

LAKEWOOD

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 2018 E-REFLECTIONS



HAPPENING AT LAKEWOOD

FIRST THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH GLORIA SHORT

Join us for our next Bible study on May 3 from 10:45 am - 12:00 pm in

Room EB 102. Questions? Call Gloria at 396-6342.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

Support First Coast Women's Services! Beginning on Mother's Day, May 13, pick up an empty baby bottle at the back of the church. . . and just like a well-tossed boomerang, return it full of coins, currency, and checks. All bottles (empty or full) should be returned to the church by Father's Day, June 17.

WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT CIRCLE

The May meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 17, at Maxine Aldridge's home. Gloria Short will speak. Desserts will be provided by Betty Goodrich and Joyce Whitaker. For more information, contact Peggy Bowen at 733-1082.

UNTO ALL NATIONS

On Sunday, May 27, we will have a short prayer time for our struggling world. For those who have already chosen a country for which to pray, please do a little research so you can include in your general prayers a *specific* prayer request that addresses an urgent need.

UNITED METHODIST MEN DINNER AND PROGRAM

Men! Join us in the CAC Dining Room at 6:00 pm on Monday, May 28, for food, fellowship, and fun. Questions? Email Mark at markhohnadel@msn.com.



We still need YOU for our new church directory! There are sign ups scheduled Thursday, May 10, through Sunday, May 13 (Mother's Day). To register for your photography session, click [here](#). We want to make sure everyone is included in the directory. If you are having trouble finding a day and time to accommodate your family, contact Ree Unterspan at 524-6071 to make special arrangements.

Special thanks to Lakewood youth Dane Coleman, Victoria Johnston, Rebekah Amerling (pictured), Charlie Locke, and Ian Kuhn for their service to Lakewood at our recent directory "Help Me" sessions to assist members in scheduling their photo sessions.



YOUTH AFTER SCHOOL - 2:30 pm 'til . . .

Youth meet in Youth Room - CAC

Youth website: <http://lumcmulchmadness.com>

FEASTING IN THE WORD - 4:00-5:30 pm -
Church Library - All are welcome at this Bible study!

Join us as we study the Book of Matthew.

Contacts: Karen Phillips, 238-4052 or karene86@aol.com

Ree Unterspan, 524-6071 or jau64@bellsouth.net

DINNER served 5:15-6:00 pm in the CAC Gym

GROUPS from 6:10 pm-7:30 pm in Various Locations

Contact: Rev. Eric Williams, eric.williams@lakewoodumc.com

If you are not a part of a group, we encourage
you to attend Common Ground in Fellowship Hall.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - 6:00 pm

Program Follows - Choir Room or Preschool Dramatic Play Room

Contact: Bethany Coleman, bethany.coleman@lakewoodumc.com

ADULT CHOIR - 7:30 pm

Music Suite

Contact: Steve Chapman, steve.chapman@lakewoodumc.com

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENUS

Prices: Adults \$7, Children under 5 free,
ages 6-12 \$5, Family under one roof \$20

Lite menu: Soup, Salad, and Roll \$5

All dinners include soup, salad, bread, and dessert.

May 2: Baked Ziti / Servers: Youth

May 9: Beef Stroganoff / Servers: Modern Family

May 16: Baked Chicken / Servers: New Beginnings

May 23: Hamburgers / Servers: Family Matters / Living Room

The last Wednesday night until September is May 23!

Vacation Bible School is June 4-8 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. You can register online here: <http://www.lakewoodumc.com/vacation-bible-school>.



We welcome all visitors and enjoy sharing with those who have never taken advantage of our wonderful lunches, fellowship, and varied programs.

May 10: YAH will travel to the Columbia Restaurant in St. Augustine. The bus leaves the church at 10:45 am. This will be a fun time with good food and fellowship. RSVP to Ruth Bailey (268-2936).

May 13: The YAH visit Elmcroft of Timberlin Parc at 3:00 pm. Share your Christian love with those who have wonderful memories and wisdom to share with us.

May 20: We will enjoy a lunch and program in the CAC Dining Room. Come, bring your smile, and enjoy fellowship immediately following the 11:00 am worship service.

SAN JOSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Many thanks to Lakewood members Suzanne Biery, Jodi Pope, and Sherry Melkerson for their invaluable service to San Jose Elementary School at the annual Spring Book Fair. This is an extremely popular event at SJES, which generates much needed funds to funnel back into the library to purchase new books and supplies. Lakewood adopted the school many years ago to be part of its local mission outreach, and supports numerous activities there. Principal Paula Smith stopped by to thank Lakewood volunteers for their help. She is pictured below with some of the children and volunteer, Sherry Melkerson, and SJES Librarian, Jennifer Evans, who is also a Lakewood member.



THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who helped make the quiche fundraiser a success: Ron Soberay, Pat Zeiser, Celita Locke, Susan Ewing, David Johnston, Michele Johnston, Kate Girton, Victoria Johnston, and Jim Blythe. Your help in making the quiches was invaluable. Thanks to all of you who purchased quiches. We hope you enjoyed them.

-Sue Blythe



A hearty "thank you" to the Lakewood folks who donated life-saving blood at our most recent church-wide blood drive: Chris Blythe, David Boyd, Denny Britt, Terry Collins, Larry Figart, Laura Fleet, Linda Fralick, Bill Ramp, Tanya Turpin, and Tim Turpin. *-Denny Britt, Blood Drive Coordinator*



ATTENTION: GRADUATING SENIORS

Graduate Sunday is June 3. Please call the church office at 733-8477 or email margaret.love@lakewoodumc.com and let Margaret, our church secretary, know the details about your graduation - high school, college, or professional school. We need to have this information by Sunday, May 20.

CONGRATULATIONS

. . . to Marshall Childers and Kayla Mitchell on their wedding, March 31. Proud parents are Rick and April Mitchell.



OUR CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY

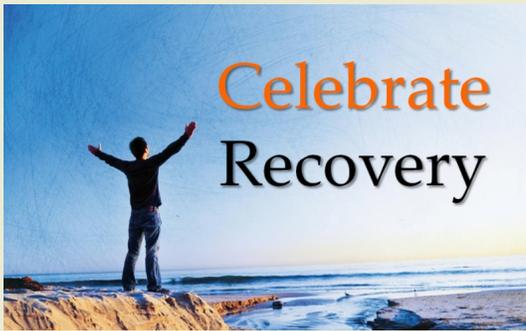
. . . to Renee Rhoden and family on the death of her mother, Carolyn Agnew Rabun, April 2.

. . . to Wayne Foster and family on the death of his father, Herbert Foster, April 12.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry is such a gift to folks who are receiving care. People who are going through a job loss, divorce, grief, or other difficulties receive comfort and find hope. The relationships formed in Stephen Ministry become life altering. This becomes an immense opportunity for the church to be the church; to be a family for folks who are lonely, searching for spirituality, or in pain. But a church can't be a support system if it isn't equipped to help people during moments of pain. Stephen Ministry has helped us to equip people, so when somebody is in pain, we're able to say, "Here's someone who can come alongside you and love you." If you, or someone you know, could benefit from a trained confidential Christian friend to walk with you, listen to you, and support you during a difficult



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Every Monday Night!

6:00 - 7:00 pm Dinner

7:00 - 8:00 pm Main Meeting

8:00 - 9:00 pm Small Groups

9:00 pm Cornerstone Cafe

Bring your kids ages 5 - 12 to Celebration Place! While adults explore topics that bring healing and wholeness, kids discover the same truths in age-appropriate ways! Celebration Place helps to lead kids as they make Jesus the enduring, rock-solid foundation of their lives and is designed to inspire kids with hope, joy, and happiness while they learn to rely on God.

WHAT IS CELEBRATE RECOVERY?

Celebrate Recovery is a biblical and balanced program that helps us overcome our hurts, hang-ups, and habits by experiencing the loving power of Jesus Christ through a recovery process.

WHO IS CELEBRATE RECOVERY FOR?

You and me! It's for people who've been hurt. It's for people who've hurt others. It's for any of life's struggles that we all have to deal with.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S STEP STUDIES

Men's Step Study - "The Journey Begins" started April 12. It meets Thursdays from 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm in Room EB 104. For more information, call Walt Haworth (318-6867) or Tom (207-231-4381).

Women's Step Study - "The Journey Begins" and "The Journey Continues" meet Tuesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in Rooms EB 103 and EB 104. Both studies are still open.

To volunteer, take a step study, or to get involved in any way, please contact Mark Biery (813-5669), Suzanne Biery (576-2755), or Cyndi Morpew (318-6539).

E-Reflections

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, or would like to submit an article, contact Karen Chaudhry (karen.chaudhry@lakewoodumc.com). Submissions must be received by the 15th of the month. *All articles may be edited as necessary.* Copies of Lakewood UMC's E-Reflections are available in the church office, in the Sanctuary, and on our website (<http://www.lakewoodumc.com/>).

STAY CONNECTED:

