



Home Gatherings

Pastor Oh has had home gatherings at the church leaders' houses to learn the names of the members and listen to their stories since she is new to Lemont UMC.

She would like to invite members of the church to attend one of the gatherings, close to their houses.

**Oct. 6 and Oct 12
at 7p.m.
at George and Alice
Lange's
16727 W. 138th Street
Lockport 815-838-5158**



Dear Family of Lemont United Methodist Church,

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus Christ~!

Since I have been in ministry, there were so many times I pulled my hairs up discouraged and wanted to give up. I'd preached a sermon that led some people to leave the church. There were also lots of conflicts happened in the midst of many changes which also caused some people disappointed and stopping coming to church. Language barriers and cultural and racial/ethnic differences have been additional obstacles. Sunday attendance has not been increasing and I felt like I am not effective and fruitful in ministry. I began questioning my own calling as a pastor. I remember telling my husband, "I don't want to do this anymore. It's too hard." He said, "Is God calling you to quit, or are you just giving up?" I had not felt that God was calling me to quit. I was just discouraged and wanted to give up. I asked God to give me strength and to lead me to continue to follow God's calling and to help others know Jesus. In those moments of discouragement, I've experienced many blessings and encouragements from many of the faith people, all of which I would have missed had I quit when things were difficult.

It has been always very touching for me to read one of John Wesley's journals about his experiences on opposition, persecution, and perseverance. It is from August 28, 1748 when Wesley preached at the market cross in Bolton, England:

At one I went to the cross in Bolton. There was a vast number of people, but many of them utterly wild. As soon as I began speaking, they began thrusting to and fro, endeavoring to throw me down from the steps on which I stood. They did so once or twice, but I went up again and continued my discourse. They then began to throw stone; at the same time some got upon the cross behind me to push me down. *(I quoted it from Revival, Adam Hamilton)*

In the midst of these happenings, Wesley got right back up and continued preaching, silencing the crowd. Many souls were awakened by the Holy Spirit through his preaching. In discouraging moments, John Wesley refused to give up and his perseverance in the face of opposition made all the difference and possible the great revival led by Methodists around the world. Personally, it sounded like God's answer to my question ever time I doubt my calling and made me cry and continue to follow God's calling into ministry.

I am sure that there will be times in your life when you doubt about your faith and when people oppose you for doing the right thing and you feel like simply giving up. If God is not calling us to quit, what are you going to do? Will you give up or keep going? In the Bible and human history, the people who change the world are those who refuse to give up, who get back up where they are pushed down, who have the courage with God's help to keep moving forward. I believe that God has called you and me to pursue our personal holiness in relationship with God and social holiness in relationship with others to bring hope and healing in the communities and the world. Dear Brothers and sisters of Lemont United Methodist Church, though so many things in our lives drive us nuts and interrupts us not to commit ourselves in this calling, yet, since God is never give up on us, let us be faithful followers of God. Let us worship God. Let us sing praises to our God with laude voices. Let us gather in small groups to learn and grow our faith, share our struggles, and support one another with payers and presence. Let us serve others with perseverance to bring God's hope and healing to them and to this broken world.

May God bless you and give you strength to keep moving forward~!

In Christ, Pastor Hyo Sun Oh

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October 1-Sara Vasquez
October 1-Samantha Vasquez
October 2-George Lange
October 6-Gene Goszczycki
October 8-Steve Walter
October 9-Josh Miller
October 12-Lila O'Neill
October 12-Christine Miller
October 16-Matthew Chappell
October 17-Gina Walter
October 18-Marty Knott
October 20-Michael Havemann
October 21-Karin Peraino
October 23-David Lange
October 26-Paulette Fries
October 27-Dawn Ferrazzi
October 28-Kexia LaFramboise-Van

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 5-Cris & Bill Kerins
October 10-April & Rob Lange
October 12-Bev & Howard Svoboda
October 13-Curtis & Carolyn Stelter
October 14-Alice & George Lange
October 14-Bill & Jana Stelter
October 14-Lynne & Gregg Vavra



SCRIP FUNDRAISING

Friendly Scrip Reminder.....

