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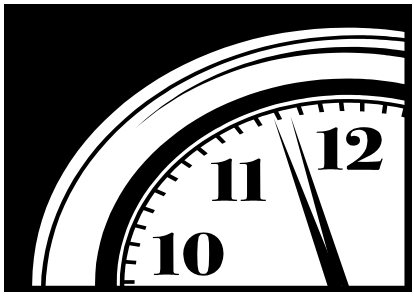

September worship times

Saturday, Sept. 4, 5 p.m./Chapel;
Sunday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m./Sanctuary

Saturday, Sept. 11, 5 p.m./Chapel
Sunday, Sept. 12, 10:30 a.m.
outdoor service, Rally Day

There will be **no 8 a.m. service** on Sunday, Sept. 12.

Beginning Saturday, Sept. 18 and Sunday, Sept. 19
Saturdays, 5 p.m./Chapel
Sundays, 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m./Sanctuary

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Dates to Note

Tuesday, Aug. 31 (7 p.m.): Confirmation Orientation for students in 7th, 8th and 9th grades and parents or guardians.

Sunday, Sept. 5: Road Home Week

Sunday, Sept. 12: Rally Sunday — potluck brunch, information fair, education registration, children's games, outdoor worship, mission trip sign-up and teacher installation

Saturday, Sept. 18: Habitat House Build, Capital Square, 8-9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 28: Bad Girls of the Bible, Bible study from 9:30-11 a.m. with Pastor Dean.

Saturday, Oct. 2: Confirmation Van Trip — get wild and wacky in Southwestern Wisconsin and Dubuque

Sunday, Oct. 3: Potluck and New York Trip Pictures, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 5: Spanish Class begins, offered through MATC at Lakeview

Wednesday, Oct. 6: Adult Van Trip to Elegant Farmer, River Valley Mushroom Farm, Cotton Picker Restaurant and more.

Friday, Oct. 8: Musical "Wicked" at Overture Center

Friday, Oct. 15: Confirmation Box Night/Fundraiser

Sunday, Oct. 17: CROP walk

Sunday, Oct. 17: Confirmation Pizza Party at Ian's after CROP walk

Sunday, Oct. 24: Affirmation of Baptism, 10:30 a.m. worship

Sunday, Oct. 24 (4 p.m.): Congregation Halloween Party

Sunday, Oct. 31: Reformation Weekend

Friday, Nov. 5: Lutefisk Dinner

Saturday, Nov. 6 (5 p.m.): All Saints Celebration, cemetery and Chapel

Thursday, Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Dinner, free to all at noon

Sunday, Nov. 28: Road Home Week

Sunday, Dec. 12: Sunday School Christmas Program, 10:30 a.m. worship

Sunday, Dec. 19: Christmas Concert, East Hall with refreshments

Friday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Worship, 5 p.m., sanctuary

Saturday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day Worship, 9 a.m., sanctuary

Saturday, Dec. 25: Christmas Day Evening Worship, 5 p.m., Chapel

Sunday, Dec. 26: Worship, 9 a.m., sanctuary

Jan 14, 2011: Middle School Winter Retreat Weekend, Green Lake

Feb. 11, 2011: High School Retreat Weekend, Grace House, Milwaukee

Read on

Book Club continues as Lakeview Lutefisk and Literary Society

The Lakeview Lutefisk and Literary Society invites you to join us monthly for lively discussion and critique of a new book. We meet the first Monday evening of the month from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Room. Each discussion is lead by a member of the group.

Our book schedule for the fall is as follows. (Please note September's meeting is the Tuesday after Labor Day.)

Here are the selections:

Tuesday September 7: "Inheritance of Loss" by Kiran Desai (discussion led by Jane Rose).

This stunning second novel from Desai is set in mid-1980s India, on the cusp of the Nepalese movement for an independent state. A retired Cambridge-educated judge, lives in Kalimpong, at the foot of the Himalayas, with his orphaned granddaughter, Sai, and his cook.

Monday October 4: "The Elegance of the Hedgehog" by Muriel Barbery (discussion led by Ellen Bethel)

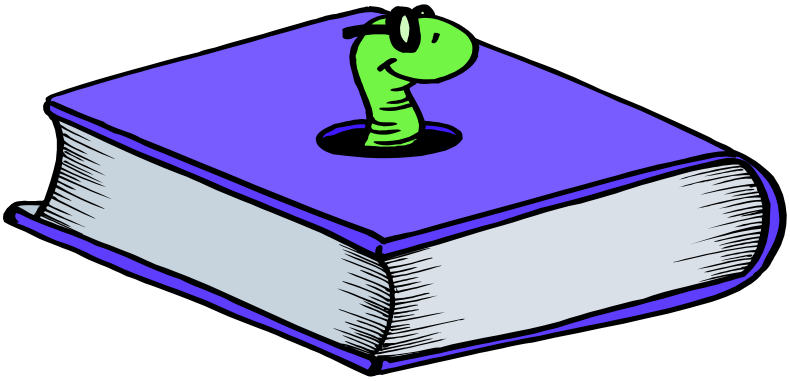
Renée Michel is the nondescript, 54-year-old concierge of a small and exclusive Paris apartment building. Its handful of tenants include a celebrated restaurant critic, high government officials and members of the old nobility. Every day these residents pass by the loge of Madame Michel , but there is far more to her than meets the eye.

Monday November 1: "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett (discussion led by Lynn Case)

An uplifting debut novel set during the civil rights movement in Jackson, Miss., where black women were trusted to raise white children but not to polish the household silver. Eugenia Skeeter Phelan is just home from college in 1962, and, eager to write, is advised to hone her chops by writing about what disturbs you.

Monday December 6: "The Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford (discussion led by Judy Auclair)

Henry Lee is a 12-year-old Chinese boy who falls in love with Keiko Okabe, a 12-year-old Japanese girl, while they are scholarship students at a prestigious private school in World War II Seattle. Henry hides the relationship from his parents, who would disown him if they knew he had a Japanese friend. Japanese residents have begun to be shipped off by the thousands to relocation centers. This is an old-fashioned historical novel that alternates between the 1940s and 1984.



Friesland Chorus sets 2011 show, but plenty of events before then

"…the plans of mice and men" (add women)

● After two years of trying to schedule the show, Friesland Men's Chorus will perform at Lakeview. A date has been set for March 19, 2011.

● Long before then, a very special program is planned for the annual **Salad Supper** on **Tuesday, September 28.** Mark your calendar now and look for more information in the bulletins, posters and reminders during church services. You won't want to miss this event.

● The Bible Study information for the upcoming series is found in Lutheran Woman Today (July/August). It is **The People of God: Unity in the Midst of Diversity**, and the authors are Rev. Catherine Malotky and the Rev. David Engelstad. This study will explore how we can renew our faith lives, respond to God's call, and rejoice in our many blessings.

Session 1: The Book of Faith, Reading the Bible, Romans 15:4 "For whatever things were written before were written for our learning…"

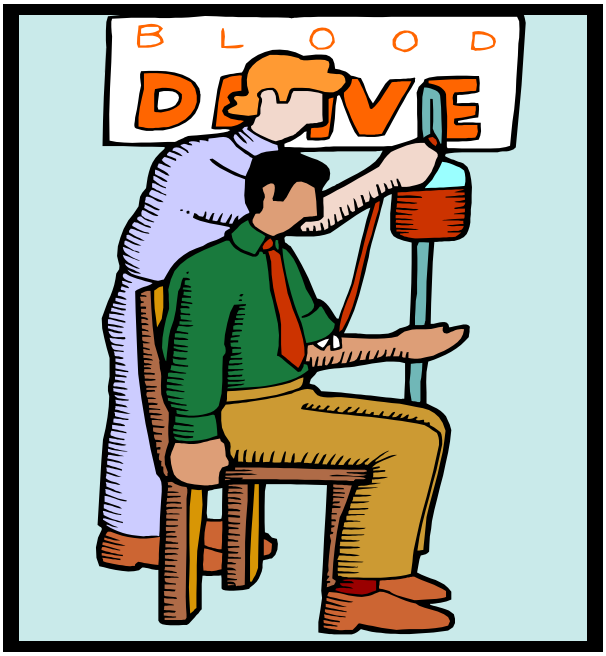
Session 2: Life in Community, Body of Christ, Focus on Health

Session 3: Entrusted with Much, How can we be faithful stewards of all that we have?

● Lutheran World Relief Box Car loading is **Saturday, October 2**. Information about the kits is found in the circle's yearbook. No toothpaste is needed. Also, clothing is no longer collected. Quilts, soap and the kits are needed. (Soap must be new, in original wrappings, all sizes accepted, bath-size preferred.) Questions? Call Shirley at 249-9014.

