

April 2018



## The New Wine

### Bishop's Column: Living in Liminal Times

A few weeks ago, a well-known and respected church consultant, the Rev. Susan Beaumont, came to train our newly emerging Annual Conference and District Shepherding Teams in adaptive leadership ([read more](#)). The night before the training, the Annual Conference Shepherding Team had dinner with her and she shared some observations and thoughts that she has on where the Church in the U.S. is—not just The United Methodist Church but all Christian denominations.



Bishop Sally Dyck

She said, “The church is in liminality!” Huh?

Liminality is a word from the Latin, meaning threshold. It’s a time of being betwixt and between, acknowledging that what has been is dying away or disappearing but what will be is not yet clear.

She used the example of when her son and his wife were pregnant with their first child. They knew that life as they had known it was about to end but they didn’t really have a sense of what life would be like when this new life emerged. They knew that they would lose some things, like spontaneously going to dinner or a full night’s sleep. But they were eagerly anticipating this new life—already loving this child and eagerly awaiting its arrival.

Elsewhere I have read that a liminal time is like “God’s waiting room,” where we are parked, maybe preparing, earnestly seeking as to what yet shall be. In God’s waiting room, there is no certainty about what the future will be and how it will be different from now or what has been in the past. We don’t know what the Promised Land will look like but we have to leave Egypt and even wander around in the wilderness to get there. Whatever is dying away or disappearing may or may not be a good thing but the uncertainty of not knowing the future is agonizing for us! There is grief at the loss of whatever was good about the past way of being and doing even if it wasn’t all good.

It helps, Susan said, when we have some kind of image or sense of what might yet be. An expectant couple has all kinds of expectations of their child but also wonder at the difficulty of the changes the child will bring! The children of Israel had visions of milk and honey but also of giants in their minds. Liminal times contain hope and also anxiety; joy and also grief.

The celebration of Easter is the celebration—and assurance—that God is in the liminal time. With Easter we affirm that who Jesus was—a physical man in a specific time and place—had died and now is so different from how he looked and acted just three days ago that even Mary Magdalene took him for the gardener!

#### Upcoming Services and Events

##### April 1

8:30

*Communion Service*

10:00 *Easter Egg Hunt*

10:45 *Family Service*

*Happy Easter!*

##### April 8

8:30 *Communion Service*

10:45 *Family Service*

*Mark Huegelmann Preaching*

##### April 15

*Coffee Fellowship*

##### April 22

*Loose Change Sunday*

##### April 29

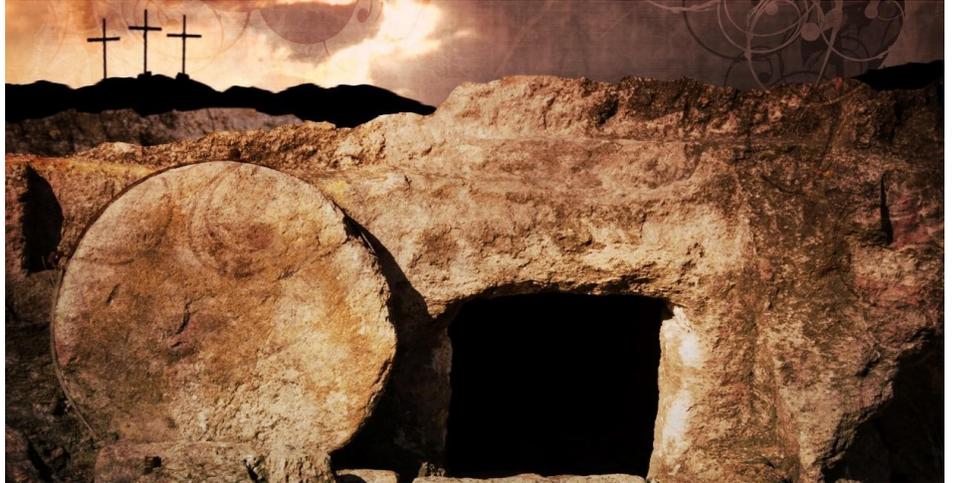
8:30 *Communion Service*

10:45 *Family Service*

Truly celebrating Easter means that we must acknowledge that what we have known in this life will one day die away but trust that we will become something new. It's not about being who we have been again; it's about being new.

