

October 2017

The New Wine



Upcoming Services and Events

October 1st

World
Communion
Sunday
Blessing and
Hands on Bible for
Candidates of
Confirmation Class
2017/2018

October 8th

Children's Sabbath
Leon Craig Randall
Baptism

October 15th

Laity Sunday
Coffee Fellowship

October 22

Loose Change
Sunday
Andrew Neil Polodna
Baptism

October 29

8:30 Communion
Service
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Family Service

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Lemont United Methodist Church,

I hope that you have enjoyed the beautiful summer days with over 90 degrees in fall. A few weeks ago, I visited Silver Cross Hospital around 7:00 am due to be with one of our church leaders who scheduled to have a surgery. When I got there, I found out that the time had been postponed to 11 am that day. So I went to the hospital cafeteria to have a breakfast. They have really freshly cooked good food with very reasonable prices. After gathering some food and a cup of soup, I went to the cashier to pay. Then, I found out that I forgot to bring my wallet. I was embarrassed because there were people behind me lined up ready to have their breakfast. While I did not know what to do, I remembered that I put my credit card on my cell phone. I asked the cashier whether they have E-pay system. The guy behind me who seemed like a staff of the hospital, said, "We do not have that system yet." And he said, "I will pay for your breakfast. I was speechless and I expressed how thankful I am." With embarrassment and full of overwhelming gratitude, I finally sat down and looked around to find him, but he was gone.

After getting my wallet at home, I came back to the hospital again with a thanks card and looked for him. I only remembered his first name, Mark and the first letter of his last name, B. After hearing my story, the volunteer at the information desk told me that there are 700 workers in the hospital and there are many whose names are Mark with last name B, so she cannot find him. She said, "Instead of finding him, do unto others." Mark B made my day and I was overwhelmingly blessed by his gracious and generous act of kindness and saw God in and through him, realizing that there are a lot of God-filled people in the world. The memory will stay in my heart for a long time.

As we look around, on the one hand, we see our world is suffering by Hurricanes, earthquakes, wildfires, White supremacy, racism, hatred, fear of the other, the ending of DACA, travel bans, shootings, terrorism, division, threat of nuclear weapon, and the tension in the Korean Peninsula. To name a few. What happens in the world makes us sick and tired, vulnerable and hopeless. On the other hand, there are beautiful and inspiring stories of those who helped the Hurricane victims. For examples, a furniture store used its beds for shelter, Anheuser-Busch sent 155,000 cans of water, civilians rescued many people with boats, Coldplay wrote a sentimental song for Houston, a doughnut shop kept its doors open, people came together to help total strangers in need. Our church, Lemont UMC, also has raised over \$2,000 for UMCOR disaster relief in the past month and fed those who are in need through the Open Pantry, Day Break Shelter, supporting Hungry Huskies in NIU, and beyond and above.

God is surely at work in the midst of the human suffering with His grace, mercy, comfort, and love and is calling us to continue to do the same with gracious, generous, and inclusive hearts. Because of God who is working in and through His people just like you and I, the world would look a lot like the kingdom of heaven. Dear the people of God, in October, Lemont UMC will start Confirmation Class for 7th and 8th graders, celebrate the ministries and missions at Church Conference on October 4th at 7 pm., serve the Day Break Shelter with casseroles Sr. High Youth are going to make, administer the sacrament of Baptism for Leon Randall (10/8) and Andrew Polodna (10/22), have UMMen (10/11) and Primetimers (10/21) gatherings, Bonfire at Dale Janssen's house (10/20), and Murder Mystery Dinner (11/4), and continue to raise mission offerings for the Hurricane victims. Please support all the ministries and missions we are called through your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness so that we can continue to make space for the life of another to be God-filled and together make our world better place.

May God bless you and give authority and power to serve His kingdom.

In Christ,

Pastor Hyo Sun Oh

Bishop Dyck calls for prayer in midst of world disasters

Our world continues to be in a state of suffering. It's been over a week and the people of Puerto Rico are still without water, electricity, food and the means to connect with others both on the island and in the states. Some of our own clergy and church members still don't know the whereabouts of family and friends.

