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Folks in the South are known for their “Southern Hospitality.” Lavish entertaining, over-the-top weddings, exquisite food and drink, decorated landscapes and genuinely warm welcomes are among the ways southerners express their generous hospitality. As the niece of two Arkansas Home Economics teachers, Miss Emily Post was a household name ensuring that proper etiquette was observed and hospitality extended on all occasions.

For some of my friends and acquaintances, hospitality was less about the décor and setting and more about the familiar smells and tastes of tradition. A gathering was not complete without all the family and extended family sharing laughter, favorite past-times, and renditions of family and friends’ stories who shaped and formed the persons into who they are today.

Whether a formal occasion, a backyard party or an intimate gathering of two, the gift of radical hospitality has a way of making each person feel as if he or she is the most valued person present and instills a sense of belonging that brings comfort and joy. During the three years of his ministry, Jesus offered radical hospitality to his disciples and all he encountered. From his visit with the woman by the well to the healing of the paralytic in Peter’s home, Jesus’ hospitality tended to the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of each person he met.

At one of his lowest points, after hearing of the vindictive, gruesome death of John the Baptist, Jesus poured himself out in radical hospitality to the crowd of 5000. Despite his desire for solitude to mourn the loss of his cousin, the crowds found Jesus. He healed them and when the disciples wanted to send them away at the end of the day, Jesus said “*You give them something to eat*” (Matthew 14:16). Jesus’ hospitality grew from his genuine love for humanity and was not deterred by inconvenience, cost or sacrifice. He wanted everyone he encountered to experience and know the extravagant love of the Father.

We have an opportunity to offer some radical Lakeside hospitality over the next few months. We can begin with offering radical hospitality to old friends and church family that we have not seen in a while. Can you think of three people you haven’t seen in church or know worship online over the last 2 years? Will you pick up the phone to call and invite them to our old-fashioned hymn sing at 10:30 am on May 29th and the picnic immediately following? Is it possible for everyone in our directory to receive a phone call inviting them to join us?

Secondly, can we extend our radical Lakeside hospitality to our children, families and interns who will be at Lakeside this summer for Project Transformation? Can we plan a welcome lunch for interns, an occasional coffee and donuts for the parents dropping children off, or any number of other expressions of hospitality? Can we go above and beyond the customary welcomes and embody the extravagant love of Jesus as he did for us? Can we offer a Family Fun Night party where each family member knows he or she is loved by Lakeside and by God? I think we can! I believe that we can offer radical hospitality that makes each person feel as if he or she is the most valued person present and instills a sense of belonging that brings comfort and joy!

Pastor Judy

What’s Happening @ Lakeside United Methodist Church

Wednesday, May 18
9:30 - 1:00 Food Prep
10:30 Staff Meeting
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor
Mid Week Manna
5:30 End of school year party

Thursday, May 19
4:30 Food Distribution

Friday, May 20
Office closed

Saturday, May 21

Sunday, May 22
8:30 Chapel Worship
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship

Monday, May 23

Tuesday, May 24
5:30 Project Transformation Mtg.
in The Center.

Wednesday, May 25
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor

Thursday, May 26

Friday, May 27
Office closed

Saturday, May 28

Hymn Sing Sunday, May 29

8:30 Chapel Worship
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship
After church a picnic

May 30, Memorial Day

The church offices will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.



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!



We need all volunteers who will work with the Project Transformation children this summer to complete both back ground checks and DHS Child Maltreatment Registry checks.

You can pick up forms in the office or we can email them to you. Participant's children's social security numbers are not necessary for the background checks.



The Brunch for our High School Seniors was a wonderful success!

Many thanks to everyone who helped in the kitchen, brought food and/or took home the tablecloths to wash! Thank you to Geraldin for doing a great job decorating! Congratulations to Julia, Eric, Daniela, Paige, and Lizbeth!

Rebecca



You area invited to a baby shower honoring Clay and Samantha Corkins.

The Baby Shower will be held on Saturday, May 21st, 11:00 am, at 9704 Mitchell Road in Jacksonville, AR. The couple are registered at Amazon. Hint: it's a girl, due in early July! All are invited who want to attend.



We pray for the sick: Brandi Watson

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

A Gift Has Been Received in Honor Of:

Sandy Bobo by George & Mary Catherine Kyle

Gifts Have Been Received in Memory Of:

Mike Whitener by: Glenn & Betty Babb

Beth Rickels by: Glenn & Betty Babb

Bea Robey by: Glenn & Betty Babb, Mary J. Fine, Elaine Vaccaro, Rick & Leslie Beatty, George & Mary Catherine Kyle

Remember The May Food Distribution!



This Thursday is Lakeside's food distribution day and we are very short on volunteers that have confirmed their assistance for tomorrow's prep day.

If this is an experience you would like to be part of you are welcome to join us tomorrow morning, Wednesday, May 18th from 10:00 a. m- 12:00 p.m. (or until finish), as we prepare for Thursday's food distribution.

To confirm your assistance please call or text Geraldin @ 870-329-5088 or 870-939-9411.



Our last Midweek Manna for this school year was held last week. This week an end of the year party will be held to celebrate all that has been accomplished this part year. Many thanks to our faithful kitchen staff and to our tutors! Below are some photos of our Tutoring sessions.



Wednesday, May 11, 2022 - 41

Sunday, May 15, 2022
 8:30 Worship Service - 10
 10:30 Worship Service - 68
 9:00 Sunday School - 40

Our Weekly Service at Church

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Senior Pastor: The Reverend Judy Rudd; Liturgist: Terry Wynne
 Director of Music: Ann Tibbs; Children's Moments: Alicia Frye
 Sermon Title: . . . On the Mountain; Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20
 Sermon Series: Resurrection Rendezvous; Flowers: The Wesley SS Class
 Ushers: Steve Dobbins, Joe Coles, Rob Wyatt, Bobby Wyatt, Roy Whitaker, Ken Kesterson

May 23 Brass Polishers: Linda LaClair, Linda McNulty & Deborah Whitaker

May 23 Counters: George Mitchell & Deborah Whitaker

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 is having a Hymn Sing Sunday!



We will be singing your favorite hymns during the worship services on May 29th, and after church we'll have a picnic outside under the trees.

Please email us at lakesidepb@arumc.org your favorite hymn titles. Then we will select hymns to sing that Sunday from all the suggestions we receive. Let us hear from you!

Join Us for Coffee with the Pastor



Every Wednesday at 3:00 pm a group of Lakeside members meet online to visit, share prayer concerns, and just have a good time. And you do not even have to leave your favorite easy chair.

There are no rules, no previous experience required and no secret handshakes. Just open your computer, iPad, tablet, or phone and go to the link below.

If you have never used Zoom and would like to have some help on getting it set up on your computer or iPad, just contact the office and somebody will be happy to help you.

Please join us. You never know what you might learn. The link is below.

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