

THE BEACON

Sin and Satan—Wednesday noon Bible study.

Pastor Dean leads this weekly study in the Fellowship Room from noon until 1:00 pm. Coffee and tea are served and Punky Egan generously makes fabulous treats to be shared. You are invited to bring a lunch, if you wish. Remember to bring a Bible. All are welcome, including those who have never come before. The schedule is below. We begin again on September 11.

Sep 11	What is the purpose of human life?	Dec 04	What does the word evil mean?
Sep 18	<i>No class because of Washington DC trip</i>	Dec 11	Who is Satan?
Sep 25	What does it mean that humans are created in the image of God?	Dec 18	Are Satan and the Devil the same?
Oct 02	What is sin?	Dec 25	<i>No Class/Christmas</i>
Oct 09	Why do humans sin?	Jan 01	<i>No Class/New Years</i>
Oct 16	<i>No Class-Pastor Dean on vacation</i>	Jan 08	Did God create Satan?
Oct 23	<i>No Class-Pastor Dean on vacation</i>	Jan 15	Did God create sin?
Oct 30	Is Halloween the holiday of the Devil/Satan?	Jan 22	Does sin vary in degree?
Nov 06	What is meant by “original sin?”	Jan 29	Is there an unpardonable sin?
Nov 13	Are Adam and Eve literal?	Feb 05	Does Satan serve God’s purposes?
Nov 20	Do humans have free-will?	Feb 12	Does sin make our lives hopeless?
Nov 27	<i>No Class/Thanksgiving</i>	Feb 19	Why does Lent focus so much on sin?
		Feb 26	<i>No Class/Ash Wednesday</i>

Preaching Group

Pastor Dean would like to encourage lay people to preach, periodically, during worship at Lakeview. He knows there are some folks out there who would be interested in giving this a try. It’s another opportunity to use your gifts for the sake of the gospel. Sermons don’t have to be limited to ordained pastors! So, if you have any kind of interest in preaching at Lakeview, come to the informational meeting that Pastor will lead on October 1 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Room. Pastor Dean will assist anyone interested in researching, preparing and presenting a sermon. You won’t be left out there to flounder. Prayerfully consider giving preaching in your congregation a try and come to hear more on October 1.

Sunday School Resumes

At the Rally Day celebration on September 8 at Lake Farm County Park, all Sunday school children will assist with a portion of the service. They will be called forward when it's time. We'll have some fun. Parents can register their children on that day, while watching their kids play in the bouncy house. See the complete agenda for the day in this newsletter. We will also install our education staff at that service and we would love for you to be part of that volunteer staff. We NEED Sunday school leaders and would hope that some of you would take the risk and volunteer to help. Just let our Sunday school superintendent, Annette Pownell, know that you are interested. You would make Annette's day! Everyone should plan to join the celebration and special events at Lake Farm County Park. Sunday school classes will begin on September 15 at 10:00am at church

Dorcas Circle will begin meeting Tuesday, 9/10, at 9:30am in the Conference Room.

Choir Resumes

The Lakeview Choir will begin rehearsals again on Thursday, September 12, at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary. New choir members are always welcome and encouraged. Just come to the north side glass doors. You'll get music, a warm reception from the rest of the choir, a chance to lead worship, great fellowship and a weekly joke that may even be funny! This year, give choir a try.

Office Administrator to Preach

On September 14/15 Pastor Dean will preside at the services but Lakeview's office administrator, Laura Jasiczek, will preach the sermon. We are grateful that Laura will share her gifts with us. You are invited to be in worship.

September Food Pantry Collection

Our monthly food pantry collection in September will be during worship on September 14/15. The item that the pantry needs that weekend is toilet paper. Clean and new only! They need a lot, as our patron households have increased and the only way the pantry can acquire toilet paper is to buy it outright or have it donated. So, let's load up the pantry by bringing lots of TP to the cart in front of the sanctuary on this weekend. Thanks for all your support of our pantry.

Lakeview Food Pantry—WOW

The Lakeview Food Pantry, that is operated and funded by our congregation, continues to be open every Monday evening from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. It is a walk-in Dane County pantry. You do not need an appointment to use the pantry and you are eligible to use it once a month. Identification is needed. The Lakeview pantry is a very comfortable and generous place and our volunteers are sensitive and extremely helpful. Our pantry provides food but also personal care items when we can. We also provide school supplies in the Fall and seasonal clothing and shoes, when donated to the pantry. People like to come to the Lakeview pantry and there has been a significant increase in its use. In June of 2018, 81 households used the pantry. In June of 2019, 103 households did so. In July 2018, 94 households used the pantry. In July 2019, 113 households did so. Soooo-your gifts to the pantry are ALWAYS greatly appreciated. The pantry appreciates your donated bags and seasonal clothing. The pantry especially appreciates your monthly donations in worship and the pantry always needs the following high demand items; toilet paper, dish soap, cold

cereal, bottled juice, combination salt/pepper shakers, and shampoo. Shop the sales and bring items to the pantry any time. There are also volunteer needs in the pantry and you are encouraged to check in with Gretchen Macht, volunteer food pantry coordinator, to share your time. And remember, financial gifts to the pantry are always welcome. Last month the pantry had to replace a 17-year-old freezer. Make your checks to Lakeview and note the gift is for the pantry. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry that is over 35 years old!!!

