

The LINK

March 2025

Please check our website for changes regarding any posted events.



Jewelry and Furniture Sale!



Drop-off Days:

**March 22nd from 9 am to 1 pm, and
March 23rd from 11 am-1 pm
(NO pick up available)**

Sale days only

Sunday, March 30th, 11-2

Saturday, April 5th, 9-2

Sunday April 6th 12-2

Jewelry and Furniture ONLY!!!

**Household / Rummage Sale will begin the
last week in April.
Stay tuned for more info.**

Heads up

Rummage Sale begins in March

Jewelry and Furniture sale will be starting March 30th, April 5th, and 6th. Drop off will be Saturday, March 22nd and Sunday 23rd. For jewelry and furniture ONLY.



Other household items and clothing will be gathered and available for sale April 27th through 30th, and the sale will be Wednesday April 30th through Saturday May 3rd.

Please see Nancy Ochoa or any of the Worship and the Arts committee for more info and to sign up to help out.

Fat Tuesday / Shrove Tuesday



**Whatever you call it,
we're eating Pancakes!!**

Join the Lake Orion United Methodist Men on Tuesday, March 4th from 5:30 -7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall to have some pancakes. You can sit down and enjoy your dinner and friends, or even do a take-out plate for supper.

Enter at Anderson Street Entrance. Free will offering to benefit Community Assistance, Community Meals, and other needs.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Join us. . . .



Easter is April 20th

Easter is coming! Once again the Worship in the Arts committee will be selling plants to adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Flowers will be sold starting March 23rd, 30th and April 6th, after church in the Fellowship Hall and orders can also be done through phone calls or email. Contact Daryl DeBano at 248-622-1154 or at dardebano@gmail.com or Nancy Ochoa at ochoanancyj@gmail.com if you wish to place an order.

Once you order your plants, please drop off the check or cash to Pat in the LOUMC office. She has graciously agreed to collect for us! We would appreciate a timely payment so we can make sure all plants are covered. If you have a notation for the flowers, please include that with your payment. We will also need to know if this is a donation or you will be picking the flowers up. Flowers will be available for pick up on Easter Sunday from 11:30 following service.





United
Women
in Faith

In the midst of my appreciating the United Women of Faith recognition, please be aware that the other half of the Nut Sale Project is Ardis Pearce. Over the years, we have also received assistance from Jim Pearce, Ron Cater, Larry and Marilyn Gaskins, Myrna Sweetland, Ann Parker, Pat Matthews, Anthony Graffeo - and you, our customers! It takes a team!



*Thank you,
Gayle Cater*

Thanks to our fabulous bakers and our generous buyers we raised \$660 at the UWF Bake Sale on February 9th! That exceeds our sales from last year's bake sale. We appreciate everyone's support.
Kathy Castillo



Save the Date

UMW SPRING BANQUET

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

WestWynd Grille

4161 Adams, Oakland

**Speakers from
Grace Centers of Hope**

RSVP by May 13, 2025

Gathering: 5:30

Dinner: 6:30

**Harvest Salad with Chicken, Rolls,
Coffee, Tea & Pop, Dessert**

Program:

Grace Centers of Hope

**Women of Faith Update
Following dinner**

Cost \$30



SMALL GROUPS

Sunday mornings Adult Sunday School is meeting in the Library off of the Fellowship Hall following worship service. The group is using the Adult Bible Studies series curriculum, and is open to anyone. Grab a coffee from Fellowship Hall and join in.

On **Monday mornings at 10:30**, a group of ladies study the Bible for anyone interested. Class members, who are willing, take turns facilitating each session. They meet in the Shalom Room.

On **Monday evenings from 7:00-8:45**, Disciple Bible Study is a small group available for anyone interested. They meet in the Overflow Room and ZOOM is available.

On **Tuesday mornings at 10:30**, a small group is available for anyone interested. Class members, who are willing, take turns facilitating each session. They meet in the Overflow Room and ZOOM is available.



Contributions Welcomed!

Sign up sheets are available posted in the hallway across from the church office. The fee for altar flowers is \$33 for the arrangement and you take the flowers home with you to enjoy following the service.

There are also sign up sheets for Steeple lighting for \$10 a week, which helps with the electric utility bill; and livestream which pays for the broadcast of the worship services, by the week for \$30 or \$100 for the month.

We appreciate those who assist us in creating a welcoming sanctuary.

Thanks for those who have chosen to decorate our church with the altar flowers and other gifts:

January and February - Steeple Lighting given by Sally Kelley.

February - Live Stream given in memory of David Walker's birthday month. Given by Pauline Walker.

February 2nd - Altar flowers given in honor of Justin Kursinsky given by Melanie Kursinsky.

February 23rd - Steeple lighting given in loving memory of Erin Elizabeth Keener Given by her family.

February 23rd - Altar flowers given in honor of what would have been the 17th anniversary of Chuck and Fern Myers.



