



# 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 25, 2010

### Attendance

8:30 a.m. Service	63
Bible Class	132
11:00 a.m. Service	115
Total Worship	178
Evening Worship	30
Mid-week	65

### Finances

	Weekly	Year-to-date
Budget	\$ 4,908.60	\$ 83,446.20
Actual	\$ 4,537.08	\$ 71,991.33
Diff.	-\$ 371.52	-\$ 11,454.87
China Bibles		\$15.00
Other Restricted Income		\$10.00

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## Honor to Whom Honor is Due



This week we honor **Marge Norton & Edie Bahan.** Marge and Edie planned the Mother/Daughter Banquet which was held yesterday and they did an awesome job. It was a special day for the ladies in our congregation and their families. *Thank you Marge and Edie - you created special memories for everyone who attended!!*

## 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.

## 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.

# The Shepherd's Staff

## The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20 *"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."*

Jesus gave this command to his disciples, but it is also for you and I. God could have chosen other methods to spread the gospel but he chose us as part of the plan. As I see it there are 3 basic things needed to spread the gospel.

1. We need to spend time in God's word. This will equip us to spread the gospel.
2. We need to spend time in prayer. This will partner us with God to spread the gospel.
3. We need to plant the seed wherever we are whenever we have the opportunity.

God has provided us with all we need to spread the gospel. Remember two things - God gives the increase and He adds to the Church. But He depends on us to start the process by planting the seed.

Jack Slater  
For the Elders

## BBQ / Carnival

The committee for planning this year's community BBQ/Carnival will be meeting next Sunday, May 9 at 9:45 a.m. in the room behind the auditorium. Everyone is invited to attend.

## God's Helping Hands

GHH's will be having an Appreciation Picnic for it's 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.

## Help Needed

We are in need of some strong individuals who can carry canned goods into the basement of the local pantry that our soup kitchen uses. The post office is having their annual canned goods drive and we need people to sort and organize. If you can help, we will be meeting at the Grace Episcopal church in downtown Lapeer next Saturday, May 8 from 12 noon - 3 p.m. Please see Katy Weiss if you are able to help for any amount of time.

### Senior Banquet

Our senior banquet will be held **Friday, May 14** and everyone is invited. There are a lot of jobs to be done and we ask you to please contact Betsy Sornig if you are available to help. A sign up sheet is posted on the café bulletin board. We are asking everyone who is planning to attend to sign up. If you would like to bring a food item for our meal, please let us know on the sign-up sheet. Thank you!

### Empty Bowls Fundraiser for Our Soup Kitchen

This Wednesday, May 5 is Fine Arts Night at Rolland-Warner Middle School in Lapeer. The festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. and an "Empty Bowls" meal will take place from 6-7 p.m., with the evening concluding with the performance of two plays by theater arts students. Here is how the Empty Bowls fundraiser works:

The Rolland-Warner art students have all made beautiful ceramic bowls. All of these bowls will be displayed and ready to use for the event. Each guest will be asked to give a suggested \$5.00 donation. In return for this donation, guests will choose a bowl in which to enjoy a delicious meal of homemade soup, rolls, and drinks and even get to take their selected bowl home. Every year the Fine Arts Night donates funds received to various soup kitchens in Lapeer county and this year our soup kitchen has been designated as the recipient! Contact Katy Weiss if you have any questions.

### Farewell Potluck

There will be a farewell potluck to honor **Steve and Joy Ennis**, who have sold their house and will be moving to Salt Lake City the first week in June. The potluck will be held on Sunday, May 23 after the 11:00 a.m. service. (Teens - the mission trip training class will be held immediately after the potluck.)

## Shepherd's Care

### This Weeks Schedule

**Today:**

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

### Baptism

After attending a gospel meeting at the Davison congregation last week, Judy Goodin's heart was touched and she felt she needed to be re-baptized. Steve baptized her last Wednesday evening. *May God bless you, Judy in your decision to renew your life in Christ!*

### Expecting

Chase and Rachel Pratt are happy to announce that they are expecting again. She is due on December 10, 2010. Please keep Rachel and her pregnancy in your prayers.

### Special Prayer Request

"To Our Church Family:

We believe in the power of prayer, and we are writing to request your prayers. Jerry went to his doctor this past Friday morning. The doctor diagnosed stage 1 - the beginning of dementia and has prescribed Aricept for him. Please pray that the medicine works and that the Veterans Administration will approve this medication. Jerry has an appointment with the VA doctor next month. Thank you in advance for your prayers. We pray for you all as well."

We love you,  
 Jerry & Rita Brackney

# 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).

### Girls' Devotional

The next girls' devotional will be TONIGHT from 5:45 to 7:30 at Rachel Pratt's house.

### Senior Banquet

We have 11 graduating seniors this year. We will be honoring (and maybe poking a little fun at) them at the Senior Banquet Friday, May 14th. The banquet begins at 6:30. Come show them some support. There is a sign-up sheet on one of the bulletin boards.

### Service Project -Time Update

On Saturday, May 15, the church is having its annual clean-up day to improve our outdoor facilities. As a teen group we are taking on a portion of this work which has yet to be determined. Come out and show that we have pride for our church and our property. We will be starting at 9:00 am.

### Speaking Tonight

Ethan Swain will be speaking at tonight's service. We encourage everyone to come out and support him!

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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**

**The Hook Family**

Jason and Amy Hook are in the process of adopting a little boy named Max. The process is slow and has it's ups and downs, but they would really appreciate some extra prayers. Max needs our prayer as well because he is in a foster home in Texas with the chicken pox.

**Amy Jamison**

Amy left for boot camp last Monday. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Andrew Sornig**

Andrew fractured the top of his right foot last weekend. Please keep him in your prayers that it will heal quickly.

**Mike & Natalie Taylor**

Mike and Natalie are in the process of becoming foster parents and adopting a young boy named Jacob. They are asking for our prayers. Be sure to read the letter posted on the café bulletin board for more information.

**Ben VanSlyke**

Please pray for Jennifer Bone's co-worker, Ben, who is a 17 year old senior in high school fighting leukemia. He underwent his second round of chemotherapy last week. He was planning to join the military but is unsure if they will let him join now.

**Emily Seiter**

Peggy Schofield asks us to pray for her great-niece, Emily, who underwent surgery recently to have a steel rod placed in her back. The surgery didn't go well and doctors will need to perform another surgery to try placing the rod again. Emily lives in Attica and is high school age.

**Rachael Craig**

Please keep Betsy Sornig's sister, Rachael, in your prayers. Her triplets are expected to be delivered tomorrow.

**Mary Hall**

Please pray for Mary, the mother of Brenda Messenger. She was admitted to McLaren Hospital in Flint with health problems last weekend.

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

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

**Those Needing Continuous Prayers and Encouragement**

Jerry Brackney, 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**

Chase & Rachel are expecting again!



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

**BIRTHDAYS**

- Justine Anderson . . . . . May 5
- Jack Boren . . . . . May 5
- Caden Whitsett . . . . . May 5
- Pat Hinsberger . . . . . May 6
- Daniel Sornig . . . . . May 9
- Brandon Cooney . . . . . May 11
- Al Montgomery . . . . . May 11
- Jason Hook . . . . . May 11

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- Jim & Ruthann Cox . . . . . May 7
- Carl & Yvonne Ogar . . . . . May 8

**Schedule of Speakers**

**Today:**

- This morning- Dean Oliver
- This evening - Ethan Swain

**Next Sunday:**

- a.m. - Brian Bowers

**Continue to pray daily for our minister search**