

# The Weekly News of the Lapeer Church of Christ

## Our Purpose

*The Lapeer church exists to glorify God through effective evangelism in our community first and then abroad, and to stimulate all to become more like Christ through loving unity, involvement, worship, meeting the needs of others, and spiritual edification.*

**We're here to meet your needs!**

## Times When We Meet

### Sunday:

Early Service	8:30 a.m.
Youth Bible Class	8:30 a.m.
Bible Classes	9:45 a.m.
Second Service	11:00 a.m.
Youth Bible Class	11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday:

Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.
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## 2009 Scripture Theme

*"Pursue the things which make for peace and building up of one another"*

Romans 14:19

## MINISTERS

### Pulpit

Kent Hoggatt

### Family

Jerry Brackney

## SHEPHERDS

Jerry Brackney

Kent Hoggatt

Bob Norton

Jack Slater

Dave Wright

## DEACONS

Don Jamison

## OFFICE SECRETARY

Freda Wright

## Statistics for April 12, 2009

### Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	62
Bible Class	116
11:00 a.m. Service	181
Total Worship	243
Evening Worship	19
Mid-week	88

### Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,756.74	\$66,594.63
Actual	\$ 3,812.36	\$64,377.61
Diff.	- \$ 944.38	-\$ 2,217.02
Restricted Income		\$115.00

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## Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **Rich Overton.**

Recently, we asked for someone to drive Joy Ennis to her eye surgery and Rich stepped up to help right away. Not only that, but when he arrived at Joy's house to pick her up, he told her that he had devoted his entire day to help her with whatever needed to be done, which included picking Steve up from the hospital following his surgery. Joy was so thankful and impressed by Rich's servant attitude and we are too. *Thank you, Rich! You are a blessing to us all!!*

## Pantry Food Needed

The following items are needed for our pantry. Please place them in the box next to the Secret Sister table:

Desserts    Soups    Snacks

## VBS Workers Needed

If you didn't receive a VBS volunteer form last Sunday for our 2009 VBS, please pick one up from the table in the lobby. The forms have a list of various jobs to be done before and during VBS. Please sign up for the area(s) you would like to help with and return them to Katy Weiss **TODAY.**

## VBS Committee

There will be a VBS committee meeting today at 9:45 a.m. in the classroom located behind the auditorium. The committee will be looking over the results of the volunteer forms.

## Bridal Shower

A bridal shower will be held for Allison Garrett this afternoon at 12:30 p.m. **Also, Allison would love to have copies of your favorite recipes. Please write down some of your recipes on the recipe cards which are available on the ladies bulletin board and bring them with you to the shower.**

## Softball

Men - if you are interested in playing for our men's softball team this year, please contact Bruce Nettles as soon as possible. Practice is this Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. on our field. The next practice will be Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00 p.m. on our field.

Ladies - if you are interested in playing for our ladies softball team, please contact Betsy Sornig or Ruthann Cox as soon as possible.

## Southern Reunion

There will be a southern reunion for all former Michigan Christian Youth Camp workers and attendees on Saturday, May 2 at the Goodpasture School in Nashville, TN. If you know of family or friends who live in the south and may want to attend, we encourage you to contact them with the information. Please contact Jerry Brackney at (810) 441-7575 if you have any questions.

## Card Night

The next card night will be held at Tom & Cindy Courneya's on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

## College Graduates

If you are graduating this semester, please contact Freda as soon as possible to let her know where you are graduating from and information about your degree. You can email her at [lapeercoc@charterinternet.com](mailto:lapeercoc@charterinternet.com) or call the office at (810) 664-1611.

## Town Hall For Hope

What is the *Town Hall for Hope*? It's an opportunity to sit down for a nationwide town hall meeting led by Christian financial expert Dave Ramsey. In the opening half hour, Dave will offer straight talk about the economy, recession, foreclosures and more. He'll carefully explain where we've come from, where we are now, and what we should be doing with our money during this time. Then, Dave will spend an hour answering *your* questions live! It's a free online meeting that will be held this **Thursday, April 23rd** at 8 p.m. Go to [www.townhallforhope.com](http://www.townhallforhope.com) for more information.

# The Shepherd's Staff

## New Deacons

As is described in 1st Timothy 3:10, we have put four men before you over the past few weeks and nothing was brought against them. So, today the Elders are pleased to present three of the four new deacons to you (Ron Weiss was not able to be here this week.)

These men have accepted the position of Deacon in areas they have already been serving. Jim Sornig will be overseeing our teen ministry, Terry McCarthy will be overseeing our missions ministry, Steve Kurschat will oversee our building exterior and grounds ministries and Ron Weiss will accept responsibility in the benevolence ministry.

The Elders ask that you show your support and appreciation to these men for accepting the responsibility of servant leader over their respective areas. We also ask that you encourage them by offering your service to them, holding them up to God in your prayer, and supporting them in their good works.

Dave Wright  
For the Elders

### Thank You

*"Thank you all for your prayers and cards for Justin. He is back in North Carolina and doing well. He will depart for Afghanistan later this month."*

- The Boren/Verbison families

*"Thank you all for the love, support, prayers, food, funeral dinner and donation in Mitch's honor. It is great to have such a wonderful church family - especially at such a difficult time." The Mitch Dinnan Family*

*"With deepest gratitude, our family would like to express our heartfelt thankfulness to you, our church family, for everything you did for David and have done for us. Thank you for making and delivering delicious meals, sitting with David so doctor's appointments could be met and errands run, helping load and unload David from the car for his doctor's appointments, helping Kevin put David in bed each evening, caring for David during the morning hours, running errands, and helping with many tasks in and around the house. We were uplifted and loved by you, something for which our family will always be grateful and remember. The love and care that you gave us was incredible. We know what a personal sacrifice each one of you made to help us, and it is impossible to adequately express in words what we are feeling in our hearts. Thank you for supporting us during David's funeral by being present, praying, sending a card, arranging the church building for the visitation, donating to Katie's Wings to help other cancer patients, and providing a wonderful dinner after the service. Your love for God and our family showed in everything you did. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts, and we only hope that you know how much you have touched our lives through your kindness and love."*

*Niki, Sara, Kevin,  
Jake, Hayley-Kate, and Sadielyn*

### Teen Mission Trip Committee

The committee will be meeting next Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the teen room.

### Early Bird Special

Michigan Christian Youth Camp's Early Bird special is winding down. May 1<sup>st</sup> will be the last day to receive last year's rate for Summer Camp 2009. They have various plans to assist in raising funds & partial and full scholarships that can help. Call for details - (810) 664-8040 or check out their website at [www.mcy.org](http://www.mcy.org). Applications are available online.

### Annual Work Day

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 16 for our annual spring work day around the church building. The day will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Come all day, or stay and work as long as you can - it will be great to have you here to share in the fun and work as we spruce up around the outside of the building.

### Baptisms

We rejoice that we had 6 baptisms last week. Last Sunday **Devin and Keira Brown** and **Nathan Marchi**, the children of Patricia Brown, were baptized into Christ. Patricia's mom, **Shirley Moede** and her stepbrother **Cody Walters** were also baptized. Patricia and her family have been visiting with us recently. Patricia is a member of the church and we are thrilled that her children have decided to be baptized. Their address:

4226 Pheasant Dr.

Flint, MI 48506

Phone: (810) 820-4242

Patricia's mom and step-brother live in Dearborn and we do not have an address for them to pass along to you. If you'd like to send a card, please send it to Patricia's address.

Also, last Tuesday night **Jody (JoJo) King**, the foster daughter of Jeff and Shelly Windsor, was baptized into Christ by Bob Norton.

