

## THE BEACON

### **Hurricane Recovery**

It has been a very active hurricane season in the Atlantic. I am pleased to be able to tell you that you, the people of Lakeview, have contributed \$7669 for hurricane recovery. Slightly over \$3000 went to Lutheran Disaster Relief, which is used for any hurricane recovery during the hurricane season. The remainder of our money was sent to the ELCA Bishop's office in Dorado, Puerto Rico to be used by them, specifically, in Puerto Rico. I am so pleased that we have been able to assist those in need with this solid gift. If you wish to make additional contributions to Puerto Rico, you are most welcome to do that any time. Just note on your check that it is for Puerto Rico. We are sending a weekly check as additional money comes to Lakeview. Make all checks to Lakeview. It is very likely that when Lutheran Disaster Response or Mennonite Disaster Services is ready for

volunteers in Puerto Rico, we will arrange a work trip. That would be after the New Year.

### **Memphis Trip**

A good and safe trip to Memphis, Tennessee was enjoyed by 29 Lakeview members in October. The highlights included visiting the National Civil Rights Museum, where Martin Luther King was killed at the Lorraine Hotel and the Mason Temple where he spoke the evening before his death to over 3000 in attendance. The group also enjoyed "all things Elvis" with a half day visit to Graceland. They saw the Peabody ducks march at the Peabody hotel, enjoyed Mud Island, the Bass Pro Shop in the Memphis Pyramid and some time on Beale Street. Meals at the Rendezvous, Southern Cupboard and Lambert's in Sikeston were lots of fun and the snow cones at Jerry's Snow Cone in Memphis were wonderful. Jerry was fun too. Lots of bonding happens on these trips. Next

### **All Saints Service**

Pastor Ron Mach will be leading our annual All Saints service on Sunday, November 5 at 9:00 am. This service will be held in the sanctuary. During the service, we remember all the saints who have gone before us and, especially, the Lakeview saints who have departed this past year including; Donna Mohrmann, Bill Lambert and Jerre Leverentz. Holy Communion will be served. All are welcome.

October we will be looking at a trip to New Orleans. The plan would be to fly there on a Thursday and return on Monday. We'd be staying in the French Quarter and enjoying what NOLA has to offer. Let Pastor Dean know if you have interest in this trip, so he can keep you informed on the progress.

### **Just Bakery**

Just Bakery will be selling, in the Narthex, before and after service on Sunday, 11/5. Come prepared to clear them out!

### **CANCELLED Bible Studies**

Because Pastor Dean will be recovering from his knee surgery in November, the Wednesday noon Bible study on Isaiah and the Sunday morning Bible study on Mark will be put on hold from November 5 through November 26. Pastor Dean hopes to be back for study on Nov 29 and Dec 3.

### **Food Pantry Fun**

Over the weekend of Oct 7/8 you donated 872 rolls of toilet paper to the Lakeview Food Pantry and on Sunday morning, we had some crazy fun passing that paper after forming a human chain from the altar around the building to the pantry. Thank you for your generosity. Remember that on November 11/12 we will be collecting hot cereal for the pantry. Bring your donation to worship and place it on the cart in the front of the sanctuary. Gretchen has been very grateful for how these monthly collections have benefited the pantry. The pantry has been serving around 27 households each week.

Those numbers are up significantly. The pantry will also have new hours beginning on November 6. It will be open from 4:30 to 6:30 pm each Monday evening.

### **Lakeview Book group discussion**

Monday, November 6 at 6:30pm the Lakeview book discussion group will be meeting in the Fellowship Room to discuss, *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikery* by Gabrielle Zevin. Anyone is welcome to attend.

### **November Service of Renewal**

The monthly Service of Renewal will be held on Wednesday, November 15 at 7:00 pm, in the historic chapel. People attend this service for a variety of reasons but, particularly, to find a time to shut out the noise of the world and focus on God's love for all of us. The service includes readings, reflection, prayers, hymns, meditative music and Holy Communion. Pastor Ron Mach and Lynn Najem will be leading this service. All are welcome.

