

Lakeview United Methodist Church

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April Showers Bring May Flowers



ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Kathi McCormick and opened with a devotion and prayer by Kathi. Those present in addition to Kathi were Pastor Richie, Don Wilson, Laura Poe, Dick Thompson, Jeff Ekstrom and Marilyn Morton. Motion (Don/Laura) carried to accept the March minutes as printed.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report was distributed. There was discussion regarding roof fund numbers and Jeff will double check on this.

Motion Don Wilson/Laura Poe to accept the report as printed and Jeff will check on a couple items.

Finance - We received \$135.47 for the quarter from Kroger's (this money is from Lakeview's members who signed up to participate in the Kroger Community Awards program). Nineteen households participated for the quarter.

Family Ministries - We are currently looking for someone to accept chairmanship of this committee.

Karen Bowyer will handle Bible School this vear.

Possibility of a paid person to handle our children's programs is being considered, and we are continuing to pursue some options.

Trustees – The trustees have the lawn mower ready to be used for grass cutting. Also, John Carr has donated a riding lawn mower to the church -and our current mower will be for sale. (Thanks John)

Spring Clean-Up will be handled similar to last year – a list of jobs is posted on the easel at the back of the sanctuary individuals can take a job, and complete on their time schedule. Ed Schott is in charge of this in case of questions.

Worship - Committee Chairpersons are still working their way through responsibilities of Some clarification was the committee. discussed and offers of help were presented.

Pastor's Report- The Lakeview Youth Group has had a couple weeks off because of Easter vacation. The group ranges from 7 -20 attendees. Good fun had by all at our meetings.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL-Cont'd

The Women's Conference will be held at Lakeview, April 21st, 10 am- 2 pm.

Pastor will be away April 26-29 for an Emmaus Walk. Wayne Kersey will handle the Sunday Service on the 29th.

Pastor will be preaching at a Revival, May 4-6.

The 5K Run will be held on May 5th, 9 am.

Pastor Richie closed the meeting with prayer.

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER

Though the weather was uncooperative, it was another glorious Easter morning at Lakeview. The Sunrise Service was held at Humphreys UMC in Tornado (inside this year, because of the inclement weather) and was followed by a wonderful breakfast hosted by the Humphrey's congregation. Lakeview thanks Humphreys for this great meal. Then it was back to Lakeview for the Morning Worship.

We were greeted by two beautiful silk floral arrangements, designed and created by our **Dave Williams**, his gift to our church. Thank you, Dave! Dave, who makes his living as a floral designer, recently won second place in a live floral design competition. This reporter saw the floral piece and can't imagine what could have been more beautiful to win first place than his. Congratulations, Dave. Also, we thank Dave for the beautiful music he provides each Sunday.

The Children's Annual Easter Egg Hunt, usually held on the lush grass of our church yard, alas, had to be moved indoors too. But no one seemed to mind, for the children scurried around the multipurpose room and gathered their treats with joy. This reporter never participated in an Easter Egg Hunt, but my sisters and I had to look all over the house to find our Easter baskets.

One of the most wonderful reasons to love Easter is, of course, our **Risen Savior** and his victory over death. But, another reason to love Easter, is the gathering of family for the holiday. As this reporter sat looking out at our congregation from my seat in the choir, I could see many families who had traveled to spend the holiday with their dear ones. It is always good to see these folks from far away.

Let me not forget to thank our **Pastor Richie** for his inspiring message on Good Friday and his always meaningful sermons on Sundays. We are blessed to have **Richie and his family** with us at Humphreys and Lakeview.

Another Easter blessing was the beautiful music provided to us by our Tracie Atkinson and her cousin, Cameron Burford. Cameron was seriously ill last year, so it had been awhile since we had heard his magnificent voice. This reporter is always thrilled and amazed by his gift. And Tracie, who is with us every Sunday, shares her gift so graciously and beautifully. It was a Blessed Easter indeed.

The Lakeview Choir, under the direction of our Tracie Atkinson, with our Organist/Pianist, Dave Williams and our Narrator, Wayne Kersey presented the Easter Cantata, "Oh, What a Savior!" on Palm Sunday. We were pleased to have Shiela Gannoe from Humphreys join with us along with soloist, Candy Morgan and Mike Kistner and Dave Williams who also soloed.

We also want to recognize and thank Barbara Smith and Laura Poe for changing the banners, dressing the altar, hanging the wreaths and lots of other odd jobs that need doing each church season.

Congratulations to **Samantha Humphreys** who recently turned sixteen. Keep an eye out for her on the road, folks. She will be another new driver soon!

