

# The LINK

Solar Eclipse—April 8th



## April 2024

Please check our website for changes regarding any posted events.

**Part TWO of the Rummage Sale will be drop off  
April 14th from 12 to 3 and  
April 16th and April 17th from 9 to 5.**

**This sale will NOT include furniture**

**Sale begins April 17th from 5 to 7 p.m.  
(Church Members only) and**

**April 18th and 19th from 9 to 5.**

**Saturday April 20th sales from 8 to 10 a.m. only,  
followed by cleanup.**

**We are excited to offer this to our church and  
community - looking for lots of helpers to insure  
our success - hope to see you there!**

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



*Thanks* to Everyone for making my **Baby Shower** more special. I am thankful for your beautiful wishes.



*Thank you very much!*

*To the Church,  
Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for coming together to put on such a beautiful shower for our family and new baby. We are overwhelmed with love and joy and blessings.*

*Love,  
Jasmine & Ryan & kids*

### *Did you know???*



Did you know that we have bins to collect eyeglasses? They are located at the east and west entrance doors. The Lions Club takes your donations and sends them overseas to those who need them. Doesn't matter what frame, or what prescription, they will be checked and refurbished by their doctors. So look in those drawers

and find those glasses that you don't use and pass them along to the Lions Club so they can pass them on for continued use. For any info, contact Jim Childers.

# Ushers & Greeters

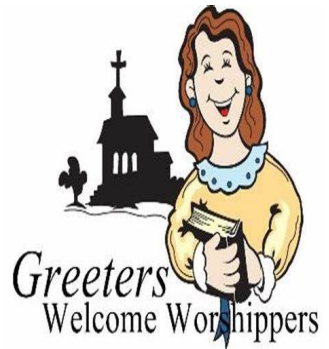


## Greeters Needed

We need your friendly faces to greet folks as they come to Sunday services. We have basically three doors that people enter, and if they're new they don't know where to go. Would you like to be that person to tell folks where to go??

Once they are here, we can invite them to coffee hour in Fellowship Hall, or where the Nursery is located for those young families. We just need your smiling faces to welcome those people, and to say hello to all your friends and families joining us. You will need to arrive about 1/2 hour before the service begins, and then head upstairs for the service.

Please see Kathy McMinn or send her a text at 248-770-8390 (text) [KathyMcMinn@cavtel.net](mailto:KathyMcMinn@cavtel.net)



## Ushers Needed

We also need your friendly faces to seat folks as they come to Sunday. You will need to arrive about 1/2 hour before the service begins, and then head upstairs for the service. Please see Jack Brown or call @ 248-391-0753, or send a note to [JackEBrown@comcast.net](mailto:JackEBrown@comcast.net).



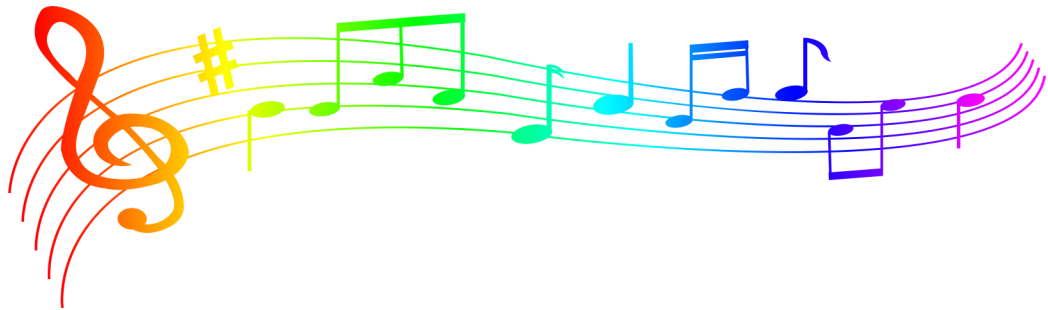
## *M.A.D.E. Music and Drama for Everyone*

Our next MADE series will begin April 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm. MADE is for all those who wish to try their hand at a little music, drama and/or art and then share in worship what has been created!

Please let Pastor Linda know if you wish to join us.

Dates: April 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup>

Present in worship: Tentatively May 12<sup>th</sup> which is Mother's Day !