March 9, 2025

We turn our clocks forward

MORE LIGHT, LONGER DAYS

SPRING IS COMING!

Are
you
ready?

Are
you
ready?



SPRING FORWARD!

CHANGE THE TIME ON YOUR CLOCKS
AND THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE ALARMS



From the Pastor



Tuesday, March 4th (Shrove Tuesday or Fat Tuesday) will be the **United Methodist Men's Pancake Dinner** from **5:30 - 7:00**.

Donations you make toward the meal will go into the UMM fund which goes towards Community Assistance, Community Meals, and other needs as they present themselves.

Wednesday, March 5th will be our **Ash Wednesday service** at **7:00 pm**. The service will incorporate the drama *Ash Wednesday: Day of Atonement*, enacted by members of the Chancel Choir, and will include the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion.

Ashes are an ancient symbol. In Genesis, we read that God formed human beings out of the dust of the earth (Genesis 2:7). After expulsion from the Garden of Eden, the first human beings are told by God, "you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19). The Hebrew word translated dust, is occasionally translated ashes elsewhere. Throughout scripture, ashes are part of rituals in which people seek forgiveness and mourn their sin.

The imposition of ashes on the heads of Christians to mark the beginning of Lent can be traced to the 10th century. Ashes were used to mark those who had been separated from the Church because of serious sins and were seeking to be re-admitted to fellowship. They were sprinkled with ashes and given rough garments to wear as a sign of sorrow for their sins and their commitment to seek renewal moving forward in Christian faith and practice.

United Methodists first adopted an official ritual for Ash Wednesday including the imposition of ashes in the 1992 Book of Worship. Prior to that time, Methodists either had no official service or had observed an "ashless" Ash Wednesday Service. Liturgical renewal in the 1980s brought the practice back to prominence both in the United Methodist Church and in mainline Protestant churches in general. It was during this time that more regular Communion became the norm for UM and other Mainline churches as well. Customarily, each year's ashes are made by burning palms from the previous year's Palm Sunday.

Through the service of ashes on this first day of Lent, we come before God recognizing our humanity, repenting of our sin, and remembering who we are, whose we are, and who we can become.

Larry



March

Weekly Events:

Sunday

10:00am Worship
 11:00am Coffee Hour (FH)
 11:30am Adult Bible Study

Monday

9am-3pm Sunny Days
 10:30am Bible Study (Sh-106)
 5:30-6:30pm In person
 Community Meals
 7pm Disciple Class

Tuesday

10:30am Sermon Study
 7:00pm Choir Practice

Wednesday

8am Local Business LBN
 9am-3pm Sunny Days
 10am Bells Practice

Thursday

7:30am Rotary Club
 10-11am -Mom & Tot
 12pm--3pm Sunny Days

Friday

9am-12pm Sunny Days
 Office Closes at noon

Daily

8 PM-Narcotics Anon (123)

Sun	Mon	Tue
		
2 Communion	3 10 am -YOGA	4 Pancake Supper <small>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper</small> 
9 Communion	10 10 am -YOGA	11
16 Communion	17 10 am -YOGA	18 7pm - Pain Creek 4H
23 Communion Drop-off 11-1 Jewelry & Furniture	24	25
30 Communion 11-1 Jewelry & Furniture Sale	31	

2025



	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 830 am UMM Lake House Breakfast 10am Widows Breakfast @ Leo's Oxford
ke 	5 7pm Ash Wednesday Lent Begins Ash Wednesday	6	7	8 Bells Practice
12	13 SPRC Trustees	14 Lay Servant Classes Fri-4-7; Sat 9-3	15	
t 	19 Book Club 10am 	20 Finance	21 10 am Prayers & Squares meeting	22 Drop-off 9-1 Jewelry & Furniture
26 PILLS	27 Church Council PILLS	28	29	

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND M.A.D.E.

Dates and Coming Events

Sunday School Theme for 4 weeks, Miraculous

In Sunday School we will be swimming **"Under the Sea"**
"You are the God who performs miracles; You display your
power among the peoples." Psalm 77:13

April 11th: PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS NIGHT OUT

On April 11th we will provide childcare for those potty-
trained through 5th grade! Movies, games and more!

Time: 6:00-8:15 p.m.

Mark your calendar and look for more details

Please mark these dates on your calendar as well!

Easter Egg-stravaganza: April 20th Easter Sunday
school will be a celebration with games, treats and Easter
Egg Hunt following worship! And of course we will be
asking for filled plastic egg donations!



SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will be July 15-17 @ 9am. Watch for details soon!

MADE: “Let’s Rock”

MADE will begin on Wednesday, **March 12th** and continue for several Wednesday's following! See the calendar below! Our theme is **"Let's Rock"**! Our lessons will focus on the word **ROCK** in scripture and the children will participate in Science experiments, art, drama and song! Can you think of stories in the Bible that have a rock in theme?

Here is a BIG change to MADE:

Time is Arrive @ 5:00 p.m. with Dinner for everyone!