In other places throughout the Caribbean, the islands have been hit by hurricane destruction and flooding. Right now the humanitarian effort is primary but the beauty of these islands has also been impacted. ***Christ, in your mercy, hear our prayers!***

Mexico has suffered two major earthquakes. Whole communities have been destroyed and sadly many children were killed. Again, many of our Mexican brothers and sisters worry about their friends and family who have suffered. The death toll continues to climb. ***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers!***

We continue to pray for those who have been impacted in the U.S. due to the hurricanes and flooding in Texas, Florida and other coastal regions. Flood buckets are still needed in order to help the cleanup. Many of you have already contributed in some way to get cleanup supplies to the Midwest Distribution Center. Please pray for those who are now dealing with this long-term hardship and the general frustration and discouragement that comes following these disasters, especially if this has been a repeated experience. ***Christ, in your mercy, hear our prayers!***

Often forgotten are the people out west who have suffered from the fear and the effects of the forest fires. Some people have lost their property and we have all lost part of our national treasure in these beautiful areas of our country. In addition to the devastation of nature and property, many people in the west have suffered from the smoky air. Keep firefighters and people who live in the region in your prayers. ***Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers!***

With Mexico's earthquake, there are still people suffering in India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Niger, and Sierra Leone who have together lost thousands of people to heavy rains and mudslides. ***Christ, in your mercy, hear our prayers!***

Just because a disaster is no longer on the front page of the newspaper or at top of the hour trending on our device, it doesn't mean that peoples' suffering is over. The good news is that UMCOR will be with these communities around the world for as long as it takes. Both [Florida](#) and [Texas](#) are now receiving volunteers so please watch the weekly conference eNews to learn more about opportunities for service.

Where one suffers, we all suffer (1 Corinthians 12:26). Let us pray for those who are suffering throughout our world.

~Bishop Sally Dyck



Upcoming Worship Services

Exciting things happen in September and October

Come and join us~!

- October 1st World Communion Sunday
Blessing and Hands on Bible for Candidates of Confirmation Class
- October 4th Church Conference 7:00 p.m.
Daybreak Shelter 6:00 p.m.
- October 8th Children's Sabbath
Baptism for Leon Craig Randall
- October 11th Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- October 14th United Methodist Men 8:00 a.m.
- October 15th Laity Sunday
Coffee Fellowship
- October 18th Ad Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- October 21st Primetimers 1:00 p.m.
- October 22nd Loose Change Sunday
Baptism for Andrew Neil Polodna

Attention Parents of College Students Living Away From Home

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 or email at clkerins@sbcglobal.net or Dawn Ferrazzi 815-886-4177 or email at dferrazzi@anl.gov with your child's school address so they can be included this year. Also, we welcome anyone wishing to donate items to be sent.



Thank You

Neighbor to Neighbor Holiday Vendor & Crafter's Market

Saturday December 2, 2017

9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Shop at the Lemont Township Community Center

16300 Alba, Lemont (Just NW of 127th St & Timberline Drive)

Visit this unique gathering of independent business persons from your neighborhood offering you the opportunity to browse, connect, and purchase.

Any Questions contact: terri-oneill@lemonttownship.org

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 Knot
October 21-Karin Peraino
October 23-David Lange
October 26-Paulette Fries
October 27-Dawn Ferrazzi
October 29-Juanita Hill
October 30-Kexia LaFramboise-Van

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 5-Cris & Bill Kerins
October 8-Judy & al Janovyak
October 8-Grace & Loren Kirkman
October 10-April & Rob Lange
October 12- Bev & Howard Svoboda
October 13-Carolyn & Curtis Stelter
October 14-Alice & George Lange
October 14-Jana & Bill Stelter
October 14-Lynn & Greg Vavra



SCRIP UPDATE

Currently we have just under \$1K of "extra" cards on hand that are just sitting in our office. After about 2 years of trying this method of keeping 'extra' cards on hand for convenience sake, I find that it is necessary to try another method.

Effective August 1st I will be taking orders throughout the month, and placing one (1) order each month. **The date I will be Placing these orders will be the Last Monday of Each month.** That gives everyone 4 Sundays to communicate with me. If there is no interest, well then of course I will not be placing an order.

The ONLY draw back with doing it this way is, as I have mentioned many times, is the order has to be enough to cover the \$8.00 Fed-Ex delivery fee. So another words, if I only get an order for a couple \$25.00 cards, it's not worth ordering because the shipping fee will eat up our profits.

THIS WILL BE IMPERATIVE TO REMEMBER COME NOVEMBER, IN ORDER TO GET ANY NEEDED CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS. HAVING SAID THAT, I CAN PLACE MORE THAN ONE ORDER IN A MONTH IF IT'S MONETARILY WORTH IT.

