

The LINK

October 2017



Trunk or Treat will be on Saturday, October 28th. This event 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. If you are interested in handing out candy and decorating your trunk, please sign up on the board outside Fellowship Hall. Registration forms are available on the church website or on the welcome tables. Please contact Dawn Ames at dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org or (248) 563-2399.



Project SHALOM 2017

Project SHALOM is on Saturday, October 7th & Sunday, October 8th (for marching band students.)

Please make sure you look on the sign-up boards outside Fellowship Hall for donation items for the meals that we will be providing the adults and youth. If you have any questions, please contact

Dawn Ames at dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org or (248) 563-2399.



Methodist Children's Home has been providing love and hope for thousands of children and families for 100 years! On Saturday October 21, 2017 they are celebrating at Laurel Manor in Livonia. The evening will include dinner, dancing, and live entertainment. Individual tickets are \$100 or \$125 for VIP tickets.

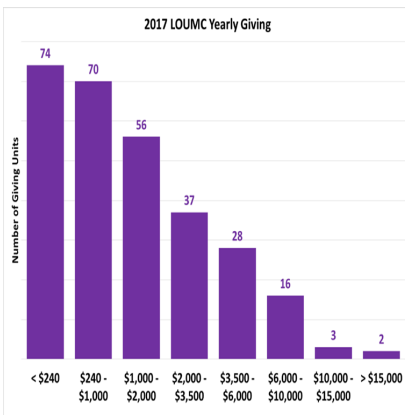
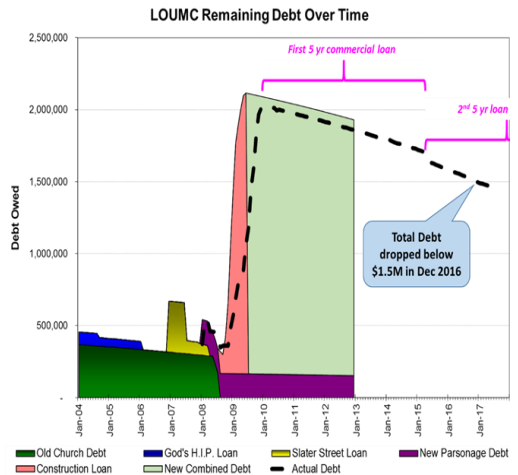
Groups of eight supporters can come together as a legacy table supporter for \$1,000. For more information about tickets sales and sponsorships, please contact Brooke Adams, Chief Development Officer, at badams@mchsmi.org or 313-531-9464.

Finance Update

Hello fellow supporters of our church! If you were in worship this past Sunday you have already heard me give you an update on the status of the Church's finances so far this year. In case you were unable to attend or if you just want a little more time to actually see and contemplate the information that I showed up on the screens I'll recap my update for you here in the Link. Also, as a reminder you can go to the church website and view prior services as they were recorded in case you find a verbal update to be easier to follow (check out the beginning of any of the October 1st services for my update).

The first piece to share with you is just an update on the status of the total debt being carried by our church. In preparation for building the wonderful addition we had an awesome capital campaign. That amazing giving enabled us to pay off the prior debt, pay part of the construction costs, and finally to then borrow enough to complete the

building addition. The chart to the right shows what our debt prediction was and where it actually came in. The key point is that as a congregation we did exactly as we said we would and have been faithfully making our mortgage payments such that the total still owed as of the end of August was down to \$1.44 million.



The second piece of my update showed you some information of where each of us give on a yearly basis. In the picture at right you can see that the key supporters of our church give anywhere from \$240 per year up to a high of over \$15,000 per year. The numbers above the bars represent how many families (or individuals) are giving at each of those levels. So as one example, we have 16 families or individuals who are each giving at an annual rate of \$6,000 to \$10,000 per year. The importance of this graphic is to hopefully give

you a better understanding of where your giving falls in relation to what it takes to run our church. Basically, we have about 200 families or individuals that make the ministry happen. This means that the average required giving per family is about \$3,500 per year. Obviously, some folks are not able to give at that level and others are led to give well beyond the average need.

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- Anticipating a \$60,000 shortfall
- 200 individuals or families that give
- \$60,000 divided by 200 is only \$300 extra per giver
- Not everyone can give an extra \$300

As a congregation we generally prefer not to talk about the financial side of supporting our church, however, it is the very generous giving that has always been at the core of the Lake Orion United Methodist Church. That generosity is what has made amazing ministries possible. I shared during the service that I'm looking forward to volunteering at yet another Project SHALOM next weekend with both my kids working with me on a work team. I was lucky enough to be a high school youth in our church when Pastors Ed Duncan and Mary Margaret Eckhardt began the first Project SHALOM after returning from trips to do outreach work in Tennessee. The fact that this ministry continues after all these years is a testament to the dedication of each of you in a church where ministry truly means being actively engaged in the world around us. Yet Project SHALOM is only a tiny sliver of what your continued support enables.