We are going to try and serve a meal but keep it really simple!

Details to follow! Conclude at 6:30 p.m.

Please contact Pastor Linda to sign-up! We are looking for those who have artistic talents of any kind to come and share!

Time 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

March 12th

March 19th

March 26th No MADE (Spring Break)

April 2nd

April 9th

April 11th Parents/Grandparents Night Out

April 23rd

April 26th Saturday Rehearsal TBD

April 27th Presentation in Worship



JOIN US FOR YOGA!!!

HOLY YOGA

with Meeshy

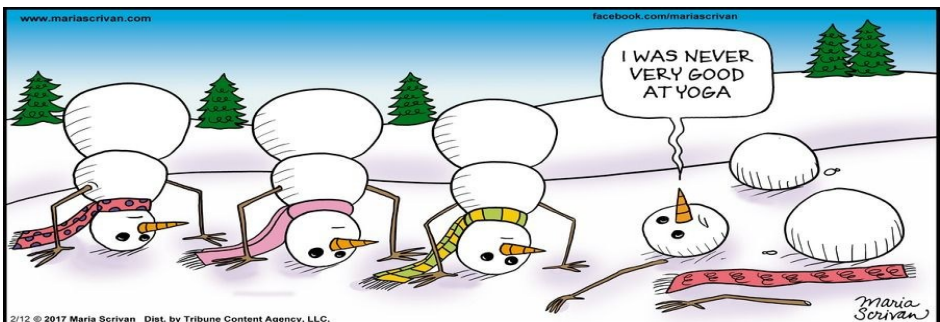
Winter SCHEDULE

Monday Mornings
10:00AM-11:00AM

\$10
Drop in

Lake Orion United Methodist Church
140 E Flint St, Lake Orion, MI 48362

Bring a yoga mat and a blanket (not required)



*Be a **HALL WALKER***

8:30 - 3 Mon - Thurs

8:30 - 12 Fridays



Join Us! With the changing seasons, and nasty weather approaching, come here for your exercise!

Become a
LOUMC
Hall Walker

Don't drive to the mall; park here and walk the halls safely at LOUMC.

Just let the office know when you're here, hang up your coat in Room 123 and get walking!





March

31 DAY SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

EACH OF THE SCRIPTURES BELOW TAKES TEN MINUTES OR LESS TO COPY OUT. COMMIT TO SPENDING TEN MINUTES EACH DAY LISTENING TO GOD'S VOICE AS YOU SIMPLY COPY THESE TEXTS OUT OF YOUR BIBLE.

Week 1

- DAY 1- JOEL 2:12-14
- DAY 2- JOSHUA 1:5-9
- DAY 3- JAMES 1:2-8
- DAY 4- JAMES 1:9-12
- DAY 5- JAMES 1:13-18
- DAY 6- EPHESIANS 2:4-10
- DAY 7- EPHESIANS 4:22-28

Week 3

- DAY 15- GALATIANS 6:1-6
- DAY 16- GALATIANS 6:7-10
- DAY 17- ROMANS 5:1-5
- DAY 18- ROMANS 5:6-11
- DAY 19- 1 PETER 1:3-9
- DAY 20- PSALM 61:1-5
- DAY 21- ISAIAH 43:1-7

Week 2

- DAY 8- EPHESIANS 4:29-32
- DAY 9- PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14
- DAY 10- PSALM 91:1-4
- DAY 11- PSALM 91:5-8
- DAY 12- PSALM 91:9-13
- DAY 13- PSALM 91:14-16
- DAY 14- GALATIANS 5:13-15

Week 4

- DAY 22- 1 JOHN 4:13-17
- DAY 23- 1 JOHN 4:18-21
- DAY 24- MATTHEW 5:13-16
- DAY 25- 1 THESSALONIANS 5:12-15
- DAY 26- 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-22
- DAY 27- 1 THESSALONIANS 5:23-28
- DAY 28- MATTHEW 21:21-22

Week 5

- DAY 29- JAMES 3:13-15
- DAY 30- JAMES 3:16-18
- DAY 31- CHOOSE YOUR OWN VERSES

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.

Psalms 119:18

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

Our thoughts
and prayers
are with you.



***Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of
our families and friends.***

About People

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We at **Lake Orion United Methodist Church (LOUMC)** are a diverse, inclusive, caring, and Christ-like community.

Our mission is to connect people to God, one another, and the world, through engaging worship, ongoing spiritual development, intergenerational family ministries, relational mission, and joyful stewardship.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE & LIVESTREAM WORSHIP 10:00 AM

www.lakeorionumc.org

ELEVATOR available at the Slater Street entrance

OFFICE HOURS: Mondays –Thursdays: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

FRIDAYS: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Office Closed Friday afternoons

LINK DEADLINE: March 17th for April LINK

Call the church office if you would like to be taken off OR added to the mailing list.

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MARCH



St. Patrick's Day



In Like a Lion...

MARCH

Out Like a Lamb



SPRING FORWARD!

