



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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2008 Scripture Theme

"Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord."

Romans 12:11

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 January 25, 2009

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	70
Bible Class	156
11:00 a.m. Service	147
Total Worship	217
Evening Worship	51
Mid-week	83

Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,756.77	\$ 19,027.08
Actual	\$ 4,686.84	\$ 18,571.38
Diff.	-\$ 69.93	-\$ 455.70
Restricted Income		\$ 50.00

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **Curt Whitsett**. Curt braved the sub-zero weather over the last couple weeks to repair the furnaces on our roof to be sure we had heat in the auditorium. *Thank you, Curt! We really appreciate you!!!*

Card Night

The next card night will be held at Bruce and Robin Nettles on Saturday, February 14 at 5:30 p.m. Contact Robin for information on what food items to bring.

Mark Your Calendars

Mark your calendars for the following dates for events at the Church of Christ Care Center:

Saturday, August 22 6:00 p.m.
22nd Annual Steak and Corn Roast

Saturday, September 19 8:15 a.m.
2nd Annual Care Center Golf Classic at Sylvan Glen Golf Course in Troy. Contact the Care Center at (586) 285-7125 if you have any questions.

Potluck

Today is our monthly potluck. If you are visiting with us today - please stay and join us for lunch after our 11:00 service so we can get to know you better!

Date Night

Adults - you're invited to join us and invite your friends for our "Date Night" scheduled for Friday, February 27. For those who are able to are encouraged to meet at E.G. Nicks in Lapeer for dinner at 6:30 p.m. and we will then come back to the building to show the movie "Fireproof" at 8:30 p.m. Please bring a dessert to pass for all to enjoy before or during the movie. Refreshments will be provided. If you have any questions see Katy Weiss.

Blood Drive

There will be a blood drive this Wednesday at Mott Community College in Lapeer, from 12:00 pm to 5:45 p.m.

The Shepherd's Staff

Adventures in Christian Living

Last Thursday several of our members attended a mini-session of Adventures in Christian Living. This class was offered several years ago and several of our brothers and sisters completed the course. Many of the alumni realized significant changes in their lives and we are still seeing much of their progress. Ask any alumni about their experience.

This Tuesday the first class starts at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. You may still come and join this Tuesday and if you feel this is not for you, then you may tell us after class and you will have no obligation or commitment. This is a special self-improvement adventure that has helped so many improve their lives at a very minimal cost. This investment of time and money will reward you for a lifetime.

There are many demands on your time, but improvement usually comes with some sacrifice. The question is, are you willing to make the effort to improve your life? Marge Norton, Erin Sherrill, Tim Bahan and Bob Norton are all committing they will do their very best to make the adventure a success. Please arrange your schedule to attend for two hours and see if this is for you.

Bob Norton
For the Elders

World Bible School Internet Teachers Needed

Adults & Teens – have you ever considered becoming a Bible Correspondence teacher? If you have thought about it or have decided you want to do it, we encourage you to go to www.worldbibleschool.net. You can become an online teacher – correcting lessons taken by people from all over the world who are interested in learning about God's Word. This is an easy way for you to share God with others. Click on "Be a WBS Teacher" to the left of the screen and you can begin the application process. If you have any questions – please contact Brian Crowley.

National Bible Bee

We were recently informed of a National Bible Bee which begins soon. The purpose is to encourage children to memorize scripture and gain Bible knowledge. Churches and Christian schools will sponsor the bees for 3 age groups from pre-teen through high school. There are 300-500 verses to learn. There will be local and state competitions and a national competition in Washington, D.C. with cash prizes for the national championship in each age bracket of \$100,000; \$50,000 & \$25,000. For more information go to FamilyLifeToday.com. It may be too late to register for this year, but might be something you want to look into for next year. *(This is not a Church of Christ sponsored program.)*

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower Tuesday evening February 17th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Debi Hoggatt to honor Rachel (French) Heemer. God is blessing Rachel and Ryan with a baby girl! Her name is Sydney Maxine Heemer. Rachel is registered at Babies 'R' Us and Walmart. Her nursery colors are dark pink, dark purple and lilac. If you will be attending, please sign on the sign up list. If you have any questions, please see Rita Brackney, Robin Dillard, or Debi Hoggatt. We hope you can come and enjoy this exciting time for Rachel and the fellowship of being together.

Meijer Rewards

We received a check for \$102.73 last week from Meijer's. This is because of those who participated in the Community Rewards program and listed our congregation as the "recipient." Thank you to those who did this for us. It's easy for you to do too! Simply go to the service desk at any Meijer's store and tell them you want to register for the Community Rewards program. It's free!! Fill out the application form and list our rewards number - 468239. You will soon be receiving a card, which you will present when you check out. The church will receive a percentage of what you have spent. It's that simple! Won't you join today?

Baptism

We rejoice that **Maggie Hall** was baptized into Christ last Sunday morning, January 25, by Kent Hoggatt. *We're proud of you and the decision you have made to become a follower of Christ, Maggie!*

Free

Kelly Russell has a free Kimball organ she would like to give to someone. It is in perfect condition. You can contact her by email at KelCan29@gmail.com or phone 810-449-4919. However, it will need to be picked up at her apartment in Shelby Township by April 1st.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to **Jason and Amy Hook**. Jason's brother-in-law passed away suddenly last week.

Thank You

We received the following note this week regarding the health of former member, Jerry Davis. *"The following is an update on my health and treatments. Thank you all so very much for your prayers and encouragement. I still well remember all the support from my battle with lung cancer almost 12 years ago. Matter of fact, I still have most of the cards and emails saved in my desk file. They are truly one of the most important treasures of my life. Your support for me in this battle is almost overwhelming. I will have to get a larger desk to store the cards and letters (I am electronically saving your emails.) Every day I get several phone calls offering encouragement, food and to drive me the 130 plus miles every other week for treatment. To say that this is humbling would be the understatement of the year. I am so thankful to you for your support and especially to my heavenly Father who has so richly blessed my life with all of you. Your prayers are appreciated beyond my ability to express. Please continue. Obviously, prayers are the reason I am here today, and certainly, being able to tolerate the treatment as well as I have."* – Jerry Davis

"Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for the wonderful shower. I appreciate everyone who put so much work into organizing my shower and everyone who came and supported me. It was so nice to have so many people surround me with love and support in this time with Jeff being deployed now. If anyone would like to contact me, our address is:

*305 A . Alonzo Ct.
Oceanside, CA 92058*

I would love to hear from you. I love you all. Thank you for everything."

Peggy (Montgomery) Sparks

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule:

Today:

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

Wednesday Jack Slater

TEENS

Parents Meeting

There will be an important meeting for the parents of teens on **Sunday, February 15** (this is a date change from the 8th) at 12:00 noon.

The Fridge

We will be going to "The Fridge" toboggan run in Waterford next Saturday from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

The group rate is \$5.00/person as long as we have a minimum of 20 people. We need to leave the church building at 3:45, so please arrive at 3:30. Sign up at the teen bulletin board. (If you or a guest you are bringing do NOT have a teen group permission slip turned in, you MUST have one turned into Chase Pratt before attending this event. New forms are available in the wall boxes located outside the teen room.)For more information on "The Fridge" and for a virtual ride, go to: <http://www.oakgov.com/parksrec/ppark/fridge.html>

Chaperones Needed

Don't forget parents, we are in need of chaperones for "7/10's" for the next several months. Please sign up for your turn on the sign up sheet posted on the teen bulletin board.

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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*
World Bible School *Brian Crowley*
Young at Heart *Jerry Brackney*

**Prayer List
and those who need
encouragement**

Cari Mihalovich

Cari has been in Troy Beaumont Hospital, undergoing tests for a possible neurological disorder, which may have an effect on her blood pressure and heart. Please keep her in your prayers.

Aldena Burgess

Aldena fell last week outside their apartment. Thankfully there were no broken bones, just bumps and bruises. She and Watson send their love and affection to everyone!

Loreina Adkins

Loreina has Vertigo (dizziness). Please pray that this will subside soon so she can feel better soon.

Don Haddix

Don continues to struggle from health problems and needs our prayers.

Odes & Judy Church

Judy underwent knee surgery recently. Odes will be having hernia surgery in the near future. Please keep them both in your prayers.

Rocoe Church

Please pray for Odes Church's brother, Rocoe who is suffering from bone cancer.

Alvin Rankins

Please keep Alvin, the father of Marcie Anderson and Angie Meyer in your prayers. He is undergoing tests for blood pressure problems.

Bill Perkins

Please pray for Bill, the father of Michelle Edgette's co-worker and former hospital roommate of Jack Williams. He has been in Lapeer Regional Hospital with seizure problems.

Wyatt Eggerss

Please pray for Wyatt, the four month old nephew of Chip & Michelle Edgette. He underwent hernia surgery last Wednesday.

Chris Bennett

Michelle Edgette also asks us to pray for Chris, the daughter of a co-worker who will have surgery on Friday, February 6.

The Rader Family

Please pray for 4 ½ month old Gabriella Rader and her parents, Randy and Colleen, friends of Alan and Nancy Brinker. Little Gabriella was born with health challenges and 2 weeks ago she underwent open heart surgery. She has developed infections and may need to undergo an additional surgery to have a feeding tube placed in her stomach. Doctors are trying to clear up the infection and are hoping to be able to wait for at least 2 weeks before she has the surgery.

Sharrin Baird

Sharrin has been diagnosed with a non-aggressive and limited form of cancer. Thankfully, it is the least threatening and most easily treated. At the present no chemotherapy or radiation is needed or planned. A relatively new drug is very effective for this kind and degree of cancer and Cliff and Sharrin ask for your prayers that the drug will be successful and that she can have peace of mind about this treatment and a complete recovery.

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers: Julie Hoggatt (Kent's sister-in-law), Rachel Pratt, Rachel (French) Heemer, Darcy Seguin and Sara Nelms.

Remember those who are looking for work: Curt Whitsett, Carol Speirs, Steve Borst, Sandy Duckworth, Deborah Gale, Jennifer Herron, Michelle Smith, and Kris Pratt.

Remember those who need to continually be in our prayers: Sherrie White's parents, Virginia Edwards, Margaret Whitsett, Sue Johnson, Janice Brannon, Rich Overton, The Hall & Raper Family, The Kirkpatrick/Nelms families, Cyndi Pratt, Todd & Angie Meyer (house to sell), Charlene Garrett, Thelma Hoggatt, June Pigg, Marlow Herron, Betty Piacentini, Mamie Gentry.



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
- Max Slater
- Curtis McCoy
- Stephen Kang
- Jim Lish
- Jeff Farwell
- Bill Rogers
- Tim Smith
- Allan Moor
- Jeff Sparks
- Mark Terry
- Brian Wood
- 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

BIRTHDAYS

Ann Sparks Feb 10

ANNIVERSARIES

None

EVENTS

Feb 7 Teens - "The Fridge"

Feb 14 Card Party at
the Nettles 5:30 p.m.

Feb 15 Teen Parents mtg
12 noon

Feb 27 "Date Night"