I always like The Message's image of this: Some skeptic is sure to ask, "Show me how resurrection works. Give me a diagram; draw me a picture. What does this 'resurrection body' look like?" If you look at this question closely, you realize how absurd it is. There are no diagrams for this kind of thing.

We do have a parallel experience in gardening. You plant a "dead" seed; soon there is a flourishing plant. There is no visual likeness between seed and plant. You could never guess what a tomato would look like by looking at a tomato seed. What we plant in the soil and what grows out of it don't look anything alike. The dead body that we bury in the ground and the resurrection body that comes from it will be dramatically different. (1 Corinthians 15:35-38)



Navigating the liminal times in this life is difficult; the children of Israel had a tough time navigating the liminal time in the wilderness. They made some serious mistakes but learned to trust God even for food and water. They were shaped by the wilderness experience into the children of God; without it they would have remained enslaved to what had been. But I don't think they particularly liked living in the wilderness or in the liminal time. It's hard because we don't always know what to do. It's what has been called the "terrible cloud of unknowing" (mystic Evelyn Underhill).

I like to know what I'm doing and where I'm going and how to navigate, don't you? But a liminal time means that we have to acknowledge that we're not in control, that we don't know what we don't know, and we must let go and trust in God who will lead us through.

Can you see that the Church is in a liminal time! That it's changing—yes, dying and disappearing in many ways and places—but that we don't yet see what it will become? "It does not yet appear what we shall be," as it says in 1 John 3:2. But we are not without direction as to how to live in this liminal time.

Mary Magdalene went to the tomb "while it was yet dark" . . . there's a liminal image! She couldn't imagine what she would find there but because of her faithfulness, service, and love, she put herself in the position to be in the presence of the risen Christ.

We're called to faithfully do what God has called us to do: to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. But we're also called to trust in the mystery which is the liminal gospel of Easter: walking by faith and not by sight, letting the light shine through where it exists in the darkness, and navigating uncharted territory! (Anybody recognizes some liminal annual conference themes?) Celebrate Easter in the spirit of Mary Magdalene—under the cloud of unknowing but trusting that God is yet revealing what we shall be!

From Bishop Sally Dyck

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 3-Cris Kerins  
April 3-Erin Cliff  
April 5-Margaret Flynn  
April 6-GleeAnn Kehr  
April 7-Dave Gessner  
April 13-Antonio Lange  
April 14-Kyleigh Janovyak  
April 16-Bill Price  
April 17-Amy Cheehy  
April 20-Ellie Woytek  
April 21-Bob Nelson  
April 23-Sue Hinks  
April 26-Elizabeth Havemann  
April 27-Wendy Myers  
April 28-Emily Stood

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April 5-Bill & Mary Jane Sykes  
April 20-Tom & Marge Fox  
April 21-Tony & Dawn Ferrazzi  
April 23-Stephen & Sherrill Weary



## \*\*\*\*Scrip Cards\*\*\*\*

I encourage you to look at the 2 folders I recently placed in the back of the church marked: **SCRIP by Category** and **SCRIP Alphabetical**. Feel free to take the list and browse through the many many retailers that participate in this program.

### Fundraising WHILE YOU Shop



Scrip fundraising is a no-selling program that enables families to raise money for their non-profit organization (NPO). Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards.

You purchase gift cards from your organization at face value, and your coordinator orders those cards from Great Lakes Scrip Center at a reduced price. The difference is an instant rebate for your organization. It's really that simple!

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Also please know that **VISA** cards are available in increments of \$50, \$100, and \$250.

There are many retailers that offer "**Visa five back**" which means if you go to a participating retailer, they will put 5% of your purchase back on your card.

