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# The Lakeside Messenger

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A few weeks ago a young mother and her child came into our office asking for food. Unfortunately at the time, our Blessing Box had already been emptied by other individuals who, like her, were in need of food. Fortunately our donation closet had plenty of food donations including some baby food and snacks, therefore we were able to fill her bag and she went on her way. We discovered that it wasn't the first time we had done this for her as she had been here a couple of times. However, we must take into consideration that little ones cannot eat everything grown ups can.

Last week, it was brought to our attention that this young woman and her child returned to Lakeside. We were ready to fill another bag for her remembering that this time our donation closet had plenty of baby items available. To our surprise, she did not return because she was in need of food. She was here because she wanted to give back what she now had in abundance. Mrs. Linda was astonished to see all of the items that she kept pulling out of her son's stroller. She shared with us that she now gets plenty of money for food and has no problem with giving back \$60 worth of food and filling up an entire basket of items. Although this may not seem like a lot to some of us, she spent her time and resources going out and buying some items to put back into a ministry that she depended on during a hard time in her life.

This is a true example of what paying it forward is. This young woman was very glad to be able to give back a little bit of all the blessings she has received from our Blessing Box and donation closet. We are happy to learn that she has received that help she was waiting on and that she and her little one will no longer struggle to find food or depend on our Blessing Box. This is not the first time we have heard about individuals in need giving back to our Blessing Box. We have several similar stories, but each one is so unique in its own way.



Part of what caught our eye are the items donated, most of which included food items that a person in true need or homeless can eat right away. While all of the food donations that we receive are greatly appreciated, sometimes it is difficult to understand their circumstances first hand. Some of the people who visit our Blessing Box are less fortunate than we are. Often more than not, they are unable to go home and have the ability to prepare a meal due to lack of utilities or appliances. The items this young woman donated were items that from experience she knew were not only easily accessible but easy to eat on the go. Shown in the photograph are some of the items donated, as others were put in the blessing box and our food closet.

Although we do not always see the impact that this ministry and Lakeside has on the lives of others within our city, our dedication to serving God and our community is met with appreciation. We never know when we are the answer to someone's prayer, so let us continue being that light and showing the love of our gracious God through our Feeding Ministry.

-Lakeside Mi Casa

**Lakesiders, having promised to be loyal to Jesus Christ through The United Methodist Church and to do all in our power to strengthen its ministries, live out our promise by God's grace together—participating faithfully in the ministries of Lakeside United Methodist Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!**

Dear Lakeside Family,

  
Our family is humbled by the love and support that was given to us weekend before last. We celebrated Paige's graduation with the other graduates at a fabulous Graduation Brunch executed perfectly. Later that same day, Lakeside showered Burks Ann and Trace with joy and gifts galore.

Thank you for showing up and being a part of our happiness! It meant the world to us because Lakeside is our family.

God bless you all,  
Ellen Wyatt

*Judge and Mrs. Robert Holden Wyatt, Jr.  
request the pleasure of your company  
at the marriage reception of their daughter*

*Burks Ann  
and*

*Mr. Trace Coleman Davenport*

*Saturday, the eleventh of June  
two thousand twenty-two  
at six o'clock*

*Pine Bluff Country Club  
Pine Bluff, Arkansas*

**RE•Annual 2022 Conference**  
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Dr. Clyde and Barbara Tracy have moved. Make a note of their new address listed below.



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74 Claiborne Way  
Apt, 105  
Starkville, MS 39759



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### Lakeside UMC- Food Distribution

Our last food distribution turned out excellent! Like before, all of the food boxes were handed out before the hour was up. Thank you again for all the support you give this ministry.

The Mission Commitment List states that our next food distribution is in July. However, due to Project Transformation it may get postponed to a later date.

Again, thank you for all of your time and effort to make the best out of every prep day and food distribution.



Midweek Manna ended the year with a pizza party. The kids went home with a summer bucket that included activities for the summer. We had seventeen children and six youth present.



Thank you to Matt Whitener for repairing the Blessing Box door again! This time he put a chain on the door so maybe the wind can't tear it off again.



Thank you to Bobby Wyatt for delivering our monthly donation of 75 cans of tuna to Neighbor to Neighbor this week. However, that leaves our tuna at a very low level. We need your help to restock our tuna cupboard so we are able to continue our donations each month. Can you help us? Please bring your tuna donations to the office or leave them by the 15th Street entrance. You are helping feed our community.



Wednesday, May 18, 2022 - 30

Sunday, May 22, 2022

8:30 Worship Service - 9

10:30 Worship Service - 38

9:00 Sunday School - 24

### **Our Weekly Service at Church**

Sunday, May 29, 2022

Senior Pastor: The Reverend Judy Rudd; Liturgist: Tommy Brown

Director of Music: Ann Tibbs; Children's Moments: Hazel McCauley

Scripture: Assorted

Flowers: Etoyle Mouser

Ushers: Steve Dobbins, Joe Coles, Rob Wyatt, Bobby Wyatt, Roy Whitaker, Ken Kesterson

May 31 Brass Polishers: Sharon and Bobby Wyatt

May 31 Counters: Ramona Harkins and Ellen Wyatt

All services are available on Facebook or Facebook Live.

Join us online for worship at:

<https://www.facebook.com/LakesidePB/live/>

Check out what is happening at Lakeside on our website

[www.lakesidepb.org](http://www.lakesidepb.org)



Project Transformation begins on June 6th. We are in need of volunteers to help cook meals for interns, read to children, assess children's reading level, greet parents the first couple of days, and drive the bus in the afternoons

(M-TH, 3:00-4:00 p.m.).

\*The dates available to cook meals for 11 Interns who will be teaching during Project Transformation are as follows, meals at to be dropped off at St. James UMC between 5:30-5:45 p.m.

**June's dates: 6th, 9th, 12th, 13th, 16th, 21st, 26th, 27th, 28th & 30th.**

**July's dates: 6th, 10th, 12th, 17th, 21st, 24st, 25st, & 26th.**

\*\*Reading dates: **June 13-16th, July 5-7th, July 18-21st, July 11-14th, July 18-21st.** You must have a complete background check done.

\*\*\* Individual Reading: **Volunteers needed throughout the duration of the program.**

Please check your calendars and let Geraldin know if you are able to take one or more dates.