

The LINK

September 1, 2016

LINKing members and friends of Lake Orion United Methodist Church

Phone: 248-693-6201, Email: LOUMC1@lakeorionumc.org

www.facebook.com/lakeorionumc, www.lakeorionumc.org



*In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty;
in all things, charity. -- Augustine of Hippo*

In the spirit of St. Augustine (and of John Wesley who often referenced this quote) LOUMC will be facilitating a series of monthly **Lake Orion Community Conversations**. These will focus on issues which all too often divide us as a community, and provide a safe place for actual dialogue. Our desire is to foster understanding and a spirit of right relationship, not necessarily agreement. Consider not only participating yourself, but inviting others to participate as well. See the details below. Contact Pastor Larry, Pastor John, or Lisa Goyette with further questions.

Bias & Discrimination

lgbtqia

Cops & Communities

Partisanship & Patriotism

Veterans

mental health

Special Needs

class

Guns

Islam

2nd Monday of each month

(starting Sept. 12)

@ Lockhart's Barbeque

(upstairs)

6:30 dinner available

7:00 - 8:30 conversation



sponsored by

Lake Orion

United Methodist Church



TRUNK or TREAT

Mark your calendar for our Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 29th. This event is in lieu of the Fall Festival and will be FUN for all ages! Children and youth can dress in costume and trick or treat from car trunk

to car trunk in the church parking lot. Lots of fun activities and food afterwards. More information to come in the next LINK. If you are interested in helping plan this event or would like to donate prizes, etc., please contact Dawn Ames at dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org.

CAVE QUEST VBS

VBS may be over but all the people involved have wonderful memories of an awesome week! A fun week of water games, yummy snacks, cool activities, powerful Bible stories, and fabulous music will remind us all of how we can follow Jesus the “Light of the World.” I hope you were able to attend our VBS Program on July 31st and enjoyed a sampling of the week’s activities. Our VBS offering this year was for Mission Guatemala, specifically a school in Caliaj, Tecpan, Guatemala. The money will be used to purchase school supplies, health kits, and lunches for 60 children. Through our VBS offering, the children donated \$1,264.80. Your additional help at the Sunday program raised an additional \$1,617.25 for a GRAND TOTAL of \$2,882.05! Thank you so much for your generosity. I would like to thank everyone who helped with VBS in any way. From the donation of supplies and money to spending hours and hours preparing lessons and decorations, each heartfelt contribution of prayers, presence, gifts and service to help over 100 children (and over 100 youth and adult leaders) experience God’s love in a way they will remember for a long time. A special thank you to Brenda Ulery for her creative genius and wonderful decorations, our Preschool Directors Kathy McMinn and Patty Warrick, Kim Ahlborn for projection and sound, all the station leaders and assistants, Crew Leaders, and those that helped with data entry and registration. I would also like to recognize Megan Griffith, Addie Bishop, and Julia Ames for the countless tasks they completed for Brenda and me the week prior to VBS. Thanks to all that made my first VBS such a success. I could not have done it without you!

Dawn Ames, Associate Director Family Ministry



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Three-in-One PROGRAM BEGINS October 5th!

Three-in-One



A mailing will be sent out after Labor Day to all our past Three-in-One families with more detailed program information. *There will be a financial incentive for families who pay tuition by October 5th.* Scholarships available and program fees can be pro-rated to accommodate sports activities, etc.

We are doing online registration this year. Please be patient with us as we transition to this new process.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! In order to make this program successful, we need **volunteers**. If you are interested in helping with menu planning, shopping for food, food prep, Fellowship Hall set up on Wednesday morning/early afternoon and/or kitchen and Fellowship Hall clean-up after dinner, please contact Dawn Ames at (248) 693-6201 ext. 210 or dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org.

PROJECT SHALOM

Project SHALOM is on Saturday, October 22nd. Registration begins on September 18th. October 9th will be our Team Meeting. If you are interested in leading a team, please contact Aaron Gross at aaron.gross@lakeorionumc.org.



Kids on the Rock
(Pre-K & Elementary) and
[youth café]
(Middle & High School)



kicks off on September 11th at 9:15 a.m. The following are the classrooms for your children and youth:

Preschool (2-1/2 yrs. – 3 yrs.)