● Coming sooner than we think is the Lutefisk dinner and bazaar. It's on **Friday, November 5**. Watch for lefse making times. This is the only fundraiser for the Lakeview Women of the ELCA and everyone is involved. We are able to make contributions to community as well as our own congregation. Thank you in advance.

Keep the faith,
Shirley Storkson



Registration underway for Blood Drive on Tuesday, Sept. 7

Lakeview Lutheran Church will be hosting its next Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, September 7.

The drive is from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. Please call the church office at 244-6181 to make an appointment. If you can help or make treats, please call Terry Warnke at 244-2047. Your help is always appreciated.

Thrivent Financial sets fish and chicken dinner for October 8

On Friday, Oct. 8, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is hosting a Fish and Chicken Dinner for Thrivent members and their guests at Lakeview Lutheran Church. The dinner is free and will be served in three seatings: 5, 6 and 7 p.m. The menu includes potato, vegetable, salads, beverage and dessert.

There will be a donation box to assist Thrivent Builds, a partnership with Habitat for Humanity and the build here on the Northside. Co-chairs Terry Warnke and Lynn Case are looking for a few good people, including youth, to help set up, serve and clean up afterwards. If you would like to help, and/or need service hours, please call Terry at 244-2047 (tlwarnke@charter.net) or Lynn Case at 249-7832 (lcase2008@yahoo.com). We know this is the same day at Lakeview's trip to see "Wicked" so we are asking for your help.

Pastor's Report

Dear Friends,

I hope you have had a chance for some rest and relaxation during these summer months. It has been another busy summer and we have had many great activities and changes in the church office. The New York youth trip was wonderful. The middle school trip to Chattanooga was also superb. Most of you know that Nancy Anderson retired in June and Tom Alesia has been with us as our Office Administrator since that time. Pastor Laurie preached her final sermon at Lakeview on August 15 and will be taking a leave from ministry for the time being.

Now it is time to re-establish and begin a new program year at Lakeview. I hate to see summer end but I am always excited about all the plans and activities that we will be putting in place at Lakeview. I am grateful for the dedication that you have for mission and ministry from this place. I am excited about many upcoming educational opportunities for all ages. Of course, I love to worship with you every weekend. And I've tried to incorporate some fun social activities in the upcoming schedule too. It is good for us to get to know one another and simply have fun together. Since coming to Lakeview nine years ago, I have decided that if you do not like having fun, you should not be hanging around this place. Take a look at all the information jammed in this newsletter. Consider participating in something new this year. Surprise yourself. Have a new experience. Meet some new people. I would love to see the Lakeview parking lot buzzing with cars and people every day and evening of the week.

But most important to me is the foundation for why we exist as a community. We are called to worship. We are called to pause regularly from our weekly routine and give thanks to the God who constantly loves us and frees us from the powers of evil that bind us. I hope that each of you will worship often this year. If you have been away from the worshiping community for awhile, come back. Reconnect and reacquaint on Rally Sunday, September 12. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy worship in the beauty of our property. Share some food and fellowship at the potluck just before the service. Enroll your children in Sunday school and check out the information fair that will be going on.

Christ invites you to come! Do not worry about what you are wearing or what your family income is or what kind of a house you live in. Just come! Experience the good news of the gospel regularly here at Lakeview. This is a place where we are all one in the family of God.

Peace,
Pastor Dean

Lotsa lefsa

It's lefsa making time again in September and October.

We'll be preparing lefsa for the Lutefisk dinner on Friday, Nov. 5.

Help us roll lefsa twice per week:

- 3 p.m. Sundays, beginning Sept. 19
- 8:30 a.m. Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 21

Everyone is welcome. You need no experience. We will teach you.

Free lefsa rolling lessons!

Sponsor altar flowers and worship bulletins

In the Narthex, you may still sponsor flowers ($20) or worship bulletins ($25) for several weeks through the end of 2010. The days available for altar flower sponsor are Nov. 28 and Dec. 12. Bulletins sponsors may sign up for Sept. 19, Sept. 26, Oct. 3, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, Dec. 19, Dec. 24 and Dec. 25. Thank you!

Bad Girls and Bad Boys of the Bible

Pastor Dean is leading a 2-part Bible study on **Tuesday, Sept. 28 and Tuesday, Oct. 19**. Come to either or both to find out about who has been considered to be a bad girl or bad boy in the Bible. We'll talk about how these folks have traditionally been portrayed then consider other interpretations of their characters. You will be able to decide how bad these folks are. Maybe you'll decide that they aren't bad at all!