Scrip can be bought as a gift card, or as your own card to be used as cash wherever your favorite place to shop may be. You buy a card for \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 and YOU GET \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 to use as cash. The church automatically gets a percentage. The list of all participating merchants, restaurants, gas stations are in the back of the church. I now have Meijer, Olive Garden/Red Lobster, Walgreens, Walmart/Sam's Club, Panera, Jewel, Bass Pro Shop, Home Depot, Buffalo Wild Wings, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, Target, and Kohl's. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT IF YOU BUY A KOHL'S CARD YOU CAN USE IT TO PAY YOUR CHARGE! AND THE CHURCH GETS THE PROFIT! At this point no other card that I know of Yet allows you to do that. Scrip is the easiest *Ongoing* fundraiser to participate in. We all just have to get in the habit of buying those cards to keep on hand for things we purchase or place we go on a regular basis. As proceeds build up, they can be dispersed where our current need is. Our profits are \$400.57! So basically all our profits will be kept until a need arises and the money will be there!

Fundraising WHILE YOU **Shop**

Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that enables families to raise money for their non-profit organization (NPO). Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards.

You purchase gift cards from your organization at face value, and your coordinator orders those cards from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a reduced price. The difference is an instant rebate for your organization. It's really that simple!

Great Lakes Scrip Center offers over 300 of the country's biggest brands, including grocery, department stores, gas stations, restaurants, hotels, home improvement, and more. Just by using scrip to pay for your normal weekly purchases, you can easily raise \$500 or more per year. It's time to put your shopping dollars to work!

Customize this field with coordinator contact info, enrollment code, and/or sign-up information.

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OPEN PANTRY NEWS

Volunteers are needed to help staff the Open Pantry Hours on the first Saturday of the month from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, this is light work and helpful to families that work during the day. The Open Pantry is in need of spaghetti sauce, tomato soup, jelly peanut butter, peas, and diced tomatoes.



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 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.

SCRIP CARDS

Remember **Scrip** as the holiday's approach and don't forget to mention to family, friends and co-workers that may need gift cards to let you know before they buy them direct from the store. Send around a mass e-mail at work if you are able, or to your friends. It's a great way to get the word out. To date we have earned \$518.00!

Thank You for your support!



Camps and Retreats

Last year for the first time ever, I attended a woman's retreat. It was Awesome. There was wonderful fellowship, an excellent speaker and fun things to do. I actually went zip lining. Below are two websites for family camps, kids camps for all ages, men camps and women camps just to name a few.

Silver Birch Ranch (White Lake, Wi) This is the one I attended. It's up near Green Bay.
www.silverbirchranch.org

Grace Adventures (Silver Lake Michigan) www.graceadventures.org

If anyone is interested in going, please let Peg Pecher (847-204-1747 or church) know and we can try to get a group set up. I'd be up for a week end in Oct!

FUN OPPORTUNITY

Looking for a fun way to participate and serve our church? Then think about joining our Activities Committee. We will be planning activities that include everyone for the year. Some suggestions have been a talent show, a ladies luncheon, a game night, a campfire and movies. If you are interested, please contact Peg Pecher: (847-204-1747) or the church. Come help us make our church a joy filled church.



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

October 2

**8:30-Sue Gergescz
10:45-Charlotte
Havemann**

October 9

**8:30- Bill Stelter
10:45-Marge Fox**

October 16

**8:30- Jana Stelter
10:45- Peg Pecher**

October 23

**8:30-
10:45 -Vickie
Olinger**

October 30

**8:30-
10:45-Dave Kennedy**

The Greatest Music

By Richard H. Lee

There are many kinds of music we can listen to and enjoy but we all have different preferences. Some like classical or conservative sacred music like the old hymns. Others like more peppy country music that you can even dance to or bluegrass music. I like a variety of music but have gone beyond rock that I liked when much younger.

Some music brings you joy or is inspiring and that is what it should be. Christian music should be like that and lead us or remind us of our salvation and trust in Christ. This is called inspirational music and can include worship music and large choir performances like the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir that draws large audiences. A lot of modern music is designed to get us excited but not about good or righteous things.

There are some performers who have produced a variety of music and appeal to a large variety of people. I think first of Elvis Presley who had a personal love of gospel music and would include selections in his performances to share with his fans. We remember his famous songs like, "Love Me Tender", "It's Now Or Never" and "Always On My Mind" but the last one could also have a spiritual meaning if we refer to Christ or God. "Bridge Over Troubled Water" and "As Long As I have You" could have spiritual messages or meaning. The song that got him famous on Ed Sullivan's TV show was "Peace In The Valley" that he sang dedicating it to his mother who loved that song. Another song Elvis sang was "I Just Can't Help Believin" that could be considered gospel. I wonder if we will meet Elvis in heaven because of his love for the Gospel and gospel music.



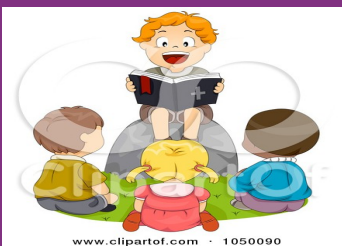
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Children's Message Schedule

Volunteer's Needed

Please contact the church office if you are interested.



Greeters

**October 2
8:30-StelterFamily
10:45-Peraino Family**

**October 9
8:30-Sue Hinks
10:45-Woytek Family**

**October 16
8:30-Sharon Heslop
10:45-Ferrazzi Family**

**October 23
8:30-Tasker Family
10:45-Nelson Family**

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

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

For More information please contact the church office at (630)257-5210 or ministry leaders.

SMALL GROUPS

- Bible Study: TBA
- Prayer Meeting: TBA
- ALPHA: July 10th John Nelson 630-254-0867
- Methodist Essential: Bill Price 630-754-7667
- VBS: Jodi Stood 630-243-9366
- The Last Supper: Arlene Knott 630-2016057
- Adult Sunday School: Richard Lee 630-257-7339
- Sr. High Youth: Karin Peraino 630-846-1415
- Jr. High Youth: Jodi Stood 630-243-9366
- Breakfast Club: K. Peraino 630-846-1415
- Jr. High Sunday School: K. Peraino 630-846-1415
- Children's Sunday Sch: K. Peraino 630-846-1415
- Prime Timers: Joyce Koon 630-257-6275
Joanne Goszczycki 630-257-6790
- Men's Group: Tony Ferrazzi 815-886-4177
- Couples: Tim and Karin Peraino 630-846-1415

MINISTRIES WITHIN OUR CHURCH

- Prayer Warrior: Pastor Oh 630-257-5210
- Care Bear: Alice Lange 815-838-5158
- Coffee Social: Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097
- Script Fundraising: Marge Fox 630-243-8166
- CAPS: Cris Kerins 630-257-5660
- Audio and Visual: Jana Stelter 630-243-9122
- Handyman: Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097
- Landscape Team: Bill Stelter 630-243-9122
- Hospitality Team: Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097
- Widows Group: Richard Lee 630-257-7339
- Usher Team: Mark Olinger 815-838-0660
- Welcoming Team: Sue Hinks 630-257-6743
- Worship Choir: Sue Gergescz 815-483-7282
- Praise Band: TBA
- Junior Choir: Cris Kerins 630-257-5660
- Any Other Ministry You Would Like to Start

OUT-REACH MINISTRIES

- Pantry Workday: Debbie Chappell 815-836-0256
- Panera Bread: Debbie Chappell 815-836-0256
- Daybreak Shelter: Vickie Olinger 815-838-0660
- Worthy Treasures: Paulette Fries 815-838-6318
- ESL: Kay Norfleet 630-257-6699
- Red Bird: Steve Walter 630-783-1621
- **Any Other Ministry You Would Like To Start

Stewardship Minute

Marty Knott
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.

“The Change of Seasons”

Well, the weather is getting cooler and the children are back in school. Summer is over and we are heading for the beautiful fall colors. As I look at the church's financial situation as summer is ending, I am pleased to report that we did pretty well this year. General Fund receipts did not fall off very much as they often do in the summer.

The Maintenance Fund also did well considering all of the work done during the summer. Now that the Capital Repair Fund has again been established the extensive outdoor remodeling will be financed by this fund and completed next year.

Another thing that happens in the fall is the generation of next year's church budget and my outreach to you about supporting that budget. Parts of that budget were approved that last week's charge conference but more will have to be added and estimated for next year.

I will be asking you to continue to support the General Fund as you have up to now and to consider the Capital Repair Fund as a part of your 2017 total outreach and stewardship. We will be repaying the loans made to the church by four of your fellow members to save the church from using bank loans. Please be ready to join these members and help our church to improve for the benefit of those who follow us.

