

Things are busy here at Lakeville UMC. We've got amazing fellowship opportunities coming up with our special ice cream socials. At the beginning of August, we're hosting Party in the Park. On the 4th of July we had a wonderful time walking in the parade and watching all the kids try to catch bubbles. Then in the evening we had practically a town's worth of people in our yard and parking lot.

Yet things aren't slowing down. In just a few weeks Vacation Bible School begins! It'll be the first time LUMC has had a VBS in a while, so we're all shaking off the dust and remembering how this goes. I hope you all are excited to see the decorations go up in the church as we prepare for kids to explore the ocean and understand how great a friend God is. There's a lot of work that needs to be done in the next two weeks, but we are up for the challenge.

I must admit that when the idea of restarting VBS was first suggested, I wasn't sure how feasible it would be. It's not easy maintaining a VBS from year to year, and it's even harder restarting one. We would need supplies, space, time, and people to make it happen.

Last Sunday we passed out a signup sheet for volunteers. I optimistically put twenty spaces on the volunteer sheet. Friends, it was full by Monday. In fact, I had to print out a new sheet because more people wanted to help. That is amazing!

That is something that you all have proved to me time and time again. When the church is in need, the church family steps up. I thank God for each of you. The Holy Spirit is guiding us and leading us to do some amazing things. And we have shown time and time again that we trust in God.

There is still work to be done before VBS kicks off this month, but I have faith that God will guide us through it. If you'd like to help us, get supplies, then below is a link to a spreadsheet with our needs. It's a bit of a work in progress, but we are updating it as needed. If you'd like to help volunteer, then contact the church office or myself and we can get you involved where you'd like to. Soon we will be announcing the workday to decorate the church, so keep an eye out for that!

Most of all, we continue to need your prayers. Pray for the volunteers as they continue to prepare and as they begin to teach during VBS. Pray for the kids as they get ready to learn more about God and have a wonderful time. Pray that the lessons they learn here with us last them their entire lives.

God bless you all! Pastor Ed

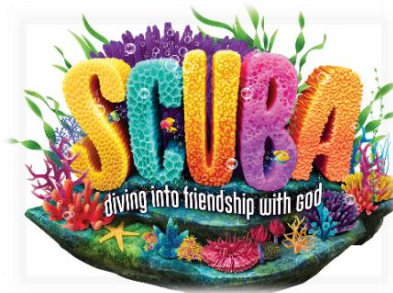
VBS supply spreadsheet: <https://tinyurl.com/yjrz3fmr>

At our 5th Sunday of June celebration we welcomed Ali Stough and Liam Stough into our church membership through the Confirmation Class. We welcomed Rita McCutchan and Adam & Jennie Stewart who joined our church membership.

Kenzie Kring was baptized and we congratulated her.

Last Sunday during worship we presented Adrianna Creal with a new Bible.

VBS – Scuba July 29 – August 1 9 AM – Noon



Coming Up on The Calendar!

Ice Cream Social with The Hillsiders – Sunday, July 14, 2 PM

Blood Drive – Tuesday, July 16, 2:30 PM Palmer Community Complex

Missions/Evangelism Meeting – Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 PM

VBS Meeting – Wednesday, July 17, 7 PM

VBS Decorating the church – Sunday, July 21, after worship

VBS Meeting – Wednesday, July 24, 7 PM

Euchre/Game Night – Saturday, July 27, 6 PM

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Food Pantry

Food Pantry Needs: Shelf Stable Milk, boxed cereal, canned fruit, boxed potatoes, canned soup, pancake mix & syrup, condiments (mustard, mayo, pickles), cake mixes & frosting, ranch dressing

The Food Pantry is open to anyone in the Union North school district as well as to our church family on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 3 – 6 PM

TOPS Club is meeting at LUMC on Mondays, 4:00 PM, Room 206, use north east door. Come Join Us!

The Lakeville UMC Community Youth

Group Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 6 PM.

See Pastor Ed for more information.

Sunday Fellowship Time Refreshments Schedule

July 14 Charlotte July 21 Karen T. August 4 _____

Enrollment for 2024-2025 Little Ones' Preschool is open to everyone now.

Your child must be 3 years old before August 1, 2024 for our Preschool classes and age 4 before August 1, for our Pre-Kindergarten classes. Registration forms are available in the church office or from Carlene Weber. Still have openings for 3's class and 4's class.