### Birth

We rejoice with Chase and Rachel Pratt on the birth of their son, **Jared Seth**, who was born last Sunday, April 12. He weighed 7 lb. 1 oz. Rachel and Jared are doing great! *Grandma and Grandpa Pratt and Jared's aunts and uncle are very excited too!*

### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert

All alumni and friends of Rochester College are invited to attend a unique concert at 7:30 p.m. next Saturday, April 25 at the Rochester Church of Christ. Alumni of the college from over 20 states and Canada are planning to gather on campus for a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary *A Cappella Chorus* reunion and concert. Former directors Fred Alexander, Paul Downey, Ed Ritchie, Fritz Petrich, and Randy Gill, along with current director Joe Bentley, plan to participate in the event. The reunion chorus will feature approximately 300 voices under the direction of each of the former directors. For more information, contact Larry Stewart at (248) 218-2023.

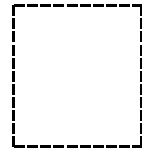
### Ladies

The ladies of the Bristol Road congregation in Flint invite you to *D.I.G. 2009* tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. Tyana Lange will be speaking about "Appreciative Relationships." The next D.I.G. events will be held July 20 (Dr. Linda Norrell speaking) and October 19 (Jan Tenneriello speaking.)

### Fix and Mix Day

It's been a long winter and the camp needs help on Saturday, May 2 to prepare for Summer Camp '09. You don't need skills, just a huge heart to help! Please contact the camp at (810) 664-8040 or [mcyc@mcyc.org](mailto:mcyc@mcyc.org) or on Facebook if you have any questions. Groups will be there all day working on various projects and any help you can give will be appreciated.

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## MINISTRIES

A ministry to meet everyone's needs and a ministry for everyone to be involved in.

*Adult Worship* .....  
*Audio/Visual* ..... *Jim Sornig*  
*Benevolence* ..... *Ron & Katy Weiss*  
*Bereavement Dinners & Meals on Wheels* ... *Ladies*  
*Bridal/Baby Showers* .....  
*Building Interior* ..... *Dave Wright*  
*Bulletin Boards* ..... *Paula Garrett*  
*Counseling & Mission Outreach* ..... *Steve Ennis*  
*Education* ..... *Don Jamison*  
*Family* ..... *Jerry Brackney*  
*Fellowship* ..... *Mark Dillard*  
*Finances* .....  
*Grounds* ..... *Steve Kurschat*  
*Jail & Prison* ..... *Phil Dillard, Carl Ogar*

*Lads to Leaders & Leaderettes* .....  
*Don & Tracy Jamison*  
*Library* ..... *Tina Dinnan*  
*Marriage and Family* ..... *Jerry & Rita Brackney*  
*Missions* ..... *Terry McCarthy*  
*Nursery* ..... *Debi Hoggatt*  
*Office* ..... *Freda Wright*  
*Preaching and Teaching* ..... *Kent Hoggatt*  
*Pre-Teens (12 years - under)* ..... *Committee*  
*Secret Sister* ..... *Donna Kurschat*  
*Soup Kitchen* ..... *Various Members*  
*Teens* ..... *Parent Committee/Chase Pratt*  
*World Bible School* ..... *Brian Crowley*  
*Young at Heart* ..... *Jerry Brackney*

**Prayer List  
and those who need  
encouragement**

**Ashley Edgette**

Ashley's recent blood work shows that she still has mono. She will also need to have her gall bladder removed, but doctors feel it can wait until after the end of the school year. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

**James Bratton**

Please keep James, the son-in-law of Bob & Paula Garrett (and husband of Kelli) in your prayers. Doctors have discovered a mass behind his knee and he has been referred to an orthopedic surgeon. He will undergo surgery in two weeks for a biopsy.

**The Family of Jessica Bannon**

Please keep Jessica's family in your prayers. Jessica was involved in a serious car accident recently and she passed away last Tuesday. Jessica's sister passed away a few months ago and her brother, who was driving the car at the time of the accident, is having a very difficult time. He is a student at Lapeer East High School.