General Fund starting balance:	\$7,603
Receipts:	8,341
Expenses:	11,662
General Fund ending balance:	4,282
Maintenance Fund Balance:	39,432

HAPPY HANDS TASTEFULLY SIMPLE FUNDRAISER

Starts: Now

Ends: October 23rd

Order forms will be available in the back of the church.



OCTOBER 2016

RAINBOW COVENANT

In addition to our annual apportionment, LUMC makes monetary donations through the Rainbow Covenant in order to support specific causes. All loose change collected on the fourth Sunday of each month goes to support the Rainbow Covenant. Each month we highlight a charity from one of the bands of the Rainbow Covenant. For October, we are highlighting the **indigo band charity, missionaries, Mark & Rebecca Smallwood in Kentucky, USA.**

Mark & Rebecca Smallwood serve in the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. They came to Red Bird in August 1988 to serve as teachers at Red Bird Mission School during its first full year as a private Christian School. Mark directs the vocal and instrumental music programs for the elementary, middle school and high school. Rebecca now teaches Elementary Christian Education.

Your gifts help Mark & Rebecca Smallwood continue their ministries. So please bring in plenty of change on **October 23rd** (Loose Change Sunday) to contribute to the Rainbow Covenant. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific charity, write "Smallwood" on a pew envelope. Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

College Scholarship Candidates

The LUMC Scholarship Committee will again be considering applications for students to receive a scholarship award. Qualifications include: being a full time student (12 hours or more), being a church member, and having participated in various church activities (choir, Praise Band, youth group, liturgist, helped in VBS, etc.) The intention of this award is to aid you in your continuing studies and to support your ongoing spiritual growth.

Applications are available on our church website: lemontumc.org. Look under the heading **Ministries** and then click on **College Acknowledgement Program**. You may type your responses on the form and email it to me at clkerins@sbcglobal.net or you may hand write your responses and mail it to me Cris Kerins 710 East Street Lemont, Il 60439. The deadline for returning the application is Saturday, October 15, 2016. **Scholarship awards will be given on November 27th, the Sunday after Thanksgiving at the 10:45 service.** We will contact you before this date.

God's Blessings to you.
Cris Kerins and Dawn Ferrazzi
Cap Committee Members



Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

October 2016 Book Reviews

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.



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.

First, and I know I'm prejudiced, however the book is an excellent fiction, written by my cousin. In it she incorporates several of her experiences in communist Poland, in the 70s. "Eva Underground" tells of the many fears. Fear is one giant we need to conquer says the Lord. She faced the police at the border and saw what happened to the Polish people who dared to stand up and try for a free life in Poland. Eva, the fictional main character, not my cousin, resists going to Poland, however her strong minded father knew it was the right thing to do. She meets and suffers with the Polish people. She witnesses such events as a family's coal being taken by communist police because they have stood up against government. (The Polish winters are harsh and at that time coal heat was all a family had to heat their house.) Then she sees God working when the family's neighbors donate what little coal they have. Eva realizes that the US has so much, much that isn't appreciated, and the Polish have so little, but what they do have is appreciated.

John Nelson donated two books written by the speaker at the Alpha Bible course, Nicky Gumbel. The first BOOK, "Searching Issues" contains such chapters as 'Why Does God Allow Suffering.' Now that's an interesting subject and has been debated in response to sickness, death, just living and seeing man's inhumanity to other men. But through all these trials God is working, we are reminded. If we didn't live in such a fallen world, if we weren't corruptible, maybe there wouldn't be so much human suffering. Maybe if the money had been appropriated by the appropriate government agency the buildings and houses in New Orleans and Haiti and other places wouldn't have had so much damage. Maybe if we had allowed God to change our attitudes, the homicide rate and assault rate wouldn't be so high. Road rage? Drug use? They are our fault. Please check out the book and see what other issues are discussed such as other religions, the New Age movement in relation to Christianity, science and Christianity itself.

Prayer: "Father, as you renew our hearts with your love and grace, may we always respond with faithful living, intentional service, and bold witness."

