



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 July 4, 2010

Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	52
Bible Class	94
11:00 a.m. Service	115
Total Worship	167
Evening Worship	18
Mid-week	n/a

Finances

	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
Budget	\$ 4,908.60	\$132,532.20
Actual	\$ 4,130.91	\$115,292.27
Diff.	-\$ 777.69	-\$ 17,239.93
China Bibles		\$5.00
Other Restricted Income		\$49.00

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Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor those who provided cookies for the Red Cross blood drive last week. As always, our members are always willing to help in the community when there is a need and we are grateful to those who helped last week to prepare cookies. *Thank you everyone!!*

Steak & Corn Roast

The Church of Christ Care Center is hosting their annual **STEAK & CORN ROAST** on **SATURDAY, AUGUST 21** at 6:00 p.m. under the big tent! This year's theme is *"Out of This World."* Tickets are \$75.00 each if purchased before July 31 and \$85.00 each after that date. There is also a new group discount this year. If people buy a table of 8 seats together the tickets are \$70.00 each if paid for before July 31. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please see Bob or Paula Garrett.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to the fact that we did not have the adequate amount of volunteers to help with the BBQ/Carnival scheduled for July 31st, it has been cancelled. This was a great endeavor and we needed plenty of workers to have the appropriate number of volunteers to cover all the areas safely and effectively. We will continue to make plans for this great event to schedule it again next summer. We would like to thank everyone that showed interest in this event and were willing to help.

The Shepherd's Staff

Years ago, it was not uncommon to have your milk delivered to your home. Doctors made house calls, and when you made a call to a company to discuss a problem, you actually spoke to a human being. Those days of personal service are gone, and if we are not careful, we will follow the same trend in how we share the gospel.

So often we are encouraged to bring people to church. Yet, we see no examples of where Jesus brought people into the synagogue to get them saved or healed. The miracles happened more often in the workplace because that was where Jesus could be found. Jesus had less response and found more resistance in the synagogue than in the workplace. He took the gospel to and modeled the gospel in the workplace. That is where the power of God was manifested. This is not to say we should not bring people to church, only that our priority should be to bring the Church into the workplace, not bring the workplace into the church.

Paul understood this when he said, *"My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power."* (1 Corinthians 2:4-5). Paul understood that it wasn't words that impacted people; it was the power of God manifested through him.

When is the last time someone saw something happen through your life that could not be explained other than God working in your life? When you begin to see this happen, you will be modeling ministry as Jesus modeled it. You will be bringing the Church to the people, not the people to the church. Pray that God makes you a vessel of His power, not simply a vessel of words.

Jack Slater
For the Elders

July Blood Drives

Friday, July 16

Walmart - Lapeer
12:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Tuesday, July 27

Mott Comm. College in Lapeer
12:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Help Needed

We are in need of someone maintain the cattail area around the building. Please contact Steve Kurschat if you are available to help.

Visit with Don Today

We will be taking a group again this afternoon to visit and have communion and a short devotional with brother Don Berkheiser. Please join us at 3:45 at the building if you'd like to car pool. We will be leaving promptly at 4:00 p.m. If you'd like to meet us at his home, please join us there at 4:30 p.m.

Thank You

"We would like to express our deep and sincere thanks to our Lapeer Church of Christ family. During our time of sorrow and loss you loved, prayed and supported the entire Slocum family. The funeral dinner that our sisters and brothers in Christ prepared was wonderful. It nourished both our bodies and souls. After a long and stressful week, it was a great blessing to be able to relax, pray and fellowship in a loving, peaceful atmosphere. Thank you for loving us and our family."

Yours in Christ,
Earl and Debbie Slocum

OPERATION G*H*H 2010

Join *God's Helping Hands* and *Tithingbooks.com* fight hunger as a community, one book at a time. Next Saturday, July 17, you will have the opportunity to play a part in stopping hunger in southeast Michigan by donating used books, movies and music CD's. *Tithingbooks.com* will sell the items and donate the profit to GHH's. For a list of drop off dates and locations, see the flyer posted on the bulletin board near the coat room.

Marriage Encounter

The Holland Church of Christ is hosting a Marriage Encounter weekend at the Comfort Inn Hotel in Grand Rapids, MI. The cost of the weekend retreat is \$200.00 which includes 2 nights at Comfort Inn, meals, and program materials. The date is November 19-21, 2010. Registration deadline is November 1st. Dale and Patty French and Jerry and Rita Brackney will be the presenting couples. Please contact the church office for a brochure. To register, please contact Dale & Patty French.