**Danny Edmonds**

Please pray for Danny, a young minister in West Memphis, Arkansas who has been diagnosed with incurable cancer in his colon and liver. The congregation he preaches for, Lindauer Road Church of Christ, asks us to remember him in prayer, as they know prayer is very powerful. If you'd like to send a card or donate to his mounting health costs, you can send them to Danny & Karen Edmonds, 1015 Richland Dr, West Memphis, AR 72301. You can also read more about Danny's condition at [www.lrcofc.org](http://www.lrcofc.org).

**Remember those who are looking for work:** Carol Speirs, Steve Borst, Deborah Gale, and Michelle Smith.

**Remember those who need to continually be in our prayers:** Don Haddix, Louise McCarthy, Ernie Maness, Sharrin Baird, Joshua Quinlan, Yvonne Ogar, Loreina Adkins, Sherrie White's parents, Virginia Edwards, Margaret Whitsett, Sue Johnson, Janice Brannon, The Hall & Raper Family, Cyndi Pratt, Charlene Garrett, Thelma Hoggatt, June Pigg, Mamie Gentry.

**The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers:** Rachel Tanis, Misty Hoggatt, Julie Hoggatt (Kent's sister-in-law), Darcy Seguin.



Please pray for **our leaders and the men and women in the armed forces.**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joe Abbey</li> <li>• Derek Dietrich</li> <li>• Ryan Clark</li> <li>• Sam Wood</li> <li>• Ben Houtekier</li> <li>• Chip Atkinson</li> <li>• Max Slater</li> <li>• Curtis McCoy</li> <li>• Stephen Kang</li> <li>• Jim Lish</li> <li>• Jeff Farwell</li> <li>• Bill Rogers</li> <li>• Tim Smith</li> <li>• Allan Moor</li> <li>• Jeff Sparks</li> <li>• Mark Terry</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian Wood</li> <li>• Jim Tingay</li> <li>• Pat Keenan</li> <li>• Justin Cooney</li> <li>• Mike Dix</li> <li>• Andy Zwack</li> <li>• Scott Stugill</li> <li>• Casey Kern</li> <li>• D.J. Belcher</li> <li>• Chris Crow</li> <li>• Brad Willett</li> <li>• Matthew Messenger</li> <li>• Mike Overby</li> <li>• Andrew Ellis</li> <li>• Niles Czekiel</li> <li>• Richard R. Cole</li> </ul>
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***Shepherd's Care***  
**This Weeks Schedule:**

**Today:**  
 8:30 a.m. .... Jack Slater  
 Bible Class ..... Jack Slater  
 11:00 a.m. .... Bob Norton  
 :00 p.m. .... Jack Slater  
**Wednesday** ..... Jack Slater

## BIRTHDAYS

Linda Willyard ..... April 22  
 Jimmy Cox ..... April 23  
 Diane Danforth ..... April 24  
 Aubrey Hall ..... April 25  
 Erin Sherrill ..... April 25  
 Abby Kalbfleisch ..... April 26  
 Jason Sherrill ..... April 27  
 Pat Cox ..... April 28

## ANNIVERSARIES

Bruce & Robin Nettles .. April 23  
 Art & Sherry White ..... April 28

## EVENTS

Today .... Wedding Shower for Allison Garrett 12:30 p.m.  
 ..... VBS Cmte. Mtg 9:45 a.m.  
 April 26 ..... Teen Mission Trip Committee Meeting 4:00 p.m.  
 May 2 .... MCRYC Fix-n-Mix Day  
 May 15 ..... Senior Banquet  
 May 16 ..... Annual Work Day

## Teens

**7/10**  
 We will be having 7/10 next Friday. Jim and Ruthann Cox will be chaperoning.

**Soup Kitchen**  
 The teens will be hosting the soup kitchen on Wednesday, April 29. Please make plans to join us.