



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

Steve Kurschat

Terry McCarthy

Jim Sornig

Ron Weiss

OFFICE SECRETARY

Freda Wright

Statistics for August 9, 2009

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	47
Bible Class	n/a
11:00 a.m. Service	122
Total Worship	169
Evening Worship	n/a
Mid-week	69

Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,756.74	\$ 142,702.47
Actual	\$ 3,923.46	\$ 136,149.51
Diff.	-\$ 833.28	-\$ 6,552.96
China Bibles		\$30.00
Other Restricted Income		\$0

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **Lyle and Diane Danforth, Julia Pung, and Sonya Boren** for cleaning the carpet in the auditorium on Friday, August 7 after our Vacation Bible School. *We appreciate you all so much!!*

Softball Schedule Men

Monday, August 17 7:30 p.m.
Free Methodist field

ACL Class

Mark your calendars! There will be an information class on Tuesday, September 8 for a new *Adventures in Christian Living* class. The classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from September 15th through November 10th. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the café area if you are interested in taking the class. See Bob or Marge Norton for more information.

Young at Heart

There will be a Young at Heart Picnic at Tim & Edie Bahan's on Saturday, August 29 at 2:00 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and lawn chairs.

Phone Number Change

Carl and Yvonne Ogar no longer have a land line phone and will be using their cell phones as their main phone lines. Please make the following changes in your directory:

Carl - (810) 706-1756
Yvonne - (810) 241-8222

Card Party

This month's card party will be held at Phil and Robin Dillard's on Saturday, August 29 at 5:30 p.m.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to **Ron and Katy Weiss**. Ron's cousin Mary Green, is visiting here from Virginia with her family while they wait for their house to be ready to move into in Alabama. Her 16 year old son, James, died suddenly earlier this week. His funeral was held yesterday in Lapeer.

The Shepherd's Staff

We regretfully announce and accept the resignation of Kent Hoggatt as preacher. He has done an exceptional job of bringing us lessons and ministering to our congregation for almost 11 years. The effective date will be September 15, 2009. He will continue to serve in his preaching duties until then. The elders have granted Kent a leave of absence as elder, and he will have the option to resume his duties as elder.

Debi has accepted a full time position at Rochester College and Kent wishes to concentrate on his teaching at the college. Kent would also like to spend more time with his family this would include some weekends.

Kent and others have also been frustrated by some of the recent decision made by the elders. We acknowledge and apologize for contributing to the frustration Kent and others have experienced by some of our decision making.

This is a difficult decision for Kent and Debi as they feel loved by so many here. Please pray for Kent and Debi as they enter this transition period. Also pray for your elders during this transition as they search for a new minister and a worship coordinator.

Your elders

Wedding Vows Renewed

Ron and Katy Weiss will be renewing their wedding vows next Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m and invite everyone to share this special day with them. Please sign up on the bulletin board near the café area if you plan to attend. A dessert reception will follow. (No gifts please, they only request your presence.)

MDYC Tryouts

Auditions for the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus will be held at the Northeast Church of Christ in Eastpointe, MI on Saturday, Sept. 12. If you or someone you know may be interested, please call Karen Sorensen at (734) 546-2058 between August 24 and September 11 to schedule an appointment for an audition.

Thank You

"We would like to thank everyone for your prayers, concerns and the outpouring of love shown to us during the last few weeks. Our trip to Germany was a blessing for us. We witnessed God working through Stefan every day as we witnessed prayers being answered. Stefan was able to show improvement right before our eyes. Our spiritual lives have been enriched through the situation with Stefan's accident and recovery, and especially because of the encouragement our brothers and sisters in Christ have given us. Continue to pray for Stefan and his recovery. We know God has great plans for him!"

*In Him,
Rebecca and Freda Wright*

Annual Steak & Corn Roast

The Church of Christ Care Center will be having their annual Steak & Corn Roast on Saturday, August 22. They have lowered the ticket price this year! Tickets \$80 each. Tickets include a delicious steak dinner and delightful entertainment on the grounds of the Care Center under a big tent. Proceeds for the event will be used at their nursing home to wire all resident rooms for cable television, purchase a new dining room divider curtain and more! **Contact Bob or Paula Garrett to purchase your tickets.**

Parenting Class

Growing Kids God's Way is a parenting class designed for ages 18 months to 12 years of age. It is a 19 week class. This parenting class will be offered on Sundays from 8:30am to 10:45am. The class will begin on Sunday, September 13 and go to February 28, which will be our banquet.

