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### *What's Happening @ Lakeside United Methodist Church*

#### **Wednesday, Aug. 14**

9:30 LAAF  
2:00-4:00 Small Group Leader Training  
3:00 Zoom F & F (Coffee w/the Pastor)

#### **Thursday, Aug. 15**

10:30 United Women in Faith Salad  
luncheon @Lakeside

#### **Friday, Aug. 16**

*Office closed*

#### **Saturday, Aug. 17**

8:30 Chapel Worship  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship  
Blessing of the backpacks  
2:00-4:00 Jones/Garth Bridal Shower

#### **Monday, Aug. 19**

#### **Tuesday, Aug. 20**

1:30 DAR Executive Board Mtg.

#### **Wednesday, Aug. 21**

9:30 LAAF  
12:00 N2N Board Mtg.  
2:00-4:00 Small Group Leader Training  
3:00 Zoom Faith and Fellowship ( F & F)  
(formerly known as Coffee w/the Pastor)  
6:00

#### **Thursday, Aug. 22**

#### **Friday, Aug. 23**

*Office closed*

#### **Saturday, Aug. 24**

**Sunday, Aug. 25**  
8:30 Chapel Worship  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship

# The Lakeside Messenger

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As a church, we do not celebrate nearly enough! The Holy Spirit has been moving and ministry has been happening at Lakeside since my arrival on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 in the midst of Covid. Amazing volunteers have not only ensured that we have had excellent worship and meaningful Sunday school and small groups, but they have also expanded our ministries to children and our neighbors. It is time to celebrate the many ways that God continues to use the hands, feet, hearts and voices of Lakesiders to be Christ Jesus to each other and the community.

Celebration is a vital part of recognizing the movement of the Holy Spirit and expressing our gratitude for all that God is doing in and through us. When I think of celebrating, I am reminded of King David, full of the Spirit, dancing before the Ark of the Covenant as it was returned to Jerusalem. *“<sup>5</sup> David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.”* (2 Samuel 6:5) I also think of the woman who found her lost coin and called her friends to rejoice and celebrate with her. (Luke 15:9) Celebration is important to our Christian faith!

With grateful appreciation for a very generous gift from the Jones family, we will have a church-wide Volunteer Appreciation dinner on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will recognize and honor all the people who have given of their prayers, time, gifts, service and resources to ensure that Lakeside UMC has faithfully cared for our church family and served our community through Lakeside's many ministries. You will be amazed to hear all the ways that people serve at one time!

Whether you are a weekly servant, an occasional servant or you are searching for the way that God is calling you to serve at Lakeside, you are invited to the party! Let's come together at the table to celebrate one another and our willingness to follow the Spirit's leading. We need the entire church to help celebrate the many servants' hands and hearts that make Lakeside the vibrant and vital church that it is!

Make plans to join in the festivities and dinner on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Who knows, as you celebrate others, you may find a new place that the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve! A quote from well-known theologian, Frederick Buechner, touches my heart as much today as it did when I entered seminary at Garrett Evangelical. *“The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet.”*

We need everyone to help us celebrate! Please let us know that you will be attending in one of several ways. You may call the office; you may register on the connection card in your Sunday bulletin, you may use the QR code to register electronically. Come be a part of our grand celebration, fellowship with your church family and give thanks to God for the amazing things God has done, is doing and will do through the people called Lakeside United Methodist Church. We hope to see you there!

**Pastor Judy**

Scan the QR code with your  
phone's camera, it will take  
you to Eventbrite.



*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!*



**Choir rehearsals are resuming!**

Summer break is over for Lakeside Choir members. Rehearsals will start back Wednesday, August 14 at 6:00p.m. If you've been thinking about joining this vibrant, diverse group of singers, now is the perfect time to dust off your vocal pipes.



*We pray for the sick:* Melissa Young, Martin Huber, Violet Ross, Jerry Newton, Sandy Bobo, and Allen Swob.  
*We pray for the grieving:* Christine McKissack on the death of her father, Robert Carlos Robleto.

*Woodland Heights Senior Living:* Billie Doster; *Woodland Heights Memory Care:* Wannie Pope. *Stonebridge Senior Living:* Bob Castleberry *Lakeside's Hispanic Ministry, Young People around the world, Families in trouble, City Council members & Mayor, Students of all ages, Teachers, and First Responders .*



**Sunday, August 11, 2024**

8:30 Chapel Worship - 19  
9:15 Sunday school - 28  
10:30 Worship - 74  
Online Worship - 20

**Our Weekly Service at Church  
Aug. 18, 2024**

**Senior Pastor:** Reverend Judy Rudd; **Liturgist:** Tommy Brown  
**Director of Music:** Ann Tibbs; **Children's Moment:** Jennifer Fox  
**Sermon:** Spirit Fed! Spirit Led!  
**Sermon Series:** Living the Love of Christ:  
Lessons from Ephesians  
**Scripture:** Ephesians 5:15-20

