

The Lemont United Methodist

The New Wine

FROM THE PASTOR'S HEART

Summer One Worship Service at 9:30 am

June 1st

Weekly Meditations
Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68; 1
Peter 1:12-14; 5:6-11; John
17:1-11
Communion and potluck
after service

June 8th

Confirmation
Weekly Meditations
Acts 2:1-21;
Psalm 104:24-34;
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13;
John 7:37-39

June 15th

Father's Day
Weekly Meditations
Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; 2
Corinthians 13:11-13; Mat-
thew 28:16-20
Coffee Fellowship
Special Offering

June 22nd

Weekly Meditations
Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 17;
Romans 6:1b-11;
Matthew 10:24-39

June 29th

Guest Speaker:
Rev. Beth Galbreath
Weekly Meditations
Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13;
Romans 6:12-23;
Matthew 10:40-42
UVC Offering

Dear Brothers and Sisters In Christ,

As our children graduate, whether from Happy Hands Preschool, confirmation class, Q-Quest, junior high, high school, or college and moving on to their next adventure in life, what are we giving to them?

When I was in elementary school, we had a tradition in which graduating 6th-grade students would leave a gift for the incoming 6th-grade class. Sometimes, they would leave behind a favorite pen with something fun and colorful attached to the top. Other times, they would leave behind words of wisdom for how to survive the 6th-grade. But every time, they left a gift of something so the remaining students could hold on to as they continued on their path towards graduation. They left a legacy.

Before Jesus ascended to heaven, he said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father to give you another Advocate to be with you forever" (John 14:15-16). The new commandment and a promise of an Advocate were what Jesus was leaving behind for the disciples. Jesus was preparing them for life without his physical presence. He emphasized how his followers were to continue his legacy: living a life that he modeled for them and obeying his commandments. Jesus' farewell gift was an Advocate (someone who comes along side another) to be with them forever so they will never be alone.

*So what was the commandments Jesus was referring to? Is it **The Ten Commandments** from Exodus 20:1-17, or **The Greatest Commandments** from Matthew 22:37-39, loving God with all our hearts, souls, and minds and loving our neighbor as ourselves, or **The New Commandment** from John 13:34 "**Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.**" Jesus is referring to all of them because the two greatest commandments encompass all the law and the prophets. And by loving one another, everyone will know that we are Jesus' followers. So it is not either— or, but both— and.*

As Jesus ascended to heaven, he left a legacy of love for his followers. We are left behind to do good and continue Jesus' ministry. Jesus knew we would need assistance living a life of love and continue his work so he left us the gift of the Holy Spirit--Advocate, Counselor, Helper, Comforter, someone who comes along side and be with us forever. Therefore, to love is to be an advocate, to give oneself for others as Christ gave himself for us and as God gave of Jesus and the Spirit. As follower, we are to continue loving our neighbor and seeing them as God sees us all, in word and in action. The Holy Spirit is still moving among and within us today as we continue Jesus' work of love and leaving a legacy!

As we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit we will be empowered to obey God's commandment and be God's vessels of love, not only holding it within us, but pouring it out for others to receive as we receive. God's Spirit will melt and work within us to be more loving and remove aspects of ourselves that keep us from forgiving and asking for forgiveness. The Holy Spirit will mold us into the person God created us to be and fill us with God's love, compassion, courage and wisdom. So that we may continue the ministry of love in the world, working beside others as models following Jesus' example.

Brothers and Sisters, let's leave a legacy of love to those following our footprints.

Joyfully Your Pastor,

Kelly T. Van

Interested in Helping to Mow the Church Grass?

There are now three 2-man teams that take turns mowing the church grass. We would like to add a fourth team to make it easy to accommodate vacations and other events that prevent as-needed mowing. If you think you would like to help form a fourth team, the first step is to let us know and then watch us work to learn the process. Retired people can best help in the sometimes random timing of the mowing, but if you can be available on Saturdays or late afternoons, that would be fine. If interested, please contact Marty Knott, Don Mueggenborg or Don Farrer.

Liturgist Schedule

**June 1st
Dave Kennedy**

**June 8th
Kelly Durley**

**June 15th
Joanne Goszczycki**

**June 22nd
Debbie Chappell**

**June 29th
Paulette Fries**

Mark your calendars for Friday, June 6th, 2014 and come save up to three lives with LifeSource. MB Financial Bank located at 1151 State Street in Lemont.

All are welcome... And just come anytime between 11:00am & 5:00pm

Refreshments will be served. Please bring a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or family member and save double the amount of lives!

Walk-ins are welcome; however, appointments are recommended.

Online Appointment Booking:

<https://donateblood.lifesource.org>

With Appreciation

Dear Church Family,
Celebrating the life of our loved one was made special by your thoughtful caring. Thank you from the family of Linda Belander.

Sincerely with lots of love always,
Chuck & Debbie Belander



Thanks LUMC for donating kids clothes from our rummage sale last July! Friends of the Taskers took them to the Philippines to give to needy children!

Dear Church Family,
A heartfelt thank you to everyone for your prayers to bring Marcella Van home safe to us. Your prayers had worked wonders and she is safe, happy and healthy. I am touched by all of you and is blessed to be your pastor. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be of any help for you and your family. We are here to be an "Advocate" for one another.

God be with you always,
Pastor Kelly Van and Family

Celebrations in June

- Happy Birthday:** June 9th—Patrick Woytek
June 10th—Mike Chappell, Al Janovyak
June 18th—Alice Lange
June 21st—Annie Woytek
- Happy Anniversary:** June 3rd—Don & Pat Farrer
June 20th—Gene & Joanne Goszczycki
June 25th—Pastors Christian & Kelly Van
- Graduations:**
- 8th Grade**
Jason Kehr, Josh Greenberg, Emily Ivanciets & Nathan Villacres
- High School**
Rebecca Peraino, Kayla Watler, Shelby Fox, Abby Ivanciets,
Brian Brown, Matthew Behling & Arienna Guziec
- College and Beyond**
Dan Durley—University of Illinois
William A. Brocker—Illinois State University with Masters Degree

*Congratulations to Jana Stelter for 27 years of service
as a Middle School Librarian at Pleasantdale School District
“Teachers shine a light. That light we shine is not to make ourselves stand out.
It is to help guide others on their way. So shine on!” - Jana*

*Congratulations to Stephanie Phillips for a teaching position at
Joliet Central High School.*

Happy Hands News

Thank you to the Peraino Family for donating the cork strips to Happy Hands Preschool. Thank you to Jordan and Tom Kehr for installing them. The teachers are very appreciative. It gives the school a better look to display the students' work.

Happy Hands Preschool is proud to announce that 22 students graduated on Monday, May 19. The Church is such a beautiful setting for the ceremony and the sound system allows the songs to be heard by all. There were over 130 family members who attended. We had cookies, cupcakes, and refreshments following the ceremony.

For the Three's program, we ended the year with the annual Three's Tea with a program in the sanctuary and a light lunch in fellowship hall catered by Ali Tucker. A wonderful time was shared by all the children and their families.

June 2014

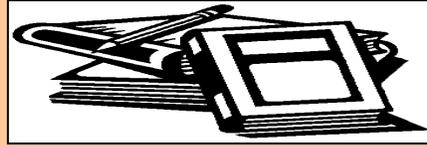


United Methodist Men

Come and join us! The Lemont United Methodist Men (UMM) will meet in Fellowship Hall at **8 a.m. on June 14th**. 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.

Primetimers Saturday, June 21st at 12:00 pm

This is a group made up of adults at least 50 years old. Primetimers meet monthly on the third Saturday of each month with a potluck lunch in Fellowship Hall at noon. Everyone brings a favorite dish to share for an enjoyable afternoon. If you have any questions, please call Juanita Fick at: 630-257-7639.



Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

The first book is a non-fiction, probably for older boys/men: "Playing with a Purpose." The book tells about NBA basketball players and their relationship with Christ, on and off the court. Kyle Korver plays for the Chicago Bulls and has played for several other teams, like the Utah Jazz. He uses his travels to find and work to fulfill the needs in different organizations cities.

He donates and participates in the work of the addressing the scripture admonition "For whatever you do for the lease of these, you do for me." Isn't that what Jesus said when asked when were you ever sick, impoverished...

He doesn't use his star status to glorify himself but deal with the needs of others. Of course there are other NBA players and their stories mentioned: Kevin Durant, Jeremy Lin, Chris Kaman etc. It's so refreshing to hear about sports people acknowledging their God.

"Left Behind Tribulation Force" is a DVD which, if you've read the book, or Revelations might be interesting. What am I saying? Of course, it will be inter-

esting. It's not rated, but I don't think that's anything to be concerned with. You'll find it inspirational if nothing else.

Next is a fiction book, probably for women, by Janet Oke, a Christian writer. "Like Gold Refined" is the fourth book in A Prairie Legacy series. It's about a farming family of past time who opens their home to a young girl, only to face losing her when her troubled mother appears. The main characters, as should, we find it comforting that not only do we have a God who knows and understands EVERY detail of our lives, but guides us, all we have to do is listen and know His Word.

And lastly, "Just So Stories" by Rudyard Kipling. Mr. Kipling had a God-given talent for fantasizing. His explanations of 'How the Leopard Got His Spots' or how the 'Rhino Got His Skin' and ten other speculations are amusing. Mr. Kipling had imagination...that much is obvious. He used his God-given imagination to entertain us. Thank you, Mr. Kipling.

Jesus said, "Truly, I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven." (Matthew 18:19)

What a wonderful promise from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

These are Lemont United Methodist Prayer Warriors – They make up three prayer chains. Love to spend time with God in prayer? Join us.

Pastor Kelly
Cris Kerins
Sue Tasker
Debbie Belander
GleeAnn Kehr
Karin & Rebecca

Pastor Kelly
Alice Lange
Sue Behling
Bettye Curry
Pat Farrer
Paulette Fries

Pastor Kelly
Shirley Stout
Dottie McAdams
John Nelson
Kay Norfleet
Cindy Durley

Acolyte Schedule

June 1st
Mihash Cheehy

June 8th
Jason Kehr

June 15th

June 22nd

June 29th
Ellie Woytek

Children's Message Schedule

June 1st—Pastor Kelly
June 8th—
June 15th—
June 22nd—Richard Lee
June 29th—Ron Walter

Schedule for Sunday Greeters

June 1st
The Fox Family

June 8th
The Kennedy Family

June 15th
The Olinger Family

June 22nd
The Knott Family

June 29th
Joanne Goszczyki
Joyce Koon

Financial Report - May 2014

General Fund Beginning Balance	-\$ 452.00
Receipts	10,279.00
Expenses	11,180.00
Ending Balance	-1,353.00
Maintenance Fund Balance	20,353.00
Capital repair Fund Balance	12,647.00

The Greatest Uniform

By Richard H. Lee

We spent Sunday morning in the hospital ER room and I noticed all the professional people wore uniforms supplied by the hospital I assume. Doctors wore white or blue coats over dress clothes, nurses wore black or blue and nurse's aids or technicians gray or maroon in the hospital. Even the housekeeping people and security people wore uniforms, with the security also wearing radios, handcuffs, and a pistol.

I guess these are necessary to leave at the hospital and not carry any germs home or out in public. But uniforms also

identify people as professionals and what kind they are and there are a lot of professionals in hospitals!

Religious people also wear a uniform which is usually black and sometimes with a small white collar. Monks and nuns also wear black robes maybe as a sign they belong to a different order. Many businesses have a dress code where workers are expected to dress in an appropriate and professional way and Christians really should not dress like the worldly.

The Bible gives us some ideas of how we shall dress in heaven with most of the descriptions in

the book of Revelation. It says the redeemed shall wear robes of white, indicating purity and maybe crowns but not earthly crowns of gold and gemstones. And the redeemed or those who belong to the Lord will share in the glory of the Lord, perhaps like Moses and Elijah when they talked with Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:31), although there may be degrees of glory. We shall also wear smiles or faces expressing happiness and joy and maybe we should do that here on earth so as to be recognized as special people.

"Honor your father...as the LORD your GOD commanded you, so that your days may be long and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you."