### **Inclement Weather**

Just a reminder that, as we approach that season when road and weather conditions can deteriorate rapidly, we will make every effort to notify you of any cancellations. If the public schools close, you should check to be sure that activities are being held at Lakeview. If we must cancel worship services we will put a note on the church office voice mail, we will put a note on the church Facebook page and we will list the cancellation with NBC15.com. They may not run cancellations on the

television screen but they will scroll them on the web site. And don't forget to make wise personal decisions. If road or other surfaces do not look safe for you, stay inside. But remember Pastor Dean's motto, if you can get to the mall on Sunday afternoon, you can probably get to church on Sunday morning!!!!!!!

### **Seroogy's Candy Fundraiser**

The youth going to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Houston in June 2018 will host a wonderful candy fundraiser in November. They will be selling that great Seroogy's Chocolate. You will be able to order boxes of chocolate for gift giving and then, in December, you will be able to purchase individual candy bars from the youth. Get ready. This is good stuff. And we all need a little "sweet" in our lives.

### **Senior Lunch/Euchre Tournament**

On Monday, November 20, Dale & Randi Matthews will be hosting an 11am chili lunch followed by the monthly Euchre Tournament. Please sign up for this event at the Information Station or by contacting Chris Anders, coordinator@lakeviewlutheranmail.org before Thursday, November 16. You don't need to bring anything. Free will offering.

### **Thanksgiving Dinner**

Lakeview has a long tradition of providing a free community Thanksgiving dinner at noon on Thanksgiving Day. This has been going on for over 35 years and 2018 will be no

different. Newcomer Sandy Rupnow will be joining old-timer Bob Mohrmann in making sure this important meal ministry happens. In this newsletter you can find a form that you are invited to use to indicate how you can help make this meal continue to happen. Many volunteers are needed at various times in the day, including clean up. Many donations of food are also needed. You have overwhelmingly supported this event in the past and Sandy and Bob are hoping you will do that again this year. When cooking a turkey, please be absolutely sure that it is cooked all the way through. Last year, several turkeys were not cooked and they can't be used because there is not enough time or oven space to finish them at church. Also, remember to invite people to attend the meal served promptly at noon. To help with planning, it is helpful if anyone coming to eat would call the church office at 244-6181 to make an advanced reservation. We don't take names, just numbers. Since everyone eats at the same time, we like to be able to seat large groups together. Carry outs are available ONLY after everyone on site has eaten, including the volunteers. We do not have the capabilities to deliver meals. This is a wonderful home cooked meal with lots of great fellowship. Thank you to everyone who will offer time and/or food.

### **Road Home Week, December 3-9**

Lakeview's final host week for 2017 will be the week of December 3-9. Scheduling volunteers will begin the first week of November. Please note that our buddy church,

Burke Lutheran, will not be able to cover Sunday, December 3. Dinner hosts, evening activities leaders and overnight trained volunteers will be needed. We will also need helping hands to unload belongings and make beds after the 9am service on Sunday, December 3 and again on Sunday, December 10 at 8:15am to load belongings, as the families move on to their next shelter church. Everyone is encouraged to help with these tasks. Food donations will also be needed. A sign-up board will be in the Narthex on the three Sundays prior to December 3. Please check your calendars and plan to be a part of the week in whatever capacity you can.

### **Santa Breakfast to Benefit Local Food Pantries - December 2**

On Saturday, December 2 the Northside Business Association and Northside food pantries are hosting a Santa Breakfast at the Esquire Club on Sherman Avenue. Lakeview's Food Pantry is one of the recipients of the donations raised from this event. We are looking for 2 or 3 people to help at the Esquire Club from 7:30 am - 11:30 am to serve food, get beverages, clear plates, clean tables, etc. or help at 10:30 am to help with resetting the dining room tables. Let Darlene Wood know if you would like to volunteer for this event. Contact Darlene at: 715-340-9725 or dbier828@yahoo.com

