

LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LAKESIDE LANTERN



Sharing the
Grace of
God
In our 65th
Year!

**IT'S OUR
BIRTHDAY!!!!!!**

**September
2023**

Greetings everyone,

I once heard from a clergy colleague that we must do three things as a pastor:

Learn the people, love the people, and lead the people.

Journey with me as your pastor as I learn, love and lead everyone.

When we become professing members of a United Methodist congregation, we profess our faith in God, our desire to live as disciples of Jesus Christ, and our commitment to join with our church community to keep the vows of our Baptismal Covenant.

One of those vows is to faithfully participate in the life and ministries of our local congregation through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.



Are you keeping your vows? If not, there is always room for growth here at Lakeside UMC. Check our newsletter and bulletins for growth opportunities.

I love being your pastor!

Pastor Debra

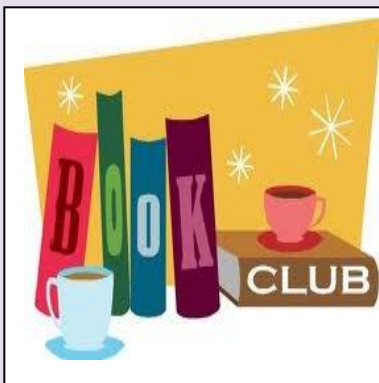
Do you ever have a question about something Pastor Debra mentioned in a sermon? Mark your calendar. Beginning Wednesday, September 6th, you can receive the answers you seek!

Two times are offered to gather together with the Pastor and discuss the previous week's sermons:

12:00-1:00pm, or 6:30-7:30pm, in the Library.

September dates: 6th and 20th;
October dates: 4th & 18th

**BOOK CLUB
SELECTIONS
2023**



We hope YOU will be ready to join us on the third Monday of every month at Noon in the LIBRARY! Bring a sack lunch, if you desire, as we discuss the monthly book and have great fellowship!

(And if you would like to attend in your pajamas, please contact the office to hook you up with the Zoom live event.)

9/18/23 – “Wolf Hall” by Hilary Mantel, Terry Browning, host

10/16/23 – “Palindrome” by Stuart Woods

11/20/23 – Planning Session

12/18/23 – “Christmas Party”

“DOWLL”



WHAT: LADIES’ DINNER

WHEN: September 18, 2023

TIME: 6:30PM (new time)

**WHERE: Cracker Barrel
2411 Metrocentre Blvd.
W.Palm Beach, 33407**

WHY: FELLOWSHIP

(Cash is the preferred form of payment.)



“D”ining
“O”ut
“W”ith
“L”akeside
“L”adies

Text Teresa Wilhelm at (561) 317-2808 for more info AND to secure your seat. Contact her by noon on Sunday, the 17th

September Starts Salty Service Season

Matthew 5:13 states, "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot."

One definition for being a faithful "Salty" servant, according to the Bible, is to be a devoted and helpful follower of God, to be humble before God, to be ready to act as God nudges and inspires us, to help meet the needs of other people, and to remember that it is not about money or reward.

Salty Service refers to the projects, efforts, and work people do to make a positive difference in the lives of others for the purposes of Christ, whether or not they will ever become part of the community of faith.

On the back of your Connect Card is a box to mark each week that you have done a "Salty Service" for someone that was not an obligation, but a kind and helpful deed, completed out of the goodness of your heart without any expectation of reward.

Let's all try to do something for someone each week (or more often!) that shows the love of God to a fellow human. Remember to check that box on your Connect Card.



C.R.O.S.

Food Pantry Dates

First & Third Thursdays

September 7 & 21 = 4:00-6:00 pm

Lakeside's Parking Lot

Hustle to End HUNGER 5K

presented by



OCTOBER 7, 2023 | 7:30AM
JOHN PRINCE PARK, LAKE WORTH

100% of proceeds benefit CROS Ministries



**FINISHER MEDALS
RACE TECH SHIRTS
ACCUCHIP TIMING
AGE GROUP AWARDS
MUSIC & FOOD**
Virtual Option Available



TO SIGN UP
PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE

MEN'S BREAKFAST

ALL MEN WELCOME!

