



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

Part-Time Youth Minister

Chase Pratt

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 January 24, 2010

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	.....	43
Bible Class	.....	120
11:00 a.m. Service	.....	121
Total Worship	.....	164
Evening Worship	.....	37
Mid-week	.....	72

Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,908.60	\$ 19,634.40
Actual	\$ 3,989.13	\$ 16,400.04
Diff.	-\$ 919.47	-\$ 3,234.36
China Bibles	\$265.00
Other Restricted Income	\$855.47

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor the young men in our congregation who are conducting our services today in the 11:00 a.m. assembly. The young men conduct our services every fifth Sunday of the month. It is great to see these young men participate in leading us in worship to our Lord, and they do a great job. *Thank you guys, it is good for us to see that the young men in our congregation are willing to participate. It's encouraging to know that we have you as part of the congregation and we know we have a great future with young men like you to lead us!!*

Baby Shower

The family of Michelle Smith invites the ladies of the congregation to a baby shower for her daughter, Brittney Nettles, next Saturday, February 6 at 12:00 noon in the church fellowship hall.

Partnership Dinner

Rochester College will host its 39th Annual Partnership Dinner at the Royal Park Hotel in downtown Rochester on March 13. Michael Medved, a nationally syndicated radio host and best-selling author will present the keynote address. For more information, see the bulletin board near the café or contact Kent Hoggatt.

Minister Candidate

We encourage everyone to join us on Sunday, February 21 as we have a minister candidate speaking to us during the morning worship services. We will be having a potluck immediately after the services and encourage everyone to attend so we can all have the opportunity to get to know him.

Help for Haiti

If you would like to contribute to the relief effort, make your check out to the Lapeer Church of Christ and earmark it "Haitian Relief." So far we have received \$1,716.00.

The Shepherd's Staff

How Can I Get More Out of Our Services?

Often I have left a Sunday morning worship service and said to myself "I didn't get much out of the service today." Yet, other times I go away feeling uplifted and inspired.

I have convinced myself many times that I didn't get anything from the service because "I didn't like the songs we sang today", "there were too many distractions in the room", "the sermon wasn't very good", or "the sermon didn't apply to me today", etc.

As I reflect back on those times when I didn't get anything out of the service, I have to ask myself "What did I bring to the service?" "Is it possible my attitude was such that I didn't allow myself to become interested in the sermon?" "If everyone else was singing like me on that day, would the only voice heard be that of the song leader?"

If only we could approach God each time we come together with the same attitude of the Psalmist in Psalm 66:

"Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious! Say to God, "how awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you. All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name." Come and see what God has done, how awesome his works in man's behalf! He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot—come, let us rejoice in him. He rules forever by his power, his eyes watch the nations—let not the rebellious rise up against him. Praise our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping. For you, O God, tested us; you refined us like silver. You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs. You let men ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance. I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you—vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble. I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats. Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me. I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue. If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; but God has surely listened and heard my voice in prayer. Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!"

I truly believe if we arrive at our worship service with the proper attitude and reverence for God, we won't be able to sit silently during songs or let our mind drift off during prayers. Our God gave us his best and He deserves nothing less from us!

Dave Wright
For the Elders

Bible Hour and Lads & Leaderettes

Attention to all member, any age over 4th grade! Susan Bishop will be conducting a training class on Puppet skills. This is an opportunity to learn to use puppets to teach and instruct through a scripted Bible based puppet show. It will also provide valuable experience for members of the L/L program that are interested in forming a new puppet team for 2010. The class will be held this afternoon after the 11:00 a.m. service. Please contact Susan with any questions.

Parents and Lads & Leaderettes

This evening from 5 to 7 p.m. we will be meeting to continue work on Individual Scrapbooks. Come prepared with your scrapbooking materials. Rebecca Wright will be with us to share her expertise and to teach scrapbooking techniques for L/L!

God's Helping Hands

GHH's is one of the qualifying organizations that is accepted for the Disney "Give a Day, Get A Day" volunteer promotion. If you volunteer to work a day a GHH's, you qualify to earn a free Disney park ticket. For more information, contact Katy Weiss or God's Helping Hands at (248) 852-7400.

Actors/Waiters Needed

The search is on for people interested in participating in a dinner theater production involving Bible theme short skits and characterizations. Biblical character wait staff is also needed. Your character can say a "little or a lot" and there are various parts to fill. No acting experience necessary. Date for the Middle Eastern cuisine dinner is Saturday, March 27, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at a local Lapeer location. Please contact Susan Bishop at (810) 245-5889 or Dana Eubank at (810) 664-8040 for more information.

Update

Jerry and Rita Brackney spoke with Alan and Nancy Brinker last week and they are doing great since their move to Texas. Nancy will begin teaching in a Church of Christ pre-school where Seleste attends and they have settled into a church about the size of our congregation. Their address: 2104 Culver Midland, TX 79705

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of **Curtis Watson**, a former elder and long-time member of the Mt. Morris congregation who is a friend to many in our congregation. Brother Watson passed away last Monday from cancer.

