#### Lakeview Lutheran Church

#### May 2015

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#### **Road Home Update**

The next time that our congregation hosts guests with the Road Home Shelter program will be June 28 to July 5. Very soon Chris Anders will be looking for volunteers in many capacities to help during that week. Start considering how you can assist. On April 13 a Road Home training for volunteers was offered at Lakeview and the following Lakeview people were trained and now ready to join the 62 other Lakeview Road Home volunteers. Welcome and thank you new volunteers including; Al Wessel, Ellen Bethel, Nancy Stillwell, Annette Pownell, Sonja Umburger, Ed and Kathy Nauman, Joel and Jeri Diemer, Laura Jasiczek and Kelly Bakken. We give thanks for all of

our volunteers (seasoned and new)! If you are interested in becoming a Road Home volunteer, talk to Chris Anders or Pastor А Dean. one hour training is required. Remember there are also ways to assist with the Road Home ministry at Lakeview without being trained а volunteer. Some of those options include;

- Donating food items for breakfasts and bagged lunches
- Unloading the moving van when it arrives on Sunday morning
- Loading the moving van when we move families to the next site the following Sunday morning
- Driving the moving van to the new site

### ELCA STATEMENT ON RACE

Nate Campbell and Pastor Dean are continuing an adult discussion on the ELCA Social Statement about race and culture. It is in the Fellowship Room at 9:15 am Sunday mornings until May 30. If you haven't already, join in to participate in this conversation that comes from our Lenten devotions this year. There are several documents on the narthex table that you may choose to read. Please return the document to the table after you have read it, so others can read it too. One of the documents is the Race to Equity Report for Dane County that we have discussed often in recent weeks.

- Making beds for the guests prior to them moving in
- Doing laundry at the end of our host week
- Donating money to Lakeview that is designated for Road Home which helps pay for the cost of the moving van, buy diapers and baby food and other incidental expenses that arise while guests are in our building.

We are very fortunate at Lakeview to have such a strong and committed network of Road Home volunteers. Keep up the good work and your support for families in our community.

#### **Road Home Wish List**

The offices of the Road Home of Dane County and day activity center are located at 128 E. Olin Avenue in Madison. You can find much information about Road their web site Home on www.trhome.org. There is a link to their site on Lakeview's web site, as well. The Road Home activity center has a wish list of things that they need to keep programs operating smoothly for their clients and If you are inclined to participants. purchase any of those needed items, you are most welcome to do that. You can take your items directly to the Road Home offices or you can bring them to Chris Anders at Lakeview and she will assure that they get there. Currently, that wish

list includes: baby wipes, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, dish detergent, diapers (sizes 4-6), deodorant, lotion, shampoo and feminine hygiene products. And remember the Road Home motto, *"every child deserves a home."* 

#### **Kitchen Project Moves Forward**



A group of people attended the kitchen meeting in

April to hear from the architect and the builder. Many good questions were raised and our guests provided some explanation for things that need to be done in that room. A group of interested folks have agreed to continue meeting together with Verallyn Cline to keep this project moving forward. A new proposal will be presented from Engineered Construction as this group reviews and makes changes. At some point a congregational meeting will need to be held to approve a specific plan and to vote on a way to fund this plan. At this time, we are exploring what type of loan we could get to assist with this project. We are grateful for all the work Verallyn has put into this project to date. We are grateful for those who have volunteered to assist with moving this project forward.

#### **Passion Musical Video**

You can now view the video of the 2015 Passion Musical on Lakeview's Facebook page. You can also access the video on the church website by clicking on Vimeo. Thank you, Terry Warnke, for doing this.

#### **Bible Study**

The adult Bible study that is led by Pastor Dean and held every Wednesday at noon will continue from April 29 through May 27. We will look at the Letter to the Philippians during those final weeks. Because pastor will be on sabbatical this summer, there will be no Wednesday noon study during June, July and August. All are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Room, near the sanctuary, for this study.

#### **Grand Piano Dedication**

There will be a special service to dedicate our grand piano, to be used for the glory of God and to remember our friend, Bill Shelton, on Sunday, May 3 at 10:30 am.



There will be special music played by Lynn on the piano, the choir will sing, Sunday

school children will sing and we will distribute Bibles to children who are age 3

or in third grade. There will be a special sermon and readings. Communion will be shared. Immediately after the service, there will be special breakfast treats in the Fellowship Room. Make plans to share in this special service.