4 years to 1st Grade

2nd and 3rd Grade

4th and 5th Grade

6th – 12th Grade

God's Country

Room 120

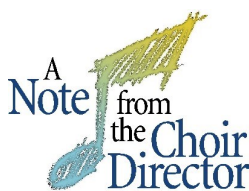
Room 104

Room 103

Room 203/204 **[youth café]**

Children and youth will go directly to their classrooms. There will be greeters at the doors and maps to help you find the classrooms. We will be doing registration online this year. Please look in your email for additional information. If you do not have access to email or do not want to do this process online, please contact Dawn Ames at dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org or (248) 693-6201 ext. 210.

CALLING ALL MUSICAL TYPES!!



Summer seems to have flown by and it is that time of year again – Fall music rehearsals begin soon!

Chancel Choir will begin regular rehearsals on **Tuesday, September 6 at 7:00 PM** to prepare for worship on Sunday, September 11. **Please note** that the Chancel Choir will also have a **"Special**

Saturday" rehearsal on **Saturday, September 10 at 10:00 AM** to get a "jump start" on the fall repertoire. All who love to sing and would like to help the choir lead worship are invited – we would love to add some new voices to our choir!

ALSO – If you have ever wanted to try your "hand" at playing with the **bell choir**, our rehearsals begin on **Thursday, September 8, at 9:30 AM**. We have a couple of vacant positions to fill and would welcome anyone who would like to join us. Hand bell playing experience is NOT necessary, but music reading ability IS.

ALSO – **If you are a musician**, but are not available for the above mentioned ensembles, AND you would be willing to share your talents with the church, please contact me. We would love to get you plugged in to doing some special music for worship.

Janice Hammond, LOUMC Director of Music,

janice.hammond@lakeorionumc.org (248)693-6201 ext. 208

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



Come see what United Methodist Women are all about. Sisters in Faith meets at 9:30 the 2nd Tuesday of every month in the Shalom Room.

September 13 is our first gathering and please

invite a friend to join us. Pat Parkin will be presenting the program, "Growing in Blessedness". We will be reflecting on our own personal experience of blessedness starting with our relationship with Christ, but also discover how UMW is a source of blessing as we participate in Christ's mission. Come help live the vision of turning faith, hope, and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world. For more information call Joyce Marker at 248-202-1190.

United Methodist Men



The first fall breakfast meeting for the UMM will be on September 10th at 7:30 am. We will be meeting at CJ's. All of the men of the church are invited to attend.

RED BIRD BABY SHOWER 2016



This will be our church's 12th Annual Baby Shower, for the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky- it will be held on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, during Coffee Hour,



between the 9:15 and 11:00 services. All of the wonderful donations will be displayed in the Fellowship Hall, to show the great generosity of our congregation- who doesn't enjoy checking out all the really cool kid's stuff and the beautiful hand-made items?!?!

We are looking for NEW clothing, purchased or hand knitted, for children, between the ages of newborn and 3 years old. We accept items for all seasons- Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter- as well as baby supplies, diapers, wipes, etc. The Family Services Agency at Red Bird Mission, tries to help young families in that area of Kentucky, by providing supplies and clothing to them, according to their level of needed assistance- unfortunately poverty is rampant in that area of the country!

There will be a large plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall, starting after Labor Day, marked RED BIRD MISSION BABY SHOWER. You can begin dropping off any donations at that point. Everything collected, will be sent along with our Mission Team to Kentucky, around mid October.

Red Bird Mission has expressed a need for sheet sets (Queen & Twin). There is a bin in fellowship Hall marked sheets for Red Bird. We want to send the sheets with our team going to Red Bird on October 16.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS OUTREACH EFFORT- IT IS DEEPLY APPRECIATED!!

MEMORIAL FUND UPDATE

This year to date contributions to the Memorial Fund have enable the church to purchase the following items: chalices, piano cover, piano light and microphone, sprinklers, new doors in Fellowship Hall and kitchen, and lighting in the sanctuary. Also contributions have also been specifically donated by the family or contributors to the following: Community Meals, General Fund, Center for Success and a Fountain to be installed in the Memorial Garden.

The Memorial Fund is gratefully for the thoughtful, loving donations in honor of so many beautiful people.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all of you for prayers, cards, calls, food and help around my yard. Hugs, great appreciation and a million “thank you.”

Pat Parkin

Prayers and Squares - We are elated with the quilt and card signed by so many members. This is such a marvelous example of the love and caring the church family could have made to us. We still love attending the church when we are up for the summer although this year our trip was canceled given my accident. We always brag about our wonderful church in Michigan and especially its history. We were married there in 1972 as well as my parents, Bud and Dee. We look forward to seeing you all next year.

