



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 October 25, 2009

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	67
Bible Class	128
11:00 a.m. Service	131
Total Worship	198
Evening Worship	n/a
Mid-week	73

Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,756.74	\$ 195,026.61
Actual	\$ 6,246.84	\$ 192,676.70
Diff.	+\$ 1,490.10	\$ 2,349.91
China Bibles		\$10.00
Other Restricted Income		\$1,549.25

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor our young people and chaperones who went to the Imlay City Church of Christ last Sunday afternoon to clean/sanitize their building and spruce up the yard and landscaping. Jeff & Brianna Booth, Terry & Zack McCarthy, Bruce Mosher, Matt Jamison, and Rebecca and Freda Wright volunteered their time last Sunday to help the Imlay City church and be an encouragement to their members. *Thank you all!!*

Annual Steak Dinner

Everyone is invited to the steak dinner at Michigan Christian Youth Camp in Attica next 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. Entertainment will also be provided.

Ministry Leaders

Ministry leaders - your year-to-date reports and 2010 Budget Requests forms are in your mailboxes. Be sure to pick them up today and review them. Budget request sheets are due back to the office by **NEXT Sunday, November 8.** If you do not have a year-to-date report in your mailbox, that means you did not spend money from your budget for 2009. However, we recommend you still turn in a 2010 budget request form.

Baptism

We rejoice that **Kevin Hendricks** was baptized into Christ last Tuesday night by Bob Norton. Kevin has been attending our 8:30 a.m. service regularly and recently hosted a bow shooting tournament at his home for some of our avid bow-hunters. We're so happy for Kevin and his decision to become a Christian.

Mentor Needed

There is a need for an adult female mentor for a woman who was recently released from prison. Please see Jerry Brackney if you are interested. Training will be provided.

God's Helping Hands

There will be another "Focus Saturday" on November 21 to take families Christmas shopping at the GHH's facility. If you are interested in car pooling, please watch for the sign up sheet to be posted on the bulletin board in the café area.

House For Rent

Alan and Nancy Brinker will soon be leaving us and moving to Texas where Alan has accepted a job offer. They have a house available for rent in Goodland Township. It is a 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom bi-level home. Please contact the church office for more information.

History Book

Vernon Boyd has completed a book on "A History of The Stone-Campbell Churches of Christ in Michigan" and they are available for \$26.00 each (+\$3.99 S/H). The book includes a bonus CD containing brief histories of over 250 congregations in Michigan. See the flyer on the café bulletin board for more information.

Guitar Lessons

Mark Dillard is offering group guitar lessons to be held at the church building. Contact Mark if you or your child are interested. Students will need to be in the 4th grade or older. The time will be determined later depending on what is convenient for those interested. Classes will be \$10/student and will meet on a weekly basis.

Photographer Needed

We are beginning to work on an updated version of our pictorial directory and need someone to take pictures of our members. Please see Freda Wright if you are available.

The Shepherd's Staff

Elder Training

Last weekend four of your elders attended training classes at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky. It was an investment in time and money that will pay spiritual dividends for many years to come. There were forty four different workshops available. As elders, we split up to attend as many as possible. We will glean many useful ideas for the work here at Lapeer. We thank you for your support and invite you to ask any of us for more details. Even if you don't ask you will hear us commenting on what we saw and learned in the weeks to come. It truly was a blessing for us to be there.

Jack Slater
For the Elders

Monthly Potluck

Today is our monthly potluck. If you are visiting with us today, please stay and join us for lunch as our honored guests. We'd love to have the opportunity to get to know you !

Card Night

The next card night will be held at Bruce and Robin Nettles next Saturday evening, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass. Sloppy joes will be served.

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". If you have a candidate suggestion, 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.

Lapeer Blood Drives

Monday, November 9

Calvary Bible Church
10 am - 7:45 pm

Friday, November 13

Trinity United Methodist Church
1:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday, November 25

Mott Community College
12:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Monday, November 30

Lapeer VFW Post 4139
12:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Birth

Congratulations to Paul and Rachel (Wright) Tanis, on the birth of their son, **Noah Dean**, who was born last Tuesday, October 27. He weighed 5 lb. 13 oz. and was 18 3/4" long. Grandparents are Dave & Freda Wright.

Marriage Encounter

There will be a Marriage Encounter November 13-15 at Michigan Christian Youth Camp. If you have never attended a Marriage Encounter, now is your opportunity to do so, or if you have attended before, how about a renewal? See Jerry or Rita Brackney if you have any questions or would like a brochure.

Preteens

Join us for a fun preteen event - Bowling! We will be going to Gerlach's Bowling Center next Sunday, November 8. We will be having pizza and pop at the church building after second service and bowling will be from 3:00 - 5:45 p.m. Come join us - we'll have a "ball"! Also, join us for a movie and game night at the Bishop's on Friday, November 20 from 7:00-11:00 p.m. Finger foods and snacks are provided. Mark your calendar now! Hours of fun awaits you!!

Thank You

"Thank you to all you caring people for the cards, prayers and visits. We appreciate and love each and every one of you."

Emit & Loreina Adkins

"God bless all who came to the Imlay City Church and helped clean up last week. We really appreciate your dedication to the Lord and His family. You are blessed. Keep up the good work in Jesus. We love you all!"

The Imlay City
Church of Christ members

Attention Veterans

So many disabled veterans feel confused about benefits and services they've earned. There's so much to know...and so many changes from one year to the next. Find out more about these changes and have your questions answered at a special FREE seminar. The seminar will be held at the Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman Rd. in Livonia, Michigan, on Thursday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m. Bring your VA Claim Number and Social Security Number to the seminar.

Sack The Pulpit

Stop by the table in the lobby to pick up an empty sack to fill to help our benevolence ministry provide food for those in need for Thanksgiving.

Leaders & Leaderettes

Don't forget, we will be meeting at 5:00 p.m. to begin lessons and activities for Bible Reading, Song Leading, Scrapbooking, Good Samaritan, Bible Bowl and others. The Phase One class will continue to meet each Sunday at 6:00 p.m. Please contact Bruce and Robin Nettles with any questions.

Teens

Girls Devotional

There will be a girls devotional at Rachel Pratt's house at 5:45 tonight.

Christmas Jug

We have started collecting money in our annual Christmas Jug in the teen room. All money collected will be used to buy Christmas presents for families who could use an extra blessing this Christmas. It doesn't take much to do a whole lot of good.

7-10

The date of the 1st "7-10" of the year has been set! They will begin THIS Friday, November 6th. Rachel and Chase will be hosting that night. **We need parents to volunteer to host for upcoming nights in order for this to work.** It's really a fun time to relax, eat some snacks, and get to know the members of our teen group better.

Food Bank of Eastern Michigan

We have an opportunity to help out at the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan in Flint on Saturday, November 21st. The Food Bank provides food for outreach organizations in 22 counties, including our own soup kitchen. Each volunteer hour our congregation gives us credit for our soup kitchen. We will be working 9:00 a.m. to noon. These are also eligible N.H.S. hours.

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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 . . Bruce & Robin Nettles

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

Watson Burgess

Watson is now home from the hospital. Please continue to keep Watson and Aldena in your prayers.

Emit & Loreina Adkins

Emit is now home from the hospital after suffering a broken leg. Please keep him in your prayers, as well as Loreina as she is very ill with heart problems.

Rose Dotson

Please pray for Judy Church's mother, Rose, who is recuperating from back surgery.

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers: Stacy (Eddings) Stach, Jeanette (Seth) Anderson and Christine Brackney.

Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement

Stefan Sauter, Rich Overton, Ed Sornig, Don Tivy, Frieda Lock, Margaret Whitsett, 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, Alan Brinker and Sharon Hueter.

Praise and Thanksgiving

- The safe arrival of the Tanis baby.
- Baptism of Kevin Hendricks



Please pray for our leaders and the men and women in the armed forces, especially those listed below who are family/loved ones of our members:

- Chip Atkinson
- Jeff Sparks
- Darren Whatling
- Justin Cooney
- Brad Willett
- Niles Czekiel
- Matt Messenger
- David Wells
- Aaron Jamison
- Iain & Robert Lee
- Scott Haddix
- Andrew Plumb
- Mike Dix
- Will Bartlett
- Bill Rogers
- Mike Overby



Happiest Verses

If you are feeling a bit down, take time to read some of these inspirational words:

- Psalms 23:1
- 2 Corinthians 5:1
- Deuteronomy 33:27
- James 1:17
- Acts 14:17
- Ephesians 3:20
- Isaiah 26:3; 40:31; 58:11
- Luke 15:21-24
- Philippians 4:4; 4:7; 4:13; 4:19
- 1 Peter 1:7-8
- John 14:1-3
- Hebrews 4:16
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17
- 2 Corinthians 2:14
- Romans 5:5; 8:28-39

-Johnny Ramsey

BIRTHDAYS

Matt Jamison	Nov 5
Gauge Hook	Nov 6
Ryan Lewis	Nov 7
Josh Windsor	Nov 8
Earl Slocum	Nov 8
Jacob Eddings	Nov 9
Dennis Kalbfleisch	Nov 9
Ben Jamison	Nov 9
Sarah Hueter	Nov 9

ANNIVERSARIES

None

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule

Today:

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

Wed. Jerry Brackney

Schedule of Speakers

Today:

- This morning - Jerry Tallman
- Tonight - Curt Whitsett

Next Sunday morning:

Jeff Booth