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# The Lakeside Messenger

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How difficult it is these days, particularly with social media, to succeed at following the recommendation from God the Father, but also at the same time how contradictory it seems...

“But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing,...” Matthew 6:3 (New International Version)

There are those of us who choose to follow God's word to the letter, but also those who believe that it is very important in these times to know what the other hand is doing for purposes of mission and motivation. What a beautiful feeling it is when the other hand finds out! It is then that one realizes that our efforts, considerations, and support are changing lives!

Last Sunday, as you well know, Lakeside and Mi Casa had their first Back to School Bash in many years. It is true that for several years Lakeside has assisted Mi Casa with school supplies for the children of some neighbors and the children who regularly attend the tutoring that we offer for free here at our church. This year we decided to do it big! Thanks to the monetary donations and physical donations of so many, we were able to help approximately one hundred (100) students with a variety of school supplies. We also gave seventy (70) parcels of food, thanks to the donation from St James UMC who gave what was left from their last Food Pantry, and also to the Arkansas Food Bank who donated 3 pallets of non-perishable food.

We also invited some organizations who provided assistance with important information for use by families and for the benefit of children; HIPY helped with home preschool registrations for children, Simmons Bank with banking information for children, Arkansas Minority Health with health screenings for some possible diseases, Blue Cross Blue Shield with COVID-19 vaccines and The Pine Bluff Library with information on children's services. Even Channel 11 was in the house!



And lastly, we had many of the members of Lakeside participating in food preparation. Our records indicate we served 210 meals! Others were setting up and putting tables and chairs away, registering children for tickets to collect school supplies, handing out the school supplies, handing out food and drinks, popping corn, working the drive-through food distribution, and being in charge of games and a bouncy house. Without the participation of many of our Lakeside members, this feat would have been nearly impossible. It feels great to see the

participation of Lakeside and the community together in one event, but it is even more beautiful to see their support in such a difficult week for me and my family. I thank you for what you do to keep Mi Casa Misión of Lakeside UMC operable and for continuing to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Geraldin

## What's Happening @ Lakeside United Methodist Church

**Sunday, August 22**  
 9:00 - 9:45 Sunday School  
 10:00 - 11:00 Worship  
**Monday, August 23**  
**Tuesday, August 24**  
**Wednesday, August 25**  
 3:00 Coffee with the Pastor  
 6:00 - 7:15 Youth

**Thursday, August 26**  
**Friday, August 27**  
*Office closed*

**Saturday, August 28**  
**Sunday, August 29**  
 9:00 - 9:45 Sunday School  
 10:00 - 11:00 Worship

**Monday, August 30**  
**Tuesday, August 31**  
**Wednesday, September 1**  
 10:30 Staff Meeting  
 3:00 Coffee with the Pastor



### Blessing Box Needs



Toiletries  
 shampoo  
 soap  
 deodorant  
 lotion  
 toothpaste  
 toothbrushes  
 mouth wash  
 powder  
 combs

### Non-Perishable Food

Vienna Sausage  
 Beanie Weenies  
 Peanut Butter  
 Canned meals,  
 Spaghetios  
 Beans - dry & canned  
 Canned vegetables  
 Fruit - canned & cups  
 Pasta

### Snack Items

Mac & Cheese  
 Ramen Noodles  
 Crackers

**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!**



**BUSINESS EXPO 2021**  
Unity In Community

Because of rising Covid infections, the Pine Bluff Regional Chamber of Commerce has postponed the Business Expo, which was set for Thursday, the 19th.

Jennifer Kline, the chamber's events and marketing manager, said organization board members had discussed the situation on Friday and made the decision.

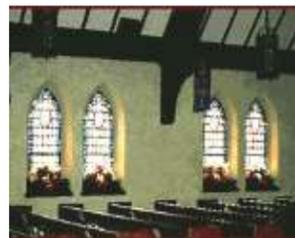


**We pray for the sick** — Co-workers of Christian Martinez

**Grieving** - The Don Moore Family  
The Sharon Jackson Family  
The Judd Shaw Family

**Sheridan Healthcare Rehab:** Don Massey

**Woodland Heights Senior Living:** Billie Doster  
**Lakeside's Hispanic Ministry; Young People around the world; Families in trouble; City Council members & Mayor; Students of all ages; Teachers, First Responders**



**Welcome Back to Worship in the Chapel!**

Beginning the second Sunday in September, the 12th, the early worship service in the chapel will begin at 8:30. See you there!



Have you picked up the new Lakeside Church Directory yet? They are available in the church office or on a table as you step off the elevator going to the sanctuary.

The cover features the art of Barbara Owen showing Lakeside in 1950.

**More Photos of Lakeside's Back to School Bash**



**Our Presence in Worship and Study**

Sunday, August 15, 2021  
Worship Service in the sanctuary - 55  
Sunday School - 19

**Our Weekly Service at Church Sunday, August 22, 2021**

Preaching: Tommy Brown; Liturgist: Debbie Owens  
Music: ; Flowers: Terry Wynne  
Sermon: What's Your Approach?  
Scripture: Psalms 5:1-3; Children's Sermon: Sandy Bobo  
Ushers: Steve Dobbins, Joe Coles, Rob Wyatt, Bobby Wyatt, Roy Whitaker, Ken Kesterson  
August 23 Counters: Jim Webb & Mike Frye  
August 23 Brass Polishers: Laura Richards, Jane Neely & Laura Nixon

Services will be held in the sanctuary unless you are notified otherwise by email. 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)

**From Rene'**



Hola, familia.

I won't be with you this Sunday, but I have something I thought to share. Have you ever wondered why churches look the way they do?...So different from other structures? If your answer is because they are for God, you are right. If your answer is because it's the place where one worships God, you are right again. And the structure of a special place in which to worship began in Exodus, when God gave specific instructions as to how His tabernacle was to be built and adorned, distinct and set apart from anything else...for Glory and beauty. After all, it would be His dwelling place among the people.

If you notice, everything in our sanctuary symbolizes and points to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, whether it be needlework, carvings, cloths, or windows. I was in the Lakeside sanctuary recently at sunset and the golden sun was streaming through the window at the front of the church, right above the choir loft. I had never been in the sanctuary at that time of day and I was absolutely stunned at how beautiful this was. I would venture to say "spectacular".

In my opinion, Lakeside has EXCELLED these many years in being a holy place for God, with glory and beauty, and for all those who worship within its walls. It is unique among so many others. (Exodus, chapters 25 through 28)

Shalom!

**Lakeside UMW News**

The Lakeside UMW continues to collect the two following items: can pull tabs and cancelled postage stamps.

Carol Luebker delivers the can pull tabs to the Ronald McDonald House in Little Rock. The cancelled postage stamps are sent to McCurdy Ministries Community Center in Espanola, New Mexico. Please place tabs and stamps in a plastic bag and leave on the UMW table in the hallway near the office.

UMW does not collect Campbell's Labels for Education anymore because this program was discontinued several years ago. Misinformation about this was given at the Administrative Board Meeting on August 2.

Additionally, UMW does not collect Box Tops for Education. This has gone to a digital process.