Love from Texas, Lee & Rhonda Harmon

Blood Drive—Thank you to LOUMC and all those who donated to the July Blood Drive! The Oxford Varsity Girls Swim Team sponsored this drive and exceeded the goal of 25 pints to earn a \$50.00 thank you from the Red Cross which they are donating to Help Kids Succeed. The next drive sponsored by LOUMC will Thursday, October 6th from 1:30 pm to 7:30 pm. You can book an appointment on the Red Cross site now or call Trudy Carney 248-693-2558 to sign up for an appointment.

Working in the Kitchen - Thanks to those who worked at the Baldwin Avenue Kitchen on **July 20**: Jack & Charlotte Brown, Jim Childers, Marilyn Gaskins, Michele Kellogg, Ginny Lavender, Bill Porritt and Jay Verran.

A reminder to those scheduled to work in the Kitchen on Wednesday, **September 21**: Jim Childers, Michele Kellogg, Ginny Lavender, Linda Nixon, Bill Porritt, Myrna Sweetland and Jay Verran.

Please contact Charlotte Brown at 248-391-0753 if you can help or know someone that would like to help.

Cardmakers for Christ - Greeting Cards are available for



Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Thinking of you, and note cards in the church office and during coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday. Proceeds benefit mission outreach. We are collecting used greeting cards to repurpose into

new cards. Please put them in the black bins at the entrances marked, "CardMakers for Christ".

Paper Products Ministry needs your HELP! Once a month



Stephen Ministry assembles and passes out bags of various basic household paper goods at the Monday Community Meal. Each household is given a bag with FACIAL TISSUE, PAPER TOWELS, TOILET

TISSUE, and NAPKINS on the first Monday of each month. Every 3rd month, a household cleaner is included. This is a very popular program: for the past months, we have passed out 60 bags PER MONTH. Demand is high, but donations (in the labeled containers in the Fellowship Hall) have dwindled recently to almost none.

Steeple, Stamens, And Streaming - You have the opportunity on any given week to memorialize a loved one, share a celebration, or simply contribute in a unique way to our church's worship. You can do so by sponsoring that week's lighting of our steeple (\$10), or purchasing altar flowers for use in worship on Sunday morning (\$18.50), or by sponsoring that week's live stream of worship on the church website (\$20/week or \$75 for the month). A written recognition of your gift – and those it may be honoring – would be included in the bulletin on the Sunday you designate. Sign-ups for these opportunities are on the bulletin board across from the church office. Please contact Debbie Heyboer in the church office with any questions.

Community Meal Hosts - We are in need of more people willing to greet our community meal guests when they come on Monday evenings. It would involve coming at 4:30 to welcome people, direct them to the rest rooms if necessary, and be available for hospitality. We are done serving the meal at 6:30. Ideally, we would have enough hosts that the commitment would only be once a month. To volunteer, or to ask further questions, please contact Trudy Carney at 248-693-2558.

**Weekly Scheduled
Events :**

Sunday

8:00, 9:15, 11:00 Worship Service
09:15 Kids on the Rock
09:15 [youth café]
10:15 Fellowship Time (FH)
11:00 Adult Bible Study (Library)

Monday

10:30 Bible Study (Sh)
11:45 Tai Chi Sword & Tai Chi (104)
01:00 Staff Meeting (Sh)
05:30 Community Meal (FH & 105)
07:00 Small Group (C-Pub)

Tuesday

09:00 Mother's Morning Out (Nur)
07:00 Chancel Choir

Wednesday

10:00 Sermon Review (105)
06:45 CODA (Sh)
07:00 Worship Team Practice

Thursday

09:00 Mother's Morning Out (Nur)
09:00 YOGA (203/4)
09:30 Hallelujah Handbells

Friday

Saturday

AC=All Church

FH=Fellowship Hall

Naz=Nazareth

Nur=Nursery

OS=Offsite

Sh=Shalom Room



SEPT

Sun	Mon	Tue
4 8 & 9:15 am Worship Service No [youth café]	5 Office Closed	6
11	12 03:00 PM-Heritage Place Service (OS) 07:00 PM-Peer Support (105) 07:00 PM-LOCC Lake Orion Community Conversations (OS)	13 09:30 AM-Sister Faith Circle (Sh)
18	19	20 09:00 AM-Prayer Squares (Naz)
25 10:15 AM-Blood Pressure Screening (FH)	26	27