Deuteronomy 5:16

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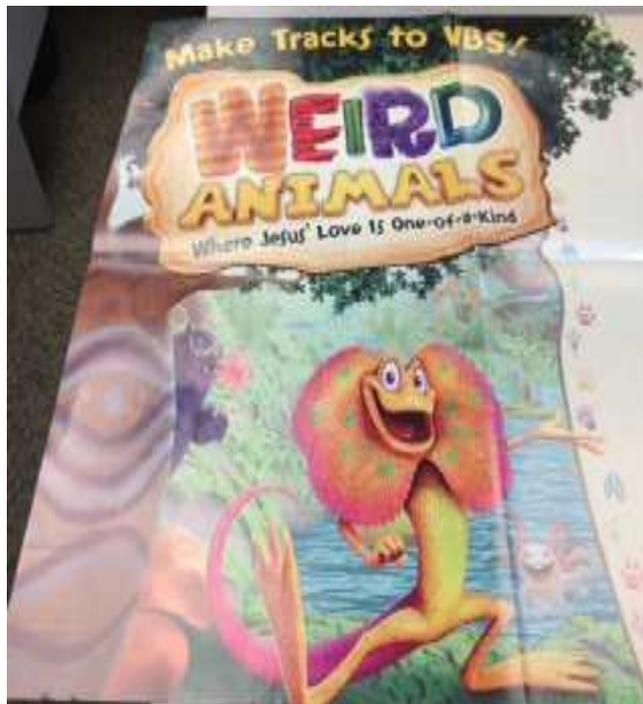
Vacation Bible School

Lemont United Methodist Church invites children to Weird Animals. At Weird Animals, kids discover that Jesus' love is not one-of-kind. Weird Animals is a habitat filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Scency-Fun Gizmos, team building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Each day concludes with The Tail End - a celebration that gets everyone involved in celebrating Jesus' love. Family members and friends are encouraged to join us daily for this special time at 11:20 a.m.

We will also continue our mission project for needy children in Lemont. Please donate brand new school bags, notebooks, paper, pens and pencils, folders, and glue sticks. They will be accepted every day. Please be generous to others.

Weird Animals begins Monday, June 9 and continues through June 13, 2014. The starting time every day is 8:30 a.m. We will end at 11:30 a.m. Youth (6th grade and older) and adults are invited to volunteer. Adults or high school students are needed to

lead some sessions. Please call Julie Phillips at: 630-257-1782 if you can help. Thank you to all who helped by donating supplies and decorations.



Rainbow Covenant—June

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 June, we are highlighting the **red band charity, Red Bird Mission School**.

The Smallwoods, who are NIC supported missionaries, work at this school. Red Bird

Mission School is the only K-12 Christian school in this area of Appalachia. It provides a high quality Christian education to students regardless of their ability to pay. It is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools and the University Senate of the United Methodist Church.

Your gifts help support this school. So please bring in plenty of change on **June 22nd** (Loose Change Sunday) to contribute to the Rainbow Covenant. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific

charity, write "Red Bird Mission School" on a pew envelope. Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

UMC Special Sundays—June: Peace with Justice Sunday

The **Second Sunday in Pentecost, June 15th**, focuses on the United Nations and its peace objectives. This special offering is designated for peace with justice ministries. It will be divided equally between the Annual Conference and the General board of Church and Society.

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

*Pastor Christian Van, medical mission in Vietnam
*Juanita Hill, surgery
*Mark Kirkman, safety at field training in June for AFROTC
Jerry Nuemann, leukemia (*Grace Kirkman's cousin)
*Alberta Harden, continuing tests
Christine Arnold, domestic violence situation (*Pat Farrer)
Aunt Linda Udziela, spine surgery recovery (*Gina Walter)
*Jeff Star, skin cancer
Karen Kunkel, cancer surgery (*Paulette Fries)
John Kettle, lung cancer metastasized to the brain (*Peg Pecher)
Kathy, breast cancer surgery (*Paulette Fries' co-worker)
*Sheila Farrer, ct scan
Pat Nikiel, hip injury/dementia (*Sue Gergescz's Aunt)
Diane, hernia surgery (*Amy Cheehy's friend)
Neil Janssen, suffered a stroke, now in rehab
Art Slater, cancer (*Linda Lubben)
Jim, heart surgery (*Joan Makinney's brother)
Sean Clark, massive stroke
*Ashtyn Talos, healthy pregnancy
*Glee Ann Kehr's Mom-dizzy spells
John Livengood, signs of liver transplant rejection(*Farrer's)
Madeline Adamoli, breast cancer (*Shirley Stout)
Brian Shepherd, leukemia (*Linda Lubben)
Susan, not healing well (*Shirley Stout's daughter)
*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis, ongoing treatment at home
Jessica Hampton, Crohn's disease (*Ron & Carol Walter)
Bryan Vogt, lymphoma (*Amy Cheehy)
David Mlady, (*Alice Lange)
For all troops and people in harms way
For all those that are looking for work

Answered Prayers: On the Road to Recovering

*Joe Miglio, recovering from Spine Surgery
*Josh Miller
Bob, lung cancer, home & healing (*Dottie McAdams)

Thomas & Theodore, recovering (*Paulette Fries)
*Carol Walter
*Sheila Farrer, recovering
*Bettye Curry
*Barbara Lee recovering from hospital stay
*Bill Sykes, recovering from fall
*Bob Norfleet
*Evelyn Johnson
Heidi Dupont, MS (*Rich & Barb Lee's daughter)

Grieving

The family & friends of Daryl Gordonaire (*John Nelson)
The family & friends of Alice Fries (*George Lange's sister)
The family & friends of Robert Baxter (*Christine Miller)

Joys

For Kirkman boys-Mark -AFROTC continuing in program; Eric making deans list at NCC & Jake on successful 1st year at LHS
For Julie Phillips dedication to Preschool and VBS
For our Q Quest Graduates: Becca, Kayla & Shelby
For High School Finals being over
For a wonderful and successful Happy Hands Year!!!
For Jana Stelter's retirement-35 years of teaching!!!
For Pastor Kelly passing her exam and all the prayers
For Marcella's safe return from Nigeria
For Kexia passing her 1st year of medical school
For the wonderful Choir Appreciation Worship service & Coffee
For Peraino's donating cork strips and Kehr's for installing in preschool hallway's
For a beautiful Mother's Day Worship Service
For our Worship Choir & Jr. Choir – we appreciate you and your beautiful voices and dedication to our Church
For Stephanie Phillips' teaching position offer & acceptance
For the Church Work Day—all the volunteers that helped with cleaning, organizing and beautifying our building & grounds

Kitchen Clean Up

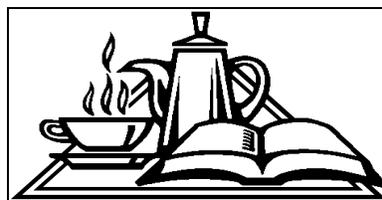
On Thursday, June 5th, the refrigerator and freezer will be cleaned out of all un-marked and expired food items. If you have anything stored in either please remove it by Wednesday, June 4th.

We need to clear these appliances out to make room for Vacation Bible School food items.

Thank you—

Coffee Fellowship

On Sunday, June 1st immediately following the One Worship Service at 9:30 am, there will be a potluck pancake breakfast in the Fellowship Hall.



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: 773-428-7877 church: 630-257-5210

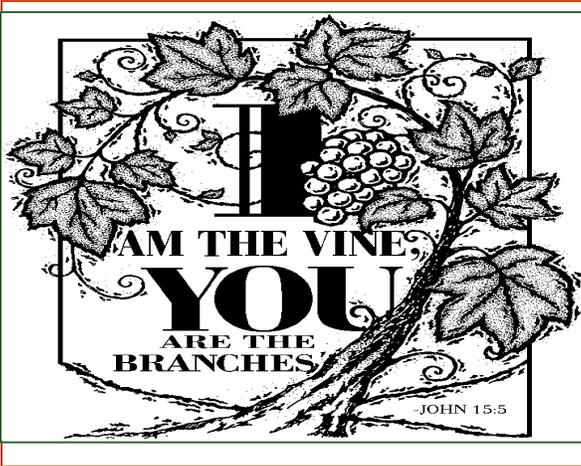
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Sermons and Videos on Website

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

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

What Makes a Dad ...

*God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so, He called it ... Dad*
—Author Unknown