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

#### Wednesday, November 1

9:30 LAAF  
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor  
4:00 Mid-Week Manna  
6:00 Choir Practice

#### Thursday, Nov. 2

#### Friday, Nov. 3

Office closed

#### Saturday, Nov. 4

#### Sunday, Nov. 5 All Saints' Day

8:30 Chapel Worship  
8:45 Handbells  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship  
4:00 Trinity Village Vespers

#### Monday, Nov. 6

#### Tuesday, Nov. 7

#### Wednesday, November 8

9:30 LAAF  
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor  
4:00 Mid-Week Manna  
6:00 Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, Nov. 9

#### Friday, Nov. 10

Office closed

#### Saturday, Nov. 11

#### Sunday, Nov. 12

8:30 Chapel Worship  
8:45 Handbells  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship

#### Mid Week Manna Schedule

3:10-3:45 Children are picked up at  
schools by church bus  
4:00-5:20 Snack and tutoring  
5:30-6:00 Meal for all  
6:00-7:00 Children and adult activities  
\* Disciple time for children  
kindergarten and higher  
\* English Class (ESL)  
\* Chancel Choir practice

# The Lakeside Messenger

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One of my favorite things about being a United Methodist is our emphasis on discipleship. We want believers in Christ to grow in their understanding and love of Christ constantly. One of the many ways to accomplish this is in small groups. Right after David and I got married, we were a part of a small group in the United Methodist Church we attended. This group was made up of six couples who were under 40 years old. We met weekly to work through a variety of book studies. Some studies were topical. Other studies were on specific books of the Bible or characters in the Bible. We also met outside of our weekly meeting times four times a year. Those meetings always looked different. During the holiday season, we would have a fancy dinner together. We would get our families together in the spring for a baseball game or a crawfish boil. We did life with these other five families, which gave us the space to challenge each other in our growth in Christ.

John Wesley's ministry began in a small group. He met with four to six other men weekly with a list of questions they asked each other to keep them accountable for living a holy life. This evolved into the Methodist movement. It began as small groups of people coming together to pray and grow closer to each other and Christ. This concept works today, as we experienced in our couples' small group.

Is an intentional focus on growing in Christ in community with each other something Lakeside United Methodist Church would be interested in doing? This is the question I want to answer over the next few weeks during our hospitality time between services. I would love to talk with each of you about your thoughts on how we do this in a meaningful way. I will be at the hospitality table between 9:45 and 10:15 each Sunday in November. Please come by and say Hi! Let me know your thoughts on discipleship or how we can grow closer to Christ. I am available anytime at the contact information below:

479-640-4709 or [sara.andrews@arumc.org](mailto:sara.andrews@arumc.org)

Looking forward to talking with you all,

Sara Andrews



*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!*

### Blessings Box Food Pantry

The cupboard is bare and the need is great!  
Please grab a few items the next time you are at the store.

Canned vegetables, soup, fruit,  
tuna kits, individual packages of crackers, cereal,  
microwavable cups of Mac-n-cheese etc.

Pull-tops make it easier for the recipients.  
Please place your items in the baskets available by the  
elevator or in the office.

### SUMMARY OF OCTOBER 17, 2023 LEADERSHIP BOARD MEETING

- The financial reports provided by Carolyn Hamilton were reviewed and approved.
- The Trustee's report provided by Fred Reed was approved. Payment for repair of a valve in the balcony totaling \$3,952.00 was approved from the Endowment Fund. Up to \$7500 from the Memorial Fund was approved to replace the kitchen industrial dishwasher.
- Along with other churches in Arkansas, Lakeside's insurance increased by 50%. A committee was appointed to investigate insurance options and make a recommendation to the Board.
- Continued investigation of handicap access improvements to the exterior was approved.
- The formation of a committee to investigate signage replacement options was approved.
- Upon recommendation of the Mi Casa Board, sale of the Subaru previously used by Mi Casa was approved within 15% of the Bluebook value.
- All Charge Conference reports and policies were reviewed and approved.
- Covered storage of the church bus was approved up to \$40 per month to protect recent repairs.



### Nursery Attendant

Lakeside is in need of a nursery attendant while Kimberly Mercado is out on maternity leave. This is a paid position. Hours are 5:30-7:00p.m. on Wednesdays and 8:30-12:00 on Sunday mornings.

Please spread the word. For more information, call the office 534-6241.



### We pray for the sick:

Charles Morgan, Jane Nixon, Logan Mondragon, William Vargas, Jerry Ingram, Ken Theis, Eli Cheshier, Sheila Mitchell, and Helen Hudson-Holtzen.

### We pray for the grieving:

The Hope Clement Family.

**Sheridan Healthcare Rehab:** Don Massey; **Woodland Heights Senior Living:** Billie Doster; **Woodland Heights Memory Care:** Wannie Pope.

**Lakeside's Hispanic Ministry, Young People around the world, Families in trouble, City Council members & Mayor, Students of all ages, Teachers, First Responders.**

### Gifts given to Lakeside UMC

In memory of Hope Clement by Pine Bluff Hearing Aid Center & Charlotte Hughes.  
In memory of Don and Frances Moore by Mariowen Reed and Richard Reed, Jr.  
In honor of Bill Jones for his birthday.

### Trunk or Treat 2023

Thank you to everyone who helped make Trunk or Treat a huge success! Many thanks to the Pine Bluff Fire and Police Departments, hot dog cookers, face painters, trunk decorators, set-up and clean-up crews, popcorn poppers, candy donators and the many participants from around the community.



### Sunday, Oct 29, 2023

8:30 Chapel Worship - 15  
9:15 Sunday school - 42  
10:30 Worship - 74  
Online Worship - 10

### Our Weekly Service at Church Sunday, November 5, 2023

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Judy Rudd; **Pastoral Intern:** Sara Andrews;  
**Liturgist:** Deborah Whitaker; **Director of Music:** Ann Tibbs;

**Children's Moments:** Jennifer Fox

**Scripture:** Acts 19:4-6 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

**Sermon Title:** Why United Methodists Celebrate the Sacraments.

**Sermon Series:** Why United Methodists \_\_\_\_\_.

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

**November 6 Brass Polishers:** Shelby and Pete Stone

**November 6 Counters:** Linda LaClair and Mike Frye

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)

### Lakeside's Newest Member Correction.

The sweet lady in the middle of the back row is Betty Blankenship. We are so glad to have you. Sorry for any confusion.



### Latest Sunday School News November 5, 2023 at 9:15a.m

**Discovery Class:** Discussion on the New study, *Forgiveness*, will begin on page 81. It's never too late to join in the study.

**Wesley Class:** This week's discussion- God's Faithful Presence a Life Changer