SEPTEMBER



	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 05:30 PM-Oakland County Services (Sh)	2	3
	7	8 07:00 PM-Trustees (Sh) 07:00 PM-SPRC (203/4)	9	10 07:30 AM-UMM Breakfast (CJ's) 10:00 AM-Choir Rehearsal
rs in)	14	15 07:00 PM-Finance (Sh)	16	17
rs and	21 10:00 AM-Work at Baldwin Kitchen (OS)	22	23 10:00 AM-LINK Assembly (Sh) 06:30-9:30 PM-Sib Shop Training (FH)	24 9:00-1:00 PM-Sib Shop Training (FH) 1:00-3:00 PM-Orion Historical Society
	28	29 06:30 PM-Church Council (105)	30	

UPPER ROOM

Print publication of the *Alive Now* will end with the March/April 2017 issue. If you would like to go digital, the digital versions of *The Upper Room* and *Alive Now* are available to view through your web browser, your Android phone or tablet through the Android Market at a cost of \$9.99 per year, and your iOS (Apple) phone or tablet through the Apple App Store at a cost of \$14.99 per year. *The Upper Room* print copy will still be available at the church.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Please welcome the following people who have joined the church. Matt Barnard, Reese & Sara Hubbard, Sally Kelley, Bob & Patsy Ramsay and Bonnie Walker.

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.



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) or Sharon Keener at 248-790-9041.

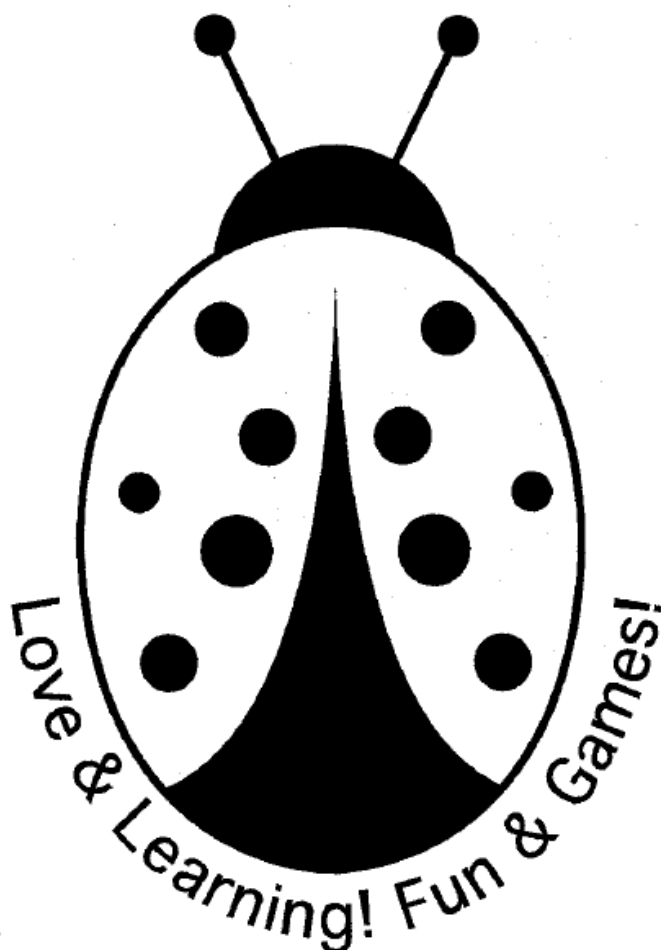


ABOUT PEOPLE

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Dawn Ames, Sue Anglea, Mary Bailey, Shirley Bommarito,
Howard Daenzer, Bruce Denton, Robin Dorey, Maxine Jones,
Taylor Jongekrijg, Carol McCormick, Sandy McSwain,
Patti Miechiels, Chuck Myers, Don Northcote, Jerry Sweetland,
Sharon Waite, Christine Wehrli, Judy Wright,
Community Meals Family,
LOUMC Extended Family Members & Friends

Mother's Morning Out Child Care



United Methodist Church of Lake Orion
Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 - 11:30 am
Limited number of children

Call Jeri - (248) 693-1051



Methodist Children's Home Tour

The Missions Committee is sponsoring a tour of the Methodist Children's Home (26645 W. 6 Mile Rd. Redford) on Sept. 25, 2016 at 1:30 in the afternoon. There will be a Mission Moment during worship on Sept. 18th given by a presenter from the Home. We will take up a Love Offering during the service, and tour participants will present that offering during the visit to the home the following week.