As mentioned by Pastor Larry on Sunday, we anticipate that some of you may have some questions about where we stand so members of the Finance Committee and the Church Council have volunteered to host an informal sharing time between the 9:15 and 11:00 services for the next two weeks. We will share with you information to help answer questions like, "Where do the offerings that I give get spent?" or "If I feel called to step up my giving, what might that look like?" or "I've heard folks talk about tithing but I want to understand what that might mean for me and my family." I would encourage each of you to stop by even just to say hi. This will be held in the over-flow class room right off the fellowship hall so grab a cup of coffee and a donut and stop in to see us.

I want to close by saying thank you to everyone who continues to support our church through your prayers, your service, and your giving. We are extremely blessed both by those who have come before us and by those who even now are in our midst.

In your faithful service,
Don Tyrrell



United Methodist Women

"Sisters in Faith" will meet on Tuesday, October 10 at 9:30 a.m. in Shalom.

UMW FALL BAKE SALE October 29 following the 9:15 service

Items should be dropped off before the service. They do not need to be priced. There will be a free will offering. Pies, cookies and fall treats are welcomed. Bake and/or buy to support UMW missions!



UNITED METHODIST MEN

have begun their annual Men's Cold Weather Clothes Drive for the Baldwin Center. Sweaters, jackets, boots, gloves...anything for cold fall/winter months will be gladly received! Donations can be placed in the bin in Fellowship Hall.

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, set-up or attend programs, etc. The children receive LOVE + LEARNING, FUN + GAMES. Call Jeri at 248-693-1051 to set up a date or for questions.



My Morning Out
Celebrating 50 years!



CardMakers For Christ

CardMakers for Christ is having a creative workbee
Thursday, October 12th, 2017
from 11:00-2:00 in Room 120 off of Fellowship Hall
Lake Orion United Methodist Church

We will be recycling used greeting cards to
sell for missions close to home and beyond.

All levels of experience are welcome.
If you have tools you like to work with...
scissors, adhesive, cutting board, etc. bring them.
If you don't have anything we will have
all the supplies you need.

Bring a sack lunch if you like.

For more information contact:

Sue Erickson 270 791-4937. sue.erickson99@gmail.com

Or

Deb Schmidt 248 420-9716. mkdebschmidt@yahoo.com



You are invited to attend our monthly meeting
for the Lake Orion and Oxford Michigan
Abolitionist Project (MAP) community group on
October 12, at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.



The purpose of Michigan Abolitionist Project
(MAP) community groups is to educate,
engage, and eradicate modern day slavery in
Michigan by inspiring everyday people to make
a difference by using their gifts and talents to
address the root causes of human trafficking. If
you have any questions, please contact Dawn
Ames at dawn.ames@lakeorionumc.org or
(248) 563-2399.

Weekly Scheduled
Events :

Sunday

8:00, 9:15, 11:00 AM-Worship Service
09:15 AM-Kids on the Rock
09:15 AM-[youth café]
10:15 AM-Fellowship Time (FH)
11:00 AM-Adult Bible Study (205)

Monday

10:30 AM-Bible Study (Sh)
11:45 AM-Tai Chi & Sword (122)
01:00 PM-Staff Meeting (Sh)
02:00 PM-Senior Fit (123/124)
05:30 PM-Community Meal (FH & 120)
07:00 PM-Small Group (C-Pub)
07:00 PM-Disciple Study (120)

Tuesday

09:00 AM-Mother's Morning Out (Nur)
10:00 AM-Disciple Study (120)
07:00 PM-Chancel Choir

Wednesday

10:00 AM-Sermon Review (120)
02:00 PM-Senior Fit (123/124)
07:00 PM-Worship Team Practice

Thursday

09:00 AM-Mother's Morning Out (Nur)
09:00 AM-YOGA (122)
09:30 AM-Hallelujah Handbells

Friday

02:00 PM-Senior Fit (123/124)

Saturday

Daily

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

AC=All Church

FH=Fellowship Hall



Nur=Nursery

OS=Offsite

Sh=Shalom Room

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
1 World Communion	2 03:00 PM-Heritage Place Service (OS) 07:00 PM-Peer Support (120)	3
8 Project SHALOM	9	10 09:30 AM-Sister Faith Circle (S)
15	16	17(09:00 AM Prayer Squares (108)
22 10:15 AM-Blood Pressure Screening (FH)	23	24
29 10:15 AM-UMW Bake Sale	30	31

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Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	25	26 07:00 PM-Church Council (120)	27 08:00 AM-Trunk or Treat Set-up (AC)	28 08:00 AM-Trunk or Treat Set-up (AC) 05:00 PM-Trunk or Treat (AC)
				

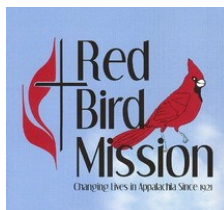


BLOOD DRIVE

October 5th from 1:30-7:30 p.m. at LOUMC.
Sign up online at redcrossblood.org (sponsor code: LOUMC1). Any questions, please call Linda Fitzpatrick at (248) 563-6114.