The second book by Nicky Gumbel is "Alpha Questions of Life." In it he tackles "What is the Purpose of Life?" "What Happens When We Die?" "Why Did Jesus Have to Die?" and "What Relevance Does the Bible Have for our Lives Today?" These are all subjects that you have heard discussed, and maybe discussed yourselves. But the author's point of view is so logical and relates to the Bible always. I think you'll find it refreshing. I, for one, am never tired of hearing that God loves me. Me, who I know does not always do as I should. Boy, is God patient. And Kind. Forgiveness, thank heavens that exists. How do you feel you fit into God's plan? Whatever you do, remember man plans and God laughs.

Frank Peretti, known Christian author of books such as "Monster" and "This Present Darkness" etc. books which have sold at least 15 million throughout the world, has put together a non-fiction book for kids updating Bible stories. He had the help of a very good illustrator and he certainly does have a way of words. He does get down to the nitty-gritty. No one can miss the moral of the particular story that God gave us. The book is accompanied by a CD. So if a child, teen, wants he doesn't have to read. Although reading is important! These are "Wild Wacky Totally True Bible stories."

OK-now I'm going to use this space to ask you, to pray to God that the leadership of this country leads as He wants. (We need to elect officials that further His ideas.) Please pray that, at least daily. But before you pray LISTEN for God's guidance. Several million Christians have not even registered to vote. That needs to change. Doesn't God instruct you to be good citizens? (Good citizens vote!) I'm going to take what I hope will be a convincing quote from Billy Graham: "Jesus taught that people still had a responsibility to encourage and support their government in every way they possibly could. The same principle is true for us today: We should do everything we can to encourage and support good government — including voting. Understand the issues ... know where the candidates stand on them ... ask God to guide you — and then vote." You can register to vote online, if you have an Illinois driver's license OR a state ID. The website is the Illinois state board of elections OR call [312-603-0906](tel:312-603-0906) to request voter application form. (Lemont residents can register at Lemont Township on Warner, just ask for Elizabeth.)



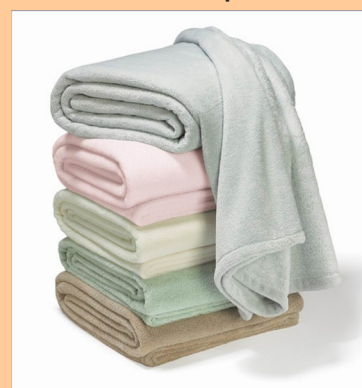
ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

October 21st –Bonfire The Activities Committee has planned a church wide bonfire. It will be at Dale Janssen's house at 17101 Parker Road in Homer Glen at 6:30 p.m. We will be looking for donations of hot dogs, buns, chips, drinks, and s'more makings. Come enjoy a fun filled fall evening and bring a lawn chair to sit around the fire! There will be a sign up sheet in the sanctuary.



Oct 29 - (Fourth Saturday of each month) Craft Fellowship First gathering will be at Peg Pecher's house from 9:00 till 12:00 We will be making fleece blankets for the homeless for Christmas. Our youth are invited and we hope they will enjoy this project. Information on the amount of fleece needed will be posted at a later date along with any other supplies and directions to Peg's home..

After Christmas we will use this time to fellowship with our own crafts or learn how to do new things. This is a nice activity to move from home to home. Other things we discussed making: Prayer shawls, pillows, garbage bag mats for the homeless.



ALPHA CLASS

Who is Alpha for? Alpha is for everyone! It's especially geared for people investigating their Christianity. People with questions about life. Couples preparing for marriage. Christians who want to be able to explain their faith more clearly. Alpha will be held at Lemont United Methodist Church on Sunday's at 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. There will not be class on September 4th. If you have any questions please contact the church office at:



630-257-5210.

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

ADULT CLASSES: In the Conference Room

Please come join us! All are welcome!



LUMC WORK PROJECTS FOR 2016

Church members have noticed the piles of dirt and construction barricades blocking the front of the church. The summer work projects have progressed quickly.

We started on a special landscaping project which removed many of the old plantings on both sides of the church. The area is being treated with weed and grub eradication chemicals and will lie fallow until the landscaped walls are installed and much needed sidewalks are poured.

The project involving ComEd, Fail Safe Electric, U. S. Waterproofing, Arris Architects, and AMSCO Engineering has replaced the access piping for the main electrical line to the building. The new line runs under the south driveway and the work has been completed and passed inspection. This work will insure the safety of our electrical system and improve the waterproofing of the lower level.

