



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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2010 Scripture Theme

"In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:16

MINISTERS

Pulpit

Part-Time Youth Minister

Chase Pratt

Worship Coordinator

Kent Hoggatt

SHEPHERDS

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 April 11, 2010

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	75
Bible Class	124
11:00 a.m. Service	125
Total Worship	200
Evening Worship	35
Mid-week	62

Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,908.60	\$ 73,629.00
Actual	\$ 5,224.64	\$ 63,690.75
Diff.	+\$ 316.04	-\$ 9,938.25
China Bibles		\$45.00
Other Restricted Income		\$290.00

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **many in our congregation who make those who visit with us feel so welcome and at home.** We receive responses from our visitors letting us know how friendly and welcoming the congregation was when they visited with us. It's great to see members, young and old, go up to those they haven't seen here before and make sure they feel comfortable and know how happy we are to have them with us. *Thank you everyone - keep up the good work!!*

Cruise Next Sunday

Next Sunday we are encouraging everyone with a classic car or a new sports car, as well as those with motorcycles to join us (weather permitting) for a quick cruise after our 11:00 a.m. service before going to lunch! Invite your friends to join us. Contact Bob Norton if you have any questions.

Garage Sale

Are you getting ready to clean out those closets? the basement? the garage? If so, don't throw those unwanted items away. Save them for a garage sale the teens will be having the weekend of June 17-19. (The location will be announced just prior to the sale.) All funds raised in the sale will go toward our teen mission trip to New York City. We ask that you please hold on to your items until the week of the sale and don't drop them off at the church building. Thank you!

Lawn Mowing



For those interested in helping with the lawn mowing around the grounds of our building, a sign-up sheet is located on the grounds bulletin board in the lobby. We have two riding mowers (one is a zero-turn) and we provide the gas. If you have any questions or concerns contact Steve Kurschat at 667-2665.

The Shepherd's Staff

BUILDING ENTHUSIASM

I spoke last Sunday of the phenomenal growth of the first century Church. As we browsed through Acts, we noticed the great enthusiasm of the early-on new Christians as they met together. God was working in a powerful way as so many were added to the Church. All this was done among and in spite of so much diversity. This had to create serious challenges with different languages, religions, beliefs, methods and the opposition they experienced.

In spite of the challenges the enthusiasm grew and new souls were added daily. I spoke of the pleasant memories and the rewarding experience of the members building the additions onto our facility. Oh, we had challenges and obstacles to overcome, but the work moved forward. Our members exhibited great skills and problem solving ability. It was an exciting time as the building began to take shape. Then we finally had our first service in the new building. It was an exciting time. Soon we would have 300 in attendance.

We just found the photos taken during the building construction. We are posting these for a couple weeks so we might share the memories and the excitement. Take a moment and look at the photos, see if you recognize the craftsmen.

We can return to those 300 numbers if we regain the enthusiasm. All of us want to spread the good news of Jesus to our community and grow our congregation. We must learn to be tolerant of our differences and practice the first century practice of our highest priority being the reaching of the lost in the Lapeer community. The main thing is evangelism and the encouragement of each other.

Acts 5:42

Bob Norton
For the Elders

Marriage Encounter

The Trenton Church of Christ is hosting a Marriage Encounter weekend at the Comfort Suites Hotel in Southgate, MI. The cost of the weekend retreat is \$200.00 which includes 2 nights at Comfort Suites, meals, and program materials. The date is May 14 to 16th. **Registration deadline is next Sunday, April 25th.** Dale and Patty French and Jerry and Rita Brackney will be the presenting couples. Brochures are in Jerry Brackney's mailbox in the office.

Annual Work Day

The annual workday is scheduled for **May 15** (7am to 2pm). Lunch will be provided (and possibly breakfast if people are interested). For those planning to attend, a sign-up sheet is located on the grounds bulletin board. Although not required, early sign-up is appreciated so jobs and supplies can be planned according to the number of participants. Also, a suggestion sheet is on the bulletin board for additional jobs members would like to see done.



Carnival / BBQ Meeting



Instead of our V.B.S. this year, we are planning to have a Carnival / BBQ. We are looking for fresh new ideas and fresh new faces to help us with this fun event! Please join us for a meeting today at 9:45 a.m., in the room behind the auditorium. See Katy Weiss if you have any questions.

Fund Raisers for Lauren

Lauren Weiss will be traveling to Australia July 11-25th in an Ambassador program called *People to People*. They are trying to raise funds for this trip and wanted to let their family at Lapeer know so they can participate if they wish.

The Weiss' will be having a bowling fundraiser at Cedar Lanes bowling in Imlay City on Saturday, May 1st from 2-5 p.m. For \$10.00 you will receive 3 games with shoe rental. \$5.00 of every ticket purchased will be donated to Lauren for her trip. They will also be having a bake sale, too. If anyone would like to bake something for the cause, please sign up on the café bulletin board for the item(s) you would like to bring. The baked goods can be brought to the church building by 12:00 noon on May 1st. See Katy or Lauren Weiss if you have any questions.

Also, they are collecting bottles/cans. If you'd like to bring some in, please contact Katy or Lauren and let them know. Thank you!

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to **Brian Crowley** and former member **Karen Lloyd** and their family on the death of their grandmother, **Mary Scott**, who passed away last week. Her funeral was held in Waterford last Saturday.

We also express our sympathy to **Kent Hoggatt** whose 92 year-old aunt passed away last weekend. Kent spoke at her funeral last Wednesday in Indiana.

God's Helping Hands

GHH's will be having their 9th Annual KEVIN-A-THON next Saturday, April 24 at Premium Self Storage on 160 W. Avon Road in Rochester Hills. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the walk will begin at 9:00 a.m. Pledge forms are available on the café bulletin board.

GHH's will be having an Appreciation Picnic for the volunteers and supporters on Sunday, May 16 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the River Woods Park in Auburn Hills. See the flyer posted on the café bulletin board for more information.

Ladies Softball

Ladies, if you are interested in playing softball this summer, please contact Betsy Sornig as soon as possible.

Card Night

The next card night will be held at Warren and Lynn Edwards next Saturday, April 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Gospel Meetings

3 Day Science Seminar & Gospel Meeting

Swartz Creek Church of Christ May 21-23 featuring Kyle Butt from Freed-Hardeman University.

Spring Gospel Meeting

April 25-29 Davison Church of Christ featuring Stephen Rogers

(See the flyers posted on the bulletin board next to the coat room for more information on these events.)

New Directories

Our new pictorial directories are available!! We have provided one directory per family. Feel free to stop by the tables in the lobby and pick up your copy. **PLEASE TAKE THE DIRECTORY THAT HAS YOUR FAMILY'S PICTURE ON THE TOP. Thank you!**

Teens

Mission Trip Training Classes



We have dates for the four Mission Trip training classes. They will be on May 23rd, June 13, June 27th, and July 11th.

Classes will be held following Sunday morning service, and the length will vary based on what we need to go over (estimated between 1 and 3 hours).

Mission Trip Cost

Thank you for your patience while we finalized enough details of our Mission Trip to New York in order to set a final cost per person. Due to making more cost effective housing arrangements with the Harlem Church of Christ, we are excited to announce that we are able to reduce the estimated cost by 40%. The final cost per person will be \$150. We hope that this cost will make it so no one will have to miss out on Mission Trip because of the expense.

Also, since we have finalized the cost, we would like to finalize our list of those who will be going. **The sign-up deadline will be NEXT SUNDAY, April 25.** The sheet is on the board outside the teen room. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me or any other member of the Teen Committee. -Chase

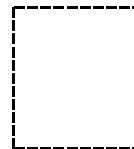
Soup Kitchen

The teens are hosting the soup kitchen on Wednesday, April 28th.

