

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

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 September 20, 2009

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	59
Bible Class	114
11:00 a.m. Service	118
Total Worship	177
Evening Worship	52
Mid-week	74

Finances

Weekly Year-to-date

Budget	\$ 4,756.74	\$ 171,242.91
Actual	\$ 3,568.50	\$ 165,861.48
Diff.	-\$, 1,188.24	\$ 5,381.43
China Bibles		\$10.00
Other Restricted Income		\$121.00

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **Dennis, Aubrey, and Maggie Hall, Chase Pratt, Bruce, Robin and Caleb Nettles and Kent Hoggatt** who worked on cleaning up the "Adopt-a-Highway" portion of M-24 recently. *Thank you everyone! What a great service to God as you work in the community!*

Needed

We are in need of donations of **wheelchairs** to have available when needed. Please contact Jerry Brackney if you have one available.

"Lose Weight and feel GREAT"

There will be a FREE *Transitions Lifestyle System* class held at our building on Monday's, beginning Monday, October 5th from 7 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The class will meet for 6 sessions total and will discuss topics such as low-glycemic nutrition, health and weight loss with DVD series/support. If you have questions, please contact Shelly Windsor at jhwindsor24@yahoo.com.

Military Requests

The current military personnel list on our prayer page is out-dated. In order for us to keep up to date on the names of our loved ones in the military to pray for, **beginning next week we will start a new list.** If you have a name of a loved one or friend that you want to be included, please contact Freda via email, call her, or write the name down and put it in her mailbox by this Wednesday. Thank you!

Guest Speaker

Cliff Baird will be here this evening to update us on the work of "Bibles for China." Please join us at 6:00 p.m.

The Shepherd's Staff

Transition

We are currently in a period of transition here at the Lapeer congregation as we search for a new minister. It is more important now than ever that we focus on becoming a group of God's children that is united in our love for God and our Savior, Jesus Christ. As stated in Colossians 3:12-17 - God tells us that *"as His chosen people, holy and dearly loved,"* we need to *"clothe ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."* We are told to *"bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances we may have against one another."* We must *"forgive, as the Lord forgave us."* We must *"put on love above all other virtues, because it binds them together in perfect unity."* We must let *"the peace of Christ rule in our hearts since, as members of one body, we are called to peace."*

Colossians tells us to *"Let the word of Christ dwell in us richly as we teach and admonish one another with all wisdom,"* (This can only be done if we study and share God's Word.) The verse continues *"as you sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts."* (You must participate in the singing to fulfill this command.) Finally, it tells us *"whatever we do in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father though Him."*

I believe that if we pray earnestly and submit our will to God, He will not only provide us with the right man as the minister for our congregation, but He will also bless us with a love for one another that will be a beacon that draws our community to Him.

Dave Wright
For the Elders

Alzheimer's Seminar

The Church of Christ Care Center is happy to have the Alzheimer's Association with them on Tuesday, October 13 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. to discuss *"Understanding Difficult Alzheimer's Behaviors."* This free workshop will be held at the Assisted Living center on 23621 15 Mile Rd, 3rd floor in Clinton Township. Please RSVP to 1-800-272-3900. Light refreshments will be served.

Teachers Needed

We need the following teachers for the Fall quarter.

Wednesday -

3 & 4 year old class

5 year old/Kindergarten class

Please contact Don Jamison if you are available to teach.

Lost and Found

Be sure to check the large lost and found box under the table in the church office for items that might belong to you. All items left after October 4 will be donated to *God's Helping Hands*.

Bills, Budget & Burdens

"Too many bills and too little money" is the fiscal state of our country, state, city and many of our homes. Need some solid, Biblical advice? The "No Debt, No Sweat!" seminar is designed to help young people; those who have insurmountable bills; uncontrolled spenders; planners looking to invest and retire; and people who want to give good advice to others. Join others on October 4-5 at the Royal Oak church of Christ. See the flyer on the bulletin board near the café for more information.

60th Anniversary

The West Branch Church of Christ will be having a 60th Anniversary celebration next Sunday, October 4. The speaker will be former minister, Al Bugg Jr. Bible class begins at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service is at 10:30 a.m. There will be a potluck lunch, so bring a dish and/or dessert to share. (Please note: their building is now located at the corner of 8th Street and Ripley in West Branch.)

Annual Steak Dinner

Everyone is invited to the steak dinner at Michigan Christian Youth Camp in Attica on Saturday, November 7 from 4:00 - 7:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased online at www.mccyc.org or through Ron or Katy Weiss. Tickets purchased BEFORE October 1 will be \$60.00 per ticket. Entertainment will also be provided.

Camp Work Day

Michigan Christian Youth Camp will have work parties on the roof at Hawley Lodge every Saturday until October 31. The days will begin at 8:00 a.m. and go to 4:00 p.m. and lunch will be served. There will also be other work days throughout the week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. For a complete schedule of work days, check the bulletin board near the café area.