2010 New York/Harlem Mission Trip

Our teens will be leaving this Friday night to head to Harlem, New York. They will be serving the community there and throughout the New York City area. They will be coming back with lots of pictures and stories to share with us. For many, they will be stepping out of their "comfort zone" to experience things they have never done before. Here are just a few of the things they will be doing while they are there:

- Work and visit with the elderly at an Adult Day Care Center
- Work at "Room to Grow", an organization that provides food, supplies and training to babies and their parents who live in the poverty level.
- Loading/Unloading produce for the City Harvest Greenmarket Team, an organization that unloads produce brought from area farms to be distributed to local food banks, soup kitchens, etc.
- Park clean up in Harlem at two of the parks located near the Harlem Church of Christ.
- Sing spiritual songs in the subway
- Serve food in a soup kitchen near Grand Central Station in Manhattan
- Go on a prayer walk
- Distribute tracts and Bible correspondence material to residents near the Harlem church.
- Drop off food and school supplies to a mission in Coney Island.

This will be a great experience for our young people and their chaperones and we ask that you keep them in your prayers that they will have a safe and successful trip as they show God's love and spread his Word.

Canned Food Drive

The Teens are collecting canned foods and dry goods for the Lighthouse Mission located in Coney Island, New York. This is an agency that reaches out to people in need in their community. This area has a very high poverty level and many are homeless. God has provided us with this great opportunity to share our blessings with people who need help just making it through one day. We will be taking all of the food items that we, **as a congregation**, collect, and personally deliver them as a part of our NYC Mission Trip. The Lighthouse Mission needs our help and their resources for obtaining essential items is limited. **THIS WEDNESDAY IS YOUR FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO BRING IN ITEMS.** Please place your food items in the marked box in the lobby. Thank you in advance for your generosity and love for those who are struggling.

Teens

Mission Trip Training Classes

Our final mission trip training class will be held today after the 11:00 a.m. service. Lunch will be provided.

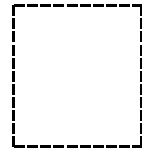
All medical forms and the balance owed for the trip are due today!!

PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE MEETING TO FIND OUT LAST MINUTE DETAILS ABOUT THE TRIP. We expect to be done by 2:00 p.m. There will be a chaperone meeting immediately following the class.

Road Clean Up

It's time for us to clean up the side of M-24 for our quarterly road clean up. Join us **THIS Wednesday evening, July 14 at 6:00 p.m.** to go out and do our part to keep our community clean. (Be sure to wear appropriate work clothes – no open toe shoes.) If you will not be joining us, we encourage you to attend the adult class in the auditorium on Wednesday night.

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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

Megan Swain

Megan is in Amsterdam, however, her luggage ended up in Alaska! Please keep in your prayers as she continues her trip over the next few weeks.

Lauren Weiss

Lauren will be leaving for Australia this afternoon. She would like everyone to pray that she has safe travels and that her eyes will be wide open to the culture and her surroundings. She would also like to thank everyone for the prayers, love and support shown to her. She is so blessed to have such a wonderful family that loves and supports her.

Doug Dempsey

Doug, the father-in-law of Shelly Windsor and Dave Wright's sister, Barbara, suffers from diabetes and was scheduled to have surgery to remove one of his toes. However, he experienced heart and kidney problems and will undergo the surgery in the near future. Please pray that he will overcome these health issues so he can undergo the surgery as soon as possible.

Matthew Edwards

Matthew, the son of Warren and Lynn Edwards, has completed his class portion of medical school and will start his clinical rotations at Sinai Grace Hospital in Detroit on July 26, dependant on him passing his board exam test on July 20. He has been studying very hard and we know he would appreciate our prayers to help him prepare and pass this important test.

Leota Weingartz & Barb Taylor

Please keep Leota, the mother of Barb Taylor, a co-worker of Katy Weiss in your prayers. She suffered a heart attack last week. Katy asks that we please keep them both in our prayers.



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:

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

The following ladies are expecting and would appreciate your continued prayers: Kristen Wright and Rachel Pratt.

Remember those who are looking for work: Michelle Smith.

Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement

Jerry Brackney, The Hook Family, Mike & Natalie Taylor, Mary Hall, Cliff & Margaret Whitsett, Janice Brannon, Sherrie White's mother, Sharon White, June Pigg, 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

Adkins Family, Earl & Debra Slocum

Praise and Thanksgiving

Thankful for the recent \$500 donation from Representative Daley for our soup kitchen.

Schedule of Speakers

Today:
 This morning -
 Garth Pleasant
 Tonight - Jeff Bishop

BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Booth July 18
 Doug Czerniakowski . . . July 19
 Donna Carter July 19
 Dallas Mozader July 19
 Lynn French July 19
 Ethan Swain July 20

ANNIVERSARIES

None

Shepherd's Care

This Weeks Schedule

Today:

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

Continue to pray daily for our minister search

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TEENS AND THEIR CHAPERONES AS THEY LEAVE FOR THEIR MISSION TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY/HARLEM NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT