



# BEACON

Lakeview Lutheran Church

Madison, Wisconsin

November 2006

## A Note from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

*“The Lord has done great things for us and we rejoice,”*-Psalm 126.

The Lord has indeed done great things for us. God has given us a creation to enjoy and care for. God has given us other people, of all races and colors and sizes and religions. Through these people, created in God’s image, we come to know who God is. Through the beauty of the earth and the wonder of other humans, we increase our understanding of just how immense God’s love for us is. God has given us abundant resources and the opportunity to share those resources with those whose access has been more limited. God has given us adversity and through it we can grow.

November is traditionally a month of thanksgiving. And we are certainly encouraged to give thanks. But November should never be the only time to thank God. Thanksgiving is about 365 days each year of God’s grace.

*“Oh give thanks to the Lord for God is good and God’s steadfast love endures forever,”*-Psalm 136.

Every weekend when we gather at Christ’s holy supper, we offer thanksgiving for the goodness and the steadfastness of God’s love. At the altar we gather to learn that through the bread of life and the cup of blessing, we are a community whose mission is to the poor and to those in need.

God has done great things for us and we respond by giving thanks, not only in November but all year long.

*“Praise the Lord, I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart in the company of the congregation,”*-Psalm 111

Happy Thanksgiving!  
Pastor Kirst



## All Saint’s Vigil

The annual All Saint’s Vigil will be held at 5:00 pm on Saturday, November 4. This service will remember those saints who have departed from us this year. We will begin at the entrance to the Lakeview Cemetery and then move into the historic chapel for the remainder of the service. The senior choir will lead music along with a trumpet. Holy Communion will be served by intinction. The entire congregation is invited to attend and to embrace our sisters and brothers who grieve.

## Rethinking the Holidays

On Wednesday evening, November 29, Barb Hornik of Family Place North and Pastor Kirst offer a special presentation and discussion about ways to rethink holiday celebrations. We can enjoy holidays in a stress free environment. Come and join us in East Hall at 6:30 pm. Childcare will be provided.



## Sanctuary Speaker System

If you worship on Sundays, you know that we are in desperate need of a new speaker system in the sanctuary. The church council has authorized us to move forward and replace the system with an up-to-date quality system that will meet our worship and music needs today and into the future. The new system will cost approximately \$20,000. We have currently received donations in the amount of \$6500. All donations are being held in a designated account by the Mission Endowment Board. Once the money has been raised, we will install the system. If you would like to make a special gift toward this new system, please write your check to Lakeview Endowment and note that it is for the speaker system. Your giving statement will be credited and the money will be used for this project only. Thank you to those who have already made donations.

### Experience It!

On the final weekend of the church year, November 25/26 the members of Lakeview will have the wonderful opportunity to make a financial pledge to support the continued daily ministry of Lakeview Lutheran Church. We are called to proclaim the gospel through our actions and words. We do this through the ministries that we offer, ministries that are supported by all of us through our financial gifts and our offerings of our time and unique talents. Join the people of our congregation at any worship service on this weekend and celebrate the resources we have been given as we find ways to share them with others.

**Thank you to the many, many folks who have voluntarily worked very hard this summer and autumn on the landscaping and yard around Lakeview. It looks very nice out there and all of your efforts are greatly appreciated.**

## More fun at the Lutefisk Dinner...

You not only can fill your tummy with all of the yummy food being served and purchase your 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks. **You can also purchase 50/50 Raffle Tickets!** \$1 each or 6 for \$5. It's a 50/50 win-win. You could be the lucky winner of half the cash while the other half goes towards the church. The more you buy the more chances you have to win. Good Luck!

## Web Site is Operating

Good news! The newly designed Lakeview web site is up and running. You can check it out at [www.lakeviewlutheranchurch.org](http://www.lakeviewlutheranchurch.org). You will find information, nice pictures and the monthly newsletter and calendar on the site. Enjoy the site and share it with your friends.

## Habitat for Humanity Meal

On Saturday, September 30th, Lakeview provided lunch for a hungry work crew of over 60 people. They were helping to build Habitat for Humanity homes at the Twin oaks subdivision off Siggelkow Road. Lunch included turkey and egg salad sandwiches, pasta salad, carrots, celery, broccoli, apples, bananas and cookies and bars. The volunteers seemed very appreciative of our hospitality. I appreciate the support for Habitat meals. Thanks very much.

