



Worship Services
8:30 & 10:45

November 1

Weekly Meditations
Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 21:1-6
Revelation 21:1-6
John 11:32-44

All Saints Day

November 8

Weekly Meditations
Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17
Psalm 127
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

Veterans Day

November 15

Weekly Meditations
1 Samuel 1:4-20
1 Samuel 2:1-10
Hebrews 10:11-14
Mark 13:1-8

**Nora Hennebray Baptism
Coffee Fellowship**

November 22

Weekly Meditations
2 Samuel 23:1-7
Psalm 132:1-12
Revelation 1:4-8
John 18:33-37

November 29

Weekly Meditations
Jeremiah 33:14-16
1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
Luke 21:25-36

**United Methodist
Student Week**

**The Lemont United
Methodist Church
The New Wine**



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*"O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples." 1 Chronicles 16:8*

Throughout the Bible, we are commanded to be thankful. A spirit of thanksgiving is one of the most distinctive marks of a Christian whose heart is attuned to the Lord. First, we are to be thankful for all the blessings God gives us. Some people are never satisfied with what they have. But what a different it makes when we realize that everything we have has been given to us as gifts from God.

Second, we must never forget to thank God for the people in our lives. St. Paul said to the people of Philippi, *"I thank my God every time I remember you."* Phil. 1:3. It is so easy to take them for granted, or to complain, or become angry because they don't meet our every wish. But we need to give thanks for our spouse, our children, our relatives, our friends, and our neighbor. Most of all, thank God for Christ and his love us for us.

Third, we must thank God in the midst of trials and even persecution. St. Paul was separated from friends, unjustly accused, brutally treated and severely suffered in a harsh Roman prison. But look at what he wrote during his prison experience: *"Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."* Eph. 5:19-20. St. Paul's advice still holds truth to us today for two reasons:

- 1) Thankfulness takes the sting out of adversity. As we give God's thanks regardless how we feel, God will give us joy, regardless of our circumstances. This may sound irrational and at times impossible. But it is an act of obedience. When we obey God in this way we will experience joy even through difficulties.
- 2) Thankfulness opens our hearts to God's presence and our minds to God's thoughts. Although nothing has changed, we are still under a rock and in a hard place. However, we can see a light at the end through the dark. This empowers us to see from God's perspective and trust in God's faithfulness. During this Thanksgiving season, may we focus on a thankful attitude and anticipate spiritual blessings to fall freely onto us. St. Thomas S. Monson once said, *"Sincerely giving thanks not only helps us recognize our blessings, but it also unlocks the doors of heavens."* Let everyday be Thanksgiving Day.

*Joyfully your Pastor,
Kelly T. Van*

Celebrations in November 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 2-Dan Harden
November 4-Arlene Knott
November 5-Sydney Nelson
November 8-Lino Vasquez
November 9-Mark Olinger
November 20-Debbie Hassert
November 22-Vicki Olinger
November 22-Jana Stelter
November 23-Olivia Nelson
November 25-Trace Lange
November 28-Dale Janssen
November 29-Kathy Cliff

ANNIVERSARY

November 1-Donna & Lino Vasquez
November 20-John & Mary Jane Nelson
November 26-Richard & Marci Pierce
November 27-Bob & Sue Gergesz



Candy Fundraiser

Dear Parents and Friends:

We chose See's because of its fine reputation for quality. Proceeds will go towards our trip to Redbird Mission 2016. This is a cause that is near and dear to our hearts as we participate in this mission every 2 years. We help re-build homes, repair roofs, put in new floors and sometimes just have a conversation with those that are lonely...just to name of few! For more info. about

Redbird go to: <http://www.redbirdconference.org/> I will pick up all **Final orders Sunday, Nov. 1st and be submitting the order on Monday the 2nd. Candy will be shipped Nov. 10th and ready for pick up the 20th.** Checks are to be made payable to: **Lemont United Methodist Church.**



Please join us for a church work day on Saturday, November 7th at 9:00 a.m. We will need some help with window cleaning, kitchen cleaning, and possibly some outside assistance with the grounds.



Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

Handyman wanted

We have widows in our church who may occasionally need help with household repairs: basic maintenance and grass cutting or snow shoveling. Ideally it could be a retired man with experience in building. Please contact the church office at: 630-257-5210 if you are interested.

2016 CALENDARS

Will be a
available for
pick up in
December at
the back of the
church.



“Going Public with Your Faith”

I chose this book because of its title, and how I thought it fit in with our purpose: evangelizing. We've been studying James during church, and one of the main things James points out is that a Christian's works are more convincing to others than just talk. Our character convinces people of Who we represent. Our actions keep people coming back to hear the Word. Perhaps no one wants to read this book all the way through. However, the chapters describe several particular points that might be of interest. I found that the chapter on “Earning the Right to be Heard” had a few pointers. Perhaps you'll find another. One of the main ideas in the book is that your prayers, asking for wisdom about evangelizing to someone, deepen your relationship with God and will be most helpful. You can relate your Biblical understanding to current situations in the secular world which the other knows about. If you don't see immediate change in the person you are evangelizing just remember you will have planted the seed. God says He will do the rest.

“Moms' Night Out”

This is the story of a celebration of mothers-from several walks of life. God knows that mothers are special. They are special because they try to be mothers. What God intended when he designed mothers. They try to bring up their children according to the way God would like. However, and I know that you mothers understand, sometimes mothers just need a little time to themselves-a night out. This book of fiction, although I don't really think all of it is fiction, tells the frantic tale of three moms and their night out that took a weird turn. The movie is fun and funny, too.

“Praying the Gospel of John”

The writers believe that John is the cornerstone of the Christian faith. They offer 52 experiences and historical backgrounds to back up that premise. The entire gospel is a description of Christ, The mysteries of Christ are explored. Your prayers will necessarily reflect that you have studied the historical background and commentary. Christ used many teachable moments in front of his followers. They are recorded here for us. Christ linked himself to the Old Testament covenants and proved to his followers that He is and was the great “I AM.” The gospel of John gives us sight and ability to grasp that Christ's powers are not to be put in a box Every day we experience a new adventure in living for Christ. Pay attention!

“Thanksgiving Graces”

This is an easy read, picture book that prepares us for the special day set aside for thankfulness. As the main character learns, thanksgiving is NOT only about the food-though that is special-but the people involved. HAPPY THANKSGIVING to us all, and let's remember to practice thanksgiving a lot.



ESL Tutoring

Kay Norfleet has graciously offered to teach English as a second language to anyone in need in our church family.

If you are interested, you can contact her at 630-257-6699.

OPEN PANTRY NEWS

The Open Pantry has much to be thankful for in 2015! Including the donation of \$5,000 cash from the Ellen M Kucera Trust and a \$1,000 in gift cards from Lemont Sertoma. We are also thankful for the donations of our church members that allowed us to give \$525 worth of school supplies. These school supply kits are specifically put together for the children in the families, which uses the two pantries in Lemont. If you are looking to support our food pantry we are in need of pasta and rice sides for this month.



Sanctuary Volunteers Are Needed!

As you have seen, the video and audio are up and running. What we need now are volunteers! We do not want to have one person stuck in the booth every Sunday. Plus we need to spread the knowledge around so when someone goes on vacation, there will be someone to fill in. Our goal is to have 4-6 people who are comfortable flipping through the computer presentation slides and 4-6 people who are comfortable raising and lower the sound on a mic so we do not have feedback. You do not have to worry. We will walk you through the programs and train you so you feel comfortable with the devices! We just need volunteers!