Congratulations

We congratulate **Jennifer Edwards** and **Aubrey Hall** who were selected to be members of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus. *Way to go girls!!!*

Lads To Leaders & Leaderettes

We are continuing the L/L/L program with the Phase One tonight at 6:00 p.m. It will run 12 consecutive weeks and additional classes will be added as we get more kids signed up. This class sets the foundation for L/L and is a great class. All ages are combined into one class, but there are separate classes for boys and girls. We encourage 2nd grade up to the 12th grade to attend. Please see Bruce or Robin Nettles with any questions. (There is a list of events and classes available on the L/L website: <http://www.lads-to-leaders.org>)

Minister Screening Committee

We are all blessed to have the help of the following in our minister search, Warren & Lynn Edwards, Bob & Paula Garrett, Jason & Erin Sherrill and Art & Sherrie White. The committee's job will be to assist the elders in the gathering of information, tapes, etc. of prospects, initiating phone conversations and other "leg work".

We believe **YOU**, our members, are the best resources for suggesting names of candidates. Please give the committee as much contact information (and your phone number) as you can regarding any minister prospects that you know. Place your recommendations and referrals in the mail box just inside the office door (to the right.) Most of all, please be in consistent prayer as we seek out who the Lord has in mind for the position here.

Young at Heart

There will be a Soup and Salad Pot Luck and Game Night on Saturday, November 14. It will be at 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board near the coat rack so you can sign up for what you'd like to bring. If you have questions, see Stephen or Joy Ennis.

Card Night

The next card night will be held next Saturday, October 3 at Mark and Kathy Dillard's at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited!

Teens

Girls' Devotional

As discussed at the *Chicks' Night In*, we will begin having a girl's devotional on the last Sunday of each month. The first one will be tonight at Chase & Rachel's house from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m. Talk to Rachel if you need more info.

Silver Ring Thing

There is a *Silver Ring Thing* live tour event in Plymouth on Saturday, October 17th. Silver Ring Thing is a program that promotes the message of abstinence until marriage centered in a relationship with Jesus Christ. The live event is a stage performance with high energy music, special effects, fast-paced video, personal testimonies, and comedy in a concert-style event. Tickets are \$5. There will be a sign-up sheet on the teen board.

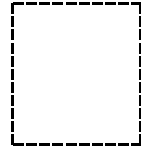
School events

If you are part of a team, club, or other activity, let Chase know when your events are so we can let others in the group know and we can come out to support you. We talk about building each other up. These are great opportunities to do that.

Burger King Office Hours

Don't forget about Burger King office hours. Please join us every Thursday at the Burger King in Lapeer from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

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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
Office Freda Wright
Preaching and Teaching
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**

Loreina Adkins

Loreina remained at the Cleveland Clinic last week as doctors work out issues with her medicine which will help relieve the pressure in her lungs that is causing her heart valves to leak. We are thankful that she is now at home. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

Warren Edwards

Warren has been diagnosed with a herniated disc in his back. He will undergo physical therapy for 30 days. We pray that the physical therapy will help him so that surgery will not be necessary.

Ruth Kegerreis

Ruth was hit by a car last Saturday. She spent a few days in the hospital after suffering an injury to her back/hip area. She is expected to remain at home for a few weeks. Her address:
1273 W. Oregon St.
Lapeer, MI 48446

Mark Ryan

Mark, the cousin of Susan Hall, has been in the hospital. He is doing better and will be staying with Dennis and Susan for few weeks. Please keep him in your prayers.

Nancy Helton

Please pray for Nancy, the mother of Steve & Sonya Boren's friend, Heather. She had surgery to have her foot amputated recently.

Christian Curtis

Please pray for Christian, the 7 month old cousin of Bruce Nettles who was born at 27 weeks. We are thankful he is doing better after experiencing problems following surgery.

Misty Hoggatt

Misty, the daughter-in-law of Kent and Debi, is expecting her baby this week and she has been experiencing a few problems. Please keep her in your prayers for a safe and healthy delivery of the baby.

The Warner/Aikman Family

Please keep Holly (Aikman) Warner and her husband, Phillip in your prayers. Phillip is entering officer training school for the Air Force, which will be a great transition for the family. Holly's mother, Bonnie, will be going to Tennessee to stay with Holly to help care for their baby, Aiden.

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

Stefan Sauter, Rich Overton, Tim Kennard, Ed Sornig, Don Tivy, Frieda Lock, Margaret Whitsett, Watson and Aldena Burgess, Niki Kirkpatrick, Marge Norton, Sharon White, Don Haddix, Ernie Maness, Sharrin Baird, Joshua Quinlan, Sherrie White's parents, Sue Johnson, The Hall & Raper Families, Cyndi Pratt, Charlene Garrett, Thelma Hoggatt, June Pigg, Mamie Gentry.

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones

Jason Hook, Warren Edwards, Cheryl Booth, Mike & Tina Dinnan, Bruce Nettles, Geneva Breezee, Penny Crowley, Rich Overton, Ruthann Cox, the Weiss family, the French/Samueloff family.

Praise and Thanksgiving

Holly Speirs, niece of Dianne Samueloff is now home and doing well.

Schedule of Speakers

Today:
This morning - Don Jamison
Tonight - Cliff Baird
Next Sunday morning:
Chase Pratt



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
- Iain & Robert Lee

BIRTHDAYS

Kellie Hueter	Oct 2
Robert Hall	Oct 3
Leslie Boren	Oct 4
Lora Kalbfleisch	Oct 4
Vern Dipzinski	Oct 6
Mallory McCarthy	Oct 6
Lyle Danforth	Oct 6
Dianne Samueloff	Oct 6

ANNIVERSARIES

John & Joan Dyer Sept 30

*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
Wed. Bob Norton