

Soundings

October 2023 - 3502

Lake Shore
CHURCH

Dear Friends –

October marks a month of serving, as we seek to let the community know that we are here and that we care. As we seek to serve area families, we will once again host our annual Trunk N Treat. Because we have been doing ours for so long, we have established quite a following. In fact, we had one St. Clair Shores resident ask back in August if we were doing it again. The answer is a resounding “YES!” We’ve been diligently planning, and the event is scheduled for Friday October 20th at 6pm. Please help us spread the word far and wide.

As always, the success of Trunk N Treat relies on the involvement of our entire church family. One of the biggest needs is for trunk participation. Pull up and pull out some bags of candy and help us share the generosity of our Lord Jesus. Trunks should arrive by 5:30pm. When our families contribute trunks, it creates a sense of VIP access for the children. It’s their church plus they get to skip the line, which makes the evening even more special.

Additionally, for the third year, we will host a pumpkin patch on our Jefferson lawn. It still amazes me how the community comes out in support of this event. We hear how people are happy to buy pumpkins from us in part because of our reputation for serving the wider community. People are aware the money from pumpkin sales goes right back out. Pumpkins require a huge volunteer effort. First, on October 14th at 1pm, the truck will arrive for unloading. Then we are seeking to fill nearly 100 2-hour shifts. Talk about needing all hands-on deck! But that is what is cool about these events. These events highlight the power of faith and community coming together for a higher purpose.

It is also not too early to anticipate our “final” Centennial Celebration weekend, culminating on Sunday November 12th with a 10:30am Unity Service. The not-to-be missed weekend will kick off with our Friday night Gala from 6-9pm on November 10th. Tickets for Friday night are \$10 or \$25 for a family. They will be on sale on Sunday mornings starting October 22nd. You can also purchase right now through the church office or through our online giving platforms. On Friday night, we will be dedicating our 100-year historic marker, enjoy a “Made in Michigan” dinner, and enjoy a performance from the Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic Orchestra.

In conjunction with these celebrations, we invite your prayerful consideration of giving both to next year’s General Fund as well as our Second Century Dream campaign. I have “Great Expectations” for how God is going to use the Lake Shore Church as we step into a new century of ministry.

Thank you for answering the call to be a part of this incredible ministry.

In Christ,



Pastor Adam

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All on-line content is now available through the church website & the app!

**Go to - www.lakeshorechurch.com
click on the "online services" tab
or**

Download the app (questions? Ask the office.)

The 10:45am Worship is also Live-Streamed on YouTube & FB

100th Anniversary Gala Celebration

Friday, November 10th @ 6pm

A Marker Dedication from the City, Dinner and Entertainment
Join us as we celebrate the past 100 years and look forward to the next!

Tickets for this evening's event are being sold between and after services
and in the office and through our online giving platforms -
PayPal, FaithStreet and the church app.

Your ticket includes admittance to all that is happening
this evening! Cash, check or credit card accepted

\$10 per Individual Ticket or \$25 for a Family Ticket

Questions? Contact the church office.



The Pumpkin Patch is back ...



The pumpkins will be delivered on October 14th - there are sign up sheets on the Atrium shelf to help unload and sell.

The sign up sheets to sell the pumpkins - usually just for a two (2) hour block - begin while the unloading is happening, October 14th!

The sale will run from Saturday, October 14th through Tuesday, October 31st.
Hours vary - check the sign up sheets for more details.

Come, walk through, and purchase your pumpkin(s) from us!

October 14th through October 31st

Mondays-Saturdays 11am-7pm

Sundays Noon-5pm



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CELEBRATING WHAT GOD IS DOING AT LAKE SHORE CHURCH

On a Saturday morning back in April we gathered to discuss how God was calling us into a second century of ministry at Lake Shore Church. Our cross-generational group shared ideas about how we could reach families, kids, youth, and young adults in the coming year and beyond. After an exciting discussion where suggestions flowed, and an entire whiteboard jam-packed with various ideas, we settled on three main "dreams." In the coming days, task force leaders and teams were formed, meetings scheduled, brainstorming took place, and decisions were made to make these dreams a reality. In less than 6 months' time, we went from dreaming up ideas to concrete programs because our membership is enthusiastic about transforming lives for Jesus and committed to serving others.

One out of the three new offerings will be launched in October- Life Groups. Building Faith Friends (BFF) will start in January. The remaining Parents Night Out will be set afloat soon, with a target date of early 2024.

God designed us to live in community with one another, and that is why as humans we have a deep longing for connection. Life Groups will address our need to belong and will include the entire family. It is a new twist on the classic small groups we all are familiar with. It will create a space for families to intentionally connect, and "live life out together" while also growing together spiritually.

I spoke to Diana Tarrant, the team leader, who bubbled over with excitement while explaining how Life Groups will work. She counts herself among the many moms out there who want to get to know other families in her church community better but struggle with a busy schedule that is often difficult to maneuver. The Life Groups team consists of Kayla Daniels & Katherine Partridge who felt a calling to help Diana create something meaningful for families.

Life Groups consist of four host families who will invite two or three other families into their homes monthly to share snacks or a potluