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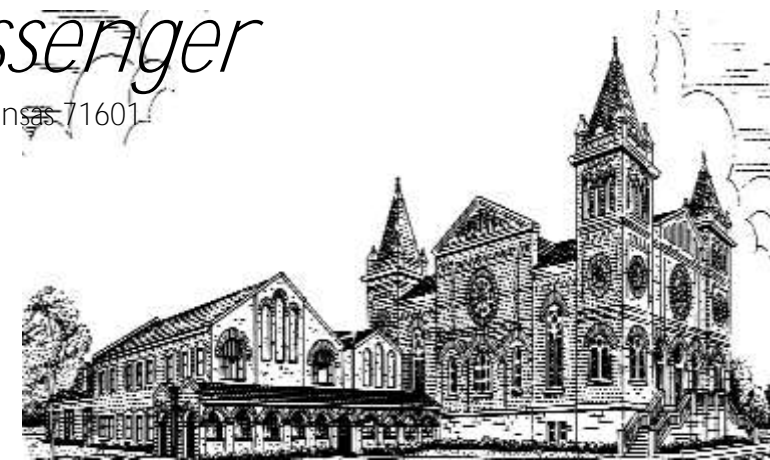
What's Happening @ Lakeside United Methodist Church

Wednesday, April 10
9:30 LAAF
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor
4:00 Mid-week Manna
6:00 Choir practice
Thursday, April 11
Friday, April 12
Office closed
Saturday, April 13
8:00 Men's breakfast
Sunday, April 14
8:30 Chapel Worship
8:45 Handbells
10:30 Sanctuary Worship
Monday, April 15
Tuesday, April 16
1:30 DAR
Wednesday, April 17
9:30 LAAF
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor
4:00 Mid-week Manna
6:00 Choir Practice

Thursday, April 18
10:00 United Women in Faith at Trinity
Village
Friday, April 19
Office closed
Saturday, April 20
Sunday, April 21
8:30 Chapel Worship
8:45 Handbells
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Sanctuary Worship
2:00 Town hall meeting - FH

The Lakeside Messenger

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Lakeside has been no stranger to Death and Sorrow. Both are indicative of loss. No truer was this than in 2020 when Covid brought to us many forms of loss, and then in 2023 the loss, for some, of their home churches. It is doubtful that any one of us has not been touched by either of these realities, and yet few of us have known how to get to where we are once again living a joyful life.

So it was that when our Pastor, Judy Rudd, called and asked if I would take her place at a two day grief training that would overlap with her conducting another funeral for one of our congregants, that I agreed to attend. Though sorrow for our losses is never forgotten, we can learn how to live joyfully again by "*Walking the Mourner's Path*".

Though this highly acclaimed Christian bereavement program originated in All Saints Episcopal Church in Winter Park, Florida, it was acquired by Saint Anthony on the Desert Episcopal Church in Scottsdale, Arizona in 2005 and now operates with Catherine Gilbery as its program director. The following is an excerpt from their website:

"In order to accomplish the task of assisting those whose lives are negatively affected by grief, Walking The Mourner's Path™ was started in 1995 by The Rev. Danielle Morris in response to an unmet need for long-term spiritual comfort for those who mourn.

This was accomplished by training clergy and laity to lead Christ-Centered grief support courses in congregations...this ministry has trained hundreds of course facilitators ...throughout the country. The value of this work gained national recognition when...Mourner's Path trainers taught local...lay leaders to offer Grief Relief in New York after the "911" tragedy...Walking The Mourner's Path course consists of one and a half hour sessions for eight consecutive weeks and limits participants to ten...The program is a ministry distinct from other bereavement programs in that it is Christ-centered, scripturally sound and church based."

As I stated previously, Lakeside is no stranger to death and sorrow. Therefore, Donna Kriner and I trained as facilitators to offer this course to our own church and community. Anyone interested in taking the course should contact our church office. We look forward to ministering to your needs in the name of our Lord, Jesus.

Grace and Peace,
Alicia

Walking the Mourner's Path

Beginning April 25th and running through June 13, this group will meet on Thursdays at 5:30pm.

If you would like to be a part of this small group, please contact the office at 534-6241 or email Jennifer at lakesidepb@arumc.org
Registration is limited to 10



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!