Red Lobster, Outback, Panera, Sephora, Red Robin, Old Navy and Bakers Square are just a few. For many more please visit [www.fivebackgift.com](http://www.fivebackgift.com) for a complete list.

Again, I Thank You for your participation in this program!

## OPEN PANTRY NEWS

Volunteers are needed to stock shelves for the Open Pantry. Hours are on Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00, this is light work and helpful to families that work during the day. The Open Pantry is in need of peas, tomato soup, tuna, canned fruit, and rice/pasta sides. Starting January 1st the pantry will not have evening or weekend hours.



## Sanctuary Volunteers Are Needed!

As you have seen, the video and audio are up and running. What we need now are volunteers! We do not want to have one person stuck in the booth every Sunday. Plus we need to spread the knowledge around so when someone goes on vacation, there will be someone to fill in. Our goal is to have 4-6 people who are comfortable flipping through the computer presentation slides and 4-6 people who are comfortable raising and lower the sound on a mic so we do not have feedback. You do not have to worry. We will walk you through the programs and train you so you feel comfortable with the devices! We just need volunteers!

There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary for both sound volunteers. We need people for both the 8:30 and 10:45 services. The more we have the better. That means that everyone will be able to sit with their family most Sundays. So, please put your name on the sign up sheet or stop by the booth and let Jana Stelter or someone on the Worship committee know. We will get you familiar with the program so you can get in the rotation to volunteer for a service.

To our previous church family,

Just wanted to thank all of you who have remembered Dick in your prayers; and also those who have visited, called, and sent notes and cards during his long recovery from neck surgery. It's so wonderful to not have been forgotten, even though we've been gone for so long. Next will be more chemo treatments for Dick's cancer, but considering all he's been through, he's done remarkably well. We have been blessed with God's faithfulness and so many dear friends at LUMC.

Dick & Sandy Arcus



## Calling All Musicians

We are encouraging all musicians and singers who are interested in joining the Praise Band to contact Leslie, Bob, or Jana.

**Come join us!**



## "The Last Supper" Play



An inspiring production on the play "Lord, Is It I?" Was performed on Palm Sunday evening. People were greeted by confirmands, the church darkened and Bob Gergescz played "Tocatta and Fugue in D minor." The play started with George Lange and the disciples singing "Are Ye Able." In the dark the disciples walked slowly to the front of the church. The first three disciples told of their meeting and joining Jesus. The next three disciples told stories of events in the life of Jesus. Leslie Ramos then sang "Take My Life" while accompanied by her husband Philip. The next four disciples told of coming events. Sue Gergescz and George Lange the sang "The Upper Room" accompanied by Bob Gergescz on the piano. The last two disciples spoke of the immediate situation. The Jesus walked slowly to the front of the church and addressed the disciples saying "Tonight one of you will betray me." Darkness then descends. Slowly the table and the disciples and Jesus appear and the famous painting by Leonardo da Vinci "The Last Supper" appeared. The audience applauded enthusiastically.

The performance by the disciples was outstanding resulting in a wonderful result. I wish also to thank the many people behind the scenes who applied makeup, ironed the costumes, operated the lighting and sound, attended the nursery, decorated the table, and the pastor who provided snacks upstairs and Marge and Carol Walter who provided snacks downstairs.

The church was filled almost to capacity and the amazing result was the free will offering of \$886 blessing for the Open Pantry and Rev. Wesley Dixon from New Lenox UMC sent us with. It was a wonderful experience for me personally as I am sure it was for many in the audience.

Arlene Knott, Director



# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 11, 2018-June 15, 2018

Lemont United Methodist Church invites children on a 5 day VBS experience where kids discover they are created by God and are built for a purpose. Kids learn: God made you; God is for you; God is always with you; God will always love you; and God made you for a reason. VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! And our activities that help faith flow into real life. Imagine a world where curious kids become hands-on inventors who discover they're lovingly crafted by God. Spark creativity with interactive decoration and experiences.

Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School transforms our church into a place buzzing with excitement!



