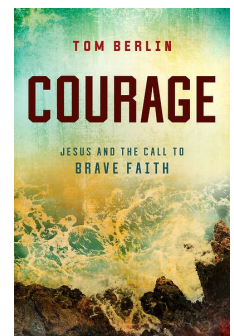
Bible Study on Wednesday nights in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm.

The study will continue several more weeks.

Let Pastor David know if you still need a book.

We may have to order more books which is a good thing.

All are welcome!





News from Robynne Ryals, our church Lay Leader



Neighbors Helping Neighbors - Your Church at Work.

Recently [Lakeside United Methodist Church](#) learned that The Episcopal Church of Good Shepherd in Tequesta, had a deficit in their spending for their food pantry that has been serving 80 families each week. Each family receives a bag of minimally 4 meats, 4 vegetables, soup, pasta & sauce, fruit, cereal, peanut butter & jelly and a gift card of \$10 depending on family size.

They have been doing this since the beginning of the pandemic, the numbers have grown from helping 10 per week to their high of 80 right now.

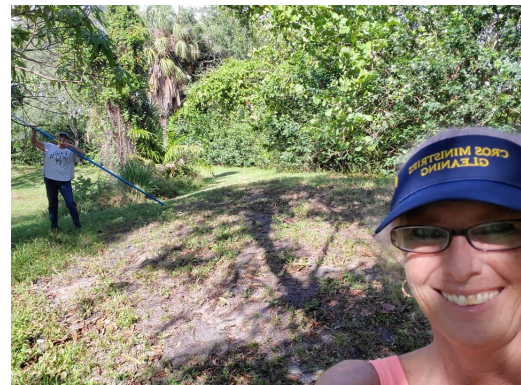
Thank you [Denise Preston](#) for sharing this need and allowing us to help with a donation. Blessings to all of you.

Passing on the Passion while Gleaning

Big thanks to [Geri Deal](#) for gleaning with me today. Awesome job, glad you had fun, see you again next week 😊

Feel free to join us, we invite small groups on Tuesday's and Thursday's and everyone is welcome on Saturday. Contact me if you're interested or want more information.

[#crosmministries](#) [#fighthunger](#) [#gleaning](#)



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.

Devotion by Aarti Sequeira, celebrity chef, cookbook author, TV personality and Compassion supporter.

Looking back over my life, and the journey of the last few years, I can really see how God has worked. So, today, I'd like to share a short devotional about what God has been teaching me through this last season.

As you very well know, a large part of this year has been marked by **being quarantined in our homes, and it gave me a lot of time to reflect on what the Lord might be trying to teach me.** And this is what I heard ...

I recently moved to North Carolina. Right next to my house, there's a babbling creek. The water in the creek is so clear that you can find crystals in its banks! My family loves going for crystal-hunting walks.

The day after a strong storm, we walked down to see the creek. It was SO full — but we found that the water wasn't clear anymore. It was green and murky, and the water was stagnant. As I observed the creek, I spotted a tiny mouth that had been clogged up, keeping the water from moving.

So, my daughter and I grabbed a shovel and started digging the rocks and sludge and fallen tree branches out of the way. Once we moved the muck, the water started flowing again.

This experience struck me. It reminds me of the spiritual sludge and muck that keeps us from fully flowing in God's power and grace. I think, during this year of uncertainty, **God wants us to look inward — to try and discover what's getting in the way of him.**

I believe that God is calling me, and maybe you, to consecrate ourselves — to separate ourselves from worldly things, so that we can recognize God's sacredness in us. And so that others can see that sacredness too.

A Year of Gratitude

***This month, our letter of gratitude comes from Elizabeth Uriyo,
senior vice president of the Global Leadership Office.***

We hope you feel challenged and encouraged by her words!

Dear Prayer Partner,

In rare moments when I'm able to be still, I find I am unable to stop myself from feeling overwhelming gratitude! Just now, as I was chatting with a friend, I was able to name five blessings completely without even thinking about it! Praise be to God for his ability to keep his faithfulness ever on our lips.

I will admit, there are times when I feel so surrounded by waves of distractions and challenges that I fear I may float away in an ocean of despair. But before I head too far out to sea, my children throw me a line in the form of a humorous quip, a kind word or, as is often the case with teenagers, an argument among themselves. They never fail to remind me of my most humbling of assignments: motherhood. I thank the Lord daily that I get to raise three of his beloved children.