**MEET US AT FELLOWSHIP HALL
FOR A FRESH COOKED
BREAKFAST! September 2nd at
8:00AM for some great food,
fellowship, and a few laughs!
(Cooks please come
around 6:30 AM)
See you there!!**



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

September 2023 Newsletter:

United Women in Faith is still focused on ways to improve the lives of women, children and youth in our communities and beyond, as well as providing fellowship and other events for our members. Do we believe in a bright new future? Can we do something different? What will we do to make it happen? We need to work together to show Love in Action for women, children and youth. How can we move forward and focus on the future? Suggestions and solutions are welcome!

Gifts to missions help us support our local work as well as larger projects near and far through our district pledge. If you would like to support the work of our local unit of United Women in Faith, checks can be made out to United Women in Faith (or UMW) and mailed to the church, attention Barbara Russum (our treasurer) or given to her Sunday morning.

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CONNECT CARDS

Why do we use Connect Cards?

- * Prayer requests
- * Attendance
- * Messages for the Pastor
- * Change of address/phone number
- * Messages for the Church Office
- * Keep us informed if you need a home visit
- * Update our birthday list

If all of your information is the same, simply fill in your name and the date!
Thank you for remembering to do this every week.

Here at Lakeside United Methodist Church, we feel led to help others. There are many ways you can be a part of "giving" to our community:

- Help prepare/serve Matthew Meals: a hot, take-out meal for the community
- Collect school supplies for our local school children (A list is provided in your weekly bulletin)
- C.R.O.S. collects food to distribute through their food pantry.
- Manna Bags are prepared for 5th Sunday distribution. These consist of toiletries, personal hygiene products, and single-serve, pop-top food items.

All items can be placed in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity. God Bless You!

LAKESIDE'S CARD MINISTRY

This Ministry sends a card to people from our church that have experienced an illness, an accident, a surgery, a family death, or are simply lonely. It also includes those confined to rehab centers, nursing facilities, or their homes.

Thank you to the many faithful "signers" that stop by the table **EVERY** Sunday morning in the Narthex! You are being a blessing to others!

If you have extra, un-needed cards stuffed in a closet or a drawer, we can use them for the Card Ministry. Cards that say "Get Well," "Thinking of You," or that are **blank inside** are useful. (We only send birthday cards for someone's 100th birthday. That's when each person signs an individual card and we send them in a package!)

Also, stamps (or cash to purchase stamps) can be donated. **See Teresa Wilhelm for more information.**

Be preparing for ... DONATIONS FOR OCTOBER



Used Eye Glasses

We are collecting used Eye Glasses for the optometrists at Aker-Kasten Eye Center, including Dr. Lisa Kay Mao, who volunteer their time and skills to treat the vision issues of the homeless population!

They are seeking donations of eye glasses that you no longer need or use. It doesn't matter the prescription, all can be used, including sunglasses! We are partnering with them to provide more eyewear to those less fortunate.

They also give out regular sunglasses and the magnifying "Readers" from the Dollar stores and drug stores. All non-prescription eye wear should have sturdy frames. Readers are needed in the following strengths: 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00.

Beginning in **October**, if you wish to make a monetary donation, please note "eye glasses" on your check. Cash can be placed in the Mission Jar in the foyer and labeled "Eye Glasses."

Thank you for assisting in these endeavors to help our less fortunate neighbors.

Have Questions? See Teresa Wilhelm at the Card Signing Table.



Our most requested program is back...



“MATTHEW MEALS!!!”

JOIN THIS FUN AND REWARDING ADVENTURE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023, FROM 4-6PM

This service to our community was started after a hurricane disrupted power to our city. Having gas appliances, our church began serving hot meals to the neighbors. A group of faithful volunteers decided to continue this service at the end of every month, even after electricity was restored.

This year we started on June 24, and served 150 meals! Just from standing on the corner and enthusiastically waving people down! The story spread throughout the community and we served 175 in July and 190 in August! Even though in August a significant number of our regular volunteers were unable to help! We sincerely need more help. Bring a neighbor or family member (teach your grandchildren the value of community service) with you! We wave people into the parking lot to receive a free, hot, take-home meal for their family.



CAN WE COUNT ON YOUR HELP??

See Jane Harden or Barbara Russum for more information.

Church and Mission giving – We are again passing the collection plates during Worship Service.
Electronic giving through PayPal is another way of giving from home. You can click on the giving option on the website at lakesideumchurch.org under the **GIVING** banner.