Jewel cards seem to be the most purchased, so I will always have those on hand. But none of the others will be available unless you order them. Thank You for your understanding and cooperation.

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 are on Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00, this is light work and helpful to families that work during the day. The Open Pantry is in need of Kraft macaroni and cheese, pasta, and toiletries.



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.



Calling All Musicians

We are encouraging all musicians and singers who are interested in joining the Praise Band to contact Leslie, Bob, or Jana.

Come join us!



Bob & Sue's New Address

Bob & Sue Gergescz have a
new address:
1801 Spencer
Way
Shorewood, IL
60404



LUMC Women's Book Club

Oct. 9 "Major Pettigrew's Last Stand"

Helen Simonson

Nov. 13 "Wonder, Auggie & Me"

(2 in series) R.J. Palacio

This group meets at Margaret Flynn's
house.



CONFIRMATION CLASS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 1, 2017 IS CONFIRMATION CLASS KICK OFF
AND PARENT ORIENTATION.

WE WILL BE MEETING EVERY OTHER SUNDAY FROM 12-2.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ADULT AND TEEN MENTORS. IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

THANK YOU

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, Sunday School/Breakfast Club, 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 Cris Kerins at clkerins@sbcglobal.net or Dawn Ferrazzi at dferrazzi@anl.gov. You may also hand write your response and mail it to LUMC 25 W. Custer Street Lemont, IL 60439. The deadline for returning the application is Saturday, October 7, 2017. **Scholarship awards will be given on November 26th, 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





5 THINGS YOU CAN DO

Please pray for those whose lives have been impacted by Harvey and the storms that have followed. Please also pray for Early Response Teams, disaster coordinators, and the many volunteers who are working tirelessly to provide relief.

Make relief kits. Download the packing list and shipping label at umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies.

Give to UMCOR's relief and recovery efforts: U.S. Disaster Response, **Advance #901670** at umcor.org/donate.

Donate only those items requested. (To keep relief supplies in stock, give to Material Resources **Advance #901440** at umcor.org/donate.)

Please wait for an invitation to volunteer.

The United Methodist Committee On Relief is grateful for your relentless prayers and support.

Church Conference 2017

Our 2017 Church Conference will be held at LUMC on October 4th.

The agenda is:

6:00-6:30 p.m. SPRC

6:30-7:00 p.m. Dinner

7:00 p.m. Church Conference

The due date to submit all forms is September 26th. If there are any questions please contact the church office or use the attached website.

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS

We will be offering a New Membership Class. If you are interested please contact Pastor Oh.

Thank You



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 1

8:30-Sue Gergescz
10:45-Peg Pecher

October 8

8:30-
10:45-Marge Fox

October 15

8:30- Bill Stelter
10:45-Peg Pecher

October 22

8:30- Jana Stelter
10:45-Vickie Olinger

October 29

8:30-
10:45-Dave Kennedy

Hero of Harvey

By Richard H. Lee, USA Today

A stranger drove down Houston streets in a big used military vehicle with a cab five feet high looking for residents to rescue. Nick Sissa drove through heavy rain and high water rescuing about 300 people and taking them to Fire department or other emergency personnel. He had a good job managing construction contracts but he had no work because of the flooding.

So he put his truck to the best use with 55 gallons of diesel fuel and went out looking for people trapped in their homes, some needing medical attention. He even rescued two firefighters whose truck was stranded and dozens of people from the local Westbury Methodist Church in Meyerland TX. Those people were seeking safety. He said even in water chest-high, the vehicle was stable. It was named by the emergency managers, "Bama 1" since Nick was from Alabama and now many people recognize that big truck in local neighborhoods.

Obviously such trucks should continue to be built and maybe stockpile for emergencies like this. Another danger in the Texas area is toxic materials pollution of standing water and people will have to avoid wading or living in such polluted water. There are many toxic waste sites, especially around Houston where petrochemical sites have dumped toxic waste that has never been cleaned up because of limited funds.