I'm just as grateful to be part of the global sisterhood of mothers, sharing the heavenly burden of training up our children in the way they should go.

This month, will you join me in prayer for the mothers we serve around the world? Pray that these women find their identity in Christ, and that they are able to teach and love well his most precious and vulnerable of gifts.

In Him,

Elizabeth Uriyo

Praise be to God for his ability to keep his faithfulness ever on our lips.

Elizabeth Uriy

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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United
Methodist
Women

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How to Protect Yourself and Your Home From Crime

1. Keep your cash in your wallet or purse. Avoid pulling out wads of cash in public. Keep your purse or wallet closed at all times.
2. If going to an ATM, be aware of your surroundings. Glance around to make sure no one is watching you input your personal information.
3. Keep your personal information private.
4. Protect your passwords, PINs, and usernames for your computer, internet, phone, etc.
5. Keep your eyes on your billing statements. Make sure the purchases are all verified as yours.
6. Invest in a shredder and do not throw away anything with personal information on it without shredding it first
7. If you are going away, leave your car in the driveway and have someone check your home. Get this person to move your vehicle around periodically so it looks like someone is home.
8. Keep your car locked when you are there and when away.
9. Do not let mail or papers to pile up outside of your door or in the yard. Have a family member or friend collect the mail as it arrives. You can also have the Post Office hold it until you return.
10. Leave an inside and outside light on when you're away or out for the night. You can use a timer to have the light come on and off.
11. Don't answer the door to strangers.
12. Lock all of your doors and windows.

Many burglaries are crimes of opportunity.

If have been a victim of a crime, please do not hesitate to contact law enforcement– there is NO SHAME in asking for help! We all need help at some time or another in our lives.

Remember, the good still outweighs the bad in the world-being forewarned is being forearmed!

Book Club 2021 Selections

July Book Club will be in the choir room and on Zoom. We hope YOU will be ready to join us on JULY 19TH at Noon.

Book Club List for 2021.



>> 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

Keep on reading, we will need some good titles to plan our next years list.

Hurricane Preparations

It's that time of year again to make sure you have your hurricane preparations done. Be sure you get your hurricane tracking map at Publix or online. Have your non-perishable food, extra medications on hand and so forth ready. There are good lists for being prepared online and with most hurricane maps. Make sure your shutters are in good working order in case they are needed. Trim back shrubs and trees now so the debris can be taken away before the storm is on it's way. We want everyone to be as safe as they can be and prepared.

Matthew Meals

Matthew Meals will be on July 31 from 4—6 pm. We could use some more volunteers to help as folks take time for vacations, etc. Call the church office if you will be able to help out.

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 1ST, 3RD AND 5TH 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, July 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 under the GIVING banner

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

Lakeside UMC
1901 12th Avenue S.
Lake Worth, FL 33461

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor David

Police and Military personnel

Health Care workers and First Responders

COVID-19 deaths and illness

Cancer:

Marilynne Tilley

Elizabeth Merchant

Lane Laubscher

Kathy Chandler

Sarah Rowe

Denise, stage 4 cancer, daughter of Sister

Chris of The Great I Am.



Other Health:

Beverly Knapp

George Russum

June Palma

David & Marilyn VanVleet

Helen Branson

Wanda Laubscher- Lupus.

Selburn & Joan Dacres

Carl Linderson-Meniere's Disease/vertigo

Don & Peggy Morphesis

Vinnie Manna

Beverly Engler-Manor Care Delray

Maryann Davis

Albert Jordan

Debby & Jim Aliff

Marcia, Nanci Branson's supervisor

Debby, friend of Barbara Russum

Chrissy, Destiny & Monica Harden

Kenny Dowry

Kym Grumsha

Beverly Josefson

Ken Jarvis

Bob Matthews-heart concerns.

Donna Pylman Linderson pain after surgery.

Beth, friend of the Friends

Linda Friend

Gary Orrock

Hospice Care:

Mary Ann Giel

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



July Birthdays

5 Edgar Breese

13 Dorothy Lione

David VanVleet

16 Destiny Harden

18 Beverly Knapp

23 Sally Chennell

Brandon King

Donna Harris

24 Max Moretz

26 Seth Hagen

29 Darren Fields

31 Judy Johnson

**We have a Place for
You!**

KEENAGERS:

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



School's Out . Be Safe, and Watch out for Children.

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.