## Praise Band Sundays

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, when the Praise Band is leading, we will conclude the service with the Praise Band instead of the Three Fold Amen and Postlude.

Thank you Praise Band!



## Lenten Bible Study turned out great!

We all learned about Apostles' Creed and affirmed our belief in God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, the Church, Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of Sins and the Resurrection of the Body and the Life everlasting.

Thank you to Dale Janssen and Pastor Oh leading the class!



# FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

The Confirmation Students, Senior High Youth Group and church members attended FMSC on March 10th. It was a wonderful experience! We packaged food that will help feed children in other countries, who without this food, would have nothing to eat.

Thank for everyone's help.  
We couldn't do it without you!



## THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous donation in 2017 to Grace Children's Hospital and Pediatric Clinic, the advance project # 418520. Your support allows us to provide care to those who would not be able to afford it otherwise and gives us hope that the children of Haiti will live beyond their low-life expectancy. Please consider us again in 2018.

Sincerely,

ICC USA Board



## HOPE AND FRIENDSHIP

### Upcoming:

\*Spring Cleaning Product Donations through April- Sorting Day/Deadline:

Sat April 28th

\*Spring Mission Stay Saturday (if it stops snowing!!) Sat. April 28th

\*Bicycle Recycle- Donations through May- Give Away Day Sat May 19th

### NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS

We will be offering a New Membership Class. If you are interested please contact Pastor Oh.

Thank You



# Upcoming Worship Services & Events

April 1- Easter Sunday Services at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

Easter egg Hunt at 10:00 a.m.

April 4- Daybreak Shelter

April 11-Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 14-United Methodist Men 8:00 a.m.

April 15-Coffee Fellowship

Confirmation Class Session 12

April 21-Primetimers 12:00 p.m.

April 22-Loose Change Sunday benefitting missionary Betty Tshala in Zambia

April 25-Ad Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 29-Confirmation Class Session 13

## OFFICE PROCEDURES

If you have to be in the preschool area while school is in session  
please stop in the office and get a badge.

Also, please use the bathrooms upstairs while school is in session.

Thank You!

## FUN OPPORTUNITY

Looking for a fun way to participate and serve our church?  
Then think about joining our Activities Committee. We will be  
planning activities that include everyone for the year.

Some suggestions have been a talent show, a ladies luncheon,  
a game night, a campfire and movies. If you are interested,  
please contact Peg Pecher: (847-204-1747) or the church.  
Come help us make our church a joy filled church.



## **SUGGESTED NEW MINISTRY**

In a recent Upper Room devotional, the author talked about visiting a retirement center for fellowship and sharing with the residents. After reading this article, I was so moved. Maybe we could form a group to have this kind of ministry! In the Lemont area, there are many centers. Please call me if you are interested. My number is: [815 838 6318](tel:8158386318). Looking forward to hear from you.

Paulette Fries

### **Liturgist Schedule**

**April 1**

8:30-Bill Stelter  
10:45-Bill Hill

**April 8**

8:30-  
10:45-

**April 15**

8:30-Sue Gergesz  
10:45-

**April 22**

8:30-  
10:45-Tim Peraino

**April 29**

8:30-  
10:45-Cris Kerins

## **Billie Graham's Message**

**By Richard H. Lee**

With the news of his death the TV had stories of who and what he was with one I liked very much. In an old TV message Billy talked about Chicago and how foreigners thought Chicago was the place where gangsters ruled and guns were used to enforce their ways. But he said that most people don't know that the Chicago area is probably the most Christian place in the USA. He spoke about Wheaton College where he went to school in the 1950s, along with Moody Bible Institute, many other seminaries, and many mainline churches.

One could use the Internet to see how many Christian seminaries and colleges are in the Chicago area and maybe Christian private schools. Right here in Lemont we were once known as the "Village of Faith" because of so many churches here and visible as you enter the village from the North. We have many ethnic populations here including Danish, German, Irish, Polish, Swedish, Slovenian, and Lithuanian, with each having one or more churches. And we have had two seminaries in Lemont (Vincentian and Slovenian) and Christian schools. My adventure in Christianity began in 1962 when I went to Chicago for Graham's crusade.



