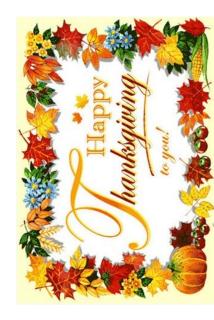
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November 1, 2014 LINK ing members and friends of the United Methodist Church of Lake Orion Phone: 248-693-6201 Email: LOUMC 1@lakeorionumc.org www.facebook.com/lakeorionumc

First created in the early fifth century A.D. as a feast day to honor all those martyred in the early Church (killed as a result of their faith), **All Saints Day** is now observed as a day to honor and remember all Christians who have been formative in our lives and made a difference in our world – especially those who have already died and gone on to God. Our Roman Catholic friends maintain the distinction between All Saints (for martyrs and canonized – "official" – saints) and All Souls (for everybody else who has died). The Protestant understanding of "the priesthood of all believers" has led us away from distinguishing "levels of sainthood." We honor all Christians living and dead as saints, and particularly remember those in our congregations who have passed on since the previous All Saints Day.

While All Saints Day is always November 1<sup>st</sup>, we observe it on the first Sunday of November. This year's observance is on **Sunday November 2<sup>nd</sup>** during all three of our worship services. The saints from LOUMC we will remember this year are:

Cynthia Babcock, JulianHoward Clayton, Rosa Lee Cucksey, Rev. Ed Duncan, Allece Marie Fortner, Leonard Harp, Jan Ishmael, Vickie Kalohn, Sieglande Linda Leavens, Carole Sue Keiser, Kathy Martin, Dale Miechiels, Ellen Morin, Leona Morris, Rosalie Murphy, Lance Nixon, Gaye Ovenshire, Robert Reihl, Robert Reynolds, Arvilla Sheldon, Ken Sinkler, Shirley Tomalia, and William VanArsdel

The families of these saints have received personal invitations to be in worship with us that morning as the names of their loved ones are read aloud, lifted in prayer, projected along with their picture in the sanctuary, and as a candle is

lighted in their memory. It will be a beautiful service including communion, and I encourage you to come and support, with your presence, those families who will be remembering those they have recently lost.

Peace and blessings of memory, *Pastor Larry* 



#### PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR THIRD GRADERS



Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> 9:15 and 11:00 Worship Services

We are excited to give each of our 3rd Graders their very own Bible, one that is easy to read and understand. Reading and discussing the scriptures together as a family is one way that parents can encourage their children on their faith journeys, as well as strengthen their own faith. It is also an important part of both our Kids on the Rock and Three in One programs here at church. May all of us at LOUMC remember the importance of studying God's word as we seek God's guidance in our lives.



## CHRISTMAS WITH KIDS ON THE ROCK

During the Sundays of Advent (Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>-Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>), the children will be joining us in worship for the first part of the service. They will be participating in the lighting of the Advent

Wreath, singing familiar carols, and listening to a short Children's Message around the Nativity Scene. You may even see some angels and shepherds, hear some bell-ringing, and who knows what else!! It's too soon to tell. You'll just have to wait and see!!



## 8th ANNUAL SCHRAUGER MEMORIAL 5K In Memory of



Joshua and Timothy Schrauger Saturday, November 15, 2014 Lake Orion High School — Cross Country Course 495 E. Scripps Road, Lake Orion, MI

8:30 a.m. - Registration 9:30 a.m. - One Mile Fun Run 10:00 a.m. - 5K Cross Country Race ALSO OPEN TO WALKERS! All proceeds from the event benefit Love, INC. Supporting needs families in the Orion-Oxford area

### United Methodist Church of Lake Orion

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP: 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m. NURSERY CARE is available during the 9:15 & 11:00 services KIDS ON THE ROCK (Age 3-Gr. 5) is during the 9:15 & 11:00 services [youth café ] (Grs. 6-12) is during the 9:15 service ELEVATOR available at the Slater Street entrance HEARING IMPAIRED AIDS are available for worship services OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM, with lunch from 12-1 BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesdays at 3:00 LINK DEADLINES: November 15th for December 1st LINK Call the church at 248-693-6201 to be taken off the mailing list.

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During this time of thanksgiving, the Staff Parish Relations Committee would like to extend our sincere appreciation to each of our pastors & staff members. Without their dedication and hard work, Lake Orion United Methodist Church would not be the wonderful place that it is today. The next time you see one of our awesome staff members please let them know how much we appreciate them!

Thank you so much Larry Wik! Thank you so much Jeri Melton! Thank you so much Curt Bussell! Thank you so much Debbie Heyboer! Thank you so much Lisa Goyette! Thank you so much Donna Waite! Thank you so much Aaron Gross! Thank you so much John Potter! Thank you so much Cristie Tyrrell! Thank you so much John Ball!

"Spotlight on Staff" will continue next month with your very own Pastor Larry Wik!



We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the following people for their help in and around the church this past month:

To Jack & Charlotte Patton, Alan & Beth Widgren, Becki Doyle, Dawn Figueroa, Trudy Carney, Sharon Keener, Melanie Kursinsky, Jill Brzezinski, Jim Wright, Diann Orlowski, Chris Wilson, Stan & Rosemary Ford, Jack Brown, Charlie Weaver, Janet Salswedel, Joyce Suzore, Ray Carney, Chad Griffith, Laurie Trafton, Sue Noonan, Shirley Bommarito, Tim Marker and Bob Butler for ushering & greeting

to Becca Smiles, Joy Tomlinson and Sydney Brzezinski for serving as acolytes.

to Pat Parkin, Shareen DiGasbarro, Marian Middleton and Pam Moreman for being lav readers.

to Pamela Nichols, Jeff & Janet Leigh, Jerry King, Rich Popchock and Charlotte & Jack Patton for hosting Fellowship Time.

to Cynthia Du, Lynne Winter, Ron Nordquist and Tim & Joyce Marker for being Fellowship Time Greeters.

To all those who planned, shopped, prepared, served or cleaned-up for the Community Meals throughout the past month.

Project: SHALOM - thank you to everyone who donate food and/or worked in the kitchen and clean up for this special outreach project.

Funeral Angels Thanks-The family and friends of Vickie Kalohn were very pleased with the luncheon and celebration of her life on September 26, 2014.

Many thanks go to those who donated food, prepped, served and cleaned up on that day: Sharon Waite, Emily and Anthony Graffeo, Patti Kalso, Marian Middleton, Jeff Noonan, Kareen Olson, Joyce Marker, Ann Parker, Mary Mansfield, Carol Haley, Mary Weaver, Shareen DiGasbarro, Shirley Bommarito, Barb Lieb, Trudy Carney, Kathy Cavan, Karen Craven, Debbie Schmidt, Doris Kalso, Carol Schlicht, Jim Pearce, and Bob and Judy Muir. -Ardis Pearce, Coordinator

WORKING IN THE KITCHEN: Thanks to those who worked at Baldwin Avenue Kitchen on October 15: Jack & Charlotte Brown, Marilyn Gaskins, Michele Kellogg, Linda Nixon, Nancy Ochoa, Bill Porritt and Myrna Sweetland. This is a reminder to those scheduled to work in the kitchen on Wednesday, November 19: Jim Childers, Marilyn Gaskins, Michele Kellogg, Phil & Ginny Lavender, Jim Pearce, Bill Porrit, Barbara Shulze and Jay Verran. Please contact Charlotte Brown at 248-391-0753 if you can help or know of someone that would like to help.

## SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY MEALS

During the month of November, as a congregation, we are asked to participate in an All Church Thanksgiving Food Ingathering. Your donations will support our **MONDAY COMMUNITY MEALS**. There will be metal racks in Fellowship Hall for your donations. The following are items especially needed as we prepare Monday meals for about 120 people each week: Canned goods...green beans, corn, tomatoes, kidney or garbanzo beans, spaghetti sauce, pineapple tidbits, mandarin oranges, peaches, pears, tropical or fruit cocktail, cream of chicken or mushroom soup and tomato soup. Packaged goods such as macaroni, spaghetti, instant potatoes, corn muffin mix and Bisquick are also readily used.



Thank you for sharing your bounty as a blessing to others.

## HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR BALDWIN CENTER



It's time to purchase your gifts for Baldwin Center's Holiday Store. At this store, people in the Pontiac area who cannot afford to buy gifts are able to choose clothes, toys and other gift items for each member of their family. The gifts are donated by churches, businesses, and other interested people.

How can you help? Just visit our "angel tree" in Fellowship Hall. Each angel lists a suggested gift item. Take an angel of your choice, purchase the suggested gift, and return that gift to Fellowship Hall by **December 1st.** If you don't have a chance to choose an angel, please consider donating clothing for teenagers or men (particularly larger sizes) or other gifts for teenagers. All gifts must be new and unwrapped. If a toy is purchased that needs batteries, please include them. Wrapping paper, bows, scotch tape, and tags are also needed as well as stocking stuffers, stockings and cards. New or used artificial trees, ornaments, and lights in good condition are also welcome. Please cut off the price tag and cross out the bar code with a dark magic marker. Place the unwrapped gifts in the designated boxes near the tree. In addition to these gifts, we will be collecting hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves....all desperately needed for our Michigan winters!



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME** ENDS ON **NOVEMBER 1, 2014** SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK **ONE HOUR** 

NOVEMBER 1, 2014

Do you have an over-abundance of Christmas Decorations or are you just plain getting tired of the ones that you have been using for the past few years? Well, now is your chance to "weed through them" as you start to prepare to do your decorating this year!

The Missions Team will be selling several types of items during the Green's Market this year. They will be taking Christmas Trees, Bows, Garland, Ornaments, fancy Christmas plates, etc. Please bring your items to the church beginning Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 9 until 7 and leave them in Room 105, which is the classroom right off from Fellowship Hall. All proceeds from these sales will benefit the Mission Trips such as Red Bird Mission, and the Youth Mission Trips. Any left-over items will be taken to the Love INC Household Goods Ministry and the Baldwin Center. (Sorry, but we do not have any type of storage available at the church for items prior to that time). If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Weaver at 248-693-2644 or 248-321-5218.



### *HANGING OF THE GREENS* Friday, December 5th at 6:00 p.m.

Please join us in the sanctuary for the "Hanging of the Greens" to decorate the sanctuary and exterior of the church for Christmas. This is a great event for the whole family. Please contact Nancy Ochoa if you are planning to participate.

# ANNUAL GREENS MARKET

Friday, December 5, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, December 6, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Plan to get all your fresh greenery from the Church this year! This annual event will offer a fragrant fresh assortment of fine greens — roping, wreaths, swags, poinsettias and more. If you are interested in reserving a table during the market to showcase

announcements on how you can volunteer.

are interested in reserving a table during the market to showcase your crafts or other items, please contact Jessica Brennecke at 248-496-3928 or orionbrennecke@comcast.net. Tables are free to church members. We will need help from the congregation to run the market so watch for future



# SECRET SANTA COLLECTION

Once again Stephen Ministry will be collecting monetary donations to help members of our church family that are in need during the Christmas Season. Donations will be collected though **December 7, 2014.** Please mark any donations that are turned in as, **"Secret Santa".** Thank you and God Bless!

## 3rd ANNUAL FEAST OF STEPHEN THE STEPHEN MINISTRY FUNDRAISER DINNER, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

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Stephen Ministry is excited to host our 3rd Annual Feast of Stephen Dinner!! One of the goals of Stephen Ministry is to be able to provide the best care possible. Through our training we realize that sometimes that care may come from the service of a licensed therapist educated in helping people work through life issues. Our community has many skilled clinicians that can offer this service but these services are not free. Often we meet with men and women that cannot afford to pay for a licensed therapist.

On 12/12/14 at LOUMC Stephen Ministry will again be hosting a gourmet dinner to help raise funds that allow us to help the men and women we encounter daily that could benefit from seeing a counselor but cannot afford to pay for one. Last years dinner was a huge success and we have been able to pay for counseling for several individuals in need.

This years dinner will consist of a choice of prime rib or salmon along with all the delicious side dishes. Women who host the tables and will decorate them in their Christmas finery. Each candlelit table will be decorated differently and will allow the guests to enjoy the beauty and uniqueness of each seating area.

Through this fundraising we want to meet a great need in our community and continue to provide the best care possible. As our fundraising grows, our ability to help those in need increases in parallel. We are working with several highly qualified therapists in our area that will help support this by offering services at reduced rates.

The ticket price is \$50 per person this will cover the cost of the meal and the remaining monies will help fund the counseling support. Tickets will be sold in Fellowship Hall on Sundays following the 9:15 a.m. service. Seating is limited so if this is a cause you would like to support please buy your tickets as soon as possible. What a great way to help others this blessed holiday season while breaking bread with friends.

By helping each other bear our burdens we can provide the care that is needed. On behalf of Stephen Ministry at LOUMC, thank you and God Bless.

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2

## **ABOUT PEOPLE**

Sue Anglea, Linda Beggs, Trevor Blaylock, Juanita Brandenberry, Jenn Gross, Carol McCormick, Gerry Melton (husband of Jeri),

Our Love E Prayers So Pour To...t

Patti Miechiels, Chuck Myers, Don Northcote, Garry Reynolds, Randy Riley, Larry Royster, June Rupert, Jan Seeds, Carol Stark, Wendy Sylvain, Judy Wright, Community Meals, LOUMC Extended Family Members

NOVEMBER 1, 2014

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN CIRCLES

**"Sisters in Faith"** will meet on Tuesday, November 11th at 9:30 a.m. in Shalom.



**"Circle of Hope"** will meet on Monday, November 17th, 7:00 p.m., in Room 103. If childcare is desired, call Donna Waite by Fri., November 4<sup>th</sup> at 248-391-6864.

# COINS HELP STOP WORLD HUNGER

United Methodist Women are actively involved in feeding the hungry through their World Thank Offering. Anyone can participate in this project by simply saving your coins throughout the coming year. We suggest you use a special container for your offering. Family members can be encouraged to drop some coins in the container as a "thank offering" whenever they feel blessed by God. Or you can empty your pocket change in the container on a regular basis. A year's worth of pennies can make a big difference in someone's life.

On the Sunday before Thanksgiving, our church collects this money. It is then combined with Thank Offerings all around the world and distributed through the mission programs of United Methodist Women to those who need our help.

If you have participated in this program over the past year, please bring your offering to church on Nov. 23rd and place your containers in the baskets by the

sanctuary entrances. There will also be empty Thank Offering boxes and labels for your own jars to help you collect your offering for the coming year. If you can't be here on Nov. 23rd, please bring your Thank Offering to the church office. We hope everyone in our church will join us in our efforts to feed the hungry.



### LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS Sunday, December 7, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.



A worship service of Hope, Encouragement and Support for those who are experiencing grief and loss, and those who are struggling spiritually during the Advent and Christmas season. The service will be held in the sanctuary with light refreshments to be offered after the service. As a Stephen Leader at Lake Orion United Methodist Church I often encounter men and women with loved ones who suffer from addiction. The illness of addiction is devastating, not only for the addicts themselves, but also for the family and friends who love them. Family and friends often comment that they feel helpless, hopeless, tired, frustrated, angry, sad, etc. So many intense emotions are felt.

Unfortunately, addiction is very common in the U.S. Many families suffer in silence. They worry about people knowing they have a loved one with an addiction and what people will think. Bearing these burdens alone adds to the stress. Knowing that there are others experiencing something similar can be very helpful. Also, learning more about addiction can help one to understand why those suffering addiction behave the way they do. Knowledge can help empower families learn what they can do to help themselves.

With the above being said, Lake Orion United Methodist Church cares about those impacted by addiction. We have put together a new ministry with the hope of providing some support that will be beneficial. This support is geared toward the families and friends that have a loved one with an addiction.

**On Monday, November 3 at 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.,** Mary Lynn Szymandera, who has over 20 years working in addiction, will give a presentation on Addiction and will show a short video on why addiction is considered an illness. This educational offering is open to anyone.

Then starting **Tuesday, December 9 at 7 p.m.** – **8:30 p.m.**, Mary Lynn will begin holding a monthly support group for families and friends that have a loved one with an addiction. The group will be held on the  $2^{nd}$  Tuesday of each month. This group is limited to no more than 12 people. It will be necessary for people that want to attend to sign up in advance. This group will provide a safe place to share confidentially what you are experiencing, and to receive support and care.

If you have any questions, or want to reserve a spot in the support group, please contact me at 248-693-6201 ext. 202, or e-mail me at: lisa.goyette@lakeorionumc.org

With Peace and Blessings,

Lisa Goyette Stephen Ministry Coordinator

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	30 1st Sunday of Advent				HAPPY THANKSGIVING!		

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