Arlene Phillips, Meal Coordinator

## Free Writing Assistance

Working on a resume, short story, memoir, paper for school, letter to the editor, or any other kind of writing? Drop in for free Community Writing Assistance, Wednesdays, 5:00-7:30 at the Lakeview Branch Library! A friendly UW writing instructor will be there to offer encouragement and advice.



## For November

### Soups . . .

## Cream of Mushroom Chicken Noodle Vegetable

## Out of the Mouths of Babes

The following statements have been written by children. They have not been retouched or corrected.

- ◆ In the first book of the bible, Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off.
- ◆ Samson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezabel like Delilah.
- ◆ Moses died before he reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.
- ◆ Jesus was born because Mary had an immaculate contraption.



## Congratulations!!

To these 9th grade confirmation students who affirmed their baptismal faith on Sunday, Oct. 29. We give thanks for their presence among us and we embrace them as they are a

significant part of our faith community.

Beau Vincenté Castillo  
 Ryan James Foye  
 Alyx Marie Haasl  
 Leslie Marie O'Kane  
 Megan Lynn Olsen  
 Charles Clinton Schaack  
 Linnea Marie Walstead

Baptized March 7, 1993  
 Baptized July 19, 1992  
 Baptized July 7, 1992  
 Baptized Sept. 6, 1992  
 Baptized April 11, 1992  
 Baptized Oct. 18, 1992  
 Baptized July 14, 1992

## House Building in Biloxi

On November 11, seven cars and 23 people from Lakeview will depart for Biloxi MS to provide hurricane relief with Lutheran Episcopal Disaster Relief. As we recall Jesus' call in a recent gospel text to "be servant of all," we celebrate that our congregation can again, for the third time, send a work crew to the coast. The members of this crew will be dry walling homes. Lutheran Episcopal Disaster Relief in Biloxi currently has 1800 homes waiting for volunteers. Thank you to everyone in the congregation and community who has been generous with financial support to send this crew back to work. The work crew is scheduled to return to Madison on November 19.



## Lakeview Lutheran's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks for Sale!

The first day to purchase cookbooks will be at the Lutefisk Dinner on Friday, November 3, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Each cookbook contains over 350 family recipes from our own members along with some Lakeview history and fun facts. Purchase your cookbooks now and reserve your copies today. Cookbooks should be available by Thanksgiving. They will make great gifts for the holidays! Each cookbook is \$10 and the proceeds go towards updating our church kitchen.

## Parking Lot Considerations

There are members of our congregation who could benefit from having a parking space in the north parking lot, near the main entrance to the church, for Sunday morning worship. Some of these folks are unable to ambulate easily because of age, pregnancy etc. If you are able to walk well, consider parking in the upper lot near the chapel and making the spaces closer to the church available for those in need.

## Women of the Evangelical Church in America

I am writing this before the annual Lutefisk Dinner and Bazaar. However, I am sure things went well. Thanks to all who helped in anyway.

Lakeview's response to Lutheran World Relief drive was great. Thanks to the volunteers who helped take the boxes etc. to the loading site.

**Thankoffering Sunday has been set for November 12th. This is an opportunity to make an offering to WELCA church-wide.**

Please note: Thankoffering is a time honored tradition in the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Our foremothers held Thankoffering services, mainly in the fall, to give thanks for God's faithfulness at harvest time. Today, women throughout the organization gather to give thanks for what God has done and is doing in our lives throughout the year. These offerings support the church-wide ministry of the organization to multiply the mission work of the church. (From "Worship Boldly")

Keep the faith,  
Shirley Storkson



### Coffee Hour

On Sunday mornings, there is coffee donated by Pierces Grocery in the Fellowship Room. There are also a variety of fresh donuts and pastries available. On some weekends, members of the congregation have donated the cost for these pastries. On other weekends, the church pays for them. Those who enjoy these treats are encouraged to make a free will offering to assist in covering the cost of treats. A basket is available on the treat table in the Fellowship Room. Thank you.

## Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving

Residents of Madison and the surrounding area will have a very unique opportunity on November 19, 2006 as Lakeview helps to sponsor an Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving. This service will begin at 3:00 pm at the Warner Park Community Center. This is not an inter-denominational Christian service, but an opportunity to hear and experience the faith based customs of those of other religions. You will be able to experience practices from Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Christianity, Wiccans, Unitarians and a local indigenous community. As our country gathers to give thanks, we give thanks for all people, including those whose practices differ from our own. Mark your calendars to attend this event.