October 2017

Children's Message Schedule

October 1-
Sean Clark

October 8-
Richard Lee

October 15-
Ron Walter

October 22-
Megan Cheehy

October 29-
Marty Knott



Greeters

October 1

8:30-Stelter Family
10:45-Peraino Family

October 8

8:30-Sue Hinks
10:45-Anne Weso-
lowski & Zoe Jackson

October 15

8:30-Sharon Heslop
10:45-Ferrazzi Family

October 22

8:30-Tasker Family
10:45-Nelson Family

October 29

8:30-Sharon Heslop
10:45-Shirley &
Dottie

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:	Craig Baxter 815-685-1900
Methodist Essential:	Bill Price 630-754-7667
VBS:	Jodi Stood 630-243-9366
The Last Supper:	Arlene Knott 708-301-2023
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 847-769-1125
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	Phil & Leslie Ramos
Junior Choir	Cris Kerins 630-257-5660

****Any Other Ministry You Would Like to Start**

OUT-REACH MINISTRIES

Pantry Workday:	Church Office 630-257-5210
Panera Bread:	Church Office 630-257-5210
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 Changing Seasons"

One thing that the Finance Committee can always count on is the changing of giving with the seasons. As we go away on vacations during the summer and delay our giving until we return, the summer months see a reduction in giving and a lowering of our balances. There is a recovery in the fall and winter and of course December see generous giving when you count Christmas.

Last year's Christmas giving was outstanding with over \$30,000 of extra giving in December and over \$5,000 for Christmas alone! This enabled us to start 2017 with a beginning balance in the General Fund of almost \$33,000! We were then able to keep the General Fund in a positive balance all year – almost a first for us.

In the next week or so a budget will be developed for next year. It will include any wage increases, a change of our monthly Conference Apportionment payments, and estimates as to utility costs. Several other changes are often made as church programs come and go.

In a few weeks I will begin to send out letters asking you to consider increasing your giving next year and to make pledge for that giving. It is my hope that you will read and seriously consider these letters as we work our way to Pledge Sunday.

General Fund Beginning Balance: \$20,063

Receipts: 8,994

Disbursements: 13,367

General Fund Ending Balance: 15,390

Maintenance Fund Balance: \$69,165

Sympathy Note



Michael Robert Havemann

October 20, 1953 – September 3, 2017

Michael Robert Havemann, aged 63, of Lemont, IL, passed away on September 3, 2017 at Good Samaritan Hospital, in Downers Grove, IL, after succumbing to trauma and complications from a local traffic accident.

Mike graduated from Willowbrook High School, and then went on to receive a certificate from Devry Institute of Technology. Later in life, he went back to school and earned an Associates Degree in Mathematics at Joliet Junior College. Mike currently was working under Genesis Network Enterprises LLC, for AT&T, in the field of Telecommunications. His career spanned over 40 years, and involved working for AT&T and many of its divisions and incarnations, such as Wescom, Western Electric, Bell Labs, and Lucent Technologies. Michael Robert is survived by his wife of 38 years, Cynthia Fay (Smith) Havemann; his three children, Elizabeth Norma, Charlotte Esther, and Anthony Michael, Havemann; his father, Robert Roy Havemann; his four siblings, Patricia (Jan) Noble, Juli Anne Enzinger, Thomas James (Tina Deckworth) Havemann, and Lori Genevieve (Brian) Meyers; and his numerous nieces and nephews. Michael Robert was preceded in death by his mother, Esther Gloria (Smith) Havemann, as well as two beloved in-laws, George Anthony and Norma Lucy (Spencer) Smith. As Michael was always deeply touched and affected by the stories shared about the altered lives of his family members, friends, and coworkers upon their return from the War in Vietnam, the Family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, <http://vva.org/donate>



Dawn M. Rohde nee Schultz

September 12, 1924 — September 3, 2017

Dawn M. Rohde nee Schultz age 92, of Lockport, passed away on September 3, 2017 at her home surrounded by her children. Dawn was born on September 12, 1924, in Lemont, IL, the daughter of Edward and Margaret (Ashworth) Schultz. Dawn was the oldest among eight siblings. She united in marriage to Clarence R. Rohde, Sr. in July 1, 1946 at Lemont United Methodist Church and spent 63 years together and had two children, Linda and Clarence Jr. She graduated from Lemont High School and worked for the federal government and private industry. She was a member of the Lemont United Methodist Church. She was a very loving, kind, very well organized, and generous person to many. She is survived by her daughter, Linda M. Rohde of Lockport; a son, Clarence R. Rohde, Jr of St. Anne, IL; also sisters, Althea R. Sovich of Bloomington, IL and Martha A. Novak of Cincinnati, OH; a brother, Ralph A. Schultz of Hot Springs, AR; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence R. Rohde, Sr.; three brothers, Edward E. Schultz, Calvin J. Schultz, and William L. Schultz; and one sister, Betty J. Torma. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Lemont United Methodist Church, 25 W. Custer St. Lemont, IL 60439.

Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

October 2017 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.

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

Mary Ende gave the library a book on "Sweet Tomorrows." It's easy reading. The main character has bought a B "Numbered Days" & B, Rose Harbour in partial response to her suffering. (She needed an outlet-a place where she could grieve.) But much to her surprise, she is sent a myriad of people who are also grieving. And she in her new B & B is able to empathize, perhaps it's the place, but whatever she helps each and they in turn help each other. Suffering is allowed by God so that He can make us see a new plan for our lives, to build stronger character, if only we can learn to lean on Him...He loves us so much. There are a lot of people in our congregation and the world outside who are suffering, let's empathize, recognize, and like the main character DO SOMETHING to help or just be there.

John Nelson donated a book on "Searching Issues." Issues such as God and suffering, other religions, sex before marriage, science and Christianity, and the Trinity. Yes, the answers the author gives always come from the Bible. But isn't that our moral compass? Our bulwark? Our foundation...a last point of reference? Ask through prayer, read the Bible. It is God-breathed. Seems to me that these "Searching Issues" are important enough topics for us to consider.

Then "WWJD." Examples of questions which might appear in real life, for example, about compassion, "The Little Drummer Boy." Or "Numbered Days" will give you an insight. Or "Miss Astor," generosity. Don't you think we should be prepared with Biblical answers. Why don't you make up your own questions, then check if your responses are Biblical. Now that's a good exercise for all of us.

Two books for the little ones. One, "The Itsy-Bitsy Spider" a board book. Babies will enjoy the colorful pictures. The ones reading might even sing that tune. Also, "7 Days of Awesome." A creation story told in rhyme with eye-catching illustrations.



On the horizon for Hope and Friendship:

Oct 23rd @ Old Quarry- "Something I want you to know....talking about the pressures of Middle School" - details to come

Oct 27 & 28 @ Central School- Haunted Central- adult volunteers needed to be guides for all times- Friday and Saturday night and Saturday day

Nov 3 @ Old Quarry- last chance drop off 3-3:30pm- Winter Clothing/Kitchen Needs Drive

Nov 4 @ Old Quarry 11:30am-1pm pack up and haul to thrift store- help needed

Nov 11- 8am-12noon- Fall Mission Stay Saturday weather permitting

Nov 18 @ Lemont Public Works Garage- The Day the Turkeys Fly-10am-noon

Dec 14 @ CORE Gyms- Duck, Dive, Dodge Dodgeball Tournament

Dec 20 @ Lemont Police Dept- Mission Stay Caroling

Dec 23 @ Old Quarry- Christmas Care Box Sorting/Creating

Dec 25 @ Old Quarry- Christmas Dinner Food Drop Off, Sorting & Deliver

Any Questions contact: terri-oneill@lemonttownship.org



JUNIOR CHOIR

What goes up when you count down? What has two hands but never holds anything? These are some musical riddles for you and the answers will come at the end of this note. I hope that you have been enjoying your summer and the beginning of school and that you've spent some time singing. I think God must feel happy when He hears you sing. Junior Choir has begun and we are always welcoming new members. Please remember Jr. Choir is for grades K-7. If you have a friend or relative who enjoys singing, ask her/him to join us.

O.K.– here are the answers: a rocket, a clock.



October 2017 Rainbow Covenant

In addition to our annual apportionment, LUMC makes monetary donations through the Rainbow Covenant in order to provide support to specific causes. All loose change collected on the fourth Sunday of each month goes to support the Rainbow Covenant. In addition, each month we will highlight a charity from one of the bands of the Rainbow Covenant. For October, we are highlighting the **green band charity, Disaster Preparedness & Response Fund**. This fund helps to prepare in advance to respond after a disaster hits, assessing how we can minimize damage and loss in the future. Every season has the potential for disasters like floods, tornadoes, fires, or ice storms. This fund helps provide training of response teams, education of churches and communities, and both immediate and long term relief after disaster hits. Please bring in plenty of change on **October 22nd** (Loose Change Sunday) to contribute to the Rainbow Covenant. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific charity, write “**Disaster Preparedness**” on a pew envelope. **Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.**

Activity Committee Updates

Oct 20 Friday Family Night Bonfire at the Janssen's

Nov 4 Murder Mystery Dinner (depending on participation) \$29.00 per person. Theme will be "Crime and Pun-ishment." Money is due to Peg Pecher Sunday Oct 1! Checks can be made out to Peg Pecher.