NOTES FROM THE UNKNOWN REPORTER – Cont'd

We ask for continued healing for **Mary and John Carr** who can use our prayers. Mary fell
a couple of weeks ago and is recovering.

We ask for prayer for **Linda Thompson** who was forced to miss the Easter services due to various health issues.

We ask for prayer for **James Rose** who is recovering from recent back surgery. Please remember not to hug him because it will cause him undue pain.

We ask for healing prayer for **Perry Jones** who recently broke his ankle.

Don't Forget!

This is the first Women's Conference that Lakeview has ever had and this reporter thinks we should all make an effort to support it. It is to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm with lunch being served. There is no cost but a free will offering will be taken. See Leslie McNeil if you want to sign up. All it requires is your name, address, phone number and your email address. You are asked to bring a notebook and a Bible. So, come on, Ladies, let us have a fun, inspiring day at the church together. Bring a friend!

Don't Forget!

The first ever Sonshine 5K Run (and Walk) will leave from the church at 9:00 am on Saturday, May 5, 2018. One may sign up at the web site Aptiming.com/Lakeview5k.

FINANCE CORNER

Monies needed to make Budget \$7,958 Income for March \$11,681

All bills are paid in full.

If you have any questions concerning the budget, please see any member of the Finance Committee.

Thank you.

Finance Committee

HELP WITH LITURGIST

Pastor Richie needs some people to help with our Sunday Services. The Liturgist is valuable to assist Pastor Richie on Sundays. You can do one week or 2 weeks or whatever you like. Please call Bud Newbrough at 304-727-7739 if you can help. Thank you in advance.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Linda Thompson has the responsibility of keeping the church calendar for managing the facilities of the church.

We are trying to schedule rooms and etc. so we do not have two or more persons or groups trying to use the same facility at the same time. Please call Linda at 304-727-3723 or 304-546-8460 or Email lindathompson1@gmail.com to reserve a room or any part of the church.

At the same time let her know if you need heat, air conditioning or kitchen facilities and at what time.



Kid Kits

Items to include into your Kid Kits

24 Count Crayons
Pad of Paper
Coloring Book
2 Pencils
Toothbrush & Toothpaste
Comb or Brush
Stuffed Animal
Children's Book

April and May Anniversaries

POE	4/9
ASHLEY	4/10
GRIFFITH	4/15
THAXTON	5/5
BODEN	5/20
CASTO	5/26
KERSEY	5/29

April and May Birthdays

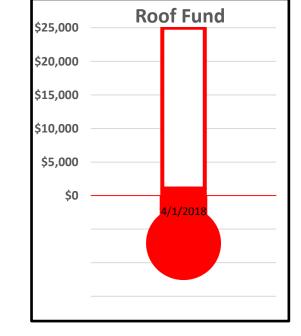
ALLI THAXTON	4/10
BOBBY MCCORMICK	4/13
TREVOR MAHER	4/17
DON MORTON	4/18
JOHN CARR	4/20
BILL ROSE	4/21
KAREN EKSTROM	4/22
ROBIN BLACK	4/23
BARB ROBINETTE	4/23
CAROL FRY	4/26
CAITLYN ASHLEY	
LIZARRAGA	5/6
HOLLIE FERGUSON	F/0
BACCHUS	5/8
TIM FERGUSON	5/8
SANDY ASHLEY	5/9
LAURA POE	5/12
FRAN CASTO	5/13
VIOLET SMITH	5/14
MARY ROSE	5/17
SANDY ROBERTS	5/19
SARAH BOWMAN	5/19
ASHLEY WILSON	5/20
AMY HUMPHREYS	5/22
STEPHANIE GIPE	5/26
JEFF EKSTROM	5/28
MARILYN MORTON	5/28
LINDA THOMPSON	5/28

If your birthday or anniversary is missing, please send an email to:

<u>Donaldp.wilson@yahoo.com</u> and I will add you to the list.

ROOF FUND

The roof over the multipurpose room, kitchen, choir room and classroom/nursery is approximately 20+ years old and will need to be replaced in the next few years. The cost for replacement is estimated to be around \$25,000. A Roof Fund has been established to accept donations toward replacing this roof. If you would like to make a donation, please give it to Jeff or Karen Ekstrom and designate it for the Roof Fund. Thank You.



CHURCH SPRING CLEAN UP

It is that time again. CHURCH SPRING CLEAN UP. We are doing like we did last year. There is a Job List in the rear of the Sanctuary and there is a tear off for each task. Please take one and sign your name by the Task you choose.

You may work on it at your convenience, day or night, morning or evening, week day or weekend. Mark it complete or let Ed Schott know when it is completed. MAKE HER SHINE FOLKS.