

THE BEACON

Rally Weekend-September 9

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend Lakeview's special Rally Weekend worship service and picnic at the MacKenzie Environmental Center, near Poynette, on Sunday, September 9. This Lakeview event will take place at the picnic shelter (*same location as last year*). There are no steps. There is plenty of parking. There are restrooms with running water and flush toilets on site. There are many picnic tables in the shelter and on the grass in the area, but you may wish to bring a lawn chair (*more comfortable*). During the service we will sing fun and uplifting music, a dynamic sermon will be preached, our education staff will be installed and we'll hear from some of our youth who attended the National Youth Gathering in Houston in June. Holy Communion will be served. Immediately after the worship service, we will have a picnic in the same shelter. The church council and office staff will be providing and grilling brats and hot dogs. They will provide buns, condiments, table service and lemonade. You are invited to bring food to share on the buffet table. Salads and desserts will be appreciated. Please note that there are very limited plug-ins and the ones that are there will be used to keep the meat hot. We also have to plug-in the electric piano. So, don't bring something that you wish to plug-in. After the meal you have many choices. You can sit around and converse with others. You can hike the many trails. You can visit the animals and fishpond. You can check out the museum or climb the ranger tower. If you bring bikes, you can ride around the roads on the grounds. There is plenty to do for all ages. We had a very enjoyable time at this event last year and hope that many of you will be able to attend this year. Invite a friend or two. It's about a 20-minute drive. We ask that you sign up in the church narthex if you are attending so we have a good idea of how much to cook.

New Office Hours

Church office hours will be changing September 4th. The church office will be closed on Monday September 3rd for Labor Day. After that, hours are as follows:

Monday 8-4

Tuesday 8-4

Wednesday 8-12:30

Thursday 12:30-4

Friday Closed

Office may be open other hours, if staff are present. Call to check.

Laura Starting Clinical Pastoral Education

Church hours are being changed because this Fall Laura will be doing her Clinical Pastoral Education. This is a one credit internship at Meriter, where Laura will have the opportunity to learn and experience chaplaincy in a hospital setting. It is a first step on the path as she continues to explore attending seminary. The program will last for 6 months.

Lakeview Lutheran Sunday School Starting!!

Please fill out a registration form and bring it on Rally Day (Sunday, Sept. 9th) or the 1st day of Sunday School (Sunday, Sept. 16th). **We need teachers!!!** If you are interested in teaching please contact Annette Pownell at aepownell@yahoo.com.

Dorcas Circle

The Dorcas Circle is a Bible study group that meets on the second Tuesday of every month. They enjoy coffee and refreshments beginning at 9:30 am in the Conference Room at the church. Pastor Dean leads a Bible study with the group. The study concludes around 11:30 am. You are invited to join this group on September 11, when their monthly study begins. Pastor is currently planning what the topic of study will be and it will be announced at the first gathering. Participants bring a Bible. Participants take turns providing the refreshments. All are welcome. Just show up!

Choir Voices Wanted

Lynn Najem wants you! The Lakeview Choir resumes rehearsals on Thursday evening, September 13. The choir meets for just over an hour every week in the sanctuary, beginning at

7:00 pm. The choir periodically leads Sunday morning worship and provides music for many special events and worship services throughout the year. The Lakeview choir is made up of volunteers who are at all different levels, when it comes to music knowledge. Anyone is welcome to sing in choir here. Many folks in choir are members of this congregation but some are not. Lynn is an excellent director and makes choir safe and fun for everyone. So consider participating in choir this year. Show up on September 13 and you will get music, socialize with others and hear one of Lynn's infamous jokes.

Sunday School

Sunday school for children age three through 6th grade will resume on Sunday, September 16. Sunday school will be held on the lower level of the church from 10:00 to 11:00am, immediately after worship. An adult group will meet during the same period of time in the Fellowship Room upstairs. Parents of Sunday school children are invited to participate in the adult group, as you wait for your children. There is a registration form in this newsletter to complete for all children in Sunday school. Our new Sunday school superintendent is Annette Pownell and we thank her for leading us forward. We also thank Amy Luebke who has filled this position for many years and has now moved on to high school activities. Thank you to all the folks who will volunteer in Sunday school. We will install you at the outdoor worship service on September 9 at the MacKenzie Environmental Center in Poynette.

Food Pantry

The pantry is requesting donations of breakfast cereals – all kinds – in September. The collection will be on September 15/16.

New Orleans Retreat

If you are one of the 36 people participating in the New Orleans Retreat, please try to attend the final meeting on Sunday, September 16 at 6:30 pm at church. We'll meet in the Fellowship Room, off the sanctuary, so please enter through the North side glass doors. We will go over the final itinerary and plans and make sure that everyone is set to go when we leave Madison on October 11.

Senior Cook Out and Euchre Tournament

The monthly event will be held on Monday, September 17. Pastor Dean will be grilling brats, hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken breasts and veggie burgers. Buns, condiments, soft beverages and beer will be provided. Guests who come to enjoy the meal are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Those who wish to stay and play euchre are welcome to do that. A free-will offering will be received to cover the cost of the sandwiches and beverages. Sign up in the narthex or with Chris Anders. Heads up—Pastor Dean has planned a Scandinavian meal for October 22. Watch for details.

Quran AND/OR Bible

In our society, so many people talk about what they think the Muslim Holy Book (Quran) says. Many people talk about what they think the differences and similarities are between these two important religious books that have guided the people of God for centuries. BUT the truth

is, most people don't understand these two books and how they might compliment or contradict each other. As caring Christians, we have an obligation to know the truth about our sisters and brothers from other religions. God calls us all to be compassionate and caring because all people have been created by God in God's image. On Wednesday, September 19, Pastor Dean will resume leading a Bible study from noon until 1:00 in the Fellowship Room. The topic of this study will be *"Do we worship the same God-comparing the Bible and the Quran."* About 25 folks have been participating in this weekly Bible study that has covered a variety of topics over several years. New participants are always welcome. You should bring a Bible (*we use the CEV translation in this group*). If you have a Quran, you should bring that too (*not necessary to buy a Quran for the study*). Coffee is served at the study. Sometimes we have baked goods. You can bring your lunch if you desire. You do not have to sign up in advance. Just show up at noon on September 19 with open minds ready to absorb knowledge and enjoy great fellowship.

Sunday Morning Education

Education for adults and high school youth will begin on Sunday, September 23 at 10:00am, in the Fellowship Room or the Sanctuary. On this day, former Lakeview pastor, Mary Pharmer, will be our guest presenter and she will be showing a slide show in the sanctuary.

As you know, Pastor Mary lived in El Paso, on the Texas/Mexico border for the first 3 months of this year. She will be returning there in October. She volunteered in a house of hospitality for immigrants coming across the border from Mexico and Central America. Our

congregation sent socks and zip lock bags with Pastor Mary when she departed. She will be sharing her story and what she learned during this experience. This is your chance to hear from someone we know in Madison, about what is going on at the nation's border. On September 30 we will welcome a familiar member of our community at 10:00am who will speak on climate change. Come and hear meteorologist Bob Lindmeier at the adult forum. There will be a special congregational meeting on Sunday, October 7 at 10:00am. Pastor Dean and 35 other members of Lakeview will be in New Orleans on Sunday October 14. But on Sunday, October 21 come at 10:00am to hear Neil McCallum come and speak about senior driving. He will also address how to help seniors to give up driver licenses. Neil provided a very good workshop at Lakeview this summer, which many attended. His forum in October is for everyone, not just those who identify as senior.

Collecting Toothbrushes

Over the weekend of Sept 22/23, we will collect toothbrushes to send with Pastor Mary Pharmer, as she returns to the hospitality house in Texas, along our nation's border. Pastor Mary will lead worship here that weekend and give her presentation at 10:00 am. She is looking for new toothbrushes to take with her when she returns to Texas in October. All kinds and sizes. Bring on the brushes.

Bible Sunday/Kid's Sing

On October 7 we will have the opportunity to give the gift of a Bible to our Sunday school youth who are age three or in third grade. The

Sunday school kids will also sing during worship on this day.

Congregational Meeting

The church council is calling a special congregation meeting for immediately after worship on Sunday, October 7. The purpose of this meeting is twofold; to update the congregation on the financial situation of Lakeview, as you have requested, and to gain information on what the congregation sees as upcoming projects that must be completed here. All voting members are encouraged to attend this meeting. Thank you.

Not Everyone is Cisgender

If you were able to join us last year for our study of the ELCA Social Statement on Women and Justice, or if you were able to be present at our Lenten Presentation given by Ginger, you know that cisgender means that a person has a gender identity that matches the sex they had at birth. You learned that most of the population falls into this category but also that a great deal of people in our communities do not. People who are not cisgender often refer to themselves as transgender and identify themselves with a different gender than they were born into. Some people are gender fluid and do not identify as being a single gender. Many people in our congregation have expressed a desire to study the topic of gender further. Therefore, Pastor Dean will lead a study this fall. The study will include purchasing and reading the book *"What Does God Think? Transgender People and the Bible."* Then participants will attend three class sessions/discussion from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on Monday October 22, October 29 and

November 5 at church. The final piece of this study will be on Monday, November 12 when pastor has arranged to have a trans male and a trans female available to meet with the group for informal conversation and dialogue. To participate in this event over the course of four weeks, you simply need to give Pastor Dean \$16 along with your name. He will then get the book to you and some other materials when he has them ready. It will be helpful to bring a Bible to the 3 study/discussion sessions.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped to remove the dying ash tree and the ground shrubs on the south side of the building this summer. And, then, thank you to everyone who helped to clean up the area, spread topsoil and seed and water the area. Volunteers are what make things happen in the church world.

Day Care at Lakeview Lutheran Church

The decision has been made by the council to not proceed with establishing a day care program in our building. The task force and many council members met together recently to review what would have to happen at Lakeview to turn space into a licensed day care center. A contractor met with us and informed us that to bring the space into compliance with state licensing regulations would cost about \$250,000.00. The estimate that they gave for an architect was \$10,000.00. The council believes that day care is needed on the Northside and that it would be a most important ministry for us to take on. However the council also believes that we are not in the position, financially, at this time, to expend this money.

Northside Early Childhood Zone

The Northside Early Childhood Zone (NECZ) was established about a year ago, through the collaboration of several agencies in our community. A large part of the budget has been funded by the Rennebohm Foundation. The zone strives to serve parents and families on the Northside, to enhance parenting in many ways, including teaching skills, employment, transportation and more. Our congregation will be working closely throughout the fall with the NECZ, as we will provide space each Tuesday and Thursday evening for them to teach adults in the neighborhood life skills, work skills and improved self-esteem. We look forward to this opportunity for ministry. Eventually there will be a need for volunteers to assist the program, from our congregation, probably to provide an evening meal. You are all invited to an open house at the NECZ on August 30 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. They are located at 2830 Dryden Drive. There will be music, food, activities for children and fun for everyone. It's all free and a great way for Lakeview to connect with our new partners on the Northside.

December Bus Trip

Mark your calendars that Lakeview will be taking a 30 passenger coach bus to Chicago on Tuesday, December 4. Chris Anders is working out the details and cost for this holiday trip. She will have a sign up for you as soon as the details are in place. We always have a good time going to Chicago for the holidays and you don't have to do any driving—Chris has arranged for Pastor Dean to drive the bus!

Book Club Reads Revision

The decision was made by Lakeview's book group to read and discuss a book titled "Trouble I've Seen" which has been selected as

the fall Big Read for the South Central Synod. In order to do that, we needed to rearrange the books we are reading for a couple of months. Following is the revised list of titles for the rest of the year and beyond:

BOOK CLUB

THE LAKEVIEW BOOK CLUB GETS TOGETHER EVERY FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6:30PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP ROOM FOR DISCUSSION. ANYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.

SEPTEMBER (TUESDAY THE 4TH) - "BRAVING IT" BY JAMES CAMPBELL. SHIRLEY EWERT LEADING.

OCTOBER 1 - "TROUBLE I'VE SEEN: CHANGING THE WAY THE CHURCH VIEWS RACISM" BY DREW HART

NOVEMBER - NOT MEETING, SO THAT PEOPLE CAN PARTICIPATE IN PASTOR DEAN'S STUDY ON TRANS AND CIS GENDER

DECEMBER 3 - "THE HATE U GIVE" BY ANGIE THOMAS. CHRIS ANDERS LEADING.

FEBRUARY 4 2019 - "THEY MARCHED INTO SUNLIGHT" BY DAVID MARANISS. SHIRLEY EWERT LEADING.

MARCH 4 2019 - "THE UNREMEMBERED GIRL" BY ELIZA MAXWELL. LINETTE HASS LEADING



MUM Just Bakery Youth helping with cleanup after the August Senior Lunch.

A WORD FROM PASTOR DEAN

Dear Friends,

Remember a few weeks ago in the gospel story from Mark, Jesus showed compassion to his followers by taking them to the other side of the lake? He took them there to get away from the taxing life of ministry that they had been experiencing. Jesus wanted to be sure that his followers got some time for refreshment and renewal before they returned to their tasks of teaching, preaching, healing, forgiving and showing mercy to the crowds. Unfortunately, for Jesus' followers in that story, the crowds were relentless and quickly found them. There was little opportunity for the disciples to rest and recuperate and then the crowd was hungry and Jesus showed more compassion by having the disciples get them fed.

Jesus calls us to find time to rest and to renew ourselves, also. I think of summer in Wisconsin as that time. I live very differently during these precious months. We take a break in programming at Lakeview during June, July and August. Many folks enjoy time away, camping trips, vacations, gardening and just being outside and enjoying the sun and excitement of our brief summers. And, just like the early followers of Jesus, who were called back to ministry, Jesus calls us back from summer break as well.