Please remember to sign the sign up sheet so we know how many to plan for! Come have fun with us. Questions or information needed? Call Peg Pecher at [847-204-1747](tel:847-204-1747) or the church.

Mark your calendars!!! More information as the date draws near!

Because You're Tired Today...

Do you feel woozy?

There's a specific kind of motion sickness afflicting you and me, but it's not the kind that happens when we're jostled wildly on a theme park ride or trapped in the backseat on a twisting mountain road trip or stuck in the front row of an IMAX Michael Bay marathon. *This* particular illness is an addiction to movement; a relentless fixation on activity, a persistent compulsion to feel as though we are productive. It is the perpetual drive to more and greater and faster and better that propels us through the furious blur of our everyday—and causes us to miss a good deal of it. We run and sweat and strive and chase our seconds away, always arriving at any given spot breathless, frazzled, and eyeing the next spot off somewhere in the distance we think we need to sprint toward. Most of us have spent so much time in this hyper-urgency that we've forgotten that this is not normal, that it isn't supposed to be like this. Our speed is literally making us sick and yet we adore it, we aspire to it, we worship it like an ever-distant God who would deign to bless us if only our velocity could increase slightly and we could do and be enough to deserve it. We run through our days, not with the lightness of one who has joy simply in running, but as one desperate to catch something they believe will give them life. This frantic pace is not deserving of our allegiance. It is not worthy of our devotion. It is a manmade devil; a cruel dealer stringing along an addled adrenaline junky with the prevailing promise of a fulfillment that never comes, leaving us forever chasing a high that is always just beyond reach. And so, we live wearily. And so, our bodies and souls are exhausted. You my friend, are tired. And because you're tired you need to give yourself a priceless gift: You need to give yourself permission to stop; to consent to a stilling that will bring rest and peace and save you from drowning in the stirring sea of your own making. It's difficult I know, because we both live within this twisted equation; that activity equals productivity, and productivity equals our value—and that value merits us love. Our motion then becomes a barometer for our worth, and so we rarely slow ourselves for fear that we will lose something, when in reality it is in our very inability to pause and breathe, that we lose. We lose our awareness in the moment, the fleeting sacredness of *here*. We lose the sweet gift of being fully present in that *now* moment that is so very difficult to grasp. We lose our availability to those right in front of us who need us to see them well. We lose our very lives, second by squandered second. Our soul fatigue is not something we need to be resigned to. It is not a forgone conclusion that we succumb to this motion sickness, but we must be willing to set down our need to be defined by our achievements and our accomplished tasks, by the to-do lists we plow through or the kudos we secure. We have to reclaim our beloved-ness which is not tied to our resumes or checklists or velocity, but to our very breath and being. Because you're tired, stop running. Because you're tired, slow down. Because you're tired, breathe. Because you're tired, rest. Because you are tired, do nothing and trust that this is enough.

You are already worth it.

Adult Sunday School

The book we will be studying is “Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet.”

We will retrace the life of Moses from his modest birth and rescue as a baby to the courts of Pharaoh, from herding flocks in Midian to leading his people out of Egypt.

Join author Adam Hamilton as he travels from Egypt to Mt. Sinai, the Nile, the Red Sea and the wilderness exploring the sites of Moses' life. Using historical information, archaeological data, and biblical text, Hamilton guides us in the footsteps of this reluctant prophet who grew in his relationship with God and by the end of life had successfully fulfilled the role he was given.

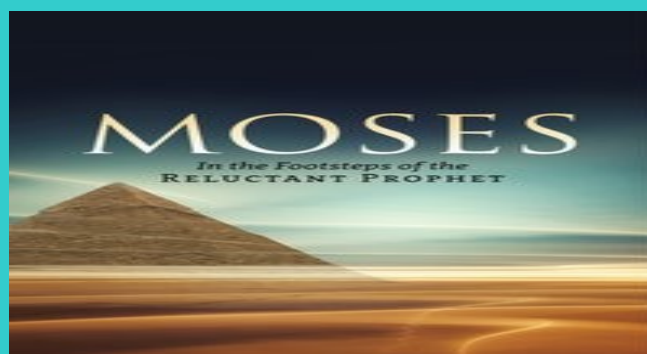
Turn your own reluctance into boldness as you examine the significant challenges facing Moses and how God shaped his character and life in powerful ways.