## April 2018

### Children's Message Schedule

**April 1**  
Sean Clark  
**April 8**  
Richard Lee  
**April 15**  
Ron Walter  
**April 22**  
Marty Knott  
**April 29**  
Cris Kerins



### Greeters

**April 1**  
8:30-Myers Family  
10:45-Stood Family  
**April 8**  
8:30-George & Alice  
10:45-Huegelmann  
Family  
**April 15**  
8:30-Sue Hinks  
10:45-Nelson Family  
**April 22**  
8:30-Sharon Heslop  
10:45-Margaret Flynn  
**April 29**  
8:30-Juanita Fick  
10:45-Ferrazzi Family

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

For More information please contact the church office at  
(630) 257-5210 or ministry leaders.

### SMALL GROUPS

Bible Study: TBA  
Prayer Meeting: TBA  
ALPHA: Craig Baxter 815-685-1900  
Methodist Essential: Bill Price 630-754-7667  
VBS: Jodi Stood 630-243-9366  
The Last Supper: Arlene Knott 708-301-2023  
Adult Sunday School: Richard Lee 630-257-7339  
Sr. High Youth: Kristin Nelson 630-257-8072  
Jr. High Youth: Jodi Stood 630-243-9366  
Breakfast Club: K. Peraino 630-846-1415  
Jr. High Sunday School: K. Peraino 630-846-1415  
Children's Sunday Sch: K. Peraino 630-846-1415  
Prime Timers: Joyce Koon 630-257-6275  
Joanne Goszczycki 630-257-6790  
Men's Group: Tony Ferrazzi 815-886-4177  
Couples: Tim and Karin Peraino 630-846-1415

### MINISTRIES WITHIN OUR CHURCH

Prayer Warrior: Pastor Oh 847-769-1125  
Care Bear: Alice Lange 815-838-5158  
Coffee Social: Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097  
Script Fundraising: Marge Fox 630-243-8166  
CAP: Cris Kerins/Dawn Ferrazzi  
Audio and Visual: Jana Stelter 630-243-9122  
Handyman: Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097  
Landscape Team: Bill Stelter 630-243-9122  
Hospitality Team: Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097  
Widows Group: Richard Lee 630-257-7339  
Usher Team: Mark Olinger 815-838-0660  
Welcoming Team: Sue Hinks 630-257-6743  
Worship Choir: Sue Gergescz 815-483-7282  
Praise Band: Phil & Leslie Ramos  
Junior Choir: Cris Kerins 630-257-5660  
\*\*Any Other Ministry You Would Like to Start

### OUT-REACH MINISTRIES

Pantry Workday: Church Office 630-257-5210  
Panera Bread: Church Office 630-257-5210  
Daybreak Shelter: Vickie Olinger 815-838-0660  
Worthy Treasures: Paulette Fries 815-838-6318  
ESL: Kay Norfleet 630-257-6699  
Red Bird: Steve Walter 630-783-1621  
\*\*Any Other Ministry You Would Like To Start

## Handyman Help

If there is anyone in our church who may occasionally need help with household repairs, basic maintenance, grass cutting or snow shoveling, Tom Gebel has offered to help. His number is 312-438-5605.

Thank You Tom!



## ESL Tutoring

Kay Norfleet has graciously offered to teach English as a second language to anyone in need.

If you are interested, you can contact her at 630-257-6699.

## Books Available in the Library By Kay Norfleet

### April 2018 Book reviews

"Stories of Comfort for a Healthy Soul" Inspiring!

The book contains stories from Oswald Chambers., Charles Stanley, Joni Earekson Tada, and others. Then it answers- a solution to our problems that according to our faith should alleviate our anxiety. "Trust is confidence in the character of God! Firmly and deliberately you say, "I do not understand what God is doing or even where God is, but I know that he is out to do me good." When we are beaten and beaten with health problems, family problems, loneliness problems, problems or any sort, to have any answers we must trust God. As trust increases, anxiety decreases. Remember God is able to work in all things for good. He will (or will not) alter situations for our benefit. Whatever- it is for our good. This book offers stories of people who have experienced the worst of life. But, "When you think the world has left you, he comes walking."