In September we return to a calendar filled with worship, Bible studies, senior lunches and euchre tournaments, choir, trips to New Orleans and Chicago, book clubs, knitting groups, and guest presentations on climate change, immigration and driving. There will be blood drives and foot clinics and students and self-improvement classes. We'll tackle social issues and get ready for Thanksgiving dinner. There will be special offerings for folks or situations, where there is need. We'll have workdays for Habitat and we'll collect things for the food pantry. There will be meetings that we put off having in the summer.

I love the summer break and the opportunity to live life at a slower pace. But I also enjoy the opportunities for ministry, that we return to in September. Ministry is what we are called to do. I invite you to return to ministry at Lakeview. You can start it off by worshipping and enjoying food and fellowship on September 9 at the MacKenzie Center, near Poynette. Then, consider all the ways that we do ministry at Lakeview and how you might participate in those options. Maybe you'd like to participate in something new and different like the study on the Bible and the Quran. Maybe you'd like to find out what serving dinner to 300 people on Thanksgiving is all about. Maybe you'd appreciate the food and fellowship at a senior lunch. Maybe you'd like to be better informed about several social issues that we'll be addressing this year. Maybe you'd like to establish some new relationships by coming to knitting group, book group, or on a day trip to Chicago.

So enjoy these final days of rest and relaxation. Take full advantage of the longer and warmer days of August. Explore some new spot yet, either in a foreign land or right here in the great state of Wisconsin. Then get psyched up for returning to the work of ministry.

Peace,

Pastor DEAN

Lakeview Lutheran Church Sunday School 2018-2019
REGISTRATION FORM

First Name	Last Name	Birthdate mm/dd/yy	Current Age	Grade in School 2018-2019
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				

Please note if child has any allergies/medical conditions/medication/issues:

Parent/Guardian Contact Information

Father's Name (or guardian)			
Address			
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Email			
Mother's Name (or guardian)			
Address			
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Email			

In case of Emergency

Preferred Clinic			
Preferred Hospital			
Secondary Contact Name			
Home Phone		Cell Phone	

Submit completed form to: Lakeview Lutheran Church, 4001 Mandrake Road, Madison WI 53704
Office tel: 608.244.6181 <http://lakeviewlutheranchurch.org/>
Questions? Contact Sunday School Superintendent, Annette Pownell aepownell@yahoo.com

