

October 2019



The New Wine

Dear Members of Lemont UMC,

Greetings!

It has been tough months since our church was struck by lightning which damaged all of our computers, phone lines, and security systems. Also, our beloved and faithful church members have been diagnosed with cancers and lost loved ones. Moreover, Hurricane Dorian swept away Bahamas and killed so many innocent lives. As I heard from my brother, Typhoon Ling Ling destroyed his farm in S. Korea. Frustrations, grieving, and even anger, we have experienced in the past few months and some of you have been there in certain times in your life. What can we do when these things happen to us? We have all struggled with this question in life, wondering how God could let such a thing happen.

Non-believers point to these things and wonder how one can still believe in God when you've seen something like that? It is easy to feel like we were being punished and think "this must have been God's will because everything happens for a reason." The question is traditionally posed in this way, "If God is loving and just, then God must not be all-powerful. Or, if God were all-powerful, God must not be loving and just." For if God were all-powerful and loving and just, then God would stop the evil, pain, and suffering in our world. Theologians have a special name for the attempt to resolve this problem: they call it *theodicy* from the Greek words for God and justice. Theodicy is the attempt to reconcile belief in a loving and powerful God with the suffering present in our world.

There is no doubt that there is suffering in the world and that things go horribly wrong in the lives of faithful people. It's easy to reason that if we are "good" people, go to church, give generously, work hard and serve others, then we are guaranteed a good life. We live with a set of assumptions about how the world is supposed to work – and how God is supposed to work. When God does not meet our expectations then we are disappointed, disillusioned and our faith can be shaken and think what I did wrong or what I could have done more of. We feel like we are being tested. When we look at the Bible, we find that *most* of God's chosen leaders faced immense challenges in their lives and some were persecuted and tortured *because* of their faith in Jesus. Jesus himself told his followers to expect persecution. The Bible definitely does *not* teach that those who follow God will have a life of bliss. It describes the steadfast faith of those who continue to trust in God despite their suffering, and the comfort, strength, and hope they find in the face of suffering.

To give some answer to the human suffering, the earth has natural processes that help sustain life on the planet and sometimes people get caught in the midst of them. The same rains that cool the planet sometimes cause massive flooding. The plates of the earth move and keep our planet's core from overheating and exploding, and those living near those fault-lines are at risk. Human decisions affect our to cause suffering on a massive scale at times. God gave humans free will, and our decisions to impact the lives of others is very real. God does not impede the free will of one person in order to change the life of another. That human beings are continually drawn to the wrong path through sin and that causes harm and suffering to others is part of the gift and curse of free will. But we still believe in free will and fight for that freedom.

Upcoming Services and Events

October 6th

8:30 Traditional
Service

10:45 Blended
Worship

World Communion
Sunday

October 13th

8:30 Traditional
Service

9:30 NO Youth
Sunday School

10:45 Blended
Worship

Children's
Sabbath

October 20th

8:30 Traditional
Service

10:45 Blended
Worship

Laity Sunday

October 27th

8:30 Traditional
Service

10:45 Blended
Worship

Loose Change
Sunday

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Humans with free will have the ability to make choices that lead to pain and suffering such as we saw in the Holocaust, or it can lead to healing and health, community-building and peace. Thousands of others made choices to either participate or to not do anything to stop the horror. The whole war only ended when others finally fought back, realizing that the evil must be stopped and they were the ones to do it even if it came at a great cost. Rejecting God in the midst of suffering only cuts us off from our greatest source of help, comfort, strength and hope. It leaves us utterly alone, which can lead to bitterness, loneliness, anger, frustration, and despair. Being a Christian doesn't guarantee a perfect life, free from suffering, but for us, suffering never has the last word. The stories of the Bible remind us that God continues to work to bring us through it all. All things work together for good and on the third day, Jesus rose from the dead. He is our greatest hope! God does not bring unjust suffering upon God's children. Instead, God walks with us through the floodwaters, rivers, fire, Hurricanes, Typhoon, and storms throughout our life. God promises that the present suffering is nothing compared to the coming glory that is going to be revealed to us when our time comes.