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary for both sound and presentation volunteers. We need people for both the 8:30 and 10:45 services. The more we have the better. That means that everyone will be able to sit with their family most Sundays. So, please put your name on the sign up sheet or stop by the booth and let Jana Stelter or someone on the Worship committee know. We will get you familiar with the program so you can get in the rotation to volunteer for a service.

Harvest Hash – Thanksgiving Trail Mix

Ingredients:

- Pretzels
- Bugles chips
- Honeycomb cereal
- Candy Corn
- Candy Corn Pumpkins
- Chex Muddy Buddy
- M&M's or round Chocolate Candy

Option: nuts, marshmallows, popcorn, goldfish, cheerios, chocolate chips, raisins



Enjoy! Happy Thanksgiving!

RAINBOW COVENANT**November Loose Change Sunday (11/22/15)**

Today is "Loose Change Sunday." All loose change collected on the fourth Sunday of each month goes to support the Rainbow Covenant charities. For November, we are highlighting the **blue band charity, Epworth Overnight Warming Center**. Epworth UMC hosts a year-round overnight warming center that serves 65 men every night of the year, providing food, sanitary facilities, and safe haven. Transitional support services are available. Please place your loose change in the offering plate today to support their work. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific charity, write "Epworth" on a pew envelope. Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

Daylight-saving time ends

- Turn your clock back one hour tonight before going to bed.
- It's also time to change batteries in your smoke detectors.

**Lemont UMC BOOKCLUB**

Nov. 09 - Where do I go
Neta Jackson
(yadayada series)

Dec. 14 - The Most Beautiful Gift
(Jonathan Snow)

Meeting at 12:30 for Christmas Luncheon



WEBSITE Has Sermons

<http://lemontumc.org/video> has a list of available sermons.

Services are being recorded almost every week thanks to Matt and Erik.

If you would like a video of a part of the service, like a baptism or someone playing a song, please contact Paul Froehle. He can copy it to a DVD or flash drive as a computer or phone readable video file. Thank You

SUGGESTED NEW MINISTRY

In a recent Upper Room devotional, the author talked about visiting a retirement center for fellowship and sharing with the residents. After reading this article, I was so moved. Maybe we could form a group to have this kind of ministry! In the Lemont area, there are many centers. Please call me if you are interested. My number is: [815 838 6318](tel:8158386318). Looking forward to hear from you. Paulette Fries

Liturgist Schedule

November 1

8:30-DebChappell

**10:45-Joan
Makinney**

November 8

8:30-Jana Stelter

10:45-Steve Walter

November 15

8:30-

10:45-Cris Kerins

November 22

8:30-Bill Stelter

10:45-Marge Fox

November 29

8:30-

10:45-

The Greatest Friend

By Richard H. Lee

I have just come to the realization that we have a great and wonderful friend we may not even know. I was recently reading in John's Gospel in the Upper Room Discourse on Christ's last evening with his disciples and chapters 13-16 where the facts began to appear to me of our friend Jesus. For example, I see Him saying in 12:46-50 that, "I am the light that has come into the world so that all who believe in me won't have to stay any longer in the dark" (v.46 Message).

Then Jesus proceeded to wash the disciple's feet like a common servant and tell them to do the same (13:12). Then He gave them a new command to "love one another" (13:34-35) and in John 14:2-4 He tells them He will soon go back to heaven to prepare a home for them and later return to gather them. Then a remarkable and wonderful verse says, "The person who trusts me will do even greater things than I have done" (14:12), and, "Whatever you request (in prayer) in this way, I'll do" (14:14). This leads us to the way in which these things will happen that follows.

The Good News Bible from the American Bible Society and other translations describe the Holy Spirit sent from the Father to be with them and us as the "Helper" but the Message translation uses the term "another Friend (like Christ) so that you will always have someone with you and calls Him the "Spirit of Truth" (14:16). The Good News Bible says, "You know Him, for He remains with you and lives in you" (14:17). Later Jesus says the Friend will make everything plain to you and remind you of all the things I have told you (14:25-26). In chapter 15 Jesus teaches them the parable or principle of the Vine and the branches with abiding. I have just selected from my computer music library a new playlist on this to make a CD to enjoy and share.