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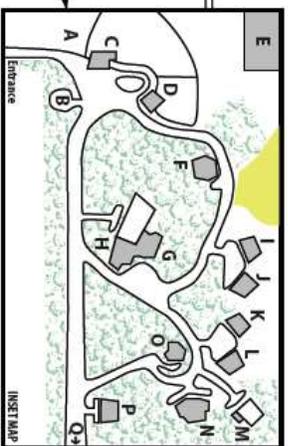
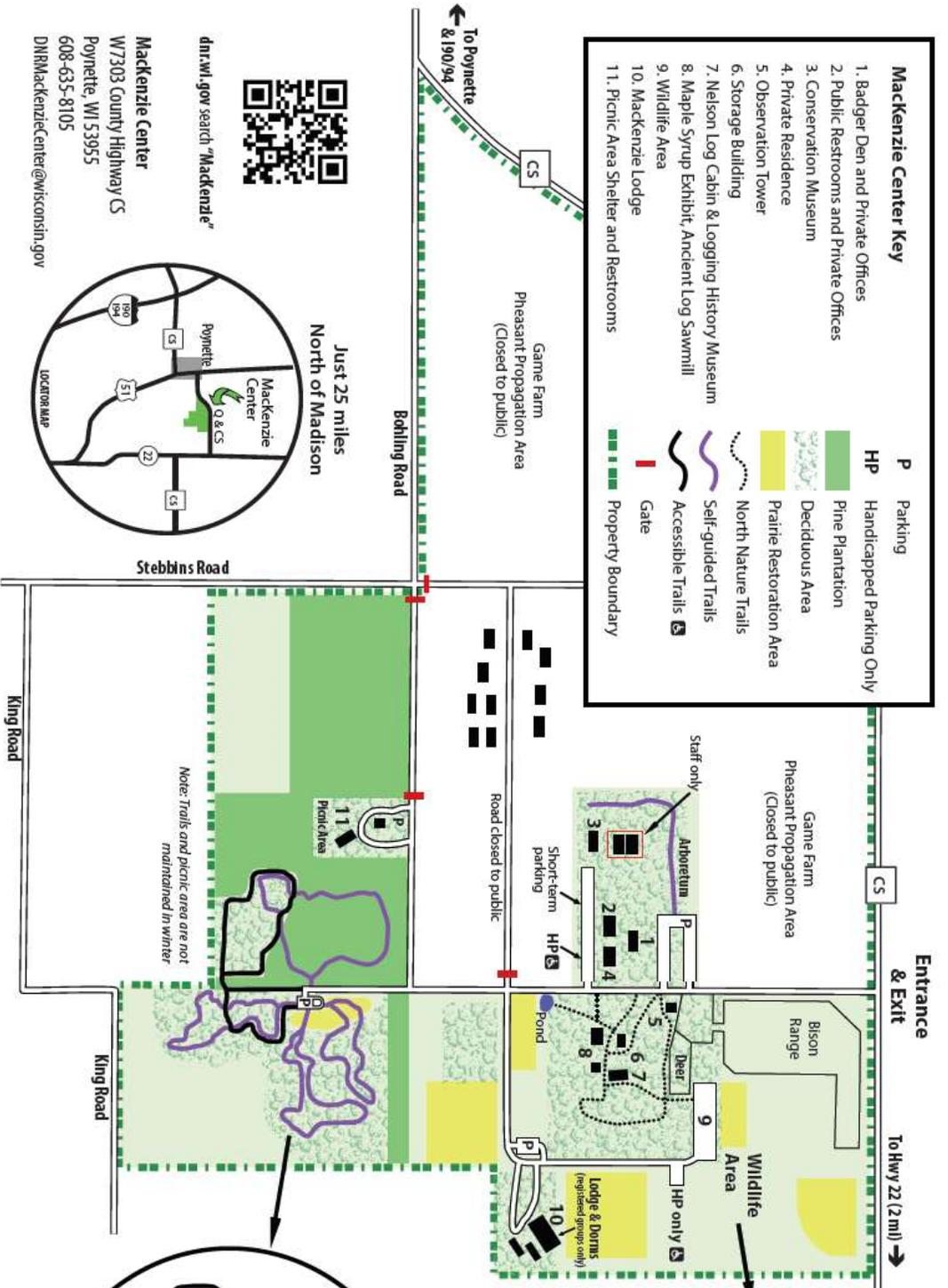


Mackenzie Center Key

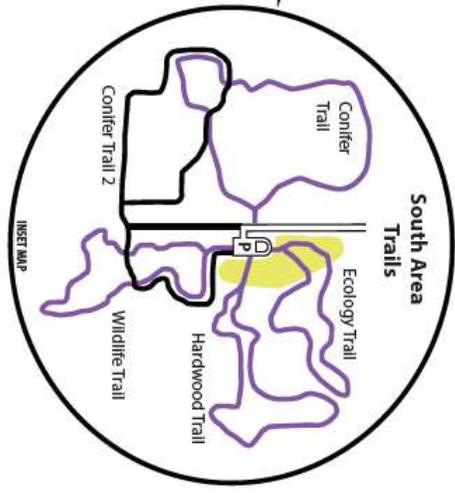
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- Public Restrooms and Private Offices
- Conservation Museum
- Private Residence
- Observation Tower
- Storage Building
- Nelson Log Cabin & Logging History Museum
- Maple Syrup Exhibit, Ancient Log Sawmill
- Wildlife Area
- Mackenzie Lodge
- Picnic Area Shelter and Restrooms

P Parking
HP Handicapped Parking Only

- Pine Plantation
- Deciduous Area
- Prairie Restoration Area
- North Nature Trails
- Self-guided Trails
- Accessible Trails
- Gate
- Property Boundary

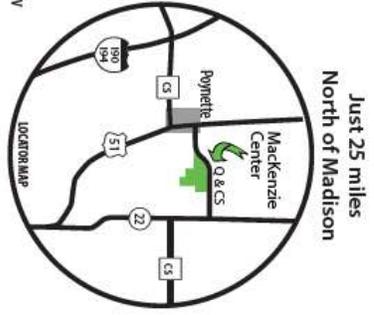


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- A. Deer Enclosure
 - B. Teaching Station
 - C. Wolf
 - D. Coyotes
 - E. Bison Range (not visible from wildlife area)
 - F. Badger
 - G/H. Lynx
 - I. Red-tailed Hawk
 - J. Banded Owl and Great Horned Owl
 - K. Turkey Vulture
 - L. Bald Eagle
 - M. Red Fox
 - N. River Otter
 - O. Striped Skunk
 - P. Porcupine
 - Q. To Handicapped parking



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Educational Opportunities Abound!**

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9:00am Sunday

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