We still need to install the landscaping wall along the north driveway, install new sidewalks to meet handicap accessibility standards, and resurface and restripe the parking lots and driveways. Hopefully this can be done before late fall.

We are trying to keep costs as low as possible, but we will continue to need the help of the congregation for these projects. Donations to the Maintenance Fund at LUMC will be important and greatly appreciated as we try to keep our church safe and sound.

Special Thanks to Tim Peraino and Steve Weary for supervising the first steps of the major construction project.

WE WILL BE UPDATING OUR DIRECTORY WITH PICTURES!

Church Photo Directory



SPRC is working on updating our directory with pictures and ask the congregation to get pictures taken by Mark Huegelmann after church service on Oct. 2. If you would like to submit your own, please email it to the office.

For any further questions please contact the office or any SPRC member.

Thank You!

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Michelangelo has nothing on our Sr. High Youth Group! They spent their September event creating a beautiful work of handprint art on the girls' bathroom wall at LUMC. For our lesson, we explored Jesus' story about planting seeds as told in Mark 4:1-20. We learned that to grow our faith, we need to sink our roots into a good foundation and then nourish it regularly. We also learned that it's not enough to just have faith, we must put it into action and do good works! With that in mind, the youth were excited to do something for the church by leaving their marks and Beautify the place they call their faith foundation.

Stop down and check it out!

Thanks!

--Karin



Attention Parents of College Students



The Cap Program provides letters, cards, snacks and encouragement throughout the school year for students living away from home. Please call Cris Kerins at 257-5660 with your child's school address and email so they can be included this year. Also, we welcome anyone wishing to donate items to be sent.

Thank You

Child Care Attendant Needed

We are in need of a child care attendant during the 10:45 worship service. If you are interested please contact the church office at: 630-257-5210.



We may be a small congregation, but we are a **POWERFUL** one!

I was asked just the other day by a close friend why I go to LUMC. Seeing both my friend and I were raised Catholic, she was curious, as she remembers for many years I did not go to church. She still belongs to the Catholic Church (but doesn't go) and I obviously moved on. It took me 30 years, but I moved on. I didn't have to think twice before I answered. I said I love LUMC because of the outreach and mission work that the church does. They put other needs ahead of all else, and that's important to me. We are small but we are a powerful family. There isn't one person in that church that I can't depend on, or ask a personal favor of. There is always a friendly ear when you need one, and there is not a Sunday that goes by I am not thanked for something I did, am doing, or have done, no matter how large or small. I feel needed and important. We ALL play a very important roll in making our church what it is and what it will become in the future. Bigger is not always better, Less is sometimes More and a Thank You goes a Long way!

Thank You LUMC!

Open House Chicago

Anyone ever curious what it looked like to go inside some of Chicago's most amazing skyscrapers? Want to check out one of the beautiful historic churches in the city? Would you like to see the United Methodist Church's Chapel in the Sky? YOU CAN!! The family friendly event is the weekend of October 15th and 16th with over 200 buildings in Chicago that are open for FREE tours. Many sites are walking distance from Union Station or accessible by public transportation, so there is no need to drive downtown. Sites are open from 9am – 5pm. Visit the website www.openhousechicago.org to pick your sites, make a personalized map and get more information.

CROP WALK UPDATE

As you may have seen on our FB page, it was a beautiful day for the Crop Walk. Dellwood Park is an amazing place. There were about 72 in attendance and just under 6K was raised over all. LUMC contributed about \$360.00. I was going to video the praise band for our FB page as well but that's when the rains fell!!!! I started early and got done just in time. Next year I have advised Lockport I will not be taking envelopes, I will just be asking for walkers and donations. I don't feel the envelopes are needed as most ppl forget to bring them back.