**Children's Message
Schedule**

**November 1
Pastor Kelly**

November 8

**November 15
Mark Huegelmann**

**November 22
Ron Walter**

November 29



Greeters

**November 1
8:30-Sharon Heslop
10:45-Shirley Stout &
Dottie McAdams**

**November 8
8:30-Don & Pat Farrer
10:45-Stood Family**

**November 15
8:30-Norm Ellison
10:45-Cliff Family**

**November 22
8:30-Ende family
10:45- Svoboda Family**

**November 29
8:30-Juanita Fick
10:45-**

Chairperson, Stewardship and Finance Committee

This is the next in a series of articles about stewardship. In these articles I will try to inform you about the many ways you can contribute to your church's programs.

"It's That Time of Year"

Yes, it's the time of year when the leaves are changing color and great beauty is generated all around us. Of course lots of yard work is also generated with bulbs to plant and leaves to collect and mulch up to help next year's flower production. In a way, my work as Finance Committee Chair also changes in much the same ways. I will be reporting on the great work done by our church (the beauty part) and I must undertake the task of encouraging you to pledge support for next year (the next year's production part).

This year I will be sending out only two letters, the second of which will include your pledge card. Please read these over and consider their messages as they relate to you as a Christian. I must admit that reporting on the financial issues of our church is the easy part of my job. The hard part is reminding my fellow members of their responsibilities as Christians to reach out and help those in need. Do you realize that, according to our annual budget, nearly 20% is outreach beyond our church, area, and country? This means that the other 80% is used to maintain, improve, and operate our church, but then again, just providing the church itself is a form of outreach too.

So, when you consider your pledge of support for next year, think about it as a form of Christian Outreach, which is what we Christians are expected do with our lives here on earth.

Finance numbers for September

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| General Fund Beginning Balance: | \$12,653 |
| Receipts: | 8,671 |
| Disbursements: | 10,824 |
| Ending Balance: | 10,500 |
| Maintenance Fund Balance: | Minus 1,099 |

Audio-Visual Sanctuary Update

Changes are in the air. The sound booth is taking shape. In the mean time, the new sound system and flat screens are installed. A computer is already stationed in the booth.



We appreciate your patience during the construction phase and in the future as we work to become familiar with the new presentation program and AV equipment. This too will take time to get the most out of the resources that we have added.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Thank you, everyone, for participating in the Trick or Treat Bingo outing. Your work helps feed families in your community and serves the mission of the church.

As Matthew says in chapter 14, verse 16 of the New Testament, "Jesus replied, "They do not go away. You give them something to eat."

We'll be organizing another outing next month in collaboration with Vicki and Mark Olinger in support of Daybreak Shelter on **November 4th**.

Details will be sent out later this week.

God Bless,
Amy, Erik, and Jodi



NOVEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.



CHILDREN'S CLASSES: Ages pre/k-5/6
JUNIOR HIGH: Grades 6th—8th
BREAKFAST CLUB: High School freshman-senior (11/8 & 11/22)
ADULT CLASSES: Everyone on Sunday morning.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

November 8—Church and New Creation
November 22—Way of Discipleship

Please come join us! All are welcome!