RED BIRD WORK TRIP - October 15-21, 2017

Each October, LOUMC joins with St. Paul's UMC in Rochester to send a group to Red Bird Mission to participate in a weeklong work project that benefits local residents. Please consider joining the team. Contact Chuck Lingenfelter at crlingenfelter@comcast.net for more information.



COMMUNITY MEALS help is needed to serve and clean up in the 1st, 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. Servers needed at 5:10 with hat, apron and closed toed shoes. Clean up help needed to clean up in kitchen and Fellowship Hall at 6:15 p.m. Please consider being part of this ministry. If you have any questions contact Trudy Carney at trudycarney@aol.com or 248-693-2558 or see Nancy Ochoa or Sharon Keener.



PRAYERS and SQUARES will meet on October 17 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 108.

Working in the Kitchen: Thanks to those who worked at the Baldwin Avenue Kitchen on September 20; Jack & Charlotte Brown, Jim Childers, Michelle Kellogg, Ginny Lavender, Myrna Sweetland, and Jay Verran. The next volunteer date is November 15. Please contact Charlotte Brown at 248-391-0753 if you would like to volunteer.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who donated backpacks and school supplies for the Oxford/Orion FISH back-to-school program. We collected and donated 30 backpacks and 25 boxes of school supplies! The donations from LOUMC helped FISH provide a backpack with supplies to 207 students from Oxford and Lake Orion. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU!



Dear LOUMC Family: Our deepest gratitude for all the various expressions of sympathy on the loss of our beloved Kara. Growing up in this church was a part of her being, and that has brought us some comfort. A special thank you goes to Marcia Keller and her team of helpers for the lovely luncheon provided after the service, and to Pastor Larry for being with us with compassionate listening and guidance. Being surrounded by love and prayer is a powerful support.

*In Christian Love,
Gaye, Ron and Matt Kulenkamp*

Dear LOUMC: Thank you for your generous donations to the 2017 FISH School Backpack Program. Your support helps us to ensure that NO Oxford/Lake Orion student goes back to school without a backpack and supplies. We could not run this program without the help of our donors! Our deepest appreciation.

*Lynn Kennis & Michelle Behm
Orion/Oxford Backpack Committee*



ABOUT PEOPLE

**Please keep the following people
in your prayers:**



Connie Barnard, Linda Carpenter, Howard Daenzer Sr.,
Bruce Denton, Ray Hammond, Carol McCormick, Sandy McSwain,
Patti Michiels, Fern Myers, Pamela Nichols, Don Northcote,
Steve Piazza, Randy Riley, Larry Royster, Cathy Schivley,
Christine Wehrli, Judy Wright,
Community Meals Family,
LOUMC Extended Family Members & Friends

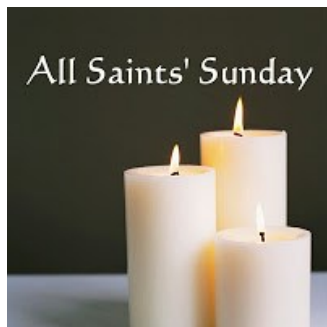
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY will be observed on Sunday, October 1. This day we celebrate the unity we share with people around the globe as the Body of Christ. We will receive a special offering that morning.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

**will be observed on
Sunday, November 5th**

All Saints' Sunday



SAVE THE DATE! On Friday, November 10th at 7 p.m. The Stephen Ministry Team will be holding our yearly fundraiser at Willows Edge Counseling in Oxford. **ALL** proceeds we raise that evening will go to help pay for counseling for men, women and children that need to see a therapist and do not have insurance or cannot afford the co-pay. For an admission price of just \$25 we will be serving appetizers and desserts and will have music. Wine and

beer will be available for a donation. Please come and bring your friends for a wonderful cause. For any questions please contact Lisa Goyette at:

lisa.goyette@lakeorionumc.org

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: October 15th for November LINK

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

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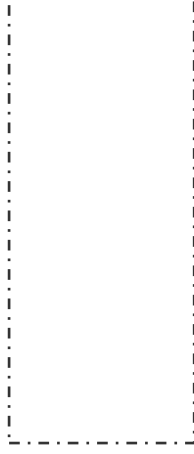
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