We will not be having classes on September 27, November 8, and November 29, (Thanksgiving weekend) and December 27 or January 3, (Holidays).

The cost of the workbooks is \$21.00 each, which can be paid out. Each parent will need their own workbook. The classes will be held in the church library.

Any questions or to sign up for the information class, please talk to Jerry or Rita Brackney or call Jerry at 810-441-7575 or Rita at 810-542-0205. The information class will be on Sunday, August 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the church library.

Birth

We congratulate Art and Sherrie White on the birth of their grandson, Caleb Scott White who was born to their son Tim and his wife on July 17, 2009. He weighed 9 lbs 8 oz and is 22" long. (His picture is available on the bulletin board near the café.)

Borrow

Jason and Amy Hook would like to borrow a roto-tiller that can be pulled behind a tractor. They only need to use it for one day. Please contact them at (989) 795-2368 if you have one available. Thank you!

VBS Wrap Up Meeting

Everyone is invited to join us for a VBS meeting on Sunday, Sept. 13 at 9:45 a.m. in one of the classrooms behind the auditorium. This is open to anyone who wants to share positive or negative comments about our VBS, and to also share new ideas for next year.

God's Helping Hands

We will be going to GHH's on this Tuesday, August 15. We will be sorting and restocking clothes and if you have clothes to donate, please let us know so we can take them down with us. We will leave the church building at 9:00 a.m. and will work from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. See Katy Weiss or Chase Pratt for more information and be sure to sign up on the bulletin board near the café area if you plan to go with us.

Touch A Truck

God's Helping Hands will be having their annual "Touch a Truck" fund raiser on Sunday, September 20 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at Avondale Middle School in Rochester. Cost: \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Participants will be able to sit in and touch different types of vehicles. We also hear that Elmo will be hanging out!! Snacks will also be available for purchase.

Baptisms

We rejoice that **Jason Hook II** was baptized into Christ on Friday evening, August 7, by his dad and Kent Hoggatt.

We also rejoice to hear the news that **Ania Meyer**, daughter of Todd and Angie Meyer, was baptized recently near their new home in Florida.

Teens

God's Helping Hands

The teens will be going to GHH's to work this Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Be sure to sign up near the café area if you plan to go with us.

Guys' Night Out

Gentlemen, your attention please. We will be having a Guys' Night Out at the church building on Friday August 28th. This will be an all-night celebration of video games, guy movies, food cooked by flame, and all things masculine except male pattern baldness (no offense, Jim). There will be more details to come, but mark the date on your.

Girl's Night In (as written by Rachel Pratt)

That's right ladies - this is Rachel, not Chase. Betsy and I thought that if the boys can have a night out, then we can have a night in. This will take place on Friday, August 28th after the football game at Lapeer East. It will be at my place because I've kicked Chase out for the night. Get ready for a fun night of watching chick flicks, playing awesome games, eating yummy fondue, and having a devotional that's strong enough for a man but pH balanced for a woman. More info coming soon.

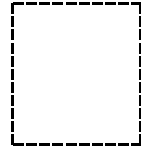
Teen-led Worship

Sunday, August 30th will be the next time that the teens will be leading the worship service. Guys - talk to Jim about what you can do to help.

Theatre With a Lasting Impression

On Wednesday, September 2nd our church will be welcoming Christian actor Curt Cloninger. Curt travels all over the country performing for churches and organizations with his shows that present a fresh side of Jesus through both humor and moving drama. Curt has agreed to take a large pay cut in order to perform for us, and we are lucky to have him. We hope you will all be here and invite a friend or two. It should be a fun night.

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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 Ladies

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 Jim Sornig / Committee

World Bible School Brian Crowley

Young at Heart Jerry Brackney

Weekly Prayer List

Niki Kirkpatrick

Niki continues to suffering from pain in her neck. Please keep her in your prayers and let us all be an encouragement to her.