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

*Karin Peraino, bike accident
*Josh Miller, surgery
Lisa Bacigalupo, HH book keeper moving to Pittsburg
Jamie Davis, kidney transplant
*Virginia Andersen, hip surgery
Frank, knee replacement
*Richard Meade, shoulder replacement
Nicki, unborn baby kidney problems
Baby Ellie, spine surgery
Kyle Kohler, non-hodgkin's lymphoma
*Sheila Farrer, endoscopy & colonoscopy
*Don Farrer, Jr., tests for infection
*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis/testing
Lou Gunder, lymphoma
Paulette (Varnon), early onset alzheimer's & dementia
Ellie Cuiching, clinical trial for cancer
*Virginia, new adjustments
Don Myers, fell
Jim & Linda, hospital and dementia
Lois, stage 3 cancer
Jodie (Baxter), healthy pregnancy
*Christine Miller, testing
Marilyn Troyer, breast cancer
Suzanne Moake, breast cancer
*Bill Curry, stage 4 bone cancer
*Bobbie Legan, colon cancer
Barbara Reynolds, stent
Christine, double mastectomy on August 10th
Kathy, cancer
Sally, fighting lung cancer/husband for support
Mary Daum, surgery/radiation
Angie Neitzel, two valve replacements, infection

Melanie Foster, ovarian cancer
Sandie Koelbel, lung and bone cancer, chemo
Suebea Wright, chemotherapy
Phil, cancer
MaryLou, peace and strength
Ken Mackey, ALS testing
Mary, cancer spread
Kay, cancer
Brian, fighting alcoholism
Margie, heart issues
Tom Ligman, pacemaker
Sally, congenital heart failure, insurance
Mason Walters, 10 yrs old, brain cancer
David Izquierdo, injury/surgery on shoulder
Maureen Robinson, serious health issues
LeeAnn Rolph, hemorrhage in brain
Sue H., husband health issues
Irene Johnson, heart attack
Inge Goszczycki, dementia
Brett Sharp, bone marrow transplant
Joe Lahey, stem cell surgery
Bob Bacigalupo, new kidney
Dan Sorensen, healing in family
Joe Sigety, ALS symptoms worsening
Shirley Chappell, health issues
Dick Cesaretti, intestine cancer
Alexandria Stojaov, brain tumor
Bob Billings, money problems
Luther Davis, cancer spread
Marty Rolin, cyst, nerve damage
Melissa Schuster, healing

MONTHLY BLESSINGS AND JOYS

*New Sunday School Teachers
*New Happy Hands sign and sidewalk
*Successful Church Conference
*Phil & Leslie Ramos beautiful music for our church service
*Trustees and all their hard work!
*Praise Band
*Successful Crop Walk
*Our New Activities Committee
*Our College Acknowledgement Program

Coffee Fellowship October 16

Christine Miller
Sue Hinks
Judy Janovyak
GleeAnn Kehr
Shirley Stout
Kay Norfleet
Christy Brousseau
Denise Miglio
Deb Neitzel



Expanding Care Bear Ministry

Please let Pastor Oh know if you if are "home bound" or need a visit for 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 :
Church: 630-257-5210

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

Return Service Requested

NEW WINE October 2016

The Hindu Clinic

The Hindu Temple of Greater Chicago has offered the use of their clinic to anyone in need of medical help. The clinic is open the first Sunday of the month from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



WE'RE ON
FACEBOOK!

Their address is 10915 Lemont Road, Lemont and their phone

AA Meetings

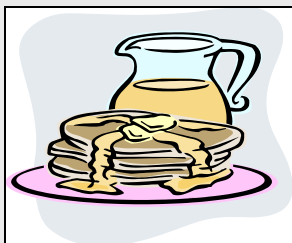
AA Meetings are held in our church Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm. If you would like further information.

Please contact:
Pat at (815) 274-4244

WEBSITE Has Sermons

<http://lemontumc.org/video> has a list of available sermons. Services are being recorded almost every week thanks to Erik and volunteers. 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

United Methodist Men



**Saturday
October 8
8:00 a.m.**

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.



Like us on Facebook

For those of you that might not be aware, we DO have a FB page. Please try and visit it regularly. As time goes on we will be posting more and more.

There are actually 3 FB pages that were started, but the one you should be using has a picture of the sanctuary on it.

I am one of the Admin's so bear with me while I get used to my new role. I will do my best but do not know all the rules and settings so be patient :)

Marge Fox

Primetimers



**Saturday
October 15
1:00 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 fellowship hall. Everyone brings a favorite dish to share for an enjoyable afternoon. If you have any questions, please call:

Juanita Fick
630-257-7639