New Member Group

Normally, Pastor Dean meets individually for an hour with anyone wishing to become a member of Lakeview. But on Sunday, September 15, he will hold a group new member meeting. This group will meet in the Fellowship Room near the coffee pot from 10:00am to 11:00am. Anyone who would like to join Lakeview is invited to come to this meeting. You will hear some history, understand how Lakeview operates today and find out how you can share your talents and your financial gifts to support the ministry and mission of this place. At the end of the meeting, you will be given an information sheet to complete and turn into the office. Once that's done---you belong to Lakeview! It would also be great for existing members to come to this meeting. You will benefit from the review and you will be able to share and encourage those who wish to join us. Spread the word.

Sunday Morning Adult Class

Pastor Dean will lead a Sunday morning adult group at 10:00 am after worship. This will happen in the Fellowship Room. Pastor will be

talking about Lutherans. He'll look at our history and who we are in the United States today. There are many of us and we come in different varieties with different doctrines. We'll address all that. The adult group begins on September 15 with a new member class. This will be very Lutheran based, so come on over. Pastor will put together a syllabus for you to have at that class. All are welcome.

Confirmation Orientation

Any youth in grades 7, 8 and 9 are invited to participate in the Lakeview confirmation program. Classes are two Sunday mornings per month and taught by Taryn Lantz. This year the class theme will be Bible stories. Pastor Dean assists Taryn and organizes the winter retreat to enhance the program. Confirmation students assist with worship by acolyting. If you would like to participate in the confirmation program this year, students and parents/guardians should attend a brief orientation meeting on Sunday, September 15, at 8:00am in the sanctuary. The meeting will conclude in plenty of time for worship at 9:00am. Thank you to Taryn for teaching and thank you to parents and students for participating.

Porchlight Meal September 17

Our meal ministry at the Porchlight Men's Homeless Shelter at Grace Episcopal has been very successful and will continue on the third Tuesday of every odd month. We serve next on September 17. You can find a sign up board in the narthex where you can indicate what food you can donate to this hot meal and the following morning breakfast. In July, we served 75 men. Those numbers will increase back up to 150 as the colder months in Wisconsin arrive.

You can also indicate how you can volunteer to help with this meal on the board in the narthex. Thank you to council president Gregg Steinhauer and wife Beth for leading us in this important outreach ministry. And thank you to all the members and guests of the congregation who donate food and time to make it happen.

Adult Trip to Washington DC

On Wednesday, September 18, twenty-nine folks will fly from Chicago O'Hare Airport to Reagan National, in DC. They will be led by Pastor Dean on another adventure of history, national significance, worship, good food and drink, and fun and shenanigans. This group will see the sites on the national mall, the national cathedral, Arlington Cemetery, the Pentagon, Mt Vernon, and the capital. They will stay in beautiful and historic Alexandria and worship where George and Martha Washington worshiped at Christ Episcopal Church. These trips always provide participants with new educational experiences and great fellowship with others who attend. The group returns on September 23. Keep our travelers in your prayers.

Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 24, is the next blood drive at Lakeview Lutheran Church. Please go to redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or call the church office. Please let Terry Warnke - tlwarnke@gmail.com or (608) 576-8695 - know if you can help that day or provide treats. Thank you.

News You Can Use

This monthly ministry was well received after trying it last year. Pastor Dean, Chris Anders and Laura Jasiczek will again offer this program this fall. The first presentation will be in the

Fellowship Room on Thursday, September 26. It will be from 9:30 to 10:30am. Hot beverages and pastries will be available. A free will offering to cover the cost of the treats will be received. Our first presenter will be Shari Dorn-Gray from the Dane County Department of Human Services. Shari will present information about you establishing a "power of attorney." This is important stuff. Remember "News You Can Use" will occur on the 4th Thursday of every month. And our goal is to provide you with information that you can take home and incorporate into your lives.

Senior Lunch and Euchre Tournament

Once a month you are invited to get out of your houses and away from your mundane lunch schedule and join friends from Lakeview and the Northside at church. In September, come to East Hall on Monday the 30th. Each month the menu is something different. We try to incorporate comfort foods with new experiences and ethnic dishes throughout the year. In September, Pastor Dean will grill chicken. We'll have dinner rolls, soda, beer, wine and coffee for beverages. All guests are invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share. A free will offering is always taken to cover the cost of the food/beverages that the church provides. If there are leftovers, you are invited to drop a couple more dollars in the pail and take some home. We eat at 11:00am and after the lunch many people stay and play in the euchre tournament, where prizes are given. Others help clean up and some just enjoy sitting and "gabbing" with others. If you haven't tried a senior lunch, you should indeed do that soon. We simply ask that you sign up in the narthex every month, so we know how much food to

purchase and prepare. Come on over! Bring a friend!

Updates to Your Profile

Each member of this congregation has a profile in the Realm church record keeping system. You have all been invited to establish a password to use this online church directory. When you move or make changes to your contact information, please remember to inform the church office. Changes include email address, street address, phone numbers, marital status or becoming a member at another congregation. Sometimes these things change and we are not notified and then have no way to contact you. Also, when you move and don't update your address, the church must pay for any returned mail we receive that is no longer

able to be delivered. When you have a current email address in your profile, you will receive weekly updates from Pastor Dean and other information that is emailed to the congregation.

Winter Youth Retreat

Last year, the winter youth retreat was a success. There were 6 youth and 2 adults who spent the weekend looking at hunger at the Borden Cottage on the grounds of the Green Lake Conference Center. Pastor Dean has reserved the Borden Cottage for January 17-19, 2020 for the next winter retreat. If you will be in grades 6-9 during this upcoming school year, you are invited and encouraged to attend this retreat. More information will be provided, but you may wish to mark your calendars at this time. Save the date!

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 3 (TUE) "THE ART OF HEARING HEARTBEATS" BY JAN-PHILIPP SENDKER

OCTOBER 7 "BECOMING MRS. LEWIS: THE IMPROBABLE LOVE STORY OF JOY DAVIDMAN AND C.S. LEWIS" BY PATTI CALLAHAN HENRY

NOVEMBER 4 "BECOMING" BY MICHELLE OBAMA

A WORD FROM PASTOR DEAN

Dear Friends,

I have never met an undocumented immigrant or asylum seeker who was a rapist, murderer or drug dealer. I'm sure that just like the citizens of this nation, such immigrants exist. The undocumented immigrants that I have personally known have come to this nation to protect their children. They have come here from Syria because of political persecution and the threat of death. They have come here from Columbia and Mexico to earn an income to feed their families here and in their home countries. I could not imagine doing what the people I have encountered have done to get into this country to find safety and freedom from extreme poverty. In fact, I admire those parents who have violated laws and traditions and left families, homes and friends to protect their children. I did a lot for my kids, but never anything that extreme.

We are a nation of immigrants. I'm fourth generation from Germany. We are a church of immigrants. We've come from Norway and Denmark and Sweden and Germany and more recently from Africa, China, Central America and India. We have come to this nation to be able to express our religious values freely and

without persecution. We've come to this nation to find work and to provide for our families. Many of us have come "legally" and some of us have come "illegally." And we are grateful for this nation, which is not perfect, but which has been relatively safe and prosperous.

And now we get to respond to those who wish to come here, just as our ancestors did. And some of our responses have been inhumane, cruel and terribly unjust. We have harmed families and particularly children. We have forced people to fear for their lives. We have even done harm to elements of our own economy. And we justify all this by saying that we have a law. We close our eyes to injustice and cruelty and say that the victims of the injustice violated a law and deserved what they got.

But we are faith based people. We are Christians. We are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We are invited to use a different measuring stick than some in society. We are invited to approach the issue of immigration from the perspective of God's grace and the call of Jesus. Jesus taught us to love our neighbors and enemies. He regularly reached out to those who were oppressed, downtrodden and rejected on the earth in his time. Jesus even prayed for his persecutors as he was being rejected on the cross. And above all, through his death on the cross, which we lift up as salvation, God redeemed the world. The gospel of peace heals our broken relationship with God and sends us forth in the creation. We look at the words of Christ when he said ***"when you have done it to the least of these, you have done it to me."*** Or we lift up St Paul's words in Romans, ***"Welcome one another, just as Christ has welcomed you, to the glory of God."*** Or we may take a serious look at the Hebrew laws found in Leviticus in our Old Testament, ***"When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien. The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself; for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God."***