#### **Suggested Reading**

We have done lots of talking about institutional racism systemic and at Lakeview The these past months. conversation will continue during Sunday adult education morning through May. Some people have asked about books to read that are applicable to their lives and to the church. Pastor Dean is He offering а suggestion. would encourage you to read "Dismantling Racism" by Joseph Barndt. The copyright is 1991 and the book is out of print so you would have to find it used on Amazon or at a bookstore. A good alternative, also by Joseph Barndt, would be "Understanding and Dismantling Racism." Copyright on this book is 2007. Both books are published by Augsburg/Fortress, our church publishing company. Joseph Barndt has been a parish pastor in the Bronx in New York City. He has been an antiracism trainer and has directed the Crossroads Ministry in Chicago, whose purpose is to build a multicultural church and society. Brandt uses understandable language and examples that are relevant to

our world today. We will be using portions of his work in the Sunday morning adult study. As you read and discuss, always consider the role our congregation can play in dismantling systemic and institutional racism which exists in our city, state and our church. If you are up for more difficult and challenging reading, you could take a look at "The Education of the Negro" and "The Mis-education of the Negro." Both of these books were written by Carter G. Woodson, an American historian and educator who wrote them in 1933. His attempt was to denounce "Euro-centric" school curricula and demand learning opportunities for black people that also reflected their own culture and heritage. Woodson's books are still very relevant for our society and educational system today but his style of writing is sometimes awkward.

#### Milwaukee Youth Education Trip

Pastor Dean will be taking 3 high school juniors, who are going to the National Youth Gathering this summer, to Milwaukee for a visit to UWM, MSOE and Marquette on Monday, May 4. They will explore these 3 campuses, enjoy some of the eastside Milwaukee offerings, have lunch and maybe even do something stupid. They will also take communion to member Lucille Sowatzke who resides in a Milwaukee nursing home.

#### High School Graduation Recognition

We will honor and celebrate with the Lakeview youth who will be graduating from high

school on Sunday, May 17 at 10:30 am. The entire Lakeview community is invited to come and celebrate God's grace as these young people enter a new era of life. A special time to reflect on each youth will be part of the service and Holy Communion will be shared. Immediately after the service, there will be a cake and punch reception to honor these young people.

#### May Dairy Days

Calling all seniors at Lakeview and the northside to sign up to attend the senior lunch



and euchre tournament on Monday, May 18. We will eat at 11:00 am and pastor will get the grill stoked up to make brats, hot dogs, hamburgers and chicken breasts. We'll have buns and condiments and we'll be making chocolate malts that stand up to Culver's any day! Guests are invited to bring a salad or dessert to share and make an offering to help with the cost of the food. Beverages will also be provided. For those who wish, a euchre tournament will follow the 11:00 am meal. Sign up now in the church narthex or with Chris Anders.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS ON MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND. WORSHIP ON SAT AT 5:00 PM AND SUN AT 9:00 AM. NO EDUCATION CLASSES WILL BE HELD.

#### **Rummage Sale**

Have you gone through your closets, your basement, your attic and the trunk of your car? Did you find some treasures that you decided to keep? Well, bring all the stuff that doesn't quite fall in to the category of treasure to the designated Sunday school classroom immediately. The sale this year will be held Thursday, May 28th, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday, May 29th, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and everything needs to be marked and arranged by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, so please don't wait to the last minute to bring all those wonderful items to church!!!! We need lots... LOTS ... of help marking items and setting up the week of May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Are you one of those amazing people who doesn't have any "stuff" to donate? GREAT!! Then volunteer to sell other people's "stuff!!" We need volunteers to work shifts of any length during the entire time of the sale -a sign up will be (or possibly already is) in the narthex. Volunteers are needed to ring up sales, bag the purchases and help carry all money-making those purchases to More volunteers are shoppers' cars. needed to work in East Hall, assisting visitors, straightening and re-arranging and adding new items.

Don't forget we can't have a bake sale without yummy stuff to sell!!! (And if you've worked the sale, you know folks show up just for the baked goods.) Please drop off homemade treats no later than 4 p.m. on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Proceeds from the sale will be split between the youth (25%) and the kitchen remodel (75%).

