# The LINK August 2021

Please check our website for further any changes regarding any posted events.



Sunday, August 29th, at Bunny Run Country Club, 1171 S. Long Lake Blvd. Worship at 11:00 a.m., followed by Fellowship Picnic.

Sign up online or call Pat in the office at 248-693-6201to register. Church closed due to Dragon on the Lake events.

No livestream available.

### **Finance Committee UPDATE**

We are pleased that over \$16,000 has been donated towards the payoff of the mortgage on the Orbit Parsonage. The payoff of \$109,881 was made in July (see below letter received) and we can certainly continue to collect money toward this cost saving project. The mortgage payment currently is \$1,100 per month with a little over half of payment towards the principle loan amount. With your help and the generous legacy gifts received, we are able to reduce our debt and expense.



MICHIGAN AREA LOAN FUND 3347 EAGLE RUN DR. NE. SUITE B GRAND RAPIDS MI 49525 888-451-1929

July 7, 2021

Pastor Lawrence Wik Lake Orion United Methodist Church 140 E Flint St. Lake Orion, MI 48035

Ref: Discharge and payoff of mortgage

Dear Pastor Wik and Church Leaders:

Congratulations on paying off the parsonage loan with the Michigan Area Loan Fund. Your hard work to continue to reduce your overall debt is noteworthy. I wanted to take a moment to celebrate your success as you achieve this milestone.

You may or may not be aware that the funds you borrowed, you borrowed from churches and individuals that invest in the Michigan Area Loan Fund. I'm so proud that this is the model of churches helping other churches.

Attached, please find the official discharge of mortgage, filed with the county to complete the process. Congratulations and best wishes as you continue to move forward and serve our risen Savior, the Son of God.

Blessings to You,

Karen Thompson

Sr. Director of Loan Services

Karen Rong

888.451.1929 231.250.9907

### New Directory in the Works Is Your Info Correct?

Did you know that next year our church will celebrate our 150 year anniversary? We are gathering the information for the new Church Directory. This Directory is NOT listed online for your privacy, only a paper version is printed.





Please let us know if there have been changes since the 2020 (purple cover) version that was printed. Do you have a new email? New cell number? Cancelled your house phone? Or if you do NOT wish to be listed at all, we need to know! Take a few minutes and check out the copies of the 2020 Directory that are

available at the east and west church entrances. If everything is the same, we don't need to know any further info. If there are changes, please send an email to Pat at LOUMC1@LakeOrionUMC.org, or just drop a note in the Slater Street locked mailbox (the office has the only key to retrieve any mail and notes) for any corrections or changes. Changes need to be completed by the middle of AUGUST for a September publication.

Anyone interested in placing an advertisement or personal message in our new directory should call Jill Garner at (800) 544-6903 ext.109 toll free or email her at jgarner@cathedraldirectories.com. Your current ad or business card could be used or help in making up a new ad could be arranged. Please feel free to pass this information on to others. Advertisers do not need to be members. Rates are based on the size of your ad.



scrip - Please think about using the Scrip Program at LOUMC to purchase gift cards. We are able to purchase hundreds of gift cards at a discount for you to purchase at face value. Major retailers, restaurants, gas stations, hotels and movie theatres are available

in different denominations. Also, the Kohl's gift card can be used to pay your credit card bill, we can get Menards gift cards. This program benefits many ministries of the church, the General Fund and outreach such as Community Assistance and Missions. Contact www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of participating retailers, or contact Trudy Carney at 248-693-2558 trudycarney@aol.com.





Shop and benefit the church at the same time. Visit smile.amazon.com and select *United Methodist Church of* 

<u>Lake Orion</u> as your charitable organization. Make future purchases through smile.amazon.com and the church will receive .5% of the price of your eligible purchases. Same products, same prices and same service with no cost to your for the benefit to LOUMC. Prime members use in the same manner. Questions? Contact Trudy Carney trudycarney@aol.com (248-693-2558).

### Year Round Stewardship

Electronic Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help our church year round – consider scheduling a recurring electronic contribution today. It's easy! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes each week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, your electronic



contributions will continue to be received on an uninterrupted basis. The church has a unique webpage that will allow you to sign up electronic giving and manage your secure account. This webpage will enable you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your bank account or credit card. You can make changes to your account at any time and view a summary of your giving whenever you want. Your giving will be credited to your church giving number and included in the financial statements you receive from the church. Visit the LOUMC website at www.lakeorionumc.org for the link that will you take you the LOUMC giving webpage to set up your online contribution.





Please join us for a
United Methodist Women's Brunch
Tuesday, August 24, 2021
10 O'clock in the morning
At Marilyn Gaskins
2375 Cedar Key Drive

#### BRUNCH

Casseroles and Drinks Provided

Other brunch items welcomed, not mandatory

#### AGENDA

Greeting, Eating, Talking and Planning

We hope you are ready to learn, exchange ideas and serve through our local and worldwide UMW mission projects

R.S.V.P.

To Marilyn by text or call 248 797-4610

Please leave your name and
note if you are bringing a brunch item.