We also express our sympathy to former member **Roy Hollis**, whose mother passed away last week. Roy and Sandy's address: 2866 S.W. Zack Wheat Dr. Polo, Missouri 64671

Ladies

We have started a new ladies class on Wednesday evenings on the book "Let This Cup Pass" by Jane McWhorter. The study will help answer some of the "why" questions we have in our lives. Several of our ladies will be leading the class and we encourage everyone to attend. The class is held in the fellowship hall after our mid-week devotional.

Preteens

The preteens will be going roller skating on Sunday, February 28 from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. A hot dog and drink will be included in your ticket price. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet located on the café bulletin board. See Donna Kurschat if you have any questions.

Directory Changes

Please be sure to make the following changes in your directory:

Address Changes:

Phil & Robin Dillard

4831 Starr Ct.
Metamora, MI 48455

Eric & Tammy Edwards & family

13338 Hart
Huntington Woods, MI 48070

Phone Number Changes:

The Nettles family has cancelled their home phone and will be using cell phones as a main contact.

Bruce - (810) 834-1186

Robin - (810) 834-1533

Caleb - (810) 834-7056

Email address changes:

Bruce Nettles:

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Robin Nettles:

bnbatmansgirl@gmail.com

Cyndi Pratt:

cyndirelli@hotmail.com

Teens

Girls Devotional

The girls devotional is scheduled for next Sunday, February 7 from 5:45 p.m. at Rachel Pratt's.

7/10

This Friday is our next "7/10". We are still in need of a male chaperone.

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule

Today:

8:30 a.m. Jack Slater

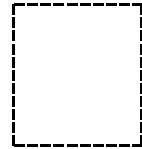
Bible Class . . . Bob Norton

11:00 a.m . . . Dave Wright

6:00 p.m Bob Norton

Wed. Bob Norton

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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 *Chase Pratt, Jim Sornig / Committee*
World Bible School *Brian Crowley*
Young at Heart *Jerry Brackney*

Weekly Prayer List

Cliff Whitsett

Cliff spent a few days in Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital last week with a fever and doctors regulated his medication. He is now home but is very weak. Please keep him in your prayers.

Rita Brackney

Rita had basal cell carcinoma cells removed from her forehead recently. She received an "all clear" report from the doctor last Tuesday.

Judy Slater

Judy is undergoing tests and we are praying she receives good results.

Jamesa McCarthy

Jamesa is scheduled to have a procedure this Tuesday to help remove a kidney stone. Please keep her in your prayers.

Bill Moralee

Please keep Bill, the brother-in-law of Steve Goodin in your prayers. He underwent heart surgery last Thursday at U of M Hospital.

Don Johnson

Please keep Don, the father of Sherrie White in your prayers. He suffers from diabetes and is in ICU at Genesys Hospital with an infection in his foot.

Norman Fulton

Please pray for Norman who is 44 years old and suffers from pancreatic cancer. He is a friend of Rich Overton's.

Randy Campbell

Please pray for Randy, the son of Joan - a neighbor of Bob and Marge Norton. He suffered a heart attack in Louisiana recently and has developed an infection, causing a delay in needed surgery.

Charlene Garrett

Please keep Bob Garrett's mother in your prayers. She fell a couple weeks ago and broke a vertebrae in her lower back. She was in St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, but has been transferred to the Huron County Medical Care Facility. She has to wear a body brace 24 hours a day and will be treated with medication and physical therapy. Her address: Huron Co. Med. Care Facility 1116 S. Van Dyke Rd. Bad Axe, MI 48412

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers: Peggy (Montgomery) Sparks, Stacy (Eddings) Stach, Rachael Craig (triplets), Jeanette (Seth) Anderson and April (Kim Thompson's niece).

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

Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement

Sharon White, Don Berkheiser, Loreina Adkins, Jamesa McCarthy, Aldena Burgess, Stefan Sauter, Our Shut-ins, Crystal Keeley, John Warner, Sarah Frank, Rich Overton, Ed Sornig, Don Tivy, Frieda Lock, Margaret Whitsett, Marge Norton, Sharon White, Don Haddix, Ernie Maness, Sharrin Baird, Joshua Quinlan, Sherrie White's parents, Janice Brannon, Sue Johnson, Cyndi Pratt, Charlene Garrett, Thelma Hoggatt, June Pigg, Mamie Gentry.

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones

Sharon Hueter, Ruth Kegerreis, Aldena Burgess and Tammy Porter.

Praise and Thanksgiving

- Rita Brackney received good news from her skin surgery.
- The Brinker are settled and doing well in Texas.



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

BIRTHDAYS

Brianna Murphy Feb 3

ANNIVERSARIES

None

Schedule of Speakers

Today:

This morning-Clifford Tucker

Tonight - Brian Crowley

Next Sunday:

a.m. - Roy Wolfe

Continue to pray daily for our minister search