### **Advent 2018**

The four weeks of Advent ring in the new church year. Advent begins on December 3 this year. We will focus our attention on the

prophet Isaiah during weekend worship in Advent. We will also offer an opportunity to support a new project/ministry in Madison. Madison Urban Ministry is getting ready to open Healing House. This is a shelter for homeless people who have been released from the hospital but who continue to need medical care (therapy, chemo treatments, etc.). Because of Healing House, these folks will be able to live in a comfortable environment during treatment, instead of a shelter. Healing House will be opened in a home owned by First Congregational United Church of Christ, on University Avenue. This is a great new resource coming to our community, where there is great need for this ministry/service. So, during Advent please consider donating new children's books and adult books for a library, toys for kids, kitchen utensils, dish towels and clothes, pots and pans, plastic cups for kids, especially things like sippy cups for smaller kids. Do not wrap your donations. Please bring new things. Bring them to worship any week in Advent and place them in the designated collection spot. Thank you for supporting Healing House.

### **Cody Clauson Trio Music & Dinner Show**

Saturday, December 9 we will be taking a bus from Lakeview to the above-mentioned Christmas Show being held at the Green Lake Conference Center. The dinner show starts at 12pm. From their website: Take a seat in Bauer Dining Room near a roaring fire and indulge in a delectable holiday buffet. The menu includes roast tom turkey, chef-carved honey glazed pit ham, mashed potatoes and

turkey gravy, sage stuffing, vegetable blend, spinach/mandarin orange/feta salad, rolls, breads, holiday desserts and beverages. Cody headlines the trio with tenor banjo, guitar and vocals. His sister Brittney joins in on double bass and vocals. Their father Brent rounds out the group with steel guitar, piano, five-string banjo, violin and vocals. The trio's Christmas music features a variety of styles including country/western, jazz, blues, swing, bluegrass, ragtime and gospel. Total cost is \$64/person. That includes the dinner, show and transportation. Please sign up at the Information Station. Payment reserves your seat. This trip is not just for seniors, but open to all.

### **Looking for Hosts!**

The council just approved a policy to rent out the historic chapel. This policy was actually discussed at the annual meeting in 2017 but no action had been taken. You can read the details of the policy on the church web site. If someone would rent the chapel, we need to provide a host to be present in the chapel while the event is taking place. This host would be the one to unlock and re-lock the building. They would turn on lights, fans and adjust the heat as needed. They would be sure everything was shut off at the end. The other responsibility of the host would be to walk people over to the main building and let them in to use the restroom, as needed. The tasks are not difficult but the host does need to be able to walk back and forth from the main building, as needed. Since the chapel is being rented, the host will be paid \$12 per

hour while they are on site. It would be good to have several hosts trained to do this and Pastor Dean will lead a simple training for hosts on Thursday, December 14 at 6:30 pm, in the chapel. We have no idea how frequently we would rent the chapel and have the need to call on a host. If you are willing to be paid to serve in this capacity and can attend the training on December 14, please let Pastor Dean know that you will be there. Hosts must participate in the training. Hosts could be called upon for evening and weekend coverage. A wedding could be three hours on a Saturday afternoon. If the chapel is rented, the council will determine where the fees collected will be distributed. They might be used for the kitchen fund or other ministry but NOT for the regular budget of the church (*similar to the plan for Lutefisk funds or Rummage sale funds*). There is no application for hosts, just let Pastor know you will attend the training by calling the church office or by emailing him.

### **Christmas 2018**

You can order red or white cyclamen to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas by using the form in this newsletter. We are not having traditional poinsettias this year. You can also make a contribution to provide evergreens on that form. It is the money collected for evergreens that allows us to purchase a tree(s) for the sanctuary. Also note that we'll have a different Christmas worship schedule this year. There will be regular worship at 5:00 pm on December 23. On December 24 there will be a special

Advent/Christmas worship service at 9:00 am. It will include special music and Holy Communion. On December 24, at 5:00 pm, there will be a traditional candlelight Christmas Eve service with special music and Holy Communion. Again, there will be no worship on Christmas Day. And don't forget to attend the special Advent/Christmas Music service on Sunday, December 10 at 9:00 am. The choir, Sunday school kids and other musicians are preparing now for this service.