Good news is, now, our church office as well as the Happy Hands office has been functioning as normal with brand new computers and updated software programs after the lightning by the help of our Trustees, especially, Bill and Jana Stelter, and our technician John Velo. Our church phone lines and security monitors will be repaired and replaced soon. We collected \$1925.00 for the Memorial Fund for Adam Janssen's children: Emma and Jacob and I delivered \$2,000.00 to the Janssen's family this morning. Our church also raised a disaster relief fund for the people in Bahamas and will send it out to UMCOR. My brother rebuilt his damaged buildings and green houses by getting some financial help from family, friends, and the government aid and nowadays, he runs it as normal. We sent out our prayers, cards, meals, and our presence to those who have gone through chemo treatments and those who have been grieving. Our congregation are not the people who stayed in the valley of death, resenting and blaming God and others, but the people who overcome the suffering by prayers, presence, generous donations, committed service, and support. By serving others, we find joy in life, continuing our journey together. May God bless you and give strength every moment to find true joy of life in the midst of storms by serving others.

In Christ,
Pastor Hyo Sun Oh

**Some of this content are from Why: Making Sense of God's Will by Adam Hamilton*

Pastor's Family Visit

Pastor's youngest brother and nephew surprised us with a visit on September 22nd. Jiheon (Nephew) was able to join us for Rally Day. Thank you for welcoming them to our church!



Thank You!

We would like to thank you for your donation to Adam Janssen Memorial for Emma and Jacob's college fund. We raised \$2000.000. Pastor Oh delivered the fund to Kellie Janssen on October 3, 2019. Praise God and thank you so much for your generous commitment sharing your gifts with the family!

Please continue to keep them the Janssen's family in your prayers and thoughts.



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.** on **October 11th**. We will be looking for donations of hot dogs, buns, chips, drinks, and s'more makings.

There will be a sign up sheet in the sanctuary.

Come enjoy a fun filled fall evening and bring a lawn chair to sit around the fire!



Church Conference 2019

Our 2018 Church Conference will be held at LUMC on Monday, October 16th.

The agenda is:

- 6:00 p.m. Refreshments
- 6:00-7:00 p.m. SPRC Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Church Conference
- 8:00 pm Church Council Meeting

The due date to submit all forms is October 1st. All are welcome to attend.

If there are any questions please contact the church office.

The NIC Board of Trustees is offering the workshop *"Kicking the Tires, Checking Under the Hood"*

Saturday, October 19, 9am to 12:30pm
Naperville: Grace, 300 E. Garner Road, Naperville, IL 60540

The opening session, "Best Practices for Local Church Trustees," will be for all attendees. Get church checklists for maintenance and safety items, learn how to develop an emergency procedures manual, and much more! Following the opening session, attendees can choose from the breakout sessions with matters of concern to local churches, including the NIC local church insurance program, becoming a green church, and retaining a lawyer.

Cost: \$10/person or \$25 for as many as are able to attend from one local church. Snacks, but not lunch, will be provided.

For more information, please contact Conference Trustees Chair Harry Nicol at harry1005@gmail.com

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 **October 15th**. **Scholarship awards will be given on December 1st, 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



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. By October 8th, 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

JUNIOR CHOIR

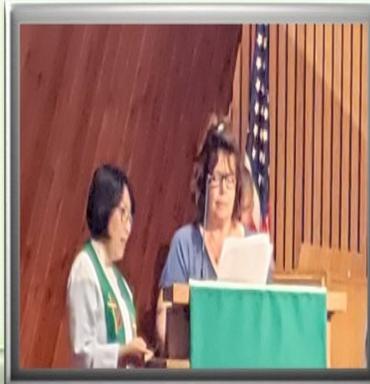
Why couldn't Noah catch many fish on the Ark? What game do tornados like to play? These are some riddles for you and the answers will come at the end of this note. I hope that you have been enjoying your summer and that you've spent some time singing. I think God must feel happy when He hears you sing. We will begin Jr. Choir in September so watch for information in the late August announcements on the sanctuary screen or in your mailbox for the date. 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:

Because he only had two worms, Twister.



Worship Service: "Blessing of Backpacks" - August 11, 2019



Sue Gergesz,
Liturgist



The Praise Band -----



The students with backpacks gathered at the altar along with parents and teachers.

Rally Day 2019

Thank you to our teacher's who were able to attend our teacher's meeting in September at the Parsonage and thank you to Pastor Oh for hosting the meeting with homemade meals!



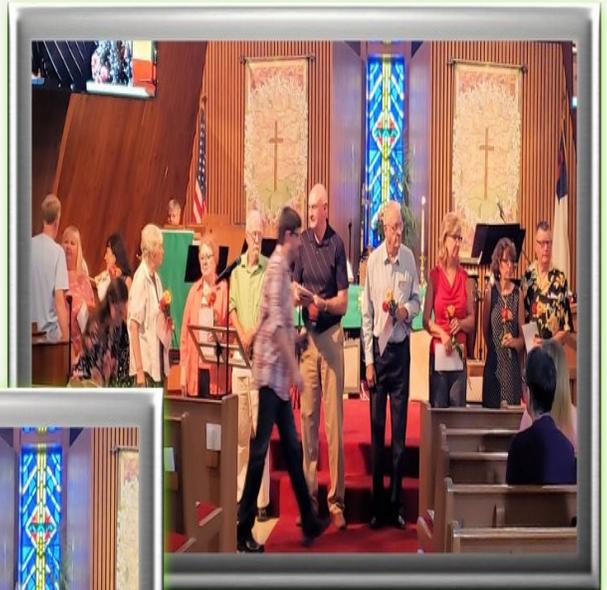
Thank you to everyone who helped make Rally Day a success! Please join us for Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Labor Day through Memorial day.



Recognition and Blessing of Open Pantry Volunteers



Dale Janseen & Carolyn Stelter



Praying for Beverly Svoboda



Dismissal and Blessing

Loose Change Sunday & Rainbow Covenant

October 2019 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 **orange band charity, UMCOR--Undesignated**. UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee on Relief provides humanitarian relief and disaster response in the United States and internationally. Giving to this undesignated fund will allow UMCOR to allocate funds to disasters as they arise. Please bring in plenty of change on **October 27th** (Loose Change Sunday) to contribute to the Rainbow Covenant. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific charity, write **“UMCOR”** on a pew envelope.

Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

HAPPY HANDS

Happy Hands is off to great start this school year. This year we have a total of 124 student in 14 classes—three 2-year-old classes, one young 3s class, six 3-year-old classes, and four 4-year-old classes. Many children were eager to return to school after their summer break and while a few newer students experienced separation anxiety, most have worked through that by now. When I peek into the classrooms, I see children enjoying their time here and eager to show me what they are doing. Every day I watch children skipping into class, playing with toys, making new friends, practicing their letters and numbers, sharing events and ideas, making music, exploring and discovering, building and creating, listening to stories, and bouncing up and down as they sing through the hallways. Depending on the day, I will also hear them singing in music class, exploring in computer class, and running in motor class with Mr. H. September's theme was “All About Me” and the children learned that they are each special because God made them!



Upcoming Worship Services & Events

October 6th-World Communion Sunday

October 9th– Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m.

October 11th-Bonfire at Dale Janssen’s House 6:30 p.m.

October 12th-United Methodist Men 8:00 a.m.

October 13th-**NO** Youth Sunday School/Children’s Sabbath

October 16th-Church Conference 7:00 p.m.

October 19th-Primetimers 12:00 p.m.

October 20th-Laity Sunday/Coffee Fellowship

October 23rd-Ad Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

October 26th-Senior High Youth Group to visit The Greater Chicago Food Depository

October 27th-Loose Change Sunday

Dear Care Bearers,

Thank you so much for the coffees and pastries for George’s memorial service. I didn’t personally partake but many told me what a lovely touch it was! I know George was smiling down on all of you that day since coffee and pastries was one of his favorites!

Again, Thanks to all you special people!

Love,

Linda Lubben and Family



Boon Supply Fundraiser

Thank You all who participated in the Boon Supply Fundraiser. I hope you are enjoying your bags! We made \$516 that will be split between our Good Samaritan Fund and the Open Pantry.

Your participation is greatly appreciated.