All Creatures Great and Small

On Sunday, 10/25/15, the LUMC Sr. High Youth Group visited the A.D.O.P.T. Pet Shelter in Naperville. We learned about the shelter, played with some of the occupants, and posted on social media to try to get pets adopted. For our lesson, we discussed how Jesus is our Shepherd, guiding us onto the right path and keeping us safe. "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me--just as the Father knows me and I know the Father--and I lay down my life for the sheep." (John 10:14-15) We also reflected on several scriptures which encourage us to take action to love and care for God's creatures as He loves and cares for us:

- Creation:** God has created the earth and all living creatures. He has put man in charge of their use and care. (eg, Genesis 1:26)
- Care:** God asks us to care for those who can not care for themselves. (eg, Matthew 25:40)
- Love:** God expects us to love as he loves us-wholly and unconditionally. (eg, John 13:34)
- Action:** God has given us each many gifts; he wants us to take action and use those gifts for good. (eg, James 2:14-17)

We finished off the evening enjoying Hot Dogs & Puppy Chow! :-)) This event fulfilled the Scripture quadrant for Q-Quest. Mark your calendars for next month; our SHYG event will be held on the evening of Sunday, November 15, 2015. More information will be sent closer to the event. All high school students are invited to participate in our Sr. High Youth Group so contact the church office to be included on the e-mail distribution list.

Thanks!

Karin Peraino & Grace Kirkman



WORDS OF WISDOM FROM ANDY ROONEY

- *I've learned That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.
- *I've learned That when you're in love, it shows.
- *I've learned That just one person saying to me, 'You've made my day!' makes my day.
- *I've learned That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.
- *I've learned That being kind is more important than being right.
- *I've learned ... That you should never say no to a gift from a child.
- *I've learned That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in some other way.
- *I've learned That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.
- *I've learned That sometimes all a person needs hand to hold and a heart to understand.
- *I've learned That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.
- *I've learned That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.
- *I've learned That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.
- *I've learned That money doesn't buy class.
- *I've learned That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.
- *I've learned That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.
- *I've learned That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.
- *I've learned That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.
- *I've learned That love, not time, heals all wounds.
- *I've learned That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.
- *I've learned That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.
- *I've learned That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.
- *I've learned That life is tough, but I'm tougher.
- *I've learned That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.
- *I've learned That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.
- *I've learned That I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.
- *I've learned That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.
- *I've learned That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.
- *I've learned That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, that you're hooked for life.
- *I've learned That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.
- *I've learned That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.



I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in everyone of my prayers for all of you, for you are my rock and my family.

With Love, Pastor Kelly

The College Acknowledgement Committee will be awarding Scholarships on United Methodist Student Day — November 29, 2015 during the 10:45 am worship service. Remember, these scholarships are intended to promote continuing spiritual growth, as well as to affirm our student's church connections while in college. Participation in church and volunteer activities are important factors during committee review. Our students this year are: Eric Kirkman, Mark Kirkman, Ryan Peraino, Rebecca Peraino, Shelby Fox, Wendy Chappell, Amanda Huegelmann, Tiffani Cheehy, Rybecca Janovyak, Chris Walter, and Kayla Walter.

MEANINGFUL MOMENTS WITH GOD

*"Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."
1 Thessalonians 2:17-18*

Immediate Prayers

Jenna, hysterectomy
*Rosalie Lind, eye surgery
*Marty Knott, dialysis
*Sue Gergesz, tendonitis
Herb Clark, pancreatic cancer
Robert, looking for a job
Dick Arcus, cancer surgery
Joe Lahey, stem cell surgery
Bob Bacigalupo, dialysis
Rudy Vana, rehab
Dan Sorensen, healing in family
DeMarkus Family
Joe Sigety, ALS
Shirley Chappell, health issues
Dick Cesaretti, intestine cancer
Alexandria Stojaov, brain tumor
Bob Billings, money problems
Luther Davis, cancer spread
Jodi Rigoni, breast cancer
Marty Rolin, cyst, nerve damage
Melissa Schuster, healing
*Kexia Van to pass Board Exam
Jim Kratochvil, lung cancer
*Bob Norfleet, cancer treatment
Patti Burk, breast cancer
Shirley Cerniuk, loss of sons
Dave Mlady, illness
*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis
Dale Chappell, health issues
Uncle Bud, rehab
Heather Livengood, therapy

