

LAKESIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
LAKESIDE LANTERN  
Sharing The Grace Of God In Our 66th Year  
**SEPTEMBER 2024**

Greetings sisters and brothers in Christ,

The fall season, usually called "autumn" is upon us. Students and teachers have returned to school, the air is crisp and the leaves are colorful.

As Greek philosopher Heraclitus once said, "The only constant is change." Autumn is a reminder that one's body, mind, and surroundings are always developing.

This month, I will be on a nine day pilgrimage to London England with our Bishop Tom Berlin and several of my recently ordained colleagues. This is a gift to newly ordained elders. I anticipate the rich history of this Wesleyan Heritage Tour and the opportunities it will bring to enhance personal and communal growth in the Wesleyan heritage.

I will also be taking six weeks renewal leave in September and October. This is a time to refresh and recharge my mind, body, soul and spirit. I am grateful to the church and the district for allowing me this opportunity. If you have any special concerns during this time period, please contact our church office for further assistance.

Continue to invite friends to church, so we can show them our world- class hospitality.

Richard and I continue to look forward to working with everyone in ministry at Lakeside and our surrounding community.

Blessings,

Pastor Debra

**Happy 66th Anniversary Lakeside!**

## **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

### **ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!**

Meet your fellow men on **Saturday, September 7th at 8:00am** for some great food, fellowship, and a few laughs! (Cooks please come around 6:30 AM)

Richard Thompson brings great conversation around Biblical Truths.

## **BOOK CLUB**

*The Book Club meets on the third Monday of every month at 12:00, Noon in the LIBRARY! Bring a sack lunch as we FELLOWSHIP and embark on literary adventures! Or join via ZOOM!*

SEP 16 ELAINE HARRIS "The Rose Code" by Kate Quinn

OCT 21 ANNE MCCARTNEY "West with Giraffes" by Lynda Rutledge

NOV 18 CHOICES FOR 2025 PRESENTATIONS

DEC 16 LUNCHEON FOR ALL MEMBERS

## **How Can I Help My Church?**

There are many opportunities for each of us to Volunteer at Lakeside. Pray for God's guidance to decide where you will best be helpful.

Serve on a committee: Visitation, Worship Service, etc.

Sponsor an After-Church Fellowship once a month.

Help Pastor Debra with Sermon Topics.

Technology: PowerPoint, Sound system, or Video Recording.

Serve as an Usher or Greeter.

Help with preparation and serving of Communion

Lead the singing during worship service.

**Connect Cards: Why do we use Connect Cards?**

- \* Messages for the Pastor                      \* Prayer requests                      \* Change of address/phone number
- \* Messages for the Church Office.              \* Attendance                      \* **Update our birthday list**
- \* Keep us informed if you need a home visit              \* Notify us when seasonal visitors are away

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

LAKESIDE'S KEENAGERS will be meeting on Wednesday, September 11th at 11:00 in the LIBRARY (new location)

Our special guest is the Canine Unit from the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office with their Therapy Dogs.

Church and Mission Giving – Tithes and Offerings can be placed in the Collection Plates during the Worship Service. Electronic gifts via PayPal are another way to give from home. You can click on the giving option on the 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 United Methodist Church  
1901 12th Avenue S.  
Lake Worth, FL 33461

## **Mission Jar Focus for September**

Have you seen the Little Free Library boxes around town? They contain free books for children (& adults) to take home for as long as they wish.

This community service desperately needs books with the thick cardboard pages for infants and toddlers. Multiple copies of the same book are fine. There are over 50 Little Free Libraries throughout Lake Worth Beach! The books can be in English, Spanish, or French.

If you prefer to donate money instead, please write "LFL" in the memo line on your check.

Thanks for helping to instill the "Love of Reading" in these young children!

As Jim Kwik always says, "Leaders are Readers!"

Pastor Debra will be away from September 3rd through October 15th. The Reverend Dr. John Pope will be our guest speaker for Sunday September 8th and 15th, Reverend Timothy Smiley will be speaking on Sunday September 22nd, and Rev. Dr. John Pope will be returning for Sunday September 29th, October 6th, and October 13th.

### 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.

## LAKESIDE'S CARD MINISTRY

Over 150 cards have been sent to our Lakeside family members so far in 2024! That includes those with illness, an accident, surgery, loss, and loneliness. Also included are those confined to rehabs, nursing facilities, or their homes. Thank you to the faithful "signers" that stop by the table EVERY Sunday morning! You are being a blessing to others! If you have extra, un-needed cards, we can use them. "Get Well," "Thinking of You," or cards that are blank inside are useful. Also, stamps (or cash to purchase stamps) can be donated. See Teresa Wilhelm for more information.

## MUGS & MUFFINS

Wednesday, September 25, 2024, @10:00am, in the Fellowship Hall.

Bring your own mug from home.

Join us for fellowship as we munch on muffins, consume our coffee, and taste our tea!

Contact Nancy Gettys for info: 561-301-7655

## D O W L L (Dining Out With Lakeside Ladies)

Since the first Monday in September is Labor Day, the DOWLL ladies decided to skip this month. DOWLL dinners will resume October 7th.

# MATTHEW MEALS

SATURDAY, September 28th, 2024, 4-6pm

Volunteers are needed at 3:00pm to help with food preparation.

More volunteers are needed 4:00 - 6:00pm to help serve meals to our community.

Contact Jane Harden for info: 561-568-1137

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

Our "SOAPSTONE" the Bible sessions will continue on Tuesdays, September 3rd and September 17th, at 12:00 noon in the Library.

KayLynn Knapp will continue to lead this discussion.

Bring your Bible and a notepad. Everyone is welcome to join!

## In Memory of:

Charlotte Holloway, who passed away on May 15, 2024.

Mary Degens, who passed away on August 5, 2024.

Al Jordan, who passed away August 26, 2024.

Prayers for their families.

## SEPTEMBER

## BIRTHDAYS

9 Gary Orrock

12 Darlene Church

13 Sherri (Fralick) Fullilove

13 Nancy Gettys

16 Gary Fitzgerald

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Debra Thompson, Pastor

September 29th is the 5th Sunday. Lakeside takes an extra offering for the Children's Home. There will be a special envelope in your bulletin. Watch for it!

Autumn Nally,  
Administrative Assistant  
Office Hours : 9:00am - 1:00pm  
Monday -Friday