This summer, at the ELCA National Assembly in Milwaukee, our church stood with the words of biblical text. It stood with our history and tradition of being an immigrant nation and church body. It stood with the examples given to us by Jesus. It stood with the oppressed people of the world whom God has called us to stand with. At that assembly, our church passed a resolution making us the first church in this nation to become a sanctuary community for immigrants. And just to be sure, that is not an entirely new position of the ELCA. In 1998 this church established a social message on immigration. That document contains these words; ***"We (ELCA) support a generous policy of welcome for refugees and immigrants. We will advocate for just immigration policies, include fairness in visa regulations and in admitting and protecting refugees. We will work for policies that cause neither undue repercussions within immigrant communities nor bias against them."***

It is my prayer that hearts, which are hardened against all immigrants, including those who are undocumented, will be softened. It is my prayer that immigration policies in this nation will reflect respect and courtesy to all who are on this soil. They have been created in God's image. My prayer is that families will not be separated and torn apart or sent back to places where their lives are put in danger. My prayer is that we will use that book we hold so dear, the Bible, as a measuring stick for our response to immigration in the United States of America. May the grace and love of God stir you and move you to compassion.

Peace,

Pastor DEAN

You're Invited!
Lakeview Lutheran Church Rally Day Celebration
Sept 8, 2019
Lake Farm County Park-picnic shelter #3
4330 Libby Road

Directions:

From Beltline, take South Towne/ Raywood Road south
After water treatment plant, turn left on Moorland Road, which continues on Lake Farm Road.
Go past Lake Farm Campgrounds and immediately turn left on Libby Road.

Go almost to Lake Waubesa and turn left on drive to shelters—go to end of road--
covered shelter #3---park in circle---handicap access on paved walkway

Itinerary:

Blow up bouncy house for kids from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm (closed during worship)

Community worship at 10:00 am with baptism, Holy Communion,
installation of education staff, sermon, songs, children's time

Potluck picnic at 11:00 am—fried and baked chicken catered from
Hy-Vee, egg salad alternative, table service and lemonade provided.

After picnic enjoy the park-

Hike/bike on many acres of trails

Ride bike or walk across the boardwalk bridge to McFarland

Play on the playground equipment at picnic shelter

Go in bouncy house

Bring a paddleboard, kayak, canoe or boat and enjoy Lake Waubesa

Play volleyball—net installed, you bring ball

Bring your pet on a leash and county park permit (welcome at worship, too)

Throw in a line and bait

Enjoy a cold beverage in your lawn chair with others

Stop by Christy's Landing and enjoy the waterfront patio

You bring:

Blankets or lawn chairs (*picnic tables, water, electric plugs and flush toilets in shelter*)

Food to share—salads, desserts, cheese trays, Cheetos etc

Beverages of your choice if you don't want lemonade

Pets, volleyballs, lawn games

A fun spirit ready to worship and enjoy food and fellowship

A guest or friend!

Dress is very VERY casual
Campground reservations call 608-224-3730

Baking with Punky-Fall 2019

There is exciting news in the kitchen at Lakeview. Punky Egan, our resident master baker, is going to lead a monthly baking group in the kitchen, starting this Fall. She can have 10 people participate in each group. Below you will see the dates and what Punky intends to instruct. So, you will be able to sign up as the months approach. Punky will supply all the ingredients and you will take home samples of your baked goods. She is suggesting a donation of \$20 per student, per class. This donation will go directly to assist with paying off the kitchen loan with the Lakeview Cemetery. So, lots of fun fellowship, good food, and a fundraiser for the kitchen! You can't go wrong.

PASTRIES-TARTS

Oct. 1, 10:00am-12:00pm

Tarts are actually easier to make than pies. You'll learn the techniques of classic tart dough and fillings. The class will create pear almond tarts, country apple tarts, and mini chocolate ganache tartlettes.

AUTUMN MACARONS

Oct. 29, 10:00am-12:00pm

We'll go through the process step-by-step so that you learn how to make this delicious French cookie. We'll make a Swiss meringue buttercream filling and a chocolate ganache filling with Fall flavors to complete the perfect macaron.

DECORATIVE SUNBURST BREAD

Nov. 19, 10:00am-12:00pm

A stunning bread centerpiece is just the thing for a Thanksgiving feast! You'll make and take home a colorful multigrain sunburst bread. Not only beautiful to look at, but delicious, too!

COOKIE EXCHANGE

Dec. 10, 10:00am-12:00pm

In this class you'll make an assortment of holiday cookies that include: lemon pinch, spritz, coconut macaroons, pecan fingers, pizzelles, rumballs, shortbread, and linzer cookies. You'll get your cookie baking completed with this class!



In August, the Food Pantry got a new freezer to replace one from 2002.

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Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday 8:00-4:30, Thursday 8-2, Friday Closed

Service Schedule:

5:00pm Saturday

9:00am Sunday

Rally Worship 10:00am Sunday, 9/8, followed by Picnic and Potluck

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