All those interested in attending (must be over the age of fifteen) may sign up in Fellowship Hall after church starting Sunday, Sept. 4th or contact the church office. Tour participants should plan to bring a bag lunch on the 25th, and meet after the 11:00 service (around noon) in Fellowship Hall. We will eat together and car pool to the facility. The tour takes approximately one hour and is very informative. We should be back to the church by 3:30.



When you help a child, you change a life!

Weird Church Party!
A Night with Author Paul Nixon
Thursday, September 15th - 6:30 p.m.
Lockhart's Barbeque
37 E Flint St, Lake Orion MI 48362
Hosted by Lake Orion United Methodist Church

Join friends, dreamers and ministry pioneers
for an evening of conversation about how faith community
is changing in the 21st century.



This two-hour free-wheeling conversation will include an author talk about key ideas from the book **Weird Church** as well as a panel of innovators from Michigan. No book purchase is expected, but books will be available for sale and author signature.

- ***Curious** about new expressions of faith community in a rapidly shifting cultural landscape?
- ***Tired** of being told that church revitalization is simply a matter of doing better or more of the conventional things that used to come easily?
- ***Passionate** about innovation and inclusion?
- ***Need some encouragement** or practical support around how to move from ideas to action?
- ***Concerned** that the denominations don't get it?

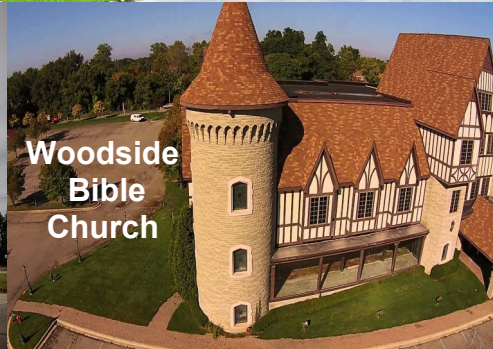
Nothing in the world of organized religion works the way it used to. **Paul Nixon is interested in cultivating and coaching leaders who can serve flexibly and passionately amidst critical cultural shifts.**

****Cash Bar and food menu available!**

ORION HISTORICAL SOCIETY (OHS) CHURCH TOUR

Saturday September 24th

LOUMC will be the first of five stops on the OHS sponsored tour of Orion's churches on Saturday September 24th. Other participating churches are St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Howarth United Methodist Church, St. Mary's in-the Hills Episcopal Church, and Woodside Bible Church. Three tours starting at 15 minute intervals are scheduled at each church, beginning at 1:00pm at LOUMC. Two or three volunteers from LOUMC are needed to act as tour guides, as well as participating in a planning session prior to that day. The tour will end at approximately 3:45 pm at Woodside and will move to nearby Yates Cider Mill for complimentary cider and donuts. There is no charge for the tour and a free will offering will be taken at the final stop to offset tour costs and benefit OHS community preservation efforts. LOUMC members, family, and friends are invited to enjoy the tour. A flier with an optional sign-up sheet will be posted outside the church office. Contact Jeff Sutherland, a member of LOUMC and OHS, to volunteer as a guide or to answer any questions at 248-693-2064 or email him at Jsutherland2@comcast.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 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 service

[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 DEADLINE: September 15th for October LINK

*Call the church if you would like to be taken off
the mailing list at 248-693-6201.

Staff

Senior Pastor

Rev. Larry Wik office ext. 203

248-732-7739 home

734-735-1334 cell

larry.wik@lakeorionumc.org

Associate Pastor

Rev. John Ball office ext. 207

989-980-7699 cell

john.ball@lakeorionumc.org

Family Ministries

Director

Aaron Gross office ext. 205

aaron.gross@lakeorionumc.org

Family Ministries

Associate Director

Dawn Ames office ext. 210

dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org

Music Director

Janice Hammond office ext. 208

janice.hammond@lakeorionumc.org

Stephen Ministry

Coordinator

Lisa Goyette office ext. 202

lisa.goyette@lakeorionumc.org

Secretary

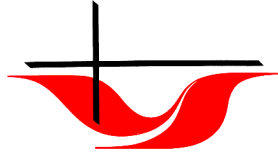
Debbie Heyboer office ext. 209

loumc1@lakeorionumc.org

Nursery Director

Jeri Melton

Accompanist



Lake Orion

United Methodist Church

140 E. Flint St.

Lake Orion, MI 48362

September 1, 2016

Non-Profit Organization
U.S. Postage Paid
Lake Orion, MI 48362
Permit No. 24



©2016 Lakeside