

# 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 July 12, 2009

### Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	55
Bible Class	150
11:00 a.m. Service	145
Total Worship	188
Evening Worship	44
Mid-week	61

### Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,756.74	\$ 123,675.51
Actual	\$ 3,872.00	\$ 119,949.74
Diff.	-\$ 884.74	-\$ 3,725.77
China Bibles		\$10.00
Other Restricted Income		\$22.51

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**Honor to Whom Honor is Due**



This week we honor **Charlie French** and **Dale French**, who buried our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary time capsule last week. We waited until the foundation we repaired was “set” and the ground around it was ready before placing the time capsule in an enclosed container. They also placed the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary marker above the time capsule. *Thank you Charlie and Dale, we appreciate your time and hard work to make our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration a great memory for us all!!*

**Softball Schedule**

This week’s schedule:

**Men**

Monday, July 20 6:00 p.m.

Free Methodist field

Thursday, July 23 6:00 p.m.

**Women**

No games this week.

**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 15<sup>th</sup> through November 10<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**Calling All Preteens!!**

The preteens will be staying after the 11:00 service next Sunday, July 26 to pass out flyers for our V.B.S. Bring a lunch and join us!!

**Ladies**

There will be a ladies retreat at the Oscoda Church of Christ next weekend, July 24-25. For more information see the flyer posted on the ladies bulletin board.

**The Shepherd’s Staff**

**WORSHIP COORDINATOR**

After much prayer and discussion, the elders and David Brackney have mutually agreed not to proceed with David as Worship Coordinator. We have great respect for David Brackney as he does for us. We will search for another to fill this position.

This past Wednesday, after the service, there was a meeting with the Elders and some of our members regarding the worship coordinator position. The meeting was a time of open discussion and sharing of thoughts and concerns which the elders responded to. The communication was very productive and healing took place. All present agreed more times of sharing and communicating would be helpful in understanding and accepting each other.

Please know your elders all love God and each one of you. We want our congregation to grow in numbers, spirituality and in evangelism to our community. During most services there is an elder on duty in the foyer to listen to any concerns you may have. The elders desire to be approachable and available. Please take advantage of this as you take your concerns directly to an elder. We need and ask for your support, respect, prayers and love.

Bob Norton  
For the Elders

**Sunshine Basket**

Marge Norton is putting together a sunshine basket for Rebecca Wright, who could use our love and encouragement right now. Marge has posted a list of some of Rebecca’s favorite things on the bulletin board near the café area. You can also contact Marge at church or home if you have any questions. (This is a surprise and we plan to give it to her when she returns from mission trip on Sunday, July 26!!!)

**You’re Invited**

Everyone in the congregation is invited to share a special day with Ron and Katy Weiss as they renew their wedding vows on Sunday, August 23 at 3:00 p.m. A dessert reception will follow. They request no gifts, just your presence. Please sign up on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board near the café area so they will know how many guests to expect.

### Sympathy

We express our sympathy to **Rich Overton** and his family on the sudden passing of Rich's brother, Gerald last Monday. His funeral was held on Friday in Detroit.

### 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 are \$75 each if purchased by July 31 or 480 each after August 1 and they are now on sale! 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.**

### VBS WISH LIST

If you have the following items to donate for our VBS, please bring place them next to the Secret Sister table

- Rolls from paper towels.
- Any color scrap tissue paper or wrapping paper ( any color/style)
- Anything Hawaiian! (Be sure you label the items)
- Hawaiian shirts to borrow for the workers. (Workers - you are asked to wear them for the week.)

Also, we are in need of the following workers. Contact Katy Weiss if you can help:

- Clean up Crew Coordinator for Friday after VBS (put chairs back in the auditorium, etc.) See J.W. Cox or Carol Speirs if you are available.
- Work Day help  
July 25th 10-2 p.m.  
August 1st 10-2 p.m.

### Growing Kids God's Way

*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.

### 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.

### Nursery

A new sign up sheet has been posted on the ladies bulletin board for nursery duty.