Let's have some fun as we explore familiar and unfamiliar Bible characters and their stories. Coffee will be provided. The study will last from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on each of the days and we'll meet in the church Conference Room on the lower level. Anyone is invited to attend this provocative study.

Zumma, zumma, zum

If these words mean nothing to you, then you should join the Lakeview Choir! Our very able and ever-filled-with-energy director, Lynn Najem, makes us sing these words every week. Come and find out why. The choir resumes on **Thursday, September 16** at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. We rehearse for about an hour and 15 minutes and then we head to Culvers for ice cream and socialization.

The choir is an important part of worship leadership at Lakeview and everyone is encouraged to become a part of this group. We have fun together and are grateful that we can praise God through music. The choir schedule has been laid out and all music has been selected through the end of the year. Schedules, folders and music will be passed out the first night of choir.

Road Home Week September 5-12

Many volunteers and many hands are needed for the next time we host the families in the Road Home program. We need untrained volunteers to unload the truck and to make beds and set up rooms on **Sunday morning, Sept. 5** at 10 a.m. We also need many volunteers to load the moving van and unmake beds on **Sunday morning, Sept. 12** at 7:30 a.m. Many trained volunteers are needed throughout the week. Our congregation coordinators are Mary Cragin, Kris Kirst and Rene Puzach and they are actively looking for you to volunteer. Let them know if you can. Also, donations of breakfast and lunch food are needed along with cookies and bars. ***Our last week to host Road Home in 2010 begins November 28.***

2011 Road Home host dates

The weeks of March 20, July 31 and December 18 are our dates to host Road Home guests. Road Home guests will be in our building over Christmas in 2011. Yes, homeless people are unfortunately homeless at holiday time, too. What a great way for us to share the gospel of Christmas by hosting these guests during that week.

Adult van trip set for October 6

Pastor Dean has reserved a 12-passenger van for **Wednesday, October 6**. He will be the designated driver and take 11 additional adults on a day trip to the Elegant Farmer Apple Farm in Mukwonago, River Valley Mushroom Farm near Burlington, The Cotton Picker Restaurant in Burlington, the chocolate factory outlet store and, if the group desires, a local winery. We'll be leaving church around 8 a.m. and return to church at least by 5 p.m. We will share the cost of the van. Watch for more details and mark your calendars.

Box Night

Confirmation students will again be homeless and sleep in boxes on the chapel lawn the night of **Friday, October 15**. Besides giving us each a 12-hour glimpse into what it's like to be homeless, we will be raising money for the CROP walk. Plan to stop by with a financial donation to end hunger and show your support of the kids. CROP walk is Sunday, October 17.

Building on Faith September 18

On **Saturday, September 18**, during the Farmer's Market, Habitat for Humanity of Dane County has received permission to build houses on King Street! That's right, we'll be putting together walls at 4 different building stations from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The purpose is to expose the community to Habitat's building program. It is also to let the community see the number of faith-based communities that come together to make Habitat homes a reality. Many area churches will be involved. Lakeview will be sending a building team to the square from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Properties Ministry needs volunteers for various projects

The Properties Ministry is looking for volunteers for three projects to be completed by the end of September.

1. Need 2 detail-oriented people to paint the conference room.

2. Need 2-3 people with carpentry skills to replace damaged or stained ceiling tiles. Must be comfortable working on a ladder. Will have to cut some tiles to fit openings.

3. Need 2-4 people to clean all windows, inside and out. May require working on a ladder or creative cleaning skill.

Contact Garry Puzach at 849-4731.

Sunday school begins

Our Sunday school program for children who are 3 years of age through 6th grade begins with registration, activities and brunch on Rally Sunday, Sept. 12. Bring your children and get registered and enjoy all the activities of the day. Children will be in classrooms beginning on Sunday, Sept. 19. Sunday school begins at 9:15 a.m. every week. It concludes in time for worship at 10:15 a.m. every week.

Sunday adult study

The Sunday morning adult study will begin on September 19 at 9:15 a.m. in the sanctuary. Pastor Dean and Linda Osterhaus will be leading this study and it will be held jointly with the confirmation class through October 24. The topic for the study will be "Worship." We will begin with some crazy fun to get participants excited and invigorated on September 19. We will also talk about why we worship and what appropriate worship behavior is all about. Other Sunday morning topics will include; the liturgy, the seasons and the hymns. There will be a field trip for adults and students on Sept. 26 to experience worship at Blackhawk Church on the West side of Madison.