***Last year's M A D E  
Performance photos***





# NAMI

*Hope starts with you.*



NAMI Metro SUPPORT GROUP Adult discussion group for family member(s) or friend(s) of someone diagnosed with a mental illness. Share challenges and support each other. Learn about resources to get additional help. You're not alone. Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month via ZOOM. To register: [desteffes@charter.net](mailto:desteffes@charter.net) Contact Debbie or Bryan Thom if you have any questions. 248.762.1141 or [bryandebthom@gmail.com](mailto:bryandebthom@gmail.com) NAMI – National Alliance on Mental Illness <http://namimetro.org/>



## Mission Trip Fund Raiser, Sunday April 7

Please consider contributing to a Free Will Offering in support of a young man on his mission trip! Nathaniel Smith is a sophomore at U of M, and has accompanied our choir in the past on his cello. He is a fine young man, and we are looking forward to him playing for our worship service on April 7! He has asked that he be allowed to speak about his upcoming mission trip, and to request financial support from our congregation. He will outline details of this mission trip on that Sunday. Thanks for considering this opportunity to support Nathaniel's mission!



A grandfather was walking through his yard when he heard his granddaughter repeating the alphabet in a tone of voice that sounded like prayer. He asked her what she was doing. The little girl explained: 'I'm praying, but can't think of exactly the right words, so I'm just saying all the letters, and God will put them together for me, because He knows what I'm thinking.'



# ***Widowed Friends Fellowship Events***

Breakfast Bunch - ***Friday, April 5th 10am*** at Orion Grill, 3667 S Baldwin Rd, Orion Twp. RSVP to Sharon @ 248-778-7118. (First Friday of each month, different locations.)

Lunch - ***Thursday, April 11th 1:30pm*** at Alibi of Troy, 6700 Rochester Rd, Troy. RSVP to Joyce @ 586-323-6007. (Second Thursday of every month.)

Lunch Club - ***Wednesday, April 17th 1pm*** at Grand Tavern, 3512 Marketplace Circle, Rochester Hills. RSVP to Sharry at 248-840-0063. Please leave a message, no walk ins available. (Third Wednesday of the month.)

## **ARE YOU A WIDOW OR A WIDOWER?**

Join us! We meet every Tuesday at Collier Lanes in Oxford at noon. Come bowl or go out for lunch!



For more information call  
Joe (248) 693-2454 or  
Nadine (248) 475-9036

*please  
join us*



## **Contributions Welcomed!**

Sign up sheets are available posted in the hallway next to 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:*

**March 3rd** - Steeple lighting given for the month of March to honor Laurie Losiewicz as she gets well. Given by Jack and Rosalie Ward.

**March 3rd** - Live streaming given for the month by Kathie and Jon Blaylock.

**March 10th** - Altar flowers given in loving memory of Carol Ehman by her family..

**March 17th** - Altar flowers given in loving memory of Melanie Kursinsky's mother, Carole Anderson.

**March 24th** - Altar flowers given in honor and celebration of Martha Northcote's birthday. Given by her friends.

*A Very Special Thank You to those who gave anonymously to these funds.*





# April 20

Sun	Mon	Tue
<b>March 31st Easter Sunday</b> 	<b>1</b> 	<b>2</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Eclipse</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>14</b> <i>Pat Vacation all week</i>	<b>15</b> <b>RUMMA</b>	<b>16</b> <b>MADE 4:</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>MADE 4:</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>MADE 4:</b> 

## Weekly Events:

### Sunday

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

### Monday

- 9am-3pm Sunny Days
- 10:30am BibleStudy(Sh-106)
- 5:30-6:00pm In person  
Community Meals

### Tuesday

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

### Wednesday

- 8am Local Business LBN
- 9am-3pm Sunny Days
- 10am Hallelujah Handbells

### 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)

# 2024



	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3				<b>6</b> 830 am UMM Lake House Breakfast  UNITED METHODIST <b>MEN</b>
10 <i>Book Club 10am</i>	<b>11</b> <i>UMWF 10am</i> <i>Trustees / SPRC</i>  	12	<b>13</b> <i>Bells Practice</i>	
17 <b>30</b>	<b>18</b> <i>Finance</i>	19	20	
<b>GE SALE WEEK</b>				
24 <b>30</b>	<b>25</b> <i>Church Council</i>	<b>26</b> 10 am <i>Prayers &amp;</i> <i>Squares meeting</i>	27	
<b>May 1st</b>  	<b>May 2nd</b>  	<b>May 3rd</b>	<b>May 4th</b> <i>Bells Practice</i>  <i>Star Wars Day</i>  	

## 30-Day Scripture Writing Challenge

# April

God speaks to us through His Word, so take some time each day this month to write down the following Scripture. If you have time, you might want to also write a prayer that the Scripture leads you to pray, or your reflections as you write.

