

# The LINK

## ***November 2018***

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**November 4th is:**

***End of Daylight Savings Time***

***All Saints Sunday***

***Church Conference***

**Change Your  
Clocks Back &  
Smoke Alarm  
Batteries**



**Save The Date: Hanging of the Greens**

**November 30th @ 6:30pm FAMILIES WELCOME!**

We will gather to decorate the church for the Christmas season. As in the past, there will be a pizza supper for all. We will begin sign-up in the Fellowship Hall during November. Hope to see you there.



# COMMUNITY MEALS THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

**October 14th - November 18th**  
**ITEMS NEEDED FOR DINNER:**



Cut Green Beans (canned)  
Refried Beans  
Tomato Juice  
Beets, sliced  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Spaghetti Noodles  
Diced Tomatoes  
Elbow Macaroni  
Beef and/or Chicken Gravy  
Apple Sauce (NOT individual size)  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Tropical Fruit (NOT individual size)  
Mandarin Oranges (NOT individual size)  
Kidney Beans  
Baked Beans  
Grated Parmesan Cheese  
Quick Cooking Oatmeal  
6" Dessert Plates  
9 oz. Paper Cups (NOT Styrofoam)  
Zip lock Quart, Gallon and Sandwich Bags



**Commercial size cans are helpful but not necessary!!!**  
**Please place on wire rack in Fellowship Hall**

**Community Meals are provided three weeks a month to an average of 120 people. Monetary contributions are in great need as well as canned goods. If making a donation mark envelopes "Community Meals". Thank you!**

**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 our checks and prepare envelopes each week. Even when vacation, 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](http://www.lakeorionumc.org) for the link that you take you the LOUMC online giving webpage to set up your online contribution.

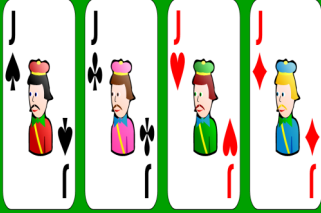


On Saturday, November 3rd from 10:00 a.m.—Noon in Fellowship Hall, we are having a **Christmas Stocking Packing Party** organized by provideinc. and Desert Angel.

If you are interested in donating, please consider the following items:  
Pop tarts, granola bars, protein bars, oatmeal, crackers, peanut butter, jam, slim jims, beef jerky, noodles in a cup, ramen noodles, lifesavers, cookies, dried fruit, trail mix, gum, skittles, licorice, tootsie rolls, hard candy, coffee, tea, sugar packets, hot chocolate, Gatorade, energy drinks, baby wipes, stick deodorant, Q-tips, body wash, soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, Cortaid & Benadryl cream, lotion, shampoo, conditioner, tampons, menstrual pads, Biofreeze, razors, socks, pillow cases, wash cloths, large bandanas, footballs, soccer balls, DVD's, music CDs, crossword puzzles, playing cards, pet shampoo, collapsible dog bowls, and blank cards.



# EUCHRE



## *Euchre Anyone???*

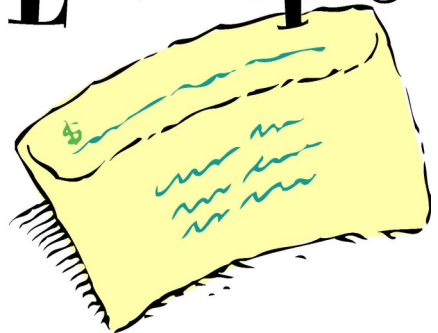
The next LOUMC Euchre night will be **Friday, November 16th**. All are welcome and sign up will be on the board outside Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5/person and will be used to cover snacks and beverages. Check in is at 6:30 pm and games will begin at 7:00 pm. Questions? Contact Dawn Ames at (248) 563-

2399 or [dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org](mailto:dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org).



**2019 Giving Envelopes** –If you would like to received Offering Envelopes for 2019, please note the back of your Connection Card. We are preparing the envelope packets with your numbers and hope to distribute them during the holiday season. If you have signed up once, you don't need to keep signing up. We are keeping a list of those requests and will have the envelopes available in December. Any questions, please see Pat Matthews in the office.

## Offering Envelopes



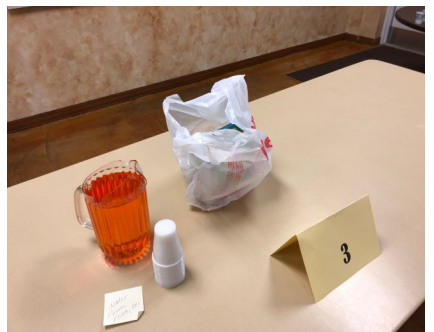
# HUNGER BANQUET



**Food Insecurity**  
**Household Income**  
**Housing Options**  
**CRIME STATISTICS**  
**Math & Reading Proficiency**  
**Graduation Rates**

The purpose of a **Hunger Banquet** is to simulate the imbalanced distribution of food in our world and the randomness of being born into poverty. Children born into poverty do not “choose” to be poor yet the majority of these children will not rise above poverty in their lifetime. Their chances of escaping poverty is even less likely if they are a woman or a minority. In Youth Café on September 30th, the youth participated in a Hunger Banquet. They learned that being born into a different socioeconomic status can affect the health, learning, education opportunities and exposure to crime that you may experience growing up and how that then affects potential outcomes as an adult.

The groups were randomly assigned to one of three groups: **Lake Orion, Warren, or Detroit**. We compared household income, housing costs and options, crime statistics, and high school free and reduced lunch percentages. Then finally we looked at math and reading proficiencies and graduation rate. Access to nutritional food, potential for lead exposure or unsafe environments, and stability in the home all affect a child’s ability to learn and thrive in the education system. This then begins a downward spiral that is difficult to stop. Our discussion was **AWESOME** and hopefully gave the youth a different perspective on poverty as a systemic issue with no simple fix.

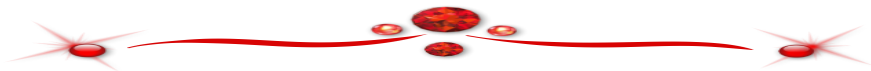






**Mom, Dads** - Looking for a couple of hours without your little "helpers" in tow? **Mother's Morning Out** is a child care program unique to United Methodist Churches. Ours is run by our Nursery Director, Jeri Melton, on Tuesday and Thursday Mornings from 9:00 to 11:30 am. A

great time for you to run errands, schedule appointments, **do some Christmas shopping**, set-up or attend programs, etc. The children receive LOVE + LEARNING, FUN + GAMES. A very nominal fee for a couple of hours is all it costs. If you have any questions or to set up a date or two or a whole session, please call Jeri at 248-693-1051. ***This is a Community Outreach Program, all are welcome! You don't have to attend LOUMC to participate in this program.***



**UMM WORLD COMMUNION BREAKFAST** The breakfast that we served on Sunday, October 7th, was a rousing success and exceeded our expectations!! We had 100+ hungry folks show up in support and got "rave reviews" for our efforts!! In fact, the "reviews" were so good, that we ran out of Tim Marker's world famous scrambled eggs and Kirk Ulery's "family secret recipe" French Toast Bake!!- will keep that in mind and plan accordingly for the next time. Those attending, were EXTREMELY GENEROUS!! The free will offering came to \$1,290!!- the most we have ever collected for any of the meals we have sponsored!! \$1,250 was donated to LOVE Inc., which ACTUALLY COMPLETED THE CHURCH'S PLEDGE FOR THIS YEAR, to LOVE Inc. The remaining \$40 went to the meager UMM treasury, in anticipation of helping to fund our upcoming \$300 donation to the Monday Community Meal Pantry Food Drive. A GREAT BIG THANK YOU AND BEAR HUG TO EVERYONE WHO JOINED US FOR BREAKFAST- we all greatly appreciate the support!!

Many thanks to the Men's Group who toiled and served a wonderful brunch on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Everyone raved about the food and the fellowship was great too. Love INC is grateful that LOUMC was able to fulfill their annual pledge to our organization as a result of this fundraiser. God Bless you all for what your church is doing for the individuals in our community who call on you for support. Grace and Peace!

Patricia Duke, Executive Director



**Starting your Christmas shopping? Here's a way to benefit both you and the church.**  
*You don't have to run into the crowds at the malls, save your gas and save your time to spend with family by using Amazon for shopping at home, and giving Scrip gift cards that you can pick up at church! This is how we can help:*

**AMAZONSMILE**— Did you know that LOUMC has an amazonsmile account? Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and select “United Methodist Church of Lake Orion” as your charitable organization. Make future purchases through [smile.amazon.com](https://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 you for the benefit to LOUMC. Prime members use in the same manner. Questions? Contact Trudy Carney [trudycarney@aol.com](mailto:trudycarney@aol.com) (248-693-2558)



**SCRIP** - Please think about using the Scrip Program at LOUMC during the upcoming Christmas season 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 now can get Menards gift cards. This program



benefits many ministries of the church, the General Fund and outreach such as Community Assistance and Missions. Stop by the Scrip table during Fellowship Time or contact Trudy Carney at 248-693-2558 [trudycarney@aol.com](mailto:trudycarney@aol.com) or Sharon Keener at 248-977-0794.

# Weekly Scheduled Events:



## Sunday

- 08:30, 10:00 Worship
- 10:00 Kids on the Rock
- 10:00 Youth Cafe
- 11:00 Fellowship Time
- 11:30 Adult Bible Study (205)

## Monday

- 10:30 Bible Study (Sh)
- 11:45 Tai Chi Sword & Tai Chi (122)
- 05:30 Community Meal (FH & 105)
- 07:00 Disciple II class (120)
- 07:00 Small Group (Lockhart's)

## Tuesday

- 09:00 Mother's Morning Out (Nur)
- 09:30 Hallelujah Handbells
- 10:00 Disciple II class (120)
- 07:00 Chancel Choir
- 07:00 Eating Disorder Support (EDS) Group (106)

## Wednesday

- 06:45 BNI (FH)
- 10:00 Sermon Review (120)
- 07:00 Worship Team Practice

## Thursday

- 09:00 Mother's Morning Out (Nur)
- 09:30 Hallelujah Handbells

## Friday

- 06:00 Women's NA (123/124)

## Saturday

## Daily

- 08:00 PM-Narcotics Anon. (123/124)

**FH=Fellowship Hall**  
**Nur=Nursery**  
**OS=Offsite**  
**Sh=Shalom Room**

Sun	Mon	Tue
<b>4 All Saints Sunday</b> <b>5-6 pm Church Conference</b>  <i>Daylight Savings End</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>6 ELECTION DAY</b> 
<b>11 Cantata</b>  <b>Veterans Day</b> 	<b>12</b> 07:00 PM Community Conversation (Lckhrt)	<b>13</b> 09:00 AM Prayer Squares(10) 09:30 AM Sister Faith Circle 01:00 PM UMW
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7:00 PM 4-H (1)
<b>25</b> 11:00 AM Blood Pressure Testing (FH)	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>



# November

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 07:00 PM SPRC (203-4	2	3 07:30 AM - UMM Breakfast (CJ's)  <i>10-12 Stuff Stockings</i>
ON 	7	8 07:00 PM Trustees (Sh)	9	10 <i>10am-3pm Gratitude Giving Seminar</i>
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(20)	21	22 <i>Thanksgiving Office Closed</i> 	23 <i>Office Closed</i>	24
	28	29 7:00 PM-Church Council (120)	30 <i>Hanging of the Greens</i>	<i>Hanging</i> of the Greens 



## Get Involved in Worship

### 2019 COMMUNION STEWARD and LAY READER opportunities

Are you looking for a way to serve our church three or four times a year? Be a Communion Steward during the 10:00 AM service! It is a very rewarding experience and easy to learn.

You may be interested in being a Lay Reader at 10:00 AM usually about twice a year. You would receive a copy of the bulletin a few days in advance so you have time to look over the readings. If you wish, you can be both a Communion Steward and a Lay Reader. Detailed instructions are available for both.


If you would like to volunteer to be put in the rotation or if you need more information please call Lynne Winter at 248-391-4696 or e-mail me at [lynniewint@aol.com](mailto:lynniewint@aol.com) by Friday, Nov. 9th.

***\*Current Stewards & Lay Readers: you do not need to contact me unless you would like to be removed from the rotation. Thanks!***

***Christmas is for children.*** Our church is once again dedicating our Angel Tree collection to the Methodist Children's Home in Redford, Michigan. The MCH residential cottages are home to boys ages seven to fifteen that the court has placed there due to severe neglect or abuse. Some of the boys have never experienced Christmas morning with a true Christmas breakfast and gifts to open. Our gifts are so appreciated that the CEO met us as we dropped off last year's presents. He wanted to thank us in person! The Angel Tree will be assembled by November 18 (prior to black Friday). ***Please return your gifts UNWRAPPED by December 9.*** Contact Susan Montgomery with any questions: (248) 921-4518.



**Hospice of Michigan Needs** - It has come to my attention that **lap blankets, shawls, and chemo caps** are needed. The dimensions of the blankets are 35 inches X 40 inches, shawls work best if they are 20 inches X 60 inches, and caps can be all sizes. Cold weather is coming and perhaps you would like to take on a knitting, crocheting, quilting, fleece sewing project or any other media you would enjoy to help them out. I will collect them and deliver them as they accumulate. Just another way to help others. Let me know if you want to take part!! At this point I do not have a cut off date since their need is ongoing. Ardis Pearce - 248-628-3430



**Working in the Kitchen** - Thanks to those who worked at the Baldwin Avenue Kitchen. We did not work in September, and are not working in November. But those scheduled to work in the Kitchen on Wednesday, October 17th were: Jack & Charlotte Brown, Cindy Katz, Michele Kellogg, Ginny & Phil Lavender, and Bill Porritt . Please contact Charlotte Brown at 248-391-0753 if you can help or know someone that would like to help.