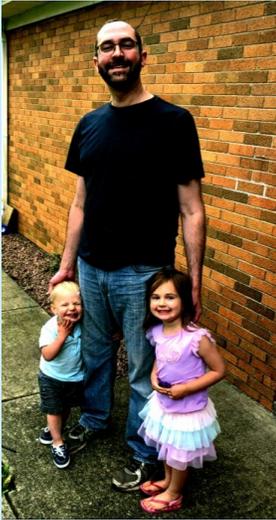
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Sympathy Notes

Adam Janssen

June 24, 1982 – September 6, 2019



Adam Janssen, of LaGrange Highlands, passed away on September 6, 2019. He was born on June 24, 1982 to Dale and Paula Janssen in Chicago Heights, IL. He was an engineering graduate of Bradley University and earned his MBA at Purdue University Northwest. He worked at US Steel in Gary, IN as a maintenance manager his entire career. He was married to his college sweetheart, Kellie Konopasek for 8 years and was the proud father of Emma (4) and Jacob (2) Janssen. He loved time with his children going to the zoo and the park. He enjoyed an occasional nap in his chair, his dog Bear, feats of engineering, Legos (even as an adult), helicopters, watching baseball and football games, and was a fan of the Cubs, Bears, Bulls, and Blackhawks. He worked very hard to support his family and loved traveling with the family, fine dining, craft breweries, and wine tastings.

Adam was preceded in death by grandparents Byron Janssen, Joe and Gladys Walker and his beloved mother, Paula Janssen. He is survived by his beloved wife Kellie (nee Konopasek); loving children: Emma and Jacob; his loving father, Dale Janssen; father-in-law, Mark and mother-in-law, Nina Konopasek; his grandmother, Marian Janssen; brothers, Derrick (Nicole) Janssen and Neil Janssen, in-laws, Amy (Matt) Bocian and Tim Konopasek; his nephews, Joshua Janssen, Cole and Luke Bocian; as well as a new niece or nephew expected this week; his uncles and aunts, Larry (Peggy) Janssen, Doug (Judy) Walker, & Karen (Ken) Friker; Cousins, Andy (Kari) Walker with Jack, Katie & Cole, Rachel Braband with Charlotte, Corey Walker, Ben (Sara) Janssen, Abby & Maggie, Sarah Janssen and Shay Lynch, Natalie (Billy) Weekley with Noah Janssen.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the family will benefit the future education of Adam's children and are greatly appreciated.

Please go to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/adam-janssen-memorial>

He lives on in our hearts forever.

Thank You from Dale Janssen

Kellie and the entire Janssen family would like to thank Pastor Oh and this entire congregation for all the kind expressions of love and concern, as well as your generous contributions to Emma and Jacob's college fund.

In the days and weeks since Adam's death, this church has been and will continue to be an important part of the healing process.

Thank you again for all you have done and will continue to do.





BISHOP'S APPEAL

Giving Abundantly, Generosity Overflowing



HELP STRUGGLING FARMERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

As of Sept. 3, the U.S. Department of Agriculture rated only 6% of corn crops and 7% of soybean crops in Illinois to be in "excellent" condition.

⬡ This summer, the USDA reported that only 24% of corn in Illinois had been planted by May 19, compared to 95% on the same date in 2018. **The harvest is uncertain.**

⬡ At the Nov. 16 Annual Conference Special Session, a Bishop's Appeal offering will be taken to help local farmers facing hardships due to a rainy, cold spring and a drought in July.

⬡ Please consider helping these families by holding a special offering and bringing donations to the Annual Conference Special Session. Or mail your checks to **Northern Illinois Conference, PO Box 5646 Carol Stream, IL 60197-5646.** Make sure to note "Bishop's Appeal" in the memo.

Visit www.umcnic.org/bishopsappeal

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OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



BAHAMAS HURICANE DORIAN MISSION COLLECTION

Please make all checks payable: **MIDWEST MISSION**

TOP RELIEF ITEMS REQUESTED

HOME RECOVERY

- Tarps- any size can be gently used
- Blankets – can be gently used
- Shovels- prefer flat long handle
- Flashlights- with working batteries

Personal Dignity Kit “PDK” (\$14 Value)

- Bath hand towel - No kitchen towels
- Bath washcloth - No kitchen dishcloths
- Comb - no rattail, pocket size or picks
- Nail/Toenail clippers (no nail files or emery boards)
- Adult Toothbrush
- Shampoo - 3-4 oz
- Deodorant - 2-3 oz (stick or roll on)
- Bar soap - 3-4 oz
- Razor with guard
- Toothpaste - 2.5 oz. or larger
- Place all items in a 1-gallon sealable plastic bag.



HEALTH RECOVERY

- Foldable Walkers
- Wheelchairs
- Crutches
- Canes
- Orthopedic Supplies- walking boots, slings, ace wrap, etc.

All Midwest Mission and UMCOR kits can be brought to collection points for pick-up. Items listed here are just the greatest need currently.

Please bring supplies to drop-off points in boxes.

Buy these Supplies at our Wholesale Prices!

<https://www.dollaradays.com/midwestmission/wishlist.html>

More Kit Information - www.midwestmission.org/kits-projects/kits-projects

Shelby Family Reunion



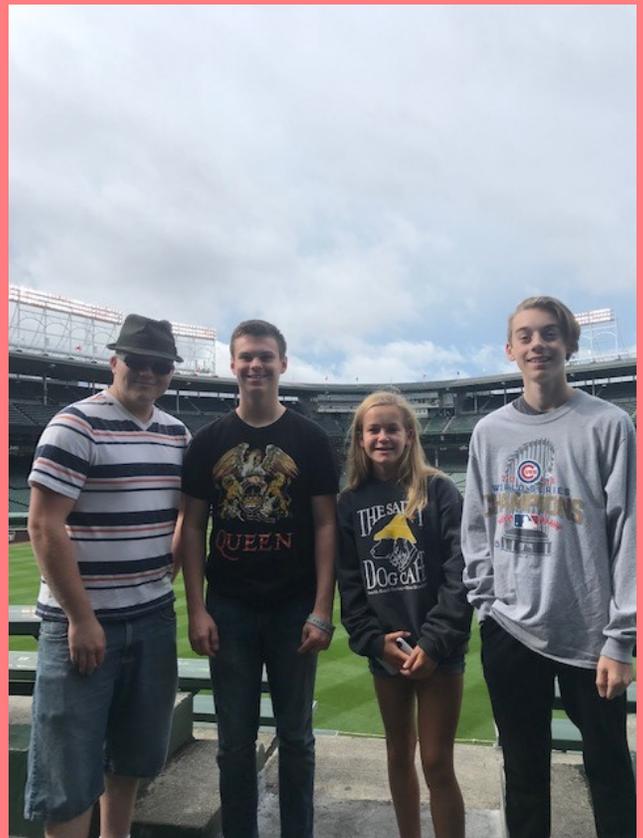
Bill celebrated meeting his half sister, Kristin (Bill) for the first time.
Kristin wants to join our church as a member and
Pastor Oh has been working with her.
Thank you to everyone who welcomed Bill Shelby's family!

Senior High Youth Group

On September 15th the SHYG went on a tour of Wrigley Field. They learned about the history of Wrigley and Chicago.

On October 26th the SHYG will be going to The Greater Chicago Food Depository from 1:00-3:45 p.m.

If you would like to join us please contact the church office.



LUMC Women's Book Club

October 12 "The Other Einstein"
By Marie Benedict

November 11 "Lilac Girls"
By Martha Hall Kelly

This group meets at Margaret Flynn's house.



Open Pantry

Starting in March we began collecting food donations from our own church family for the Open Pantry. We will continuously do this the 1st **Sunday** of every month.
Thank You!

Finance Committee

General Fund beginning balance: \$ 8,923.30

Receipts: 8,817.62

Disbursements: 12,088.94

General Fund ending balance: \$ 5,651.98

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, First and Third Sundays of the month

ADULT CLASSES: In the Conference Room/Church or Karin's Office

Labor Day-Memorial Day

***We will not be teaching Youth Sunday School when the children have a three day weekend.**

Please join us! All are welcome!

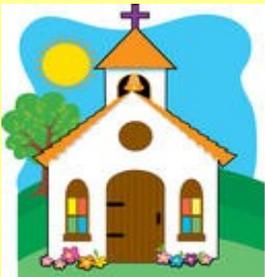


Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

October 2019 Book Reviews

Handyman Help

If there is anyone in our church who may occasionally need help with household repairs, basic maintenance, or grass cutting, Tom Gebel has offered to help. His number is 312-438-5605.



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.

The DVD of "Where the Red Fern Grow" tells the story of the love of dogs, and the love dogs give. That's really it. Billy, a boy who lives in the country part of the Ozark mountains during the Depression and yearns for hound dogs. His father can't buy them for him, so Billy works and saves his money and after several years has enough and buys Dan and Ann (that's the name of the pups.) He trains them to be fine hunting dogs, and they do become fine, also devoted to their master. What happens then is tearful, yet so many teachable moments are in the film: Respect for parents; the need to work for something you really want-notice Billy never whined about his parents not having the money to buy the dogs; LOVE, that's in all that happens, how people treat each other, how the dogs are treated, and lastly acceptance. The dogs are so cute, then grew so handsome; the characters: Billy, his father, mother, and sisters are so respectful and loving of each other; the friendship exhibited by all; in fact the whole story, a classic by Wilson Rawls, thoughtfully entertains

Another offering for kids. "7 Days of Awesome" (older ones, here's another opportunity for you to read.) The Creation is about God's plan, His Design of the world. What boys and girls and all of us see all around. Questions and answers might spark the interest of a young one, might feed him the knowledge that GOD HAS A PLAN. And that Plan is for you and me. He has made a world for us to enjoy (and take care of, and learn about). What a privilege! (What we do in it is another matter)

Also, along the same lines of thought, I have "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn." This is the story, written by the popular author, Mark Twain. Huck runs away from home and finds adventure, knowledge, and friendship in God's wonderful world. Besides, he meets and learns to deal with all kinds of people...now that in itself is a whole pack of KNOWLEDGE. (A book for maybe 14 years on up-age wise, that is.)

And finally, for adults, "Help, LORD! I'm Having a Senior Moment." Short thought-provoking essays. (Actually these aren't all for seniors.) For instance- A woman who gets up on Sunday at 6 A.M. to go to 9 A. M. church. (And no, she doesn't live far away from the church,) She's into beauty techniques that become a bit more time-consuming for older women. But, she finally recognizes, and is so very grateful that the Lord is looking at her heart and not at her skin. What a reminder that beauty is as beauty does. Also the prompt that we "older ones" have the responsibility of passing on our faith to the younger generation. Each day each one of us should strive to that end. (That's in the short story "Bossy.")

Autumn Blessings

Let us not become weary in doing good,
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up. GALATIANS 6:9

Liturgist Schedule

October 6-
Charlotte
Havemann

October 13-
Marge Fox

October 20-
Peg Pecher

October 27-
Vickie Olinger

2019 History Activity

by Richard H. Lee, LUMC historian

2019 was a fairly active year mainly because 2020 will be the 50th anniversary of the new church and the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Lemont Area Historical Society in the old stone church on Lemont Street. We decided to make a presentation showing the growth of the early church and then the formation of the historical society and what it does.

So Bill Price helped me get up to speed on Power Point software and together we made a presentation with 55 slides and showed it to the congregation with a few scandalous events like the “Smokey Row” days in the 1890s and dramatic reenactments of Civil War days. We will now try to get DVD copies of this history for sale on our website and that of the historical society. This presentation is also a good overview of our church’s activities and our preschool, Happy Hands with about 100 children. This presentation is called “LAHS and LUMC 50th” We are preparing for the 50th anniversary by painting, new carpeting, and fire alarm system.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October 1-Sara Vazquez
October 1-Samantha Vazquez
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 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-Bill & Cris Kerins
October 8-Al & Judy Janovyak
October 8-Loren & Grace Kirkman
October 10-Rob & April Lange
October 13-Curtis & Carolyn
October 14-Bill & Jana Stelter
October 14-Gregg & Lynne Vavra
October 14-George & Alice Lange



****Scrip Cards****

I encourage you to look at the 2 folders I recently placed in the back of the church marked: **SCRIP by Category** and **SCRIP Alphabetical**. Feel free to take the list and browse through the many many retailers that participate in this program.



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.

shopwithscrip.com
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Also please know that **VISA** cards are available in increments of \$50, \$100, and \$250.

There are many retailers that offer "**Visa five back**" which means if you go to a participating retailer, they will put 5% of your purchase back on your card.

Red Lobster, Outback, Panera, Sephora, Red Robin, Old Navy and Bakers Square are just a few. For many more please visit www.fivebackgift.com for a complete list.

Again, I Thank You for your participation in this program!

OPEN PANTRY NEWS

Volunteers are needed to stock shelves for 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 peanut butter, chicken noodle soup, peanut butter, tomato soup, chunky soups, pasta sauce, salty snacks, cream soup, shaped pasta, and canned pasta.**



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.

DAYBREAK SHELTER NEEDS YOU!

Our church has had very consistent, dedicated cooks for the last 10 plus years, lets give them a well deserved reprieve. There are so many able bodied cooks in or congregation...how bout sharing your talents and a little of your time? Remember it's only once a month, and if you double it, you have your personal dinner as well :) Marge

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!



Can you Use Cardboard Boxes?

For the last few years I have been doing Dialysis at home because it is easy to do and less straining for me. One of the disadvantages is that I receive many boxes of supplies and generate 14 empty boxes each week. These boxes are 13 inches wide by 15 inches long and are 7 inches high. I recently gave some boxes to a church member and it came to mind that other church members may be able to use them as well.

I will place one such box behind the glass cabinet near the choir room in the sanctuary for you to see. If you would like to receive some of these boxes, please contact me by email or telephone and I will bring them to church for you.

Marty Knott

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 the church office.

Come help us make our church a joy filled church.

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*

*Dave Hinks, lymph node cancer
Elena Winters (Miller), health issues
*Antonio Lange, deployed overseas
Anna (Fries), bladder cancer
*Paulette Fries, feeling better
*Neil Janssen, strength
Joe (Curry), collarbone surgery
Ron, cancer treatment
*Bev Svoboda, chemo/radiation
Mary (Havemann), cancer
Lori Bartwick, breast cancer
*Sheila Farrer, health issues
Joe Sigety, ALS, home
*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis
Lou Gunder, lymphoma/chemo
*Bill Stelter, knee pain
Maureen Robinson, health issues
*Collette (Makinney), hernia surgery
Mike Mandziara, brain cancer
*Stewart Herron, health issues
Katie (Norfleet), kidney disease
June (Havemann), stomach cancer
Marty Rolin, nerve damage
Harper (Norfleet), leukemia/home
Jamie, brain aneurysm, surgery
*Theo Nelson, 13 wks basic training
Linda, dementia
Florian Talos, parkinson’s
Lois, stage 3 cancer
*Charlotte Havemann, healing
David Goreham, blood disorder
*Sandra, autoimmune disease
Cindy Hudon, cancer/chemo

Mary, stage 4 cancer
Dawn Velo, hand surgery
Ron Hamelen, Alzheimer’s
*Dave Mlady, lingering illness
Judy Bramill, cancer
Jill (Lange), healing
E.D. McCormick, cancer
*Carol Kowalski, shoulder surgery
Gabrielle Blunt, Alzheimer’s
Jim Kratochvil, eye stroke
Betty Broderick, rehab
Debbie Turner, kidney transplant
*Alberta Harden, health issues
*Joyce Koon, testing
*Mark Olinger, eye surgery, 9/28
Andrew (Pecher), cancer
Jim Durham, cong. heart failure
Kurt Herron (Miller), health issues
Valerie O., ovarian cancer
*Roland Tasker, healing
Elida Ferrazzi, rheumatoid arthritis
Melanie Foster, ovarian cancer
*Mordecai (Oh), typhoon damage
*Sherrill Weary, health issues
Tom Ligman (McAdams), health issues
Lorene Baldwin, cong. heart failure
Rick Young (Baxter), dementia
Tony Ferrazzi, Sr., pinched nerve
Thor (Fries), health issues
Brian, fighting alcoholism
Margie, heart issues
Greta Peart (Cliff), accident
*Emmie Linzaga, chemo

MONTHLY BLESSINGS AND JOYS

- *Open Pantry Celebration!
- *Rally Day!
- *Cris & Bill’s 50th Anniversary!
- *Pastor’s family home safely!
- *The Gebel’s 15th grandchild!
- *Don & Pat’s 81st birthdays!
- *Boone Fundraiser!
- *Pastor home safely!
- *Arlene’s mom 102 years old!
- *Backpack Blessing!
- *Brunch Fellowship!
- *Choir/Praise Band parties!

