

LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LAKESIDE LANTERN



Sharing the
Grace of
God
In our 65th
Year!

October
2023

Greetings everyone,

Pastor Debra

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“To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:1 (KJV) Fall is a time of new beginnings. Soon the weather will grow cooler and leaves begin to change their color. It is a time for renewal of nature, as well as a time for renewal of ministry. Just as the season is transitioning from summer to fall, we are transitioning with fresh ideas for the upcoming season.

My focus this season will be on strengthening leaders at Lakeside. One of The United Methodist Church membership vows are to support The United Methodist Church and uphold the local congregation with one's prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. As a member and especially as a leader in the church I ask, are you keeping you vows?

If your answer is yes, praise is to God!

If not, there is always room for growth here at Lakeside UMC. You can start by praying for one another and attending worship on Sundays! Let's work together to ensure our personal health and vitality as well as our corporal health and vitality here at Lakeside UMC. I love being your pastor!

Pastor Debra



Do you ever have a question about something Pastor Debra mentioned in a sermon?

Mark your calendar; you can receive the answers you seek!

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

Wednesday October 4th and Wednesday, October 18th

**12:00-1:00pm or 6:30-7:30pm
(In the Library)**

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.)

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

11/20/23 – Planning Session for 2024

12/18/23 – “Christmas Party”

BOOK CLUB SELECTIONS 2023



“DOWLL”



**“D” Dining
“O” Out
“W” With
“L” Lakeside
“L” Ladies**



WHAT: LADIES’ DINNER

**WHEN: October 16, 2023
TIME: 6:00PM**

**WHERE:
Old Key Lime House
300 East Ocean Ave.
Lantana 33462
Free Valet Parking
(Plan for a tip to the valet.)**

WHY: FELLOWSHIP

(Cash is the preferred form of payment.)

Text Teresa Wilhelm at (561) 317-2808 for more info AND to secure your seat. Contact her by 12:00 noon on Sunday, the 15th

Salty Service

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 MARK THAT BOX ON THE BACK OF YOUR CONNECT CARD.** These numbers are reported as part of our Mission Vital Signs each week. Thank you!

C.R.O.S.

Food Pantry Dates

First & Third Thursdays

October 5 & 19 = 4:00-6:00 pm

Lakeside's Parking Lot



MEN'S BREAKFAST

THIS MEETING HAS TO BE CANCELLED FOR THIS MONTH. JOIN US NEXT MONTH WHERE WE CONTINUE LEARNING FROM RICHARD THOMPSON ON THE PROVERBS!!



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

October 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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Riddle me this !!!!!

**WHAT DO LITTLE MONSTERS
CALL THEIR MOMMY?
A GIFT CARD IS WAITING FOR YOU!**

DONATIONS FOR OCTOBER



Used Eye Glasses

We are collecting used Eye Glasses for the Aker-Kasten Eye Center. Dr. Lisa Kay Mao and her ophthalmic technicians volunteer their time and skills each month 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

Collect from your family/friends, too! Place your donated glasses in the basket on the Mission Table in the Foyer.

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.

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



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

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 eye wear for the less fortunate
- 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!

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**

Our most requested program is back...

“MATTHEW MEALS!!!”

**JOIN THIS FUN AND REWARDING
ADVENTURE ON SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 28 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. Even after the electricity was restored, a group of faithful volunteers decided to continue this service at the end of every month.

This program was restarted in June and served 150 meals! We had our helpers stand on the corner and enthusiastically wave people in from the street! The story spread throughout the community; we served 175 in July, 190 in August, and 170 in September!

We could use **MANY** more helping hands. Bring a neighbor or family member with you! It's a great way to teach children the value of community service. We direct 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.

CONNECT CARDS

Why do we use Connect Cards?

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

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.

A FUN FELLOWSHIP EVENT FOR ALL

“Mugs and Muffins”

Join us once again on **October 25**, 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



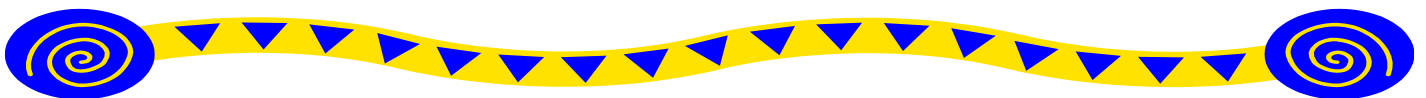
What do you use for your **Daily Devotional**? We have a suggestion!

The Upper Room® is a global ministry dedicated to supporting the spiritual life of Christians seeking to know and experience God more fully. From its beginnings in 1935 as a daily devotional guide, The Upper Room has grown to include publications, programs, prayer support, and other resources to help believers of all ages and denominations move to a deeper level of faith and service.

The Upper Room booklet is a daily devotional magazine published in more than 30 languages and 100 countries around the world. The daily meditations are written by readers of the magazine and others interested in sharing their faith experiences through the written word.

Lakeside offers this bi-monthly publication (*The Upper Room*) for you to use for your personal devotions. Booklets are on the table in the Narthex. There is a donation box next to the display stand. Please consider donating a few dollars to help defray the cost of this helpful publication.

There are pocket-sized booklets and large-print options available. If you need booklets in a different language, please see **Barbara Russum**.



AND ON THAT NOTE ...

**WHO WANTS TO BE MORE HELPFUL?
AT OUR CHURCH? WE NEED LEADERS
OF ALL KINDS. DO YOU HAVE A
SPECIFIC TALENT OR IDEA?**

**WRITE YOUR IDEAS ON YOUR CONNECT CARD OR YOU CAN
CALL THE OFFICE AND MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO SPEAK TO
PASTOR DEBRA ABOUT YOUR SUGGESTIONS!**

*REWARD: More blessings than you can count!
WORKING ENVIRONMENT: friendly and inviting!*

*BENEFITS PACKAGE: It's ETERNAL!
HOURS: choose your own schedule!*



Coming Events:

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

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)

STAY TUNED!!!!



Get ready to **SOAPSTONE** the Bible.

S-Scripture
O-Occasion
A-Application
P-Prayer
S- Self-expression
T- TONE

Everyone is welcomed to attend; it isn't just for Lakesiders!

Hosts: Beverly & KayLynn Knapp

Begins January 9, 2024.

Mark your calendars!

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**We have a Place
for You!**

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

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

Happy Birthday!



October Birthdays

2 Judith Frishe
Betty Wallace

8 Janet Lane

14 JoJo Bailey

15 Don Morphesis

29 Joan Dacres

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 - 2:30pm

You are always welcome

to call (561) 585-7519

OR email us at

lumc_lw@bellsouth.net

**SUGGESTIONS ALWAYS
WELCOMED!**