Karen Livengood, therapy
Sandi Halicky, heart issues
Jeff Freeman, cancer
Connor Kratochvil, second surgery
Lowry Family,
Roberta Walbert, brain cancer
Ron Hamelen, Alzheimer's
Gabrielle Tabor, surgery
E.D. McCormick, cancer
Mary Jane Nelson, broken ankle
Gabrielle Blunt, Alzheimer's
Michelle Croft, lost her husband
Lori Bartwick, breast cancer
Bruno Belmont, lung cancer
Janice Peters, viral infection
Esther Gores, home hospice
Florian Talos, Parkinson's
Tom & Paula, radiation & chemo
Hannelin Family
Fred Walker, continued healing
Mikelynn, divorce
Robert Nona, flu complications
Marge Good, broken nose

Joys:

The New Sound System
Happy Hands Full Enrollment
New Guests
Confirmation Class
Worship Choir
The Praise Band
Make-over of our Sanctuary

Important Dates in November

November 1-All Saints Day
and Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 4-Daybreak
November 10-Outreach Meeting
November 11-Trustees Meeting
November 15-Coffee Fellowship
November 18-Ad Council
Meeting
November 26-Thanksgiving Day
November 29-United Methodist
Student Day
and UVC Offering

Coffee Fellowship November 15

Margaret Flynn
Arlene Knott
Mick Chappell
Joanne Goszczycki
Deb Neitzel
Mary Jane Nelson



Coffee Fellowship

Expanding Care Bear Ministry

Pastor Kelly takes communion to the "home bound" and visits those who are in the hospital. We are looking for people to prepare a home cooked meal and be with members when they have serious medical concerns-praying and providing support when needed. If you feel called to this ministry but are unable to cook, please donate gift cards from various places like Subway, Celina's or others in town, to distribute to members in need if Carebearers would not be able to provide a meal. Please consider this ministry prayerfully and contact :

Pastor Kelly: 773-428-787
Church: 630-257-5210

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25 West Custer
Lemont, Illinois 60439
Phone: 630-257-5210

Return Service Requested

New Wine November 2015



AA MEETINGS

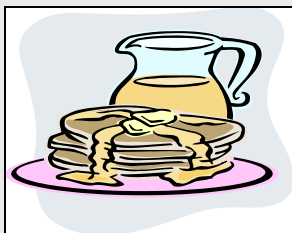
AA Meetings are held in our church Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m. If you would like further information please contact:

*Pat at (815) 274-4244
Tanya at (708) 639-0312*

Sermons and Videos on Website

Worship services and other videos have been added to the website. From the home page <http://www.lemontumc.org> click the "Watch" link. For each sermon, there is a "Watch" link and a "Listen" link. The Watch shows the video using a Flash player. The Listen button will play or download an mp3 file. If you have an mp3 player, it can copy it

United Methodist Men



**Saturday,
November 14
8:00 am**

Come and join us! The Lemont United Methodist Men (UMM) will meet in Fellowship Hall at 8:00 am. Lemont UMM meets on the second Saturday of each month for breakfast.

This group is made available for the fellowship of all the men of the church and all are welcome to attend. Information about meeting dates and times are posted in the church calendar and bulletins.

Bread at Lemont UMC
Come, take and Share with your neighbor every day during office hours Tuesday–Thursday 9:30 am –12:30 pm



CHOIR

Junior Choir will be practicing on Tuesday's at 6:30. Adult Choir will be practicing on Tuesday's at 7:00 p.m.

PRAISE BAND

If you are interest in joining our praise band please contact Pastor Kelly at 773-428-7877.

Primetimers



**Saturday
November 21
12:00 p.m.**

This is a group made up of adults 50 years and older. Primetimers meet monthly on the 3rd Saturday of each month with a potluck lunch at the church parsonage.

Everyone brings a favorite dish to share for an enjoyable afternoon.

If you have any questions, please call:
Juanita Fick
630-257-7639