## Let's Get Back Together



Face-to-Face UMW



# *Clugust* 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.

Day I-Philippians 1: 21-24 Day 2- Philippians 1: 25-27 Day 3-Philippians 1: 28-30 Day 4-Galatians 5:13-15 Day 5- Galatians 5:16-18 Day 6-Galatians 5:19-21 Day 7- Galatians 5:22-26

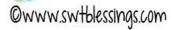
Day 8-Romans 7:4-6 Day 9- Romans 7:7-8 Day 10- Romans 7:9-12 Day 11- Romans 7:13-15 Day 12- Romans 7:16-20 Day 13- Romans 7:21-25 Day 14-John 15: 1-4 Day 15- John 15: 5-8 Day 16- John 15: 9-14 Day 17- Mark 2:15-17 Day 18- John 8:12-14 Day 19- John 8:15-18 Day 20- John 8:19-20 Day 21- Romans 2:1-3

Day 22- komans 2:4-6
Day 23- komans 2:7-11
Day 24- komans 2:12-16
Day 25- 2 Corinthians 4:1-3
Day 26- 2 Corinthians 4:4-6
Day 27- 2 Corinthians 4:7-12
Day 28- 2 Corinthians 4:13-15

Day 29– 2 Corinthians 4:16–18 Day 30– Proverbs 21:1–3 Day 31– Choose Your Own Verse

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

Psalm 119:18





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Weekly Scheduled	
Events:	

**Sunday** 10:00 Worship

**Monday** 10:30 Bible Study (Sh)

Tuesday

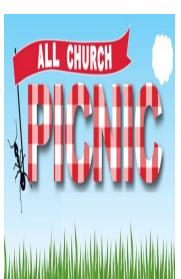
Wednesday

Thursday

**Friday**Office Closes at noon

Saturday

**Daily** 0700 PM-Narcotics Anon. 123/124)



	Sun	Mon	Tue
	1	2 Bible Study 10:30am 5:30-6:00pm Community Meals	3
	8 Happy birthday David Fairchild!	9 Bible Study 10:30am 5:30-6:00pm Community Meals	10
	15	16 Bible Study 10:30am 5:30-6:00pm Community Meals	17
	22	23 Bible Study 10:30am 5:30-6:00pm Community Meals	<b>24</b> UMW Brunch
	29 Worship Service at Bunny Run Country Club @11 am followed by Picnic NO LIVESTREAM	30 Bible Study 10:30am 5:30-6:00pm Community Meals	31

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Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 12:30 pm Book Club @ Fork 'n Pint for lunch & discussion Call Marilyn Gaskins 248-797-4610	5	6 Office closes at noon on Fridays	7
NAMI Zoom Mtg To register: desteffes@ charter.net Contact Bryan or Deb Thom for info bryan debthom@gmail.com	12 Trustees SPRC	13 Deadline for new Directory changes/ads	14
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### "Paul's Monday"

For anyone associated with our Community Meals program for the past 10 years, this has become the commonly used name for the third Monday of every month. For those not familiar with this oft used phrase, it refers to Paul Reile and his merry band of donors. planners, shoppers, cookers, servers, and cleaners who came together and served over 100 Monday Meals. This group of faith filled friends took on the challenge of participating in this program by committing and dedicating their own funds, time and cooking talents to feed between 80 and 120 people each month! They have given so much! As the time has come for them to step aside, we would like to extend a huge THANK YOU and sincere gratitude for their priceless contribution. We pray you all find happiness and feel the love and blessings coming to you from this very grateful congregation.

"Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master." (Matthew 25:23)

We look forward to having and helping JoAnne Purdon as she takes over the duties for the third Monday leadership. Thank you for your willingness and dedication to this program, JoAnne. You are a blessing to us all.



# AVAILABLENOW

My mother, in Hastings MI, is trying to find a good home for her theatre size, 2 manual, full footboard, organ. I know several people in our congregation play and might be interested?
Thanks,
Leann Lowe



Did you know???? That there is now a church mail/dropbox at the Slater Street door. If you happen to stop by to drop something to the office, and building doors are closed, feel free to drop your items into the mail/dropbox. It is emptied weekday mornings. The office has the key, so it can't be left for anyone other than staff. Just an easy way if your time is rushed and you don't want to put into the US Mail.

### LAY READERS NEEDED

How wonderful to be back to in-person worship! What a blessing our church family is to each of us. As we approach the fall season we are looking for individuals (adults and teens) who would like to read the scripture on Sunday mornings. Pat, in the office, will send you the text prior to Sunday and if you have any problems with some of the names or cities, the ministers can help you. I would like to put together a schedule and hopefully you won't be committed to more than once every three months. If this is a ministry you would like to volunteer for, please call Lynne Winter at 248-496-3770 or email to lynniewint@aol.com. Thanks for your help!



# Blood Drive moved to September 30th Time: 1:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Where: Lake Orion United Methodist Church Sign up online at: 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 or call at 248-770-3215, including assistance with advance registrations as no walk-ins will be permitted.

Musical Notes - Summer is here and since the choir has taken a break for the summer, we're looking for people who feel called to provide music during worship services. Music can be sung (solo or a group), instrumental, or a combination of both.



Please contact Janice at your earliest convenience if you are interested in providing music for at least one summer worship service.



Welcome to Sid Parddee to LOUMC as he has transferred from the Plainfield UMC in Plainfield, IN!!!





Our prayers and sympathy go out to all of our families and friends who have suffered losses.

### **About People**

Jyl Acker, Chloe Booth, Linda Carpenter, Kallie Charlton, Howard Daenzer, Sr., Conner DiGasbarro, Shareen DiGasbarro, Paulie Egner, Janine Langegger, Joy Makedonsky, Joyce Marker, Maxine McManus, Sandy McSwain, Barb Middleton, Patti Miechiels, Jack Morrison, Edward and Jennifer Naylor, Pamela and Leonard Nichols, Don Northcote, Sherry Reseigh, Randy Riley, Larry Royster, Barry Schwerin, Laurie Trafton, Roger Waite, Jim and Judy Wright, 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

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 afternoons

LINK DEADLINE: August 15th for September 2021 LINK

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

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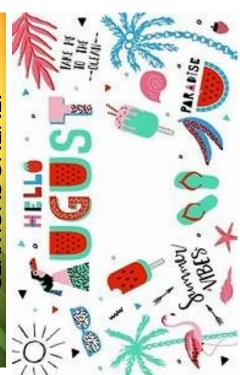
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