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God is good all the time, all the time God is Good. We are finally able to restart Lakeside's food distributions after a very busy summer with Project Transformation.

I find myself reflecting on that saying I just shared about God being good all the time. Many of you are aware that Mi Casa, at this time, has only one employee; me. So, to say that God is good all the time is to say that this time he provided a volunteer recruit as the food prep leader, allowing me to spend time taking care of other urgent office matters. Her name is Juliana Bobo and she is Sandy Bobo's sister-in-law. Juliana is not a member of Lakeside but she shares our interest in food ministry. It is not the first time she has participated in this ministry. Other times she comes quietly, but quite efficiently begins the work of putting out the items that will be used to prepare the boxes with the menu items.

During a conversation Juliana shared that all together it was a very fun experience; that she would definitely do it again. The work itself is easy because there are carts to transport the boxes that are filled with food items that have already been categorized and placed on tables. It is a blessing to be able to be part of this event that includes, not only members of Lakeside, but also the neighbors of the community.

I hope that Juliana serves as motivation to get you out of your comfort zone and try something new. Juliana did not take the initiative to volunteer but she did accept the challenge, and so with the help of God, stepped in and helped me, and served as the hands and feet of Christ, and looked good doing it! I hope Juliana Bobo's statement that she would do it again is reason for you to realize that everyone can be a part of this ministry, and many can become leaders in service to our Lord, who provides everything, our food, our strength, and our courage.

Yes, this is a kudos to Juliana. However, I want to give a nod to ALL our volunteers for whom I am indebted because without them, this would be a daunting ministry to uphold. So, mark your calendars; our next prep date is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9, and Thursday, November 10 as the actual distribution date. Pray about this for yourself, and see if the Holy Spirit is moving you to volunteer to lead the November prep day!

I have included a list of some of the steps taken to tell you what must be done to accomplish the vision of the Food Ministry.

- Follow up with Food Smart to check on the emailed grocery list they should have received one week before to ensure we will have everything we need to fill our nutritionally balanced gifts of food.
- Help transport the foods from Food Smart to Lakeside, arriving at the store at 9:00 a.m. The Food Smart employees will load the food into our vehicles; it takes at least 3 vehicles to transport.
- Here is where our male volunteers are vital. The food must be carried into Fellowship Hall to be placed on the tables. We use the carts available in the church.
- Each prep day may include new volunteers, so instructions for setting up and filling the boxes must be given.

Geraldin Alfaro Mondragon

Director of Mi Casa Hispanic Ministry of Lakeside UMC
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What's Happening @ Lakeside United Methodist Church

Wednesday, September 21
9:30 LAAF meets in The Center
3:00 Coffee with the pastor
5:30 Mid Week Manna
6:00 Tutoring

Thursday, September 22
First Day of Fall



5:30 Young Disciples meet

Friday, September 23
Office Closed

Saturday, September 24

Sunday, September 25
8:30 Chapel Worship
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship

Monday, September 26

Tuesday, September 27
1:30 DAR meets in The Center
5:30 Leadership Board meets
5:30 Ministry Team meets

Wednesday, September 28
9:30 LAAF meets in The Center
3:00 Coffee with the pastor
5:30 Mid Week Manna
6:00 Tutoring

Thursday, September 29
5:30 Young Disciples meet

Friday, September 30
Office closed

Saturday, October 1

Sunday, October 2
8:30 Chapel Worship
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship

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!



LAAF (Lakeside Fun and Fellowship) met for the first time since the pandemic last Wednesday morning with an attendance of 15! Several called and said they would

be coming next week and from then on. Join us in The Center on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 for Lakeside Fun and Fellowship and Activities!



We pray for the sick: Bobbie Bullock

Grieving: The Judy Lunsford 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

Here are a few pictures of the Food Prep helpers from last Thursday.



Lakeside **will not** have a food distribution during the month of October. The next two distribution are scheduled for November 10th and December 15th. Put those dates on your calendars and plan to help with these two events.



Lakeside has a long history of caring for the Christian development of children in our charge. I recently was shown this picture of Lawrence and Suzie Withers with strong acclamations of the Christian influence Suzie had on the children of Lakeside. Many of us can recall godly women and men who have

made a difference in our faith journey through their presence, teaching, and example.

In keeping with our tradition of caring for the children of Lakeside, we welcome Plumeria "Plum" Harris as our new nursery staff member. Plum is a sophomore at UAPB and will provide nursery care 5:30 – 7:30 pm on Wednesdays and 9:15 – 11:45 am on Sundays. Plum knows many of our children from this summer when she served as an intern for Project Transformation Arkansas at Lakeside. Member volunteers will assist in the nursery to ensure we follow our Safe Sanctuary policies. Please let your family and friends know that we now have our nursery staffed on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings!



This year we are celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a sale of Tamales only. When the Mi Casa office is fully staffed, we hope to return to the full meal celebration which we are accustomed to having. Thank you for your understanding and support.



Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Midweek Manna - 34

Sunday, September 18, 2022

8:30 Worship Service - 15

10:30 Worship Service -38

9:15 Sunday School - 22

Online Worship - 10

Our Weekly Service at Church

Sunday, September 125 2022

Senior Pastor: The Rev. Judy Rudd; **Liturgist:**

Director of Music: Ann Tibbs; **Children's Moments:** Alicia Frye

Sermon Title: "I've Fallen and I Can't Get Up"; **Scripture:** Genesis 3:1-7

Sermon Series: The Wesleyan Way of Salvation

Flowers: The James Family

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

September 26 Brass Polishers: Dixie Webb & Dr. Donna Rickels

September 26 Counters: Gerald Majors and Elaine Vaccaro

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