Collecting toilet paper

We're doing it again. We want to build a very high pile of toilet paper on the front lawn of the chapel on Rally Sunday morning. At the conclusion of the service, we will form a human chain and pass the paper down the driveway and into the Lakeview Food Pantry. It's silly, it's goofy, it's helpful! Randi Matthews, the food pantry director, informed us that the toilet paper we collected last year on Rally Sunday lasted the full year in the Food Pantry. That's great. Let's fill the pantry with TP again this year. Bring any size, any brand and any amount. It is all very useful.

Potluck and pictures

Reserve Oct. 3 for an evening of fun at church. We'll have a potluck supper in East Hall at 5 pm. Table service and beverages will be provided, along with New York Cheesecake. After we eat, we'll go to the sanctuary to see the pictures of the New York youth trip on the big screen.

High school mission trip to Crow Reservation in July 2011

On Rally Sunday, registration forms will be available for the 2011 Summer High School Mission Trip to the Crow Indian Reservation in Montana. Any youth who is in high school during the 2010/11 school year is eligible for this trip. We will be leaving Madison on July 16 and return on July 25. While on this trip, we will be painting houses, leading a Kid's Club and experiencing the cultural lifestyles of the Crow people.

The reservation is just south of Billings, Montana., and, unfortunately, has a very high poverty rate. It will be a very different experience from the one we had in Manhattan this past summer. If you wish to participate in this trip, you must have your completed registration forms and a $50 deposit to Pastor Dean by October 3, 2010.

He has reserved 20 spots for youth to attend this trip. You will be able to fund raise the cost of the trip just as we have done in the past. When we are finished with our mission experience, we will do something fun before coming home. Get signed up today. You don't want to miss it. Friends are welcome but MUST follow the same fundraising requirements as everyone else.

Middle school winter retreat

Middle School Winter Retreat will be held January 14-16, 2011 at the Green Lake Center. The theme will be "Birthday Bash." We'll explore our identity and rebirth as children of God.

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Let's get ready to Rally

September 12 Rally Day schedule

5 p.m., Sept. 11: Worship in chapel

8 a.m., Sept. 12: No worship service until 10:30 a.m.

9 a.m.: Information Fair in East Hall.

- Property Care and Maintenance
- Choir
- Bells
- Dartball
- Lutefisk Dinner
- Music
- Knitting Ministry
- Road Home Ministry
- Food Pantry
- Sunday School Registration
- Family Halloween Party
- Registration for 2011 Summer High School trip to Crow Reservation in Montana
- Info on High School Winter Retreat in Milwaukee
- Book Club
- Sign up for CROP walk; Get CROP walk shirts
- Volunteer to roll lefse

9:15 a.m.: Potluck Brunch in East Hall (during Information Fair) Table service, egg casseroles – meat and vegetarian – and beverages provided. Bring food to share.

9:30 a.m.: Children's games/activities in East Hall and on lawn.

10:30 a.m.: Outdoor worship in front of chapel with Holy Communion and baptism.
Bring lawn chairs/blankets and toilet paper for the food pantry. Installation of Sunday School teachers, introduction of confirmation students and children's lesson about baptism.

11:30 a.m.: Human chain to pass toilet paper to pantry

11:45 a.m.: Depart for home

Consider participating in new Lakeview activity

Every person has a gift!

Let today be the day you decide to try something new at Lakeview. As I look at the upcoming events and activities already on Lakeview's calendar I see many opportunities for us to connect as a community.

Rally Day on September 12 will be a fun-filled day to come together, invite friends and family to join us in worship and hit the ground running to share our mission to serve.

Our Church Council continues to meet monthly. The Council is made up of 12 members of the congregation and Pastor Dean. There is the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and 8 Ministry Liaisons. Currently, each Ministry meets ad hoc as special projects, activities or events arise. Rally Day will be the perfect time for you to express an interest in a particular ministry. Council members will be available to share information on how to get involved.

President: René Puzach, VP: Mary Cragin, Treasurer: Darlene Younger, Secretary: Amy Butrymowicz, Evangelism: Amy Luebke, Parish Ed.: Travis Currier, Personnel: Joy Krey, Properties: Garry Puzach, Stewardship: Joyce McElmurry, Mission in Society: Chris Anders, Worship & Music: Verallyn Cline and Youth & Family: Scott Harris.

How will you share *your* gift?

René Puzach, Church Council president