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THURSDAY NIGHT'S LESSON By David Nixon

Eleven years ago I was challenged during a Disciple Bible Study to get involved in a ministry that was "outside my comfort zone." After much thought, prayer, and questions, I asked Sandy Bobo if I could join the tutoring team. This is a reprint of an article I wrote for the Messenger in 2011:

I am a tutor on Thursday nights for Mi Casa. I am a fan of the St. Louis Cardinals.

On the night of October 27, 2011, these two came into direct conflict:

The Cardinals were in the World Series – trailing 3 games to 2. On this particular night, if they lost, this magical season would be over. I went back and forth all day trying to decide – should I tutor or stay home with my family and watch our beloved Cardinals.

As seven o'clock approached, in my heart I knew the answer. Laura and I headed to Lakeside as the broadcast began. When we arrived, Mary W., Sandy B., Carolyn T., and Carol L. were there with just one student. I asked if they minded if I left if no other students arrived. Of course, they all said, "Go!" (All were aware of my love for the Cards!)

After a few minutes, I said my 'thanks and good-byes' and was heading out the door. Suddenly, there appeared Alex and his brother, Eric. I have worked with Alex regularly for the past six months. He said, "Mr. David! I need you tonight." Although Mary said I could go on – once again my heart said otherwise.

As we sat down at a table, Alex pulled out his homework sheet and Social Studies book. He passed them to me. (Alex was totally unaware of the World Series or my love of the Cardinals.) I looked at the sheet. Unbelievable! The entire lesson was on the history and settling of the CITY OF ST. LOUIS. (I saw God's face in Alex's that night -- and he winked at me!)

Sandy overheard our work and thought I was making it up. When I showed her the sheet, she said, "It's a sign! Whatever it was, the Cardinals went on to come back in "miracle" fashion and win that game and eventually the Series. I feel like I won even more – A championship AND an amazing story!

My favorite line from one of my favorite movies, "Sergeant York", is: "The Lord sure works in mysterious ways!" I concur.

If the Holy Spirit is nudging you to be a part of Midweek Manna and the tutoring program, please contact Geraldin Mondragon at 870-939-9411 or 870-534-6241. If you know someone who would be a great tutor but does not attend Lakeside, please ask him or her to join us this year. As we continue to assisting our regular tutoring participants and add children from Project Transformation and our Back to School outreach, we need more tutoring support!

What's Happening @ Lakeside United Methodist Church

Wednesday, August 10

12:00 Neighbor to Neighbor meets
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor
6:00 Spanish Town Hall Mtg, in Fellowship Hall

Thursday, August 11

Friday, August 12

Office Closed

Saturday, August 13

8:30 Chapel worship
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship
11:30 Welcome Back Pot Luck

Monday, August 15

5:30 Ministry Team meets

Tuesday, August 16

5:30 Leadership Team meets

Wednesday, August 17

10:30 Staff meeting
3:00 Coffee with the pastor
6:00 Town Hall meeting for everyone

Thursday, August 18

Friday, August 19

Office closed

Saturday, August 20

Sunday, August 21

8:30 Chapel Worship
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship
Blessing of the Back Packs



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!



Gabbie Camarilla and J. J. Brown were the winners of the bicycle drawing held at our Back to School Bash. The bicycles were donated by the Discovery Sunday School class, and Johnny Huggins, State Farm Insurance Agent.



We pray for the sick:

Grieving:

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



Sunday, August 14th is the date selected for our Welcome Back Potluck honoring Reverend Judy Rudd! The church will provide the meat, you are asked to bring your favorite side dishes and/or desserts as we welcome Pastor Judy's reappointment to Lakeside. See you there!



Sunday, August 7, 2022
 8:30 Worship Service - 12
 10:30 Worship Service - 43
 9:15 Sunday School - 13
 4:00 Trinity Village Vespers - 30

Our Weekly Service at Church
Sunday, August 14, 2022

Senior Pastor: The Reverend Judy Rudd; Liturgist: Debbie Owens
 Director of Music: Ann Tibbs; Children's Moments: Laura Richards
 Sermon Title: Yielding Wild Grapes; Scripture: Isaiah 5:1-7
 Sermon Series: Prophet Margins
 Flowers: Janet Dillard & Brooks Robey
 Ushers: Steve Dobbins, Joe Coles, Rob Wyatt, Bobby Wyatt, Roy Whitaker, Ken Kesterson

August 15 Brass Polishers: Penny Whitener and Susan Brown
 August 15 Counters: Shelby Stone and Laura Richards

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



Lakeside has made the front page of the Arkansas Conference web site! Pictured is our own Ann Tibbs with some of the Project Transformation children watching her play the organ. This is an important reminder of how our Lakeside presence is expanded exponentially through technology.



You do not want to miss worship this Sunday! As part of the worship service, we will be showing the video of Lakeside's Mi Casa Ministry filmed by the Arkansas Conference and shown at Annual Conference this year.

It is an amazing documentary of the life-changing ministries of Lakeside. Please plan to worship with us this Sunday as we celebrate how God has been using us to build the kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven.



Dear friends and supporters

The shelves are bare at Neighbor to Neighbor! We are in dire need of non-perishable goods for our food pantry.

We are serving about 95 new families every month and have gone through all our food. Please help if you can. Thanks and God bless.

Pat Tate, Executive Director
 Neighbor to Neighbor, Inc.



The above article from Neighbor to Neighbor shows how important our monthly donation of cans of tuna is to help feed the community. Please help us continue with this donation.



Remember that the Ministries Team meets Monday the 22nd at 5:30 in the evening. Upcoming programs for fall including Lakeside's Tutoring program will be discussed. Please let Geraldine know if you will be in attendance by calling or texting



Tutoring is coming back!

School starts August 22nd. That means Lakeside's Tutoring program and Midweek Manna are just around the corner.

See the front page article and prayerfully consider becoming a tutor yourself. You don't need any special training, just a desire to help children.

Packets of information regarding the current landscape of the United Methodist Church are still available in the church office.

Please note that two additional town hall meetings are scheduled in Fellowship Hall.

Spanish translation town hall meeting ~ Wednesday, August 10th at 6:00 pm

All-church town hall meeting ~ Wednesday, August 17th at 6:00 pm

Let us continue to be in prayer as we seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