Any questions, comments or suggestions, call Mary Cragin at 235-5296 or 837-0718.

#### High School Truck Loading

High school youth, going on the summer trip to Detroit, and their parents should be at church at 9:00 am on Saturday, May 30 to pack the leftovers of the rummage sale and to load all the leftovers on the truck. Be on time and ready to work so we can get out of the building quickly. Many hands are appreciated so don't be afraid to bring along a sister or brother or friend.

#### Pastoral Care in Summer

Pastor Dean will depart on sabbatical on June 1 and return to the church office on August 24. During his absence, Pastor Ron Mach will be leading worship and providing pastoral care for Lakeview. Pastor Mach is a retired ELCA pastor who currently lives at Oakwood Village East with his wife Carol. Pastor Ron once served Immanuel Lutheran in Watertown where Pastor Dean, Kris and family were members. Pastor Ron and Carol are now members at Our Savior's in Sun Prairie where Pastor Dean served his first call. Pastor Ron was the assistant to Bishop Jon Enslin when Pastor Dean was called to Lakeview. Pastor Mach provided pastoral care while Pastor Dean was on sabbatical in 2008. He has a good understanding of

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our congregation and plenty of experience to be able to respond to the needs that arise. You can contact him through Laura in the church office.



#### Dear Friends,

Some may still be wondering why we are looking seriously at renovating the church kitchen. Like most homes, the kitchen at Lakeview tends to be the central room for fellowship, mission and ministry. The kitchen at Lakeview is without a doubt the busiest room in this building. From the staff warming up lunches, to senior meals, Easter breakfasts, square luncheons, dancing bakerv class programming, Road Home food, food pantry packaging, Habitat dinners, Mardi Gras Celebrations, snacks on Christmas Eve, Sunday school, Thanksgiving dinner, funeral lunches and so much more, our kitchen gets hard use. Our kitchen opens nourishment door for the and conversation.

Unfortunately, our kitchen is far out of building code compliance for a commercial space. We have been grandfathered into the codes over the years but updating electrical, exhaust, air exchanges and sinks to bring the kitchen up to code would be wise, healthy and a way to ensure a more safe working environment. Did you know that pilot lights go out on the stove routinely and then people smell gas coming into the building? Did you know that the way the kitchen is used has changed considerably over the years and a more productive lay out and increased storage would be very helpful? Did you know that keeping dirty dishes from food preparation would be the wise thing to do for sanitation and disease prevention?

It was good to have a group of Lakeview members attend the recent meeting with the architect and builder. Good questions were asked. Good information was presented. And good discussion was part of the evening.

As we know, the renovations to the kitchen will cost money - a good amount of money. The original proposal was \$236,000.00. Now, we not only have to consider what needs to be done in the kitchen, but we also need to consider how to fund the project. We have \$32,000.00 set aside in the endowment fund that has been designated for this project. Our council treasurer is exploring expanding our current loan. People are invited to brainstorm ideas for funding. I was always told that you would never get funding if you don't tell people what you need. So, we need around \$200,000.00 to complete this project.

An updated kitchen will assure that people who use our building right now, including the staff, will be safe. It will assure that current ministry can continue. It will assure that outreach ministry can Updating the kitchen has to be grow. future oriented, looking at how forthcoming generations of people at Lakeview will use that room, just as those who went before us considered the future when they built the original chapel in 1884 or the main sanctuary back in 1966. We don't look at what has been, we look at what could be! People of faith are forward looking.

I hope everyone will get on board and take an active interest in the kitchen at Lakeview. I hope the fellowship and the ministry that I have witnessed taking place in that room will continue to happen for many years to come. I hope that the laughing around that center island will never end. Thank you for looking intently at the kitchen project at Lakeview.

Peace, Pastor DEAN



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5:00pm Saturday 8:15 and 10:30am Sunday Starting May 24<sup>th</sup>: 9:00am Sunday

#### Service Schedule:

Mondays to Fridays 8 a.m. — 4 p.m. www.lakeviewlutheranchurch.org Dean M. Kirst, Pastor, pastordean@lakeviewlutheranmail.org Laura Jasiczek, Office Administrator, office@lakeviewlutheranmail.org Chris Anders, Ministry Coordinator, coordinator@lakeviewlutheranmail.org Lynn Najem, Organist/Choir Director; Regina Thomas, Custodian

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