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|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 1  | Romans 10:17     | <input type="checkbox"/> April 16 | Romans 6:5         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 2  | Matthew 20:18-19 | <input type="checkbox"/> April 17 | Isaiah 1:18        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 3  | Zechariah 9:9    | <input type="checkbox"/> April 18 | Colossians 2:6-7   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 4  | Matthew 21:9     | <input type="checkbox"/> April 19 | James 5:16         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 5  | John 1:29        | <input type="checkbox"/> April 20 | 1 Chronicles 28:20 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 6  | Hebrews 9:27-28  | <input type="checkbox"/> April 21 | Revelation 22:17   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 7  | Revelation 5:9   | <input type="checkbox"/> April 22 | Psalms 103:2       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 8  | Matthew 26:28    | <input type="checkbox"/> April 23 | 2 Timothy 1:7      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 9  | Mark 14:61-62    | <input type="checkbox"/> April 24 | Ecclesiastes 3:14  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 10 | John 19:30       | <input type="checkbox"/> April 25 | 1 Corinthians 1:25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 11 | Luke 24:6        | <input type="checkbox"/> April 26 | Acts 5:20          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 12 | Hebrews 9:15     | <input type="checkbox"/> April 27 | Jonah 2:6          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 13 | 1 Peter 1:3      | <input type="checkbox"/> April 28 | Psalms 118:6       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 14 | Acts 2:32-33     | <input type="checkbox"/> April 29 | 1 John 5:4         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 15 | John 11:25       | <input type="checkbox"/> April 30 | Proverbs 13:12     |



# Memorial Walk and Garden



More than ten years ago, in celebration of LOUMC's 140th Anniversary, a memory garden/walk was created. The memory walk includes engraved bricks that honor the memory of departed family and friends. The cost of each 8" x 4" brick is \$50, which includes the lettering (14 spaces/3 lines) and placement in the memory walk. Work on the garden/walk begins in Spring. Simply fill out the form and place cash or check (made out to LOUMC with "Memorial Brick" on the memo line) in an envelope. For multiple brick orders, please complete one grid section for each brick. One check may be written for multiple orders. *You may mail the form and payment OR drop it in the office mailbox at the Slater Street entrance (the office has the only key).* Orders will continue on an ongoing basis. Thank you for supporting LOUMC's Memory Garden and Walk. Please contact Kathy McMinn via text at 248-693-1895 or [kathymcminn@cavtel.net](mailto:kathymcminn@cavtel.net) if you have any questions. Order forms are available at church.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14




## ALL BLOOD TYPES NEEDED

**Help save a life.**

Schedule your  
blood donation  
appointment today.



American  
Red Cross

**WE NEED YOU!!!!**

**The American Red Cross continues to have a  
strong need for blood**

**The next blood drive is: May 9th, 12 noon - 6 pm**

**Where: Lake Orion United Methodist Church**

**Sign up online at: [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)  
(sponsor code: LOUMC1)**

*You can also do Rapid Pass online on the day of the blood drive and bring a printed copy with you. This will make the process quicker for each of you. The "Blood Donor" app from the American Red Cross also makes the donation process easier, and includes Rapid Pass on your smart phone.*

**Any questions please email Kathy Castillo at [taxkat@comcast.net](mailto:taxkat@comcast.net), including assistance with advance registrations **as no walk-ins will be permitted.****

More details available at our website in Upcoming Events at  
<http://www.lakeorionumc.org/upcoming-events.html>

**Blood is the most precious gift we can  
give to another person...it is the gift of  
life!**



WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.

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2024

## CROP HUNGER WALKS

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ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

Join ten community churches from Lake Orion and Oxford to help end hunger one step at a time.

Date: **May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Where: **Christ the Redeemer Church**  
2700 Waldon Rd  
Lake Orion MI 48360

When: **Registration 1:15 pm**  
**Walk 2:00 pm**

There will be a 2-mile and 6-mile walk available. There will be refreshment stops along both route and at the conclusion of the walk.

For donation envelopes, please contact Rev. Linda Cochran at church or Joanne Purdon (248) 693-2044.

***Hope to see you there.***

# *Sunny Day Preschool*

## *Enrolling NOW*

### *SunnyDayPreschool.net*



## **SUNNY DAY PRESCHOOL'S MOMMA/CAREGIVER & ME PROGRAM**

18 MONTHS - 3 YEARS & A PARENT  
THURSDAYS • 10AM - 11AM  
\$10 PER CLASS

LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN LAKE ORION

Parents & children will spend quality time exploring activities in a beautiful preschool classroom. Your toddler will have the opportunity to participate in creative art activities, music & circle time!