### **Winter Youth Retreat**

The annual winter youth retreat at the Green Lake Conference Center will be held January 12-14, 2018. The retreat will take on a new look this year and be open to all youth in grades 7 through 12 and their friends. Because our numbers have decreased over the years, we will not be able to use the Robbins North Dormitory in the future if we do not increase the numbers. So, that is why the retreat is expanding to include more grades of youth this winter. Hopefully many youth will register and many youth will bring a friend or two to keep our numbers high enough to use the dorm. Mark your calendars; registration forms will be available soon. The cost this year will still be \$45 per youth.

### **ELCA National Youth Gathering**

Every three years, the ELCA hosts a national youth gathering that attracts 30,000 high school youth nationwide. Previous gatherings have been held in Detroit, San Antonio, New Orleans, Atlanta, St. Louis etc. In 2018, the gathering will be held in Houston from June

27 to July 1. We will be sending 8 youth to the gathering including; Jacob Kerl, Jack McKee, Dane Luebke, Ben Luebke, Katelyn Buchda, Ellie Haselow, Anthony Dupre and Anna Currier. Our trusted chaperones for this trip are Amy Luebke and Dave Haselow. The kids will be fundraising throughout the year, like usual. You can also make a donation directly to the trip by designating your check for "Houston Trip." We are grateful that we can send youth to this unique experience.

### **Vanco Give+**

Go to Lakeview's homepage at [www.lakeviewlutheranchurch.org](http://www.lakeviewlutheranchurch.org) to access our Vanco Give+ portal, which allows you to securely and conveniently support Lakeview online. You can give one time or set up an account to give regularly.

You can also download the Vanco Give+ App to your mobile device. Members and visitors can search "GivePlus Church" in The App Store or Google Play to quickly find and download the app. To give to Lakeview, simply type Lakeview Lutheran Church into the App, once it is downloaded, double check that it is the one on Mandrake Rd. in Madison, WI, and select.

Through online giving, you can make your regular donation, donate to the kitchen, food pantry, or hurricane relief in Puerto Rico. Thank you for your ongoing support!

A MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT GAYLE LANGER

**Legacy and Memorial Gifts**

During the year the congregation and its task force were busy raising funds for the kitchen renovation, we all were reminded about the importance of memorial gifts. There were several families who specifically earmarked funds for Lakeview's kitchen project, in memory of their loved one. In fact, approximately 10% of the kitchen renovation cost was funded by memorial gifts

Sharing thoughts in advance with loved ones provides individuals and families with the opportunity to highlight interests and accomplishments beyond our lifetime, essentially for an eternity. Memorial gifts to Lakeview may be designated for a special program or in general support of the church's endowment. Donors have the advantage of a tax-deductible contribution to celebrate and honor the life of their loved one.

Deferred gifts also play an important role in establishing a legacy for the member. Examples of deferred gifts: (1) an individual may provide a future gift in their will by including a bequest to Lakeview specifying a percentage of his or her estate or a dollar amount to be given. (2) Naming the church as beneficiary of a whole life or term insurance policy is another example of a deferred gift. In some instances, the individual may have several insurance policies with total benefits well exceeding the cost for final arrangements. A few of us may have insurance policies established by our parents when we were infants. The death benefit may be minimal, not sufficient for final arrangements, but capable of making a significant impact when designated as a legacy gift.

Members may also consider naming the church as beneficiary of stocks or trust fund investments. Legal and investment counselors can provide additional details on how to proceed in creating a plan that best reflects what we wish to accomplish through legacy gifts.

