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

Wednesday, Nov. 6

9:30 LAAF
3:00 Zoom F & F
4:00 Mid-Week Manna
6:00 Choir

Thursday, Nov. 7

Friday, Nov. 8

Office closed

Saturday, Nov. 9

No Men's Breakfast

Sunday, Nov. 10

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

Monday, Nov. 11

Tuesday, Nov. 12
1:00 PEO

Wednesday, Nov. 13

9:00 Food Distribution set-up
9:30 LAAF
12:00 N2N
3:00 Zoom F & F
4:00 Mid-Week Manna
6:00 Choir Practice

Thursday, Nov. 14

8:00-10:00 Food deliveries
4:00-6:00 Food pick-up

Friday, Nov. 15

Office closed

Saturday, Nov. 16

Sunday, Nov. 17

8:30 Chapel Worship
8:45 Handbells
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship
11:30 Town hall meeting w/potluck

Lakeside's Annual Charge Conference
Tuesday, Nov. 19th at 6:00pm
All are invited to attend.

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A French Connection

By David Nixon

Ann and I recently traveled with Rock (Lakeside Associate Pastor, 1986-91) and Melissa Jones to the French countryside, for two weeks in October. We were part of a group of 22 travelers from all over the U.S. Rock was the “spark” that ignited my working with Lakeside’s youth and teaching youth Sunday school. This work led to lasting friendships with our youth and their families— carried on now through Facebook. Rock has maintained a deep interest in Lakeside, despite his years away— most recently 15 years serving as president of Ohio Wesleyan University.



Rock Jones and David Nixon— France 2024

I told Rock and Melissa that I heard the Lakeside service on Sunday, October 13 and we had a wonderful solo that I wanted them to hear. After a fabulous group dinner in a manor house in Crepon, France, we strolled out into the courtyard— there was a full moon that made for a beautiful evening.

I started the recording of Donald Warren’s solo, “I’ll Walk With God.” Other travelers were leaving dinner and stopped to listen. We became a huddled mass of fellow travelers with only “wow” and “beautiful” being whispered. When finished (the uncut version!), each strolled quietly to their own room across the courtyard in France, obviously moved by the beautiful voice of Donald Warren at

Lakeside United Methodist Church. A brief interlude in a hectic, wonderful trip far away.

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!

Message from the DS Rev. DeeDee Autry
Gratitude and Prayer: A Season of Thankfulness

As the days grow shorter and hopefully soon the crisp air will remind us that winter is just around the corner, we find ourselves in a season dedicated to gratitude. November invites us to pause and consider the blessings we've been given, both large and small. This is a time to embrace the beauty of prayer as a practice of thankfulness—a way to draw closer to God and celebrate God's goodness in our lives.

Gratitude transforms our outlook, reminding us of God's presence even in difficult times. It shifts our focus from what we lack to what we have, instilling a spirit of humility and peace. When we approach God with thankful hearts, we open ourselves to experience God's grace in new ways. As the Apostle Paul wrote in 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "Give thanks in every situation because this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Our faith calls us to be grateful, not just in moments of joy, but even amid life's challenges.

One of the most powerful ways to cultivate gratitude is through prayer. Each day offers an opportunity to thank God for specific blessings, whether it's the comfort of loved ones, the beauty of creation, or the wisdom found in scripture. When we make gratitude part of our prayers, we deepen our connection with God and begin to see His work in every corner of our lives.

This month, I want to remind you of the invitation given to be in prayer for the churches in the South District. A few weeks ago a prayer partner list was sent to all the pastors pairing all of our churches to be in prayer for one another. See the attached link below if perhaps you missed seeing the list. Let's challenge ourselves to be in prayer for each other. Take time each day to remember these congregations and their pastor.

As we gather with friends and family this Thanksgiving season, may our gratitude be a reflection of our faith—a faith that trusts in God's unfailing love and provision. Let us carry this spirit of thankfulness not only through November but into every season, knowing that a heart centered on gratitude is one that finds peace, joy, and true connection with God.

May your November be filled with gratitude and may your prayers draw you closer to the One who is always faithful.



We pray for the sick: Scott Mouser, Valerie Morgan, Andy Vaccaro, Jerry Ingram, Nathan Balztell, Etoyle Mouser, Kirby Mouser, Betty Coles, Carol Luebker, Wilda Chadick, and Bill Wilcox.

Pray for the congregation of St. Paul UMC, Malvern

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.**

Gifts given to Lakeside
In memory of Colby Lee by Andy and Elaine Vaccaro



Diaper Shower

We are bringing diapers and board books to honor Chase Ryan, son of Charlie Milam and the grandson of Pam and Bubba Milam.

He is already wearing a size 2 and really loves Pampers brand.

Please bring books and diapers to the office.



It's getting hot in here....

We're getting to the time of year when some days it's really hot and it's cold the next. The Sanctuary air, unfortunately, cannot switch back and forth so please wear layers should you find the temperature not to your liking.



Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024

8:30 Chapel Worship - 16
 9:15 Sunday school - 36
 10:30 Worship - 79
 Online Worship - 27
 Trinity Village Vespers- 16

Our Weekly Service at Church

November 10, 2024

Sermon: Rev. Sam Meadors; **Liturgist:** Tommy Brown
Director of Music: Ann Tibbs; **Children's Moment:** Jennifer Fox
Sermon: Transformed
Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

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

Nov. 11 Brass Polishers: Linda LaClair and Linda McNulty
Nov. 12 Counters: Shelby Stone and Laura Richards

All services are available on Facebook or Facebook Live and You tube. Join us online for worship at:

www.facebook.com/lakesidepb

www.youtube.com/@lumc_pinebluff

Check out what is happening at Lakeside on our website
www.lakesidepb.org

Latest Sunday School News
November 10, 2024 9:15am.

Discovery Class: Adam Hamilton's Words of Life- Jesus and the Promise of the 10 Commandments. Sunday's discussion will be begin in chapter 8 pg. 159.
Wesley Class: This week's discussion- Christ's Gift to You.
 All are welcome to attend.

Blessing Box Pantry

Our Blessing Box pantry is getting low, if you are out and about, please pick up some easy to open non-perishables.



Neighbor to Neighbor Needs

- Canned green beans
- Cans or pouches of tuna

If you'd like to sponsor a child for Christmas at Neighbor to Neighbor, you may do that for \$60.00.

Food items may be placed in the baskets by the elevator or in the office.

Trinity Village Christmas gifts

Trinity Village is asking for small gifts to be donated so that every resident will receive something at their Christmas party in December. Items or monetary donations may be dropped off at the Medical Center- attention of Ashley Goins. Gifts, blankets, body wash, socks, caps, and gloves.



Trunk or Treat 2024