**Thank You!**

*Dear members of the Lake Orion United Methodist Church - Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer quilt! It is very comforting to know that so many have offered prayers on my behalf. Words cannot fully express my appreciation and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. With love, Jen Sielaff*

**Thanks to Misty Morin for holding a fundraiser of a 12 hour crafting/ scrapbooking event that raised over \$700!**

**LINK News** : Please have all articles for the December edition to the church office by November 15th.

*This article was written by a good friend, Pastor Tom Pilkington, who has a great insight to what I would like our church to do this holiday season. Now is the time to invite someone to share your Sunday.*

*Pat Matthews*

## Speak Up

Following up on my August article about Ruthie Taylor and her ministry of inviting others to come to church with her, I want to share with you this month some revealing and disturbing statistics regarding evangelism. George Barna, generally regarded to be the dean of church statisticians, found in one of his surveys that only 35% of Christians believe they have a responsibility to spread the good news of new life in Christ by sharing their faith with others. That leaves 65% who don't believe they have that responsibility; and I think it's safe to say not even all of the 35% actually do it.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus several times instructs his disciples to "tell no one." In its original context, that apparently has to do with timing; but someone has noted that that's the one commandment most Christians have perpetually kept. Barna's is not the only survey to reveal that, when it comes to talking with others about their faith, Christians are remarkably closed-mouthed. Even such a simple, yet potentially life-giving, act as inviting a friend or family member to church seems to take more courage than many people can muster.

Yet there are just as many surveys indicating that people who are not yet involved in a church are quite open to being invited and that "pre-Christians" are at least interested—and often eager—when it comes to talking with you about your faith. One man reported, with some embarrassment, a conversation he had with a golfing buddy after he told him that he couldn't play on a Sunday morning because he would be at church. ***The man said, "I don't know what that church of yours is all about, but you sure do keep it to yourself. I don't know how many times I've invited you to go golfing on Sunday, but you've never once invited me to go to church!"***

The Alban Institute surveyed newcomers in 22 congregations across the country, asking among other things, "What brought you to this church?" Eighty-six percent said they were invited by a friend or family member. The lesson is pretty obvious. The field is ripe for harvest (John 4:35); and the Bible's promise is that the Holy Spirit goes before us to prepare the way, and within us to give us the words to speak. All we have to do is seize the moment and open our mouths.

Pastor Tom





**Sunday, November 4th.** *We set aside this day to remember and thank God for those from our church family who have entered God's eternal realm of glory during the past year.*

*Joshua C. Wright  
Ralph E. Nichols  
Thelma Virginia "Ginny" Walter  
Darlene Louise Kissel  
Gerard "Jerry" A. Lombardo  
Gordon "Skip" R. Hazelton Jr.  
Elizabeth "Betty" L. Sawyer  
Richard A. Driscoll  
Jeffrey Scott Menig  
Virginia R. Dowdy  
Joan Bardallis  
Michael Edward Amedure  
Charlie Veane Smith Robertson*

*Frances Eileen Walch  
Norma J. Remer  
Stephen Piazza  
Lee Otto Umpstead  
Georgia Lee Sullivan  
Mary Moore  
William C. Adams  
David S. Austermann  
LuAnn Harmon Short  
Michelle R. Duval  
Marilyn Campbell  
Morene Keller  
Marjorie M. Merritt*

The families of these saints have received personal invitations to be in worship with us that morning, standing 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 lit in their memory. It will be a beautiful service including communion, and we 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 and Pastor John*





### **ATTENTION: All Women of the Church!!!**

Our UMW Circle Meeting will be November 13 Tuesday at 1:00 pm. We will be meeting in the Shalom Room. Our topic is based on Soul Repair - a book by Rita Nakashima Brock and Gabriella Lettini. The discussion-*Recovering from Moral Injury after War* will be led by Pat Parkin. A short business meeting will follow. PLEASE JOIN US!!!



*Our prayers and sympathy go out to the families  
and friends on the loss of Joan Bardallis.*



### **ABOUT PEOPLE**

Connie Barnard, Linda Carpenter, Kallie Charlton, Howard Daenzer, Sr., Bruce Denton, Vee Hollenbeck, Don Johnson, Joyce Marker, Carol McCormick, Sandy McSwain, Patti Miechiels, Edward Naylor, Pamela and Leonard Nichols, Don Northcote, Sherry Reseigh, Randy Riley, Tom Scott, Victor Vargason, Roger Waite, Christine Wehrli, Judy Wright, Kathy Young, Community Meals Family, LOUMC Extended Family Members and Friends.

**Prayer Chain:** Gina Adams 248-202-5618  
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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 WORSHIP** 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

**NURSERY CARE** is available during the 10:00 service.

**KIDS ON THE ROCK (Age 3 - Gr. 5)** is during the 10:00 service.

**[youth café ] (Grs. 6 - 12)** is during the 10:00 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 PM.

**LINK DEADLINE:** November 15th for December LINK

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

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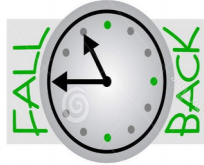
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