Frieda Lock

Frieda is in the rehabilitation unit at Lapeer Regional Hospital as she recuperates with serious problems with her back. Please keep her in your prayers.

Watson & Alden Burgess

Aldena fell recently and is in the transitional unit in Lapeer Hospital with three broken vertebrae. Watson is also in the same room with Aldena at the transitional unit, recuperating from pneumonia and a possible heart attack. Please keep them both in your prayers.

Margaret Whitsett

Margaret has been in Troy Beaumont Hospital with pneumonia. Please keep her in your prayers.

Janice Brannon

Janice is now at home from the rehabilitation center and is doing well.

Stefan Sauter

Stefan, the boyfriend of Rebecca Wright who suffered a severe head injury in an accident, continues to show great improvement and is scheduled to be moved to a rehabilitation hospital this Thursday.

Ed Sornig

Ed, the father of Jim, has developed four infections in the area around the leg he had amputated recently. He had to undergo surgery recently and will remain in St. Joseph Hospital in Pontiac for a couple more weeks. Continue to keep him in your prayers.

Judy Messenger

Judy, the sister in law of Larry Messenger, is having problems from her recent knee surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

Norman Bartlett

Betsy Sornig's father, Norman Bartlett underwent surgery on Tuesday in Tennessee. Please keep him in your prayers as he recuperates from the surgery and begins treatments.

Dan Bybee

Art and Sherrie White ask us to pray for Dan, a friend and co-worker who has been diagnosed with a tumor on his kidney.

Jon Cappell

Please pray for Jon, the son-in-law of Bonnie Elrod, who underwent brain surgery last Wednesday.

Larry Conklin's Daughter

Larry, an inmate in our prison ministry, asks us to pray for his daughter Kristy, who is going through a difficult time.

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

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers: Rachel Tanis, Misty Hoggatt, Jeanette (Seth) Anderson and Christine Brackney.

Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement

Janice Brannon, Niki Kirkpatrick, Marge Norton, Sharon White, Lisa & Nelson Greenier & triplets, Emit & Loreina Adkins, Don Haddix, Ernie Maness, Sharrin Baird, Joshua Quinlan, Yvonne Ogar, Sherrie White's parents, Margaret Whitsett, Sue Johnson, The Hall & Raper Families, Cyndi Pratt, Charlene Garrett, Thelma Hoggatt, June Pigg, Mamie Gentry.

Those Who Lost Loved Ones Recently

Jason Hook, Warren Edwards, Cheryl Booth, Mike & Tina Dinnan, Niki Kirkpatrick, Sara & Kevin Nelms, Bruce Nettles, Geneva Breezee, Penny Crowley, Rich Overton and Ruthann Cox.

Praise and Thanksgiving

Janice Brannon - home and doing well.



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

- Joe Abbey
- Derek Dietrich
- Ryan Clark
- Sam Wood
- Ben Houtekier
- Chip Atkinson
- Curtis McCoy
- Stephen Kang
- Jim Lish
- Jeff Farwell
- Bill Rogers
- Tim Smith
- Allan Moor
- Jeff Sparks
- Mark Terry
- Brian Wood
- Darren Whatling
- Will Bartlett
- Jim Tingay
- Pat Keenan
- Justin Cooney
- Mike Dix
- Andy Zwack
- Scott Stugill
- Casey Kern
- D.J. Belcher
- Chris Crow
- Brad Willett
- Matthew Messenger
- Mike Overby
- Andrew Ellis
- Niles Czekiel
- Richard R. Cole
- Aaron Jamison
- Damian Salmond

BIRTHDAYS

- Rebecca Wright Aug 19
- Dave Wright Aug 19
- Alicia Wilson Aug 21
- Debi Hoggatt Aug 24
- Bobby Windsor Aug 24
- Diana Cox Aug 25

ANNIVERSARIES

- Dennis & Lora Kalbfleisch Aug 19
- Don & Marcia Anderson..Aug 21
- Jason & Amy Hook Aug 21
- Kent & Debi Hoggatt . . . Aug 23

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule:

Today:

- 8:30 a.m. Dave Wright
- Bible Class Jack Slater
- 11:00 a.m. Jerry Brackney
- 6:00 p.m. Bob Norton
- Wednesday** Dave Wright