**Cyclamen Order Form**

Order red or white cyclamen or evergreens to brighten Lakeview's altar on Christmas Eve. The order deadline, determined by the florist we use, is earlier than previous years. As a result, we need the form by **Monday, November 13 .**

\_\_\_\_\_ Cyclamen - red or white (circle one) @ \$11 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Evergreens @ \$30 each

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## A WORD FROM PASTOR DEAN

Dear Friends,

It's knee time---AGAIN! I'm glad I only have 2 knees. I'm grateful that they've worked as well as they have. I'm particularly grateful that science and technology allows those knees to be replaced when they wear out. As most of you know, I have osteoarthritis with bone spurs in both knees. Last year, I had the right knee replaced in early November. I was grateful that the procedure and recovery went so well. This year, on November 3, I will have the left knee replaced at SSM St. Mary's Hospital. I am grateful for the care I received there last year and for my surgeon Dr. Stuart Stigen. I'm also grateful that my wife is willing to be my "coach" and help guide my recovery and my visits to PT. And, of course, I look forward to Todd Schaack being my chauffer while I am unable to drive.

Dr. Stigen has again suggested that I should plan to be away from church for 4 to 6 weeks. Last year I returned after 4 weeks so I am hoping to make that happen again this year. In my absence, Pastor Ron Mach will be leading weekend worship and will be available for pastoral care, when needed. If you have a pastoral need, please call the church office. There will be some things that will be put on hold while I'm not here like Bible studies and youth fundraising and forward advancement of the Global Outreach Task Group looking at childcare. But Laura, Chris, Lynn and Gary will keep things operating well while I'm out. We have a very reliable and trustworthy staff here at Lakeview and I am grateful for them, as well. And we have a top-notch church council to problem solve and deal with issues too.

The surgery last year took away the pain from my right knee. But as my surgeon said, it will never again be "normal." When Dr. Stigen told me he couldn't make me "normal" I laughed and said I was glad because being normal would simply not be too much fun. If you have had a total joint replacement, you know that it's never like the original and that's what the doctor was referring to.

So, I'm doing my pre-surgery exercises. I'm taking all the required vitamins. Kris and I have done what we need to at home to make our house ready for recovery. Last week I washed all the windows so when I'm lying around taking oxycodone and morphine I don't have to look out dirty windows. I think we're ready.

Medical care is about faith. I must place my faith in my care providers that they will use the tools, skills and wisdom that God has given them to make me move comfortably again. I also have to have faith that I will use the gifts God has given me to make recovery go well. We have been given many gifts and it is up to us to recognize them and use them. I hope I am able.

Have a good November. I'll see you in December.

Peace,

Pastor DEAN

## Thanksgiving Dinner

You are invited to donate food or your time at the annual Thanksgiving Dinner at church on Thursday, Nov. 23. Please complete the form below, give it to an usher or return it to the church office by Sunday, Nov. 18. Turkey cookers: Please bring your turkey to church fully **cooked**. Here are some tips from Butterball. This info is for a 10-12 pound turkey: Thaw in the refrigerator for 3 days or in cold water for 6 hours. Cook the THAWED turkey for 3 1/2 to 4 hours at 325 degrees. Remember: If your bird is not thawed, it needs to bake LONGER. Last year we had 3-4 birds NOT totally cooked, which cannot be served. I look forward to working with you again this year. Thanks for giving of your time and talents. Sandy Rupnow 608.279.6885, [sandralynntuttle@hotmail.com](mailto:sandralynntuttle@hotmail.com)

### Food donations

Donate one uncooked, frozen turkey and bring to church by Sunday, Nov. 19

Donate 1 pound of real butter (no margarine) and bring to church by Tuesday, Nov. 21

Pumpkin pies (*indicate the number of pies you will donate*). Bring by 11 am Nov. 23

Cook a donated turkey and bring cooked turkey to church at 10:30 am on Nov. 23

Donate and cook a turkey and bring cooked turkey to church at 10:30 am on Nov. 23

### Volunteer opportunities

Place the name or names of individuals who will volunteer below the item you can do. You may volunteer in more than one place but please plan to stay until your shift is finished.

Peel potatoes, set up dining room, get plates ready, prep the kitchen on Wednesday, Nov 22 beginning at 9am:

Cook potatoes, carve turkeys, cut pies, etc., on Thursday, Nov. 23 from 8 am until noon in kitchen:

Serve the meal at noon and stay until the dining room and kitchen are clean at about 2 pm:

Arrive at 12:30 pm on Nov 23 and stay until the entire area is cleaned:

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