"Daily Splashes of Joy-365 Gems to Sparkle Your Day"

Barbara Johnson is at it again. She wants us to LAUGH. She says, and we know, that life isn't always happy, BUT it's how we react to it. And with God's help we can react positively. Some Barbarisms: The brook would lose its song without the rocks. After age forty, your big break might be a bone. An optimist laughs to forget. A pessimist forgets to laugh. The Lord gives us our faces, but we must provide the expression. Along with these pearls of wisdom, and some are really thought-provoking, Barbara reminds us of some Bible verses. For example- Proverbs 17:22, a cheerful heart is a good medicine. Romans 5:3-4, we also have joy with our troubles, because we know that these troubles produce patience. And patience produces character, and character produces hope. Barbara has had to make a determined effort for her joy. Talk about a dysfunctional family, hers is one and tragedy has struck several times. And, likewise, we have suffered setbacks, too. But let's take a cue from her and realize that our God will use whatever for good.

Some offerings for readers middle school to high school age are: "A Wrinkle in Time" Madeleine L'Engle's award winner, recently made into a movie. It is adapted and ILLUSTRATED by Hope Larson. The book is in Graphic Novel form, but I believe most true to the original. All sorts of characters.

"The Call of the Wild" by Jack London. The type is small, however, I think you will not notice it so much as you become engrossed in the story of Buck--a dog. A dog whose adventures in the Klondike, in the late 19th century are so mesmerizing.

Lastly, adults, I want you to read another book given to the library by Mary Ende-she is what we call an AVID reader. Read, all the while remembering the verse from Philippians about whatever is true, honest, kindness...oh well you know how it goes. What traits do the characters possess-especially in their reactions?

Every story, whether it's mystery or drama or comedy, can be likened to parts of the Bible. I truly believe that we can see parts of the Lord's wishes for our attitudes in each storyline and each character. (The Lord did make us all, even authors.) Maybe using our discerning nature will mean we learn to read a bit slower, fine, that's a trait I think would serve us all well. Don't we read about controlling our attitudes throughout the Bible?

# Loose Change Sunday & Rainbow Covenant

## April 2018 Rainbow Covenant

In addition to our annual apportionment, LUMC makes monetary donations through the Rainbow Covenant in order to support specific causes. All loose change collected on the fourth Sunday of each month goes to support the Rainbow Covenant. Each month we highlight a charity from one of the bands of the Rainbow Covenant. For April, we are highlighting the **purple band charity, missionary, Betty Tshala in Zambia.**

Betty serves in the nutrition program of the Mujila Falls Agricultural Project in the Northwestern Province of Mwinilunga, Zambia. With a degree in nursing administration, she has long taught about the overlooked treasures in the local diet, such as the Moringa tree, recently recognized by the international community as a “superfood.” (Betty’s husband, Tshala, was also a missionary supported from our Conference. He died in a bus accident in 2014 while returning from the market.) Please bring in plenty of change on **April 22<sup>nd</sup>** (Loose Change Sunday) to contribute to the Rainbow Covenant. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific charity, write **“Missionary”** on a pew envelope. Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

## PALM SUNDAY

Thank you to all who contributed to our uplifting Palm Sunday Service. From the entrance into the church, to the children singing, to the Praise Band, it was a beautiful service.

Thank you to Karin for the perfect photo!