**Coffee Fellowship
October 20**

- Christine Miller
- Sue Hinks
- GleeAnn Kehr
- Shirley Stout
- Christy Brosseau
- Denise Miglio
- Deb Neitzel



Coffee Fellowship

**Expanding Care Bearers
Ministry**

The Care Bearers are a group of 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!

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

October 2019

Children's Message Schedule

October 6
Cris Kerins

October 13
Richard Lee

October 20
Marty Knott

October 27
Erik Anderson



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Greeters

October 6
8:30-Stelter Family
10:45-Peraino Family

October 13
8:30-Sue Hinks
10:45-Annie
Wesolowski & Zoe
Jackson

October 20
8:30-
10:45-Ferrazzi Family

October 27
8:30-George & Alice
Lange
10:45-Nelson Family

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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

SMALL GROUPS

Bible Study:	Dale Janssen & Pastor Hyo Sun Oh
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:	Dale Janssen 815-485-4929
Sr. High Youth:	Kristin Nelson 630-257-8072
Jr. High Youth:	TBA
Breakfast Club:	Mark Huegelmann 630-257-3181
Jr. High Sunday School:	Mark Huegelmann 630-257-3181
Children's Sunday Sch:	Mark Huegelmann 630-257-3181
Prime Timers:	Kay Norfleet 630-257-6699
	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
CAP:	Cris Kerins/Dawn Ferrazzi
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 Gergesz 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

Happy Hands Preschool	Karin Peraino 630-257-3112
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**

UPCOMING HOPE AND FRIENDSHIP ACTIVITIES

We are hoping to rally more volunteers (high school and older) to help us entertain the masses for the 2nd year of Haunted Canal Hayride raising funds for Hope and Friendship and School District 113A Education Foundation. Email me for more information and sign up sheets or join us on **Tuesday October 8th at 6pm at Gelsosomo's Pizzeria for our Haunted Canal Hayride volunteer meeting.** If you won't be able to help us then I hope you will be able to join us by purchasing a ticket and letting us entertain you (Fri Oct 25 & Sat Oct 26) with all we have to offer!!!
Tickets are available now at <https://www.sd113afoundation.org/>

The next PPP (Pizza Pop and Pondering) Night is on Monday October 14th 6-7:30pm @ Higher Grounds Coffee Shop (223 Main St- next to Nick's Tavern). PPP is a gathering for middle school, high school and college age friends who wish to put their two cents in on the challenges that we are offered from our Google Doc: What pressures, problems, issues do young people deal with? Challenge our PPP group Submit your challenge anonymously with this link: <http://bit.ly/2O2FULX>

At some point in the beginning of October, I hope to receive the generous donation of use of a storage trailer to collect your winter clothing and household items to continue our annual give away day. I will email when the trailer is in place to accept your donations. Soooooo go through those closets and cupboards and hold on to those treasures until I can receive them to give them to those here within our arm's reach!

Not to rush things but just to let you know the ripples will continue.....

We will be offer Turkeys and food to complete a Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday November 23rd AND the 14th Hope and Friendship Christmas Dinner and Care Bag Delivery will take place on Wednesday December 25th at Old Quarry Middle School. Last year we delivered Christmas Dinners to 107 homes here in our community. Those that were battling illness, loss of loved one, traumatic situations, physical disabilities, or financial trials. YOU made that unconditional gift possible and we will hope to do it even bigger and better for our 14th year!!! Amazing.

Nothing good happens without the kindness, generosity, and compassion offered by you to those here within our arm's reach. Thank you for feeling moved to be the light and love in a friend's storm.

Wishing you peace,

Terri O'Neill-Borders



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Return Service Requested

NEW WINE October 2019

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 12th-Meeting at Fork and Spoon

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 19

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:

Kay Norfleet
630-257-6699
or call the church office.