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

**Lakeside United Methodist Church
1901 12th Avenue S.
Lake Worth, FL 33461**

A FUN FELLOWSHIP EVENT FOR ALL



“Mugs and Muffins”



Join us once again on **September 27**, at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall for a cup of coffee and a muffin! It is a time to renew old friendships and have fellowship with new ones. You don't have to be a member of Lakeside to join us. We had a great group of people again last month!

Remember to bring your own mug!

CONTACT NANCY GETTYS FOR MORE INFORMATION (561-301-7655) NANCYGETTYS13@HOTMAIL.COM

WE HONOR THE FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS WHO MAKE OUR SERVICES SO PLEASANT AND COMFORTABLE!

Our faithful Volunteer Ushers greet you every Sunday morning, *Michael Garrett* and *Ken Jarvis*. These gentlemen hand out bulletins, and also help our attendees with their walkers. They provide umbrellas during the downpours to and from our cars, and for many more things.

Gary King, is our new Music Director, who has livened and elevated our services, and *Tom Romano*, who adds his piano stylings to the Worship Service.

Teresa Hill, who guides us through the songs and has such a lovely voice.

Vincent Manna, Leone Luis-Pierre, Geri Deal, Brandon King and Robynne Ryals are our dedicated Worship Leaders who guide us lovingly into our Worship.

Gary Simmons, who runs the sound and make sure everyone can hear the Service clearly.

Donna Harris, who keeps up with the Power Point slides so we can follow along easily.

John Breedveld and *Brandon King*, who operate the video screen, to record the services and provide them to those who can't be with us.

Teresa Wilhelm, who does such a masterful job of sending out cards for the Card Ministry and encouraging all of us as we enter the Sanctuary.

AND, our newest member, the gracious *Betty McMurchy*, who greets everyone at the door with a warm welcome.

We **THANK YOU** for your continued service to God, Lakeside, and our people!



AND ON THAT NOTE ...



Does anyone want to be more helpful at the Church? We could use LEADERS of all kinds. Do you have a specific talent or idea that you have? Send your resume (JUST KIDDING) ... call the office and make an appointment to speak to Pastor.

DAY: More blessings than you can count.

BENEFITS PACKAGE: is ETERNAL!

WORKING ENVIRONMENT: friendly and inviting

HOURS at your own schedule

Coming Events:

Keenager's (events for age 50 and up) returns December 13, 2023, with a new format. Information to follow later.

The **Classroom** is completed and ready to rent for events!

Tables and chairs are available and we estimate the capacity at 50-60 depending on the arrangement of the room. (Call the Church for more information)

Trunk of Treats, October 28th

Soapstoning the Bible coming this winter.

STAY TUNED!!!!



40th Annual Walk for Life
Presented by ACCESS INSURANCE



FREE
JUPITER DONUTS
SUNSET SLUSH ITALIAN ICE
FAMILY FUN AND GAMES!

OCTOBER 7
2023
At Christ Fellowship PBG

CHECK-IN	8:30am
KIDS FUN RUN	9:00am
WALK FOR LIFE	9:30am

HELP RAISE \$150K TO SAVE BABIES!

REGISTER ONLINE To start raising funds to save babies and earn prizes!



RAISE	RECEIVE
\$1500	First Care Jacket &...
\$1000	First Care Cooler Bag &...
\$500	First Care Beach Blanket &...
\$300	First Care Socks &...
\$150	Walk for Life Shirt



wewalkforlife.com

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**We have a Place
for You**

**Don't see your
September
birthday listed?**

**Please let us
know on your
Connect Card.**

Happy Birthday!



September Birthdays

- 2 Sheila Meyer
- 9 Gary Orrock
- 12 Darlene Church
- 13 Nancy Gettys
 Sherri (Fralick)
 Fullilove
- 15 Mary Layman
- 16 Gary Fitzgerald

**OUR CHURCH IS
65 YEARS OLD!!!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LAKESIDE!!!!
65 YEARS YOUNG !!



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.

OFFICE HOURS

8:30am - 1:30pm

You are always welcome
to call (561) 585-7519

OR email us at

lumc_lw@bellsouth.net

SUGGESTIONS ALWAYS WELCOMED!