## 2018 Calendar

**March 17<sup>th</sup> Aurora District UMM Sat. 8:30 – 11:00 am**  
**Lenten Breakfast & Communion Service Wesley UMC of Aurora**

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> NICUMC Annual Conference Sunday - Tuesday**

**July 21<sup>th</sup>– Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> Aurora District UMM Sat. 8:30 - 10:30 am**  
**Prayer Breakfast & Service TBD**

**Sept TBD Black Hawk Area Council Friday – Sunday**  
**Religious Retreat Camp Loden, Oregon IL**

**September 14<sup>th</sup>- 16<sup>th</sup> NIC UMM Spiritual Congress Friday pm – Sunday**  
**Williams Bay, WI**

**December 1<sup>st</sup> Aurora District UMM Sat. 8:30 - 11:00 am**  
**Meeting & Advent Communion Service Faith UMC of Orland Park**

## Finance Committee

General Fund beginning balance: \$25,876.10

Receipts: 9,605.07

Disbursements: 12,564.92

General Fund ending balance: 25,876.10

## Easter Services

We hope you enjoyed our beautiful Easter Services!



## Sr. High Youth Group

On April 29th -we will be going to the Ronald McDonald House near Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood. We will be baking cookies for the guests from 1:00-3:00 pm.

Please join us!

## LUMC Women's Book Club

Jan.- Apr. No Meetings

May 14 "Eighty Days"

Matthew Goodman

It is a true story of Nellie Bligh' s race around the world. In December we sent our "loose change" for 2017 to Smile Train in honor of the book "Wonder". (November book selection).

This group meets at Margaret Flynn's house.



## Open Pantry

Starting in March we began collecting food donations from our own church family for the Open Pantry. We will continuously do this

1st **Sunday** of every month.

Thank You!

## Red Bird Mission Trip 2018

Please join us the week of June 18th. We will travel to Kentucky and volunteer in mission service to help with the refurbishment of homes. There is also a wide variety of ministries to families, older adults, women and children, and youth to make their lives fuller and help them receive the assistance they need to make their lives a bit more livable.

If you are able to help there is a sign up sheet in the sanctuary.

Thank you for all you kind thoughts, prayers and cards wishing me well on my ankle journey. I will need all the positive thoughts you can send my way :)

Shelby Fox



## SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES: Ages pre-k-5/6

JUNIOR HIGH : Grades 6th-8th

BREAKFAST CLUB: High School Freshman-Senior

ADULT CLASSES: In the Conference Room/Pastor's Office

**Please join us!**



## MEANINGFUL MOMENTS WITH GOD

*“Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”  
1 Thessalonians 2:17-18*

\*Bill Kerins, appendectomy surgery  
\*Alberta Harden, eye problems  
\*Mary Ende, lung cancer  
\*Arlene Knott, lung fibrosis  
Ron (Janovyak), broken hip  
\*Dave Kennedy, knee replacement  
\*Neil Janssen, strength  
\*Shelby Fox, needs ankle surgery  
Ron, cancer treatment  
Joe Plata, pneumonia  
\*Al, Dottie’s brother, chemo  
Lori Bartwick, breast cancer  
\*Sheila Farrer, health issues  
Joe Sigety, ALS, new medicine  
\*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis  
Lou Gunder, lymphoma  
Kirsten Zinzer, melanoma  
Maureen Robinson, health issues  
\*Carlene Wesolowski, cancer  
\*Dave, heart testing  
Judy Olinger, lymphoma  
Chuck Herron (Miller), blood clots  
Dana Patterson, brain tumor & MS  
Marty Rolin, nerve damage  
Jim Kratochvil, lung cancer  
Jamie, brain aneurysm, surgery  
Jim Krenek, home, therapy  
Linda, dementia  
Florian Talos, parkinson’s  
Lois, stage 3 cancer  
Esther Gores, home hospice  
\*Tina Wilebski, health issues

\*Sandra, autoimmune disease  
Cindy Hudon, cancer/chemo  
\*Willetta, pacemaker on 4/4  
Suebea Wright, cancer  
Ron Hamelen, Alzheimer’s  
\*Dave Mlady, lingering illness  
Judy Bramill, cancer  
Melvyn Marshall, pneumonia  
E.D. McCormick, cancer  
Mason Patterson, surgery  
Gabrielle Blunt, Alzheimer’s  
Art Runyan, pancreatic cancer  
Joe Knutson, dialysis  
Missy, cancer  
Daniel Taylor, knee surgery  
Jodi Rigoni, cancer treatments  
Thomas, health issues  
Linda, health issues  
Jim Durham, cong. heart failure  
Mark Huegelmann Jr., accident  
Valerie O., ovarian cancer  
\*Tom Vegter, back surgery  
\*Bill Sykes, Silverado in Naper.  
Melanie Foster, ovarian cancer  
Dolores (Hinks), cong. hrt. failure