CALL 248.303.8822 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!



United Women in Faith of Lake Orion Sponsored

# Spring Banquet

Thursday May 23th, 2024

Everyone is invited...friends, family, men and women to attend.

Lake Orion  
United Methodist Church

140 E. Flint Lake Orion Fellowship Hall

Dinner: 5:30 p.m. Italia Gardens

Salad, Chicken, Bread Sticks,

Coffee, Tea & Lemonade, Cookies

Program: Rev. Snyder

Board member from the Baldwin Center

Women of Faith Update

following dinner

Cost: \$10

Make check payable to  
"United Methodist Women"



RSVP By  
Wednesday, May 16, 2024

Reservations Required  
with paid in advance

**Our dream** For over 40 years the Baldwin Center has been providing critical services to the under served population in the City of Pontiac, Michigan and the surrounding area. The Center feeds over 30,000 healthy meals per year in its community kitchen along with 25 other critical programs and services.

The Baldwin Center is deeply invested in the community we serve. Our vision is a thriving community with engaged citizens. Our promise is to provide the tools necessary for individuals and families in need to become vibrant, productive community members. We value honesty, respect, integrity and compassion. We believe in the strength

**RSVP By Wednesday, May 16th, 2024**

Sandy Weaver 248-321-5218, chwswear@aol.com, 2125 W Buell Rd. Oakland, MI 48363 or the church office

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Praying you'll be comforted  
by the many thoughts of love sent your way.  
Just want to let you know I care.

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

## **About People**

Jyl Acker, Sharon Anton, Helen Barnes, Chloe Booth, Ruth Carlson, Linda Carpenter, Bob and Sue Erickson, David and Linda Fairchild, Virginia Ford, Susan Houle, Marilyn Joul, Janine Langedger, Laurie Losiewicz, Joy Makedonsky, Sandy McSwain, Edward Naylor, Kareen Olson, Pat Parkin, Sherry Reseigh, Randy Riley, Bill Stark, Jeff Sutherland, Laurie Trafton, Ross Waite, Don White, Lynne Winter, Kathy Young, Community Meals Family, LOUMC Family Members & Friends.

**Prayer Chain: Kathy McMinn**  
@ 248-770-8390 (text)  
KathyMcMinn@cavtel.net

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](http://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: April 15th for May LINK**

Call the church office if you would like to be taken off the mailing list.  
Phone: 248-693-6201, Email: [Loumc1@lakeorionumc.org](mailto:Loumc1@lakeorionumc.org)  
[www.facebook.com/lakeorionumc](http://www.facebook.com/lakeorionumc)

## **STAFF**

### **Senior Pastor**

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734-735-1334 cell

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#### **Coordinator**

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### **Music Director**

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### **Children's Ministry Teacher**

Julia Ross

### **Nursery Coordinator**

Jasmine Sly

### **Secretary**

Pat Matthews

248-693-6201

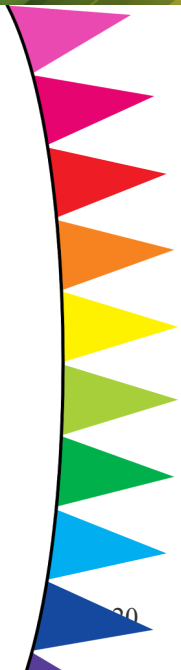
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### **Janitor**

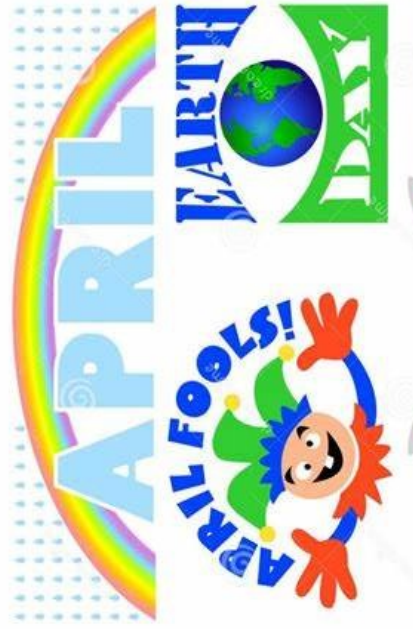
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MISSED A SUNDAY?  
 CHECK OUT OUR  
 SERMONS ONLINE!