MDYC Concert

There are only three concerts left in the Metro Detroit Youth Chorus season. Aubrey Hall, Jennifer Edwards, and Taylor & Breanna Mihalovich are all in the chorus. I know it would mean a lot to these four if we came to hear them sing. Rachel and I will be going to the concert tonight at Rochester Church of Christ. It would be fun to see if we could get a group together to go. Let me know if you are interested. The concert is at 5:30. - Chase

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MINISTRIES

A ministry to meet everyone's needs and a ministry for everyone to be involved in.

Adult Worship *Kent Hoggatt*
Audio/Visual *Jim Sornig*
Benevolence *Ron & Katy Weiss*
Bereavement Dinners & Meals on Wheels . . . *Ladies*
Bible Hour *Kent Hoggatt*
Bridal/Baby Showers *Ladies*
Building Interior *Dave Wright*
Bulletin Boards *Paula Garrett*
C.I.A. (Christians In Action) *Jack Slater*
Counseling & Mission Outreach *Steve Ennis*
Education *Don Jamison*
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
Pre-Teens (12 years - under) *Committee*
Secret Sister *Donna Kurschat*
Soup Kitchen *Ron & Katy Weiss*
Teens *Chase Pratt, Jim Sornig / Committee*
World Bible School *Brian Crowley*
Young at Heart *Jerry Brackney*

Weekly Prayer List

Shelley Norton

Shelley has pneumonia and is in need of our prayers.

Jerry Lynch

Please pray for Susan Bishop's father Jerry, who has been diagnosed with cancer. He is expected to come home to stay with Jeff and Susan.

Joe Armstrong

Please pray for Joe as he waits for test results taken recently at U of M Hospital. He is the father of the fiancé of Marge Norton's niece.

Bill Morris

Please continue to pray for Bill, the cousin of Freda Wright who was injured in a motorcycle accident recently. He is improving and is now home from the hospital. Thank you for your prayers!

Shauna's Family

Kirk Lewis asks us to pray for the family of his ex-wife, Shauna. Her cousin was killed in Jamaica last week.

Natalie Balaska

Former member Billy Windsor asks us to pray for Natalie, the daughter of two of his closest friends, Jason and Jennifer Balaska. Natalie is 5 years old and is suffering from severe health complications.

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers: Peggy (Montgomery) Sparks and Rachael Craig (triplets).

Remember those who are looking for work: Deborah Gale and Michelle Smith.



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
- Jimmy Cox
- Jeff Sparks
- Darren Whatling
- Justin Cooney
- Niles Czekiel
- Matt Messenger
- David Wells
- Aaron Jamison
- Iain & Robert Lee
- Scott Haddix
- Andrew Plumb
- Mike Dix
- Will Bartlett
- Bill Rogers
- Chris Speirs
- Mike Overby

Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement

Cliff & Margaret Whitsett, Loreina Adkins, Sherrie White's mother, Sharon White, June Pigg, Don Berkheiser, Charlene Garrett, Bonnie Elrod, Crystal Keeley, John Warner, Sarah Frank, Rich Overton, Ed Sornig, Don Tivy, Frieda Lock, Sharrin Baird, Joshua Quinlan, Sue Johnson, Cyndi Pratt, Thelma Hoggatt, Mamie Gentry.

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones Recently

Sherrie White, Brian Crowley

Praise and Thanksgiving

Don Haddix is feeling better and is able to be back with us again.

Schedule of Speakers

Today:

This morning-
Garth Pleasant
This evening - Paul Conger

Next Sunday:

a.m. - Joe Patricio

BIRTHDAYS

Susan Dillard April 21
 Steve Kurschat April 21
 Linda Willyard April 22
 Jimmy Cox April 23
 Diane Danforth April 24
 Aubrey Hall April 25
 Erin Sherrill April 25
 Abby Kalbfleisch April 26

ANNIVERSARIES

Bruce & Robin Nettles . . April 23

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule

Today:

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

Wed. Bob Norton

Continue to pray daily for our minister search

Care Center News

“Alzheimer's Workshop”

The Care Center is having a free Alzheimer's educational workshop this Tuesday, April 20 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Care Center.