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

**Aug. 19 Brass Polishers:** Susan Brown and Janelle Powell  
**Aug. 19 Counters:** Gerald Majors and Elaine Vaccaro

All services are available on Facebook or Facebook Live and You tube. Join us online for worship at:  
[www.facebook.com/lakesidepb](http://www.facebook.com/lakesidepb)  
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Check out what is happening at Lakeside on our website  
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*Stanley*  
*Michaela*  
*Plumeria*  
*Harris*  
*Kerrie*  
Thank you so much for the food you provided to all us PT interns!  
*Amogh Maye*  
*Arlis Rose*  
*Hannah*  
Lakeside Volunteers,  
Thank you for providing lunches + dinners during intern training + our first week of camp. You are the best partners in this ministry! Thank you!  
Rev. Sam Mercedes  
PT Ambassadors

**Gifts given to Lakeside UMC**

In honor of Glenn and Betty Babb's 61st Anniversary by Chris and LaNelle Mitchell



**Blessing of the backpacks**

If you are a student, teacher, or school employee, a special blessing will be given this Sunday during the 10:30 service.

**Job Opportunities at Lakeside**

**Director of Mi Casa Hispanic Ministries** – This position requires someone who is bilingual in Spanish and English and who has a heart for working with children and families as well as a proficiency in communicating and computers.  
**Nursery Director** – If you are looking for a part-time job of 5-6 hours per week or know of someone who loves to work with young children, this is a great ministry to be a part of. Please contact the office for more information about either position.

**Thank you, thank you!**

Thank you for your generosity in supplying school supplies to our partner school, Broadmoor Elementary and for our Mid-Week Manna/ Mi Casa families. Starting back to school will be a little bit easier for our families thanks to you.

Mid-Week Manna will begin September 11, at 4:00p.m. We are in need of volunteers for the following positions:  
\*Tutoring \*Meals \*Transportation co-pilot  
\*Children's Choir Helper \*Disciple time

Contact Jennifer at the church—534-6241, text 870-489-0790 or email to [lakesidepb@arumc.org](mailto:lakesidepb@arumc.org) if you're feeling the call to serve.



**Mi Casa Hispanic Ministry**

This past Wednesday, we held a back to school party for our Mid-Week Manna/ Mi Casa families. Over 55 people came to get school supplies, fellowship, and say "see you later" to Vanessa Hernandez. I didn't get any pictures except for this one. Here is Vanessa doing what she does best, listening and helping others. Thank you, Vanessa for leading us with your heart and love for people.

**Dear Lakeside Family:**

Thank you so much for your prayers, notes, texts, calls, food and concern when I had my recent surgery. I am so blessed to be surrounded by love from all of you.  
In Christ,  
Deborah Whitaker

**Latest Sunday School News  
Aug. 18, 2024 9:15am.**

**Discovery Class:** This class has begun a new book study by Adam Hamilton, Words of Life– Jesus and the Promise of the 10 Commandments. It's not too late to join. Now is a great time to join the class.  
**Wesley Class:** This week's discussion– Making Joy a Habit. All are welcome to attend.

**Wedding Shower**

A shower for Wyatt Jones and his fiancé, Kallie Garth will be held in the Center from 2:00-4:00p.m (come and go) on Sunday, August 18th. They are registered at Sissy's Log Cabin and [www.theknot.com/kallieandwyatt](http://www.theknot.com/kallieandwyatt). Come and help us celebrate this wonderful occasion.



## **New Prayer Request Policy**

*"My house will be known as a house of prayer for all peoples, says the Lord God." Isaiah 56:7*

Prayer is the foundation for a Christ-centered, healthy and vital church. Prayers for:

- 1) Grief and birth notices will be included for 2 weeks;
- 2) Chronic conditions will be rotated off after 6 months if not renewed
- 3) All other requests will rotate off after 30 days if not renewed.

Everyone is encouraged to keep his/her prayer requests updated. Names will rotate off unless a request to continue is received in the office either by email- [lakesidepb@arumc.org](mailto:lakesidepb@arumc.org) or a phone call 534-6241.

### **Immediate/Pressing Concerns:**

Sandy Bobo, Martin Huber, Violet Ross, Allen Swob, and Caleb Torres  
Christine McKissack on the death of her father, Robert Carlos Robleto.

Please pray for Humberto Solis and Ernestina Beltran as they will be taking their Biometric checks in the next week. This is getting them one step closer to gaining their citizenships.

**Community Focus:** This week, please be in prayer for Mi Casa Hispanic Ministry. While the search for a new director continues, the needs of the ministry's clientele don't stop. Please pray that a new director is found and that in the meantime, we are able to continue to build on the relationships with our families.

## **Ongoing Prayer Concerns August 14, 2024**

Glenn Babb (6/12/24)  
Christie Barron (6/12/24)  
Carol Burckhalter (6/12/24)  
Colby Lee (6/12/24)  
Lynda Pickler (6/12/24)  
Laura Sparks (6/12/24)  
Violet Ross (6/12/24)  
Bill Foster (6/19/24)  
Logan Mondragon (6/19/24)  
Caroline Coles (7/17/24)  
Nathan Baltzell (6/27/24)  
John Ed Ray (8/13/24)

### **Homebound/Assisted Living**

Carolyn Theis  
Ken Theis  
Barbara Tracy  
Arlis Minter  
Mary Catherine Kyle  
Dilcy Glien  
Bob Castleberry  
Marilyn Rouse  
Ralph Rouse  
Bill Wilcox