Dale Janssen will be leading Adult Sunday School every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Pastor would like to offer a bible study class at the parsonage. If you are interested please contact Pastor Oh.

Books are available in the office for \$15.00

Thank you.



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 join us! All are welcome!



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*

*Alberta Harden, eye problems
*Mary Ende, blood clot
Katie, needs kidney transplant
Ken, bone cancer
*Leon Randall, heart surgery
Nick Zec Sr., fell, broke neck
Bernie Kennedy, stroke
Ron, cancer treatment
*Margaret Flynn, fractured arm & back
Sam, copd, heart blockage
Lori Bartwick, breast cancer
*Sheila Farrer, health issues
Joe Sigety, ALS worsening
*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis
Lou Gunder, lymphoma
Kirsten Zinzer, melanoma
Maureen Robinson, health issues
*Rachael Hays, depression
Colleen Andrew, cancer treatment
Judy Olinger, lymphoma
Walter, cancer
Dana Patterson, brain tumor & MS
Marty Rolin, nerve damage
Jim Kratochvil, lung cancer
Jamie, brain aneurysm, surgery
Jim Krenek, at Burgess Square
Linda, dementia
Florian Talos, parkinson's
Lois, stage 3 cancer
Esther Gores, home hospice
*Juanita Fick, Mother Theresa Home
*Sandra, autoimmune disease

Cindy Hudon, cancer/chemo
Lynn Kuhn, surgery, healing
Dava Horton, surgery, healing
Ron Hamelen, Alzheimer's
*Dave Mlady, lingering illness
Judy Bramill, cancer
Marie, shoulder replacement
E.D. McCormick, cancer
Mason Patterson, surgery
Gabrielle Blunt, Alzheimer's
Art Runyan, pancreatic cancer
Ravi Sundaram, kidney cancer
*Marge Good, hip replacement
Tom Ligman, surgery
Kathy, cancer
Nick Sempowicz, cancer
Sally, lung cancer
Jim Durham, cong. heart failure
John Belander, heart failure
Valerie O., ovarian cancer
*Carol Kowalski, hip replacement
*Dave, heart testing
Melanie Foster, ovarian cancer
Janet Bormett, health issues
*Church members traveling
Melvyn, stroke/intensive care
Answered Prayers:
Lisa, global amnesia
*Neil Janssen, recovering with rehab
Phil, cancer
Chase, finishing physical therapy
Anna, brain surgery

MONTHLY BLESSINGS AND JOYS

*Happy Hands back to school
*Pete Kocur helping the hurricane
victims
*Sean Clark teaching for 22 years
*Successful Heritage Fest
*Bob B.'s new kidney working
*Jackson's Eagle Scout
*Raising money for UMCOR
*Dick Wisdom preaching
*Choirs back singing on Sundays
*Successful summer work projects
*Successful Rally Day

Coffee Fellowship October 15th

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



Coffee Fellowship

Expanding Care Bear ers Ministry

Help Needed-Occasional Cooks or Meal Providers

The Care Bearers are looking for a few new people to help provide an occasional meal (home cooked or purchased) for members of our congregation who are recovering from a serious illness, birth of a baby, or the loss of a family member. Meals are **only occasionally** needed in our church, and it is a wonderful mission! If you would be willing to provide a meal when someone is in need, please contact Alice Lange or Wendy Myers. We would love to add you to our list of Care Bearers.

Alice Lange: 815-838-5158
Wendy Myers: 630-257-7689

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25 West Custer
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Return Service Requested

**NEW WINE
October 2017**

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.

Their address is 10915 Lemont Road, Lemont and their phone number is 630-972-0300.

AA Meetings

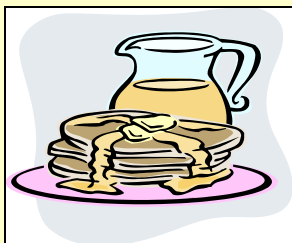
AA Meetings are held in our church Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm. If you would like further information.

**Please contact:
Pat at (815) 274-4244**

WEBSITE

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 phone readable video file.

United Methodist Men



October 14th

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.



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.

We have reached 1,440 people through Vacation Bible School video clips and pictures! If you have not seen them please go to facebook and click LIKE.

<https://www.facebook.com/Lemont-United-Methodist-Church>

Primetimers



**October 21st
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