

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 February 1, 2009

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	62
Bible Class	152
11:00 a.m. Service	136
Total Worship	198
Evening Worship	25
Mid-week	66

Finances

Weekly Year-to-date

Budget	\$ 4,756.77	\$ 23,783.85
Actual	\$ 4,284.39	\$ 22,855.77
Diff.	-\$ 472.38	-\$ 928.88
Restricted Income		\$ 66.00

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **Brian Skelly**. Next Sunday will be Brian's last Sunday with us as he and his family prepare to move to Kentucky. Brian has been a great asset to our congregation, helping with Vacation Bible School, the teen program, the preteen program, the soup kitchen, changing the sign out front, working at members houses and assisting in many other ways. He's always been willing to help whenever he knows there is a need. *We will truly miss you Brian, and wish you God's blessings. Thank you for everything you have done for us as you served the Lord here at Lapeer!*

Card Night

The next card night will be held at Bruce and Robin Nettles next 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.

Date Night

Adults & Teens - you're invited to join us and invite your friends for our "Date Night" scheduled for Friday, February 27. For those who would like to, we encourage you 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. Please sign up on the bulletin board near the restrooms.

The Shepherd's Staff

Nehemiah had a vision of rebuilding the wall around Jerusalem, so he set out on his mission by surveying the wall. At one point he was not able to continue in the direction he wanted to go due to the large amount of rubble from the wall. Nehemiah did not let what he saw overwhelm or discourage him because his faith in God was greater than the task! He knew it would take a great deal of help and cooperation from the people he was leading. With God's support and faithful, hard-working followers, his dream was fulfilled in just 52 days.

The work of the church today is no different than that of rebuilding the wall. If we have a clear goal that is rooted in our desire to serve our Lord and Savior, and a group of faithful Christian people working together, we can accomplish great things for God.

As a congregation, we can do more for God and reach our goals for service to others and not leave anyone feeling burned out if we all do our part of the Lord's work.

Don't let the "rubble" in your life keep you from serving the Lord. Great things can be accomplished if we all work together! Volunteer to help with any of our ministries, or let us know what you would like to do and we'll help find the best opportunity for you to serve the Lord here at Lapeer.

Dave Wright
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.

Date Change for Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower Monday evening **February 16th** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Debi Hoggatt to honor Rachel (French) Heemer. *(This is a date change from Tuesday, February 17).* 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 recently from Meijer's. This is as a result 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?

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.

Thank You

"Thank you to everyone to helped with the loading, packing and moving of our things. We really appreciate everyone's help."

Todd, Angie & Ania Meyer

Wild Game Dinner

Mark your calendar for our annual Wild Game Dinner - March 21 at 6:00 p.m. More details coming soon.

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule:

Today:

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

Wednesday Jerry Brackney

Celebration 2009

Sunday, March 8

Location:

The Lodge at
Michigan Christian
Youth Camp

Join us as we
celebrate God's
blessings for our
congregation from
the year 2008

Schedule:

4:30 p.m.

Fellowship & Social Time

5:00 p.m.

Dinner will be served

5:45 p.m.

Congregational meeting

8:00 p.m.

Dismissal

Cost for dinner:

\$10.00 (adults & teens 12 yrs +)

\$ 5.00 for children under 12

***We will be having our
annual dessert contest
so get those recipes out
and get ready to prepare
those delicious dishes!!***

Babysitting will be provided.

The Elders will be in the lobby Sunday, February 22 and Sunday, March 1 to take your reservations for dinner.

We encourage you to join us for this great opportunity to praise God together in a special way as a congregation of God's people.

Revised Calendar

Copies of the revised February church calendar are available on the table in the lobby. Be sure to pick one up today.

Phone Campaign

The annual Shults-Lewis phone campaign will be held here at our building March 1-10. We encourage you to volunteer to make phone calls for an hour or more during any of the scheduled days, and/or please consider what you can donate to Shults-Lewis this year. More information will be coming soon....

TEENS

Parents Meeting

There will be an important meeting for the parents of teens **next Sunday, February 15** at 12:00 noon. We will be announcing the plans for the 2009 Mission Trip.

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.

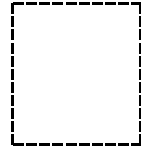
Date Night

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7/10

We will be having 7/10 this Friday - come out and enjoy the fun!!!

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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 is now at home after being in the 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. Doctors have determined that she has a hairline fracture in her leg. She was scheduled to see a bone specialist last Friday.

Loreina Adkins

Loreina spent a few days in U of M Hospital last week, undergoing tests for health problems she has been experiencing.

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.

James Thompson

James injured his ankle recently and has been confined to his home. Continue to keep him in your prayers that his ankle will heal quickly.

Yvonne Ogar

Yvonne continues to struggle with health problems and needs our prayers.

Becky English

Please keep Becky English, the mother of Rich English in your prayers. She is now under hospice care. Also keep Rich and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Joshua Quinlan

Ethel Sawgle requests our constant prayers for her grandson, Joshua, that he will be able to change his life.

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 3 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 another week before she has the surgery.

Mary Hall

Please pray for Mary, Brenda Messenger's mother. She is scheduled to undergo carpal tunnel surgery.

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers:

Misty Hoggatt, Julie Hoggatt (Kent's sister-in-law), Rachel Pratt, Rachel (French) Heemer, Darcy Seguin and Sara Nelms.

Remember those who are looking for work:

Joe Eddings, 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:

Sharrin Baird, 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

- Brianna Murphy (belated) . . Feb 3
- Jace Bishop Feb 11
- Mary Lou Rost Feb 13
- Jordan Boren Feb 16
- Curt Whitsett Feb 17
- Nyles Lewis Feb 17

ANNIVERSARIES

None

EVENTS

- Feb 14 Card Party at the Nettles 5:30 p.m.
- Feb 15 Teen Parents mtg 12 noon
- Feb 27 "Date Night"
- March 1-10 Shults Lewis Phone Campaign
- March 8 *Celebration!*