### **Grieving:**

The family of Mitch Gapa  
The family of Yunhwa Lee

## **MONTHLY BLESSINGS AND JOYS**

\*Feed My Starving Children  
\*Lenten Bible study  
\*35th Production of  
\*“The Last Supper” Play  
\*Our Hospitality Teams  
\*Stella King, home  
\*Dave Kennedy, successful surgery  
\*Margie (Stood), gaining strength  
\*Bill Kerins healing from surgery  
\*Confirmands  
\*Daybreak Shelter Volunteers  
\*FMSC Volunteers

## **Coffee Fellowship April 15**

Christine Miller  
Sue Hinks  
Judy Janovyak  
GleeAnn Kehr  
Shirley Stout  
Kay Norfleet  
Christy Brosseau  
Denise Miglio  
Deb Neitzel



**Coffee Fellowship**

## **Expanding Care Bear ers Ministry**

### Help Needed-Occasional Cooks or Meal Providers

The Care Bearers are looking for a few new people to help provide an occasional meal (home cooked or purchased) for members of our congregation who are recovering from a serious illness, birth of a baby, or the loss of a family member. Meals are **only occasionally** needed in our church, and it is a wonderful mission! If you would be willing to provide a meal when someone is in need, please contact Alice Lange or Wendy Myers. We would love to add you to our list of Care Bearers.

Alice Lange: 815-838-5158  
Wendy Myers: 630-257-7689

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25 West Custer  
Lemont, Illinois 60439  
Phone: 630-257-5210

**Return Service Requested**

# NEW WINE

## April 2018

### The Hindu Clinic

**The Hindu Temple of Greater Chicago has offered the use of their clinic to anyone in need of medical help. The clinic is open the first Sunday of the month from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Their address is 10915 Lemont Road, Lemont and their phone number is 630-972-0300.**

### AA Meetings

**AA Meetings** are held in our church Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings at 7:30 pm. If you would like further information.

**Please contact:**  
*Pat at (815) 274-4244*

### WEBSITE

Services are being recorded almost every week thanks to Erik and volunteers. If you would like a video of a part of the service, like a baptism or someone playing a song, please contact Paul Froehle. He can copy it to a DVD or flash drive as a computer or phone readable video file.

### United Methodist Men



#### April 14

Come and join us! The Lemont United Methodist Men (UMM) will meet in Fellowship Hall at 8:00 am. Lemont UMM meets on the second Saturday of each month for breakfast.

This group is made available for the fellowship of all the men of the church and all are welcome to attend. Information about meeting dates and times are posted in the church calendar and bulletins.



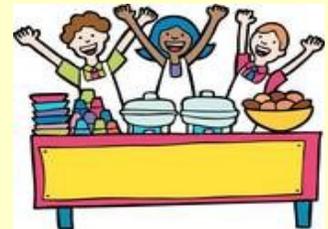
## Like us on Facebook

For those of you that might not be aware, we DO have a FB page. Please try and visit it regularly. As time goes on we will be posting more and more.

We have reached 1,440 people through Vacation Bible School video clips and pictures! If you have not seen them please go to facebook and click LIKE.

<https://www.facebook.com/Lemont-United-Methodist-Church>

### Primetimers



#### April 21

This is a group made up of adults 50 years and older. Primetimers meet monthly on the 3rd Saturday of each month with a potluck lunch at the church fellowship hall. Everyone brings a favorite dish to share for an enjoyable afternoon.

If you have any questions, please call:  
Kay Norfleet  
630-257-6699  
or call the church office.