### VBS Committee

The VBS committee will be meeting every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. during the month of July.

### Hangers Needed

If anyone has clothes hangers (any type) they would like to get rid of, please give them to Peggy Schofield. Thank you!

### VBS Registration

It's time to begin registering our children for Vacation Bible School. Our VBS will be held August 2-5 from 6:45 - 8:30 p.m. Registration forms can be found on the table in the lobby and placed in the box on the Secret Sister table. Please register for the grade that you will be attending in the fall.

# TEENS

#### Lapeer VBS Advertising

We have been asked to help advertise for our VBS here in Lapeer by handing out flyers around town. This will be done after second service on Sunday July 26th. We are looking for 5-10 teens and 2-3 drivers. Contact Chase Pratt if you can help.

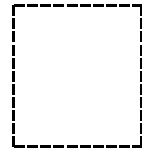
#### Soup Kitchen

The teens will be hosting the Soup Kitchen Wednesday, July 29th. If you are planning to help, please try to arrive by 4:00.



Join us for our  
Vacation Bible School  
August 2-5  
6:45 - 8:30 p.m.  
Invite your  
family and friends!!

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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**

**Janice Brannon**

Janice, the daughter of Burnis Griffith, remains in the hospital in Alabama with chronic meningitis. She is undergoing tests to determine the cause. Continue to keep her in your prayers.

**Ed Sornig**

Please keep Ed, the father of Jim Sornig, in your prayers. He had surgery last Wednesday to have his leg amputated below his knee. He is expected to be moved to a physical rehabilitation unit later this week.

**Stefan Sauter**

Stefan, the boyfriend of Rebecca Wright was a foreign exchange student at Lapeer East High School this year and attended church several times with Rebecca. He went back to his home in Germany recently and was involved in a serious accident on July 4 when he fell from a barn, resulting in a severe head injury. He remains in an induced coma but is now able to breathe on his own. Please pray that he will continue to show improvement.

**Jon Cappell**

Please pray for Jon, the son-in-law of Bonnie Elrod. A non-cancerous tumor was removed from his brain about a year ago, but a brain tumor has returned. Doctors do not feel the tumor is life-threatening and they are discussing his case to determine the course of action to take care of it. He is the husband of Bonnie's daughter, Janice.

**Bonnie Nichols**

Bonnie, the niece of Jack Slater, had major surgery on her colon. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Sheila Prager**

Please pray for Sheila, an elders wife at the Royal Oak congregation and friend to many here. She has pancreatitis and has been experiencing severe stomach problems. She is now home from the hospital and doing better, but continues to need our prayers.

**Stanley Running**

Please pray for Stanley, the brother of Ethel Sawgle, who had open heart surgery recently. We pray for his healing and a quick recovery.

**Mike Quinlan**

Please keep Mike, the son-in-law of Ethel Sawgle in your prayers. He was involved in an accident recently.

**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.



**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>• 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> <li>• Brian Wood</li> <li>• Darren Whatling</li> <li>• Will Bartlett</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> <li>• Aaron Jamison</li> <li>• Damian Salmond</li> </ul>
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***Shepherd's Care***  
**This Weeks Schedule:**

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

**BIRTHDAYS**

Noah Weiss . . . . . July 21  
 Shelby Kurschat . . . . . July 23  
 Rachael Booth . . . . . July 24  
 Samantha Czerniakowski . July 24  
 Evan Pretty . . . . . July 24

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Fred & Ethel Sawgle . . . . . July 23  
 Chip & Michelle Edgette. . July 25  
 Steve & Cari Mihalovich . . July 27

**Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement**  
 Niki Kirkpatrick, Marge Norton, Sharon White, Virginia Edwards, 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, Rich English, Warren Edwards, Cheryl Booth, Mike & Tina Dinnan, Niki Kirkpatrick, Sara & Kevin Nelms, Bruce Nettles, Geneva Breezee and Penny Crowley.

**Praise and Thanksgiving**  
 Thankful for our young people and their desire to go on mission trip.