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

#### **Wednesday, March 13**

9:00 Food Dist, set-up  
9:30 LAAF  
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor  
4:00 Mid-Week Manna

#### **Thursday, Mar. 14**

6:00 Choir practice  
Food Distribution

#### **Friday, Mar. 15**

*Office closed*

#### **Saturday, Mar. 16**

8:00 Men's Breakfast  
**Sunday, Mar. 17**  
8:30 Chapel Worship  
8:45 Handbells  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship

#### **Monday, Mar. 18**

6:00 What We Believe Class- zoom  
5:30 What We Believe Class- library

#### **Tuesday, Mar. 19**

1:30 DAR

#### **Wednesday, Mar. 20**

9:30 LAAF  
3:00 Coffee with the Pastor  
6:00 Choir Practice

#### **Thursday, Mar. 21**

#### **Friday, Mar. 22**

*Office closed*

#### **Saturday, Mar. 23**

#### **Sunday, Mar. 24 PALM SUNDAY**

8:30 Chapel Worship  
8:45 Handbells  
9:15 Sunday School  
10:30 Sanctuary Worship  
Town Hall Meeting and Potluck

# *The Lakeside Messenger*

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Recently I received a note from a local merchant thanking me for my business. It made an impression on me. I realized that I as a pastor, I need to expand my expressions of gratitude for people's contributions to the mission and ministries of Lakeside UMC. Shortly thereafter, we received the following letter of gratitude from our District Superintendent, Rev. Edna Morgan. As you read the letter and receive the gratitude expressed within it, I also invite you to join me in the following prayer. *Come Holy Spirit! In this new season of United Methodism, reveal the church that you need us to be in our community! Amen!*

February 29, 2024

Rev. Judy Rudd and the Lakeside UMC Family

1500 S. Olive Street

Pine Bluff AR 71601

Dear Rev. Rudd and the Lakeside UMC Family:

It is with great appreciation that I commend you and your church family on the payment of your tithe contribution for the 2023 Conference Year. You have consistently met your financial contribution over the years showing your support of the Arkansas Conference and Global United Methodist Church ministries. I am most grateful for your intentional giving. Thank you for leading our Southeast District Churches in every facet of giving: finances, time, gifts, and talents within the local church, in your communities, nationally, and globally.

Your sacrificial giving has been effective in numerous ways. Your tithes have supported the following ministries of the Arkansas United Methodist Church and Southeast District: Conference and District Administrative Services, Two Hundred Thousand More Reasons, Conference Boards and Committees, Culture of Calling, Youth and Young Adult Ministries, Retreat Ministries, Children's Ministries, Volunteers in Ministry/Disaster Response, Board of Ordained Ministry, and Lay Servant Ministries.

Globally, your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways. Our connectional system connects your local congregation's giving to our national and global denomination through the work of church and community workers, order of deaconess and home missionaries, global mission fellows (US and International), missionaries, racial ethnic plan missionaries, and regional missionaries. Through the support of your church, you help fund hundred of ministries each year, disaster response, evangelism, hunger and poverty relief, environmental sustainability, and scholarships. Moreover, your financial support helps ensure that our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world is realized now and for years to come. To God be the glory for you and your church family.

Blessings,

Rev. Edna Morgan

Rev. Edna Morgan, DS/CMS


Southeast District, ARUMC



*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!*

### Holy Week & Easter Services

Maundy Thursday Choral Tenebrae 6:00pm  
 Good Friday Prayer Stations 4:00- 6:00pm  
 Easter Sunrise Service 7:00am  
 Easter Chapel Worship 8:30am  
 Sanctuary Worship 10:30am



**The Shadow of the Cross**  
**Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service of Worship**  
 March 28, 2024 @ 6 pm



*We pray for the sick:*  
 Caroline Coles, Clay Cross, Colby Lee, Kashimi Elkins, Bill Wilcox, Bill Foster, and Lynda Pickler.

**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 Joy Cross by Mary Ruth Brown, Leyden and Jan Pugh.

**A special "Thank you". . . .**

Thank you so much for the lovely service you gave at our Father's funeral. The lunch provided by the church was absolutely delicious.

May God Bless you all,  
 The Blackford Family  
 Nelson, Tracy, Zach, Alec, Alyssa and Caylin



**Easter Lilies**

Orders for lilies will be taken until March 21. Order forms will be in the Sunday bulletins or you may contact the office. Your lilies, in memory or in honor of loved ones, will adorn the church on Easter morning, March 31st. The cost this year is \$25.00 for a real or virtual plant. Proceeds will benefit Methodist Family Health.

**New sign project is completed**

Our corner was bare for a brief time but everyone driving down Olive can see that Lakeside is a United Methodist Church. Thank you to our sign committee and trustees for seeing this through completion!



**Easter Egg Hunt**

An Easter egg hunt will be held Wednesday, March 27 at 6:00pm. We are asking for individually wrapped candy, plastic eggs and volunteers. Volunteers are needed to stuff eggs on Tuesday afternoon, March 26 and to help on Wednesday with the hunt. Please contact Jennifer if you are able to help.

**Town Hall Meeting & Potluck Sunday, March 24th**

**Latest Sunday School News March 17, 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- Jesus prays for the church. All are welcome to join.



**Sunday, March 10, 2024**

8:30 Chapel Worship - 16  
 9:15 Sunday school - 36  
 10:30 Worship - 74  
 Online Worship - 13

**Our Weekly Service at Church Sunday, March 17, 2024**

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Judy Rudd; **Sermon:** Sara Andrews;  
**Liturgist:** Alicia Frye; **Director of Music:** Ann Tibbs;  
**Children's Moments:** Jennifer Fox  
**Scripture:** Luke 15:11-32; Matthew 5:38-42  
**Sermon Title:** Foolish Love... is Prodigal  
**Sermon Series:** Foolish Love

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

**Mar. 18 Brass Polishers:** Susan Brown and Janelle Powell  
**Mar. 18 Counters:** Ramona Harkins and Ellen Wyatt

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