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

**Wednesday, Sept. 25**  
9:30 LAAF  
Food Distribution set-up  
3:00 Zoom F & F  
4:00 Mid-Week Manna  
6:00 Choir— no choir this week

**Thursday, Sept. 26**  
8:00 Food Deliveries  
4:00 Food pick-up from church

**Friday, Sept. 27**  
*Office closed*

**Saturday, Sept. 28**  
**Sunday, September 29**

8:30 Chapel Worship  
8:45 Handbells  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship  
11:30 Potluck

**Monday, Sept. 30**  
**Tuesday, Sept. Oct. 1**

**Wednesday, Oct. 2**  
9:30 LAAF  
3:00 Zoom F & F  
4:00 Mid-Week Manna

**Thursday, Oct. 3**  
**Friday, Oct. 4**

*Office closed*  
**Saturday, Oct. 5**  
**Sunday, Oct. 6**

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

# The Lakeside Messenger

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Over twenty years ago, Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church in Little Rock undertook a capital campaign entitled “Join Hands and Build.” The three phase, multimillion dollar building project constructed Wesley Hall and new youth area, extended the children’s area, installed the columbarium and built a two-level parking deck. As the leaders visioned and planned for this massive undertaking, they intentionally enveloped the project in prayer. I was honored to serve as the chair of the prayer committee. We prayed for the project, the leaders, staff, construction workers, church members and potential people who would be blessed by the new space. The progression of the project was a powerful time for me as I witnessed the Holy Spirit at work blessing our church family and the community through people’s generous gifts and support.

As we enter this third week of our Miracle Sunday campaign to purchase a new bus and anticipate our informational potluck this Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, I wonder if we have been praying as a church for God’s will to be done in our campaign. I recently realized – to my great disappointment – that I had not been praying daily for the Miracle Sunday campaign. I had not been praying regularly for the generous spirits and softened hearts of Lakeside’s family and friends to give sacrificially for this worthy and ambitious goal. I had not been praying daily for the creativity, perseverance, and encouragement of the Miracle Sunday planning team. I began promptly to pray for the Holy Spirit to move in people’s hearts and bank accounts as well as the minds and spirits of the Miracle Sunday campaign team!

While I know our prayer team is holding this special project in their daily prayers, might you be willing to pray each day at noon for our Miracle Sunday campaign? Set your alarm on your phone, computer, or whatever you use to get your attention. Ask a friend to join you to remind you to pray each day at noon. As you pray for the people and organizations to prayerfully consider sacrificially supporting this meaningful endeavor, also pray for all the children, youth, young adults, retirees, drivers, Safe Gatherings riders and everyone who will be blessed using this bus for ministries, fellowship and mission trips. Pray for those who may learn of the ministries of Lakeside through our church’s name printed on the side of the bus. And pray for the hearts of our Lakeside friends and family to be transformed as together we align our hearts and voices in prayer for the Holy Spirit’s guidance and movement. Prayer is powerful! Will you pray with me?

*Oh Holy and Life-giving God, in some ways it seems selfish to be praying for you to move in the hearts and minds of our Lakeside friends and family to encourage a spirit of generosity to buy a church bus. And yet we know that you are a God of abundance who desires your church to share the love of Jesus beyond the walls of the church. Change our hearts, oh God. Help us to find joy and freedom in giving to your kingdom-building work. Speak plainly into the hearts of each person, in a way that he or she can clearly understand, of the generosity you desire from each one. Give courage and boldness to act on your whispers of the heart. And God, please grant your joy and peace as signs that it is you who is speaking. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we believe and we pray. Amen!*

Praying with you,  
Pastor Judy

*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!*



**Potluck and Informational Meeting**

Sunday, September 29th following the 10:30 service.  
Information will be available regarding our Miracle Sunday Bus Drive.  
Meat will be provided, please bring a side dish and/or dessert.

**WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?**

Friends, do you ever sense that the Holy Spirit is tugging you toward new ways to share the love of Jesus in our corner of Pine Bluff? If so, you are not alone! We have an upcoming opportunity to learn how to answer God's call.

Beacon Church 2.0 will be offered by Zoom on October 1 at 9:00am. We will explore what being a beacon church will look as we shift our focus to radical hospitality and partnership with other local churches. Zoom link, meeting information:  
<https://arumc.zoom.us/j/82854111524?pwd=29E8wKogsew2D77Ixaus25KYKtCAx1.1>  
Meeting ID: 828 5411 1524 Passcode: 046949

God needs you to fulfill God's plan for a future with hope at Lakeside and our community. Please find the way that God is calling you to join in the Spirit's work as we move forward.



**United Women in Faith**

Recently, Lakeside hosted the United Women in Faith of the Southeast District. This was the final district meeting for the Southeast as we are now one southern district.  
Thank you to Sandy Bobo for her leadership and other members of Lakeside's United Women in Faith.



*We pray for the sick:* Etoyle Mouser, Carol Luebker, Colby Lee, Buddy Cheshier, and Bill Wilcox.

*We pray for the grieving:* The Bill Foster family  
The Barbara Tracy family  
Jane Neely and family for the loss of her sister-in law, Brenda Neely

*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 Barbara Tracy by Marlyn Blackwell, Andy & Elaine Vaccaro, Joyce and Mike Gurley.  
In memory of Dr. Clyde and Barbara Tracy by Stephen O. Loyd and Mary Jo White.  
In memory of Bill Foster by Marlyn Blackwell.

**Altar Flowers**

Here are the available dates from which to choose.  
If there is someone or an occasion that you'd like to acknowledge, please contact the office.  
Sept. 29 Oct. 20, 27  
Nov. 3, 10 & 24 Dec. 8 and 15



**Handbells to start practicing!**

Handbells start back this Sunday at 8:45 on the 3rd floor behind the choir room.  
If you're interested in ringing, come on by.  
We hope to ring at the 10:30 worship service a few times a year. Come join this fun group of musicians.

**Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!**

We are a very generous church family. Thank you to everyone that contributed, either with a gift, food, attendance or helped with clean-up for Destanie's baby shower.  
Your loving hearts are appreciated.  
- Laura Richards

**Upcoming Small Group Opportunities: Please call the office to sign-up**

Meeting Day	Study	Leaders	Beginning
Wednesdays 12:30 At Indigo Blue	<i>The Power of Thank You</i> by Joyce Meyers	De Gasnier and Sharon Blankenship	October 9th
Wednesdays 1-3:00 Church Library	<i>Writing Our Stories – Discovering Our Faith</i>	Dell Gorman and Sharon Wyatt	October 2nd
Mondays 2:00– 4:00 Zoom	<i>Meet Your Bible</i>	George Mitchell and Donna Kriner	September 30



**Sunday, Sept. 22, 2024**

8:30 Chapel Worship - 18  
9:15 Sunday school – 20  
10:30 Worship - 63  
Online Worship - 22

**Our Weekly Service at Church  
September 29, 2024**

**Sermon:** Rev. Judy Rudd; **Liturgist:** Tommy Brown  
**Director of Music:** Ann Tibbs; **Children's Moment:** Jennifer Fox  
**Sermon:** This is My Covenant  
**Sermon Series:** Our Family Tree– The Story of God's Love  
**Scripture:** Genesis 17:1-17

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

**Sept. 30 Brass Polishers:** Pat Morgan and Ann Tibbs  
**Sept. 30 Counters:** Linda LaClair and Mike Frye

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)  
[www.youtube.com/@lumc\\_pinebluff](http://www.youtube.com/@lumc_pinebluff)  
Check out what is happening at Lakeside on our website  
[www.lakesidepb.org](http://www.lakesidepb.org)

**Latest Sunday School News  
Sept. 29, 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. Sunday's discussion will begin on page 77.  
It's not too late to join in on the discussion.  
**Wesley Class:** This week's discussion– Out of Darkness, Light.  
All are welcome to attend.

**Mid Week Manna Schedule**

3:10-3:45 Children are picked at schools by church bus  
4:00-5:15 Snack and tutoring  
5:15-5:30 Meal for all  
5:30-6:00 Children's choir (Beginning Oct. 2)  
6:00-7:00 Children and adult activities  
\* Disciple time for children kindergarten and higher  
\* English Class (ESL)  
\* Chancel Choir practice  
As always, if you'd be interested in helping one or two Wednesdays a month, please let Jennifer Fox, 534-6241, or Sandy Bobo, 540-7099, know.

# October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>WOR= Writing our Stories- Disc. Our Faith ( Library)</i>  <i>TPOTY= The Power of Thank You (Blue Indigo Coffee)</i></p>		<p>1            9:00 Beacon Church Zoom</p>	<p>2 9:30 LAAF            12:30 TPOTY- sm. group            1:00 WOR sm. group            3:00 Zoom F &amp; F            4:00 Mid Week Manna            6:00 Choir</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4            Office is closed</p>	<p>5</p>
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<p>27 <b>MIRACLE SUNDAY</b>            8:30 Chapel Wor.            8:45 Handbells            9:15 Sunday School            10:30 Sanctuary Wor.</p>	<p>28            2:00-4:00 Meet Your Bible- Zoom</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 9:30 LAAF            12:30 TPOTY- sm. group            1:00 WOR small group            3:00 Zoom F &amp; F            4:00 Mid Week Manna            5:30-6:30 Trunk or Treat</p>	<p>31</p>		

## October Birthdays

1	Juana Alfara	23	Emma Wyatt
	Alicia Frye	24	Pat Morgan
	Maggie Young	25	Itzel Morales
2	Catherine Vander Woude	26	Lee Corkins
3	Nathan Baltzell	27	Jazmin Juarez
5	Bill Jones		Sheila Mitchell
8	Esvin Jimenez		Pedro Vargas
9	Maritza Alcantar	28	Juanita Vitela
	Chris Bobo	29	Chris Mitchell
	Annie Boykin	31	Susan Coles
	Mary Whiteaker		George Kyle
10	Vanessa Hernandez-Valdez		
11	Jairo Ledesma		
12	Valerie Mondragon		
13	Bill Lafferty		
	Kimberly Mercado		
	Mike Webb		
14	Samantha Corkins		
15	Jerry Ingram		
	Ted McNulty		
21	Sheena Bifford		

## October Wedding Anniversaries

	Day	# of Years
Dave and Laura Richards	1	19
Allen and Peggy Swob	4	54
Hunter and Jenna Coles	16	3
Colin and Erica Baker	22	19
Mike and Leslie Webb	27	12
Mike and Alicia Frye	28	24

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*We pray for the grieving:* The families of Bill Foster, Barbara Tracy and Brenda Neely.

## Continued prayers for the following:

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)  
 Logan Mondragon (6/19/24)  
 Caroline Coles (7/17/24)  
 Nathan Baltzell (7/17/24)  
 Mary Lee Hall (8/26/24)  
 Jerry Newton (8/26/24)  
 Sandy Bobo (8/26/24)  
 Laura Sparks  
 Martin Huber  
 Violet Ross

### **Homebound/Assisted Living**

Carolyn Theis  
 Ken Theis  
 Arlis Minter  
 Mary Catherine Kyle  
 Dilcy Glien  
 Bob Castleberry  
 Marilyn Rouse  
 Ralph Rouse  
 Bill Wilcox  
 Billie Doster  
 Wannie Pope

### **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 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

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 or a phone call 534-6241.