Leadership Board Summary for March 2024

- The February minutes and executive committee minutes, the financial and endowment reports, the Trustees' report and the consent calendar were reviewed and approved.
- Suggested repairs to the tile in the office entryway and in the Fellowship Hall were made. Gerald Majors, Trustee Chair, reported the cost of needed painting in the church would be \$11,025. Approval for the painting and the cost of a replacement water heater were approved to be paid from the Endowment Spending Fund.
- Up to \$800 was approved from the Memorial Fund to replace the refrigerator in The Center.
- Trustee Chair Majors will investigate the cost of handicap access to the church and improved lighting in the choir room and report back to the Board.
- Ratification of the email approval of Trinity Village officers, De Gasnier and Catherine Ann Atkinson.
- Pastor Judy was authorized to investigate rental and other uses of the District Superintendent's office space which will be vacated as of June 30, 2024. Rental of the parsonage to the PT Arkansas Director from May through August 2024 for \$300.00 per month plus reimbursement of utilities was approved.
- Board will review the Arkansas Conference pre-General Conference document and determine the best method to distribute it and provide an opportunity for discussion.

Information is being sent

Watch for an email on Thursday afternoon, or a letter for those who don't have email, with information about the upcoming General Conference provided by our Arkansas Conference. Lakeside will have a town hall meeting on April 21st at 2:00 pm to ask questions or learn where to get more information about General Conference.



Southeast District Zoom meeting

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 6:00pm. More information and the zoom link will be made available closer to the date.



We pray for the sick:

Caroline Coles, Colby Lee, Kashimi Elkins, Bill Foster, Lynn Newton, Bob Castleberry, Barbara Tracy, Bill Wilcox, Lynda Pickler, Laura Sparks, and Dianne Robinson

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

In memory of Clay Cross by The Methodist Foundation for Arkansas.

Project Transformation 2024

This summer's Project Transformation camp will start June 4. Registration is now open for students 1st-5th grade.

Use your camera on the QR code to the right and it will take you to registration.

For more information on how to volunteer or donate, go to www.projecttransformation.org/arkansas and in the menu, click on Get Involved.

Bus Drivers and Assistants are needed.

Please contact Linda LaClair (870-329-7753) if you are interested in driving or riding along, once a week, month or more.



Sunday, April 7, 2024

8:30 Chapel Worship - 17
9:15 Sunday school - 24
10:30 Worship - 63
Online Worship - 24
Trinity Village - 20

Our Weekly Service at Church April 14, 2024

Pastoral Intern: Sara Andrews;
Liturgist: Laura Richards; **Director of Music:** Ann Tibbs;
Children's Moments: Jennifer Fox
Scripture: John 21:15- 22

Sermon Title: Simon Peter ~ Restoring Purpose
Sermon Series: Resurrection Power - Transforming Lives

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

April 15 Brass Polishers: Shelby and Pete Stone

April 15 Counters: Linda LaClair and Mike Frye

All services are available on Facebook or Facebook Live and now YouTube. 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

2024 applications for the William A. and Marilyn Locker Waddell Memorial Scholarship.

2 scholarships are available, one for a graduating senior and one for a currently enrolled college student.

If you'd like an application, please contact the office and the link will be emailed to you.

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The application period opens April 1, 2024 and must be received by May 15, 2024. The anticipated date to award the scholarship is on or around June 15, 2024.

Volunteer Opportunity

Lakeside is in need of at least 2 more Nursery Nannies to help on Sunday mornings during the 10:30 service.

You must be Safe Gatherings certified and you would only have to volunteer once a month or just serve as a back-up for when someone is unable to be there.

If interested, please contact Jennifer in the office or Sandy Bobo at 540-7099.

SAVE THE DATE

DELTA BLOOMS & BEES

2024 MASTER GARDENER HOME & GARDEN SHOW

Saturday April 20, 2024

White Hall Community Center • 9AM – 3PM
9801 Dollarway Road, White Hall, AR

[Hosted By: Jefferson County Master Gardeners]

Latest Sunday School News April 14, 2024 9:15am.

Discovery Class: Our class will be participating in What We Believe with Pastor Judy (9:30-10:00 am.)

Wesley Class: This week's discussion- The Golden Rule for All. All are welcome to join.