### Lakeview Thanksgiving Eve

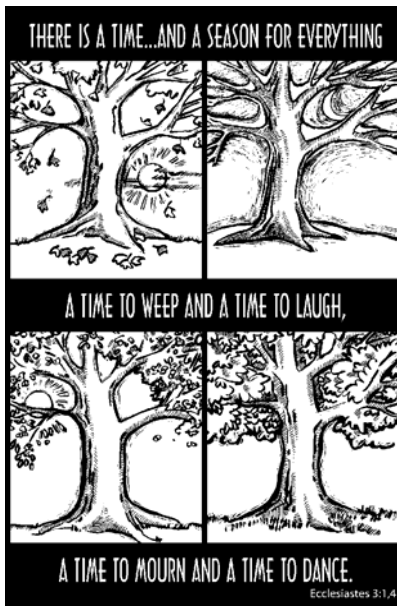
A Thanksgiving Eve worship service led by Pastor Kirst, Tim Mueller and the confirmation students will be held at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, November 22 in the historic chapel. Students will offer special music and personal reflections. There will be a sermon, hymns, prayers and Holy Communion. All are welcome. Remember that the chapel is accessible from the north (back) door.

### Free Thanksgiving Dinner Thursday, November 23

**12 Noon—East Hall  
Lakeview Lutheran  
Church**

All are welcome. Bring the  
whole family,  
friends & neighbors





# SENIOR FORUM

## "DENDROLOGY: IT'S THE STUDY OF TREES"

Learn about the community of life  
that makes a tree

WITH

**TIM ANDREWS**

**Tim Andrews has practiced in field arborica for nearly 30 years. He's traveled to and fished in the Alaskan wilderness eight times. Bring your questions concerning trees!**



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2006

LUNCH AT 11:30 A.M. PROGRAM AT 12:15

LAKEVIEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

RSVP 244-6181 BY MON., NOV. 13

## From the Parish Nurse

### Healing Service

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2006

7 p.m. Historic Chapel

### “Rebuilding Our Lives Following Loss”

Join Sue Lux, Associate in Ministry, ELCA  
and Anne Tigan, Parish Nurse

A time for quiet prayer, music, Scripture  
candlelighting, and blessing

**Parish Health Ministry Team** will meet in parish nurse office on Monday, November 13, from 6:15-7:00 p.m. We will begin to collate parish health surveys completed on Rally Sunday.

### Emergency Preparedness

On Sunday, November 12th during Adult Education Hour, I will be talking about how individuals and families can prepare a disaster kit to be used in the case of Pandemic Flu. I will go over what needs to be included, as well as what it can be put in and where it should be stored. I will also define pandemic flu, and discuss why it could happen in Madison. Lakeview Church Council member Luther Torgerson will also be present and will offer information on how Lakeview could devise its own disaster kit, and the kind of items that would be included.

\*participants will also learn how they can win their own emergency preparedness kit!!

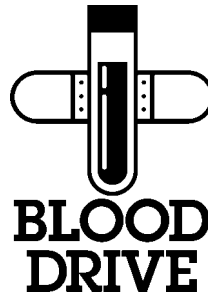
Also, on Tuesday, December 5th, Lakeview will be having a disaster preparedness forum from 6:15-8:30pm. A free meal will be offered from 5:30-6:15pm, and childcare will be available. Another thing to keep in mind is that we will be offering a 90 minute first aid class titled, "Together We Prepare", on Monday, November 27th from 6-8pm.



The cost is \$16/person, and must be paid at least one week in advance in the church office. Checks should be made payable to American Red

Cross. We would also like to offer a 4-hour CPR for certification class on Thursday, November 30th from 5-9pm, but we need at least eight people in the class. Let us know if you are interested!! The cost of this class will be \$56/person.

Leah Bachim, UW Nursing Student



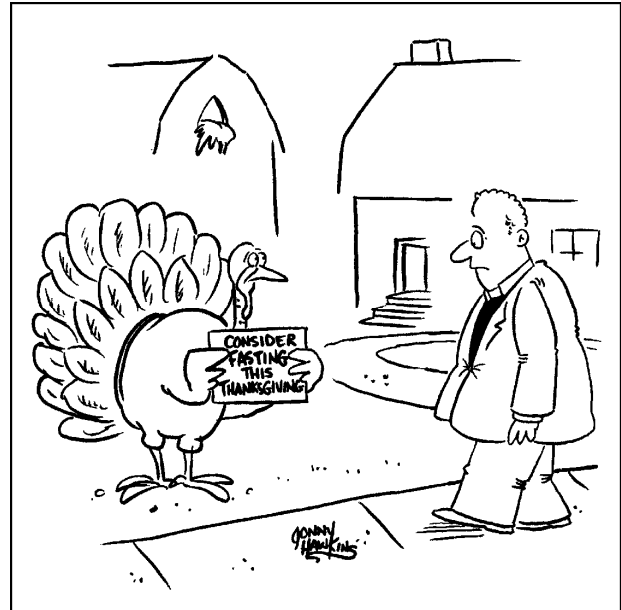
## Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, November 29th

1:00—6:00 pm

East Hall

Lakeview Lutheran Church



## TURKEY DINNER

### St. Mark's Lutheran Church

(one block off of S. Park St. , down from Cops)

**Saturday, November 4, 4-7pm**

\$8.50 adults, \$6 for seniors,  
\$4.50, kids 12 and under , kids under 4 eat free  
Best in comfort food, start your Thanksgiving early

## **Invitation to Nominate Candidates for Bishop South-Central Synod of Wisconsin ELCA**

To: Rostered Leaders and Members of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin  
From: Constance Kilmark, Synod Vice-President  
Rev. Karen Locken, Chair, Task Force for Election of a Bishop  
Date: October 15, 2006

The South-Central Synod of Wisconsin will elect a bishop at the May 3-5 2007 Synod Assembly to serve a six-year term beginning July 1, 2007. We invite you into this prayerful process by nominating eligible candidates for the office.

Any ordained minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in good standing is eligible. A candidate is not required to reside within the geographical boundaries for the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin.

To nominate a candidate for bishop, complete the enclosed **Nomination Form**, which asks for the following information:

- Your name, address, telephone number, and congregational membership. The person making the nomination must be a member of a South-Central Synod of Wisconsin congregation. **A nominator may only make one nomination.** A person may not nominate himself or herself for the position.
- The name and address of the candidate.
- An indication that the candidate is an ordained minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, as required by S8.11 of the *Constitution of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*.

**Nominations will be received from November 1, 2006 until January 31, 2007.** While a nomination may still be made after this date, such a nomination will not benefit from inclusion in the full process described in the timeline. Nominations will continue to be accepted through the first ecclesiastical ballot at Synod Assembly in May 2007.

After the nomination has been received, the nominator will be notified of the receipt of the nomination. The Task Force will **not** notify the candidates of their nomination until this phase of nominations closes on January 31st to encourage a prayerful time of quiet discernment. On February 1st all nominated persons will be sent a Response Packet, which will include a request for biographical data, a photo, and answers to set of questions.

Each candidate's unedited answers will be posted to the bishop's election website, [www.bishop-election-scsw-elca.org](http://www.bishop-election-scsw-elca.org). Responses received after March 1st will be posted to the website which will be updated twice each month. Once a person has been nominated, that person's name will appear on the first ballot at the 2007 Synod Assembly **unless the nominee returns the response form by March 1st withdrawing his/her name.**

**Nominations are to be sent to:**

**Constance Kilmark, Vice-President  
South-Central Synod of Wisconsin-ELCA  
P.O. Box 3217  
Madison, WI 53704**

**NOMINATION FORM**  
**South-Central Synod of Wisconsin ELCA**  
**2007 Election of a Bishop**

**Nominator:**

*(person making nomination)*

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

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregational Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: The person making the nomination must be a member of a congregation of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin. A nominator may only make one nomination. A person may not nominate himself or herself for the position.*

**Nominee:**

*(person nominated to the position)*

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

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the nominee an ordained minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, as required by Section S8.11 of the *Constitution of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*?

Yes No Unsure

Does the nominee know that he/she has been nominated for the position?

Yes No

**Attestation:** I nominate the person named above to the office of bishop of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Church in America for a six-year term beginning July 1, 2007. By signing below, I certify that I am a member of a congregation of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Submitting Your Nomination:**

**Nominations will be accepted November 1, 2006 through January 31, 2007.**

Nominations are to be addressed to: Constance Kilmark, Vice-President; South-Central Synod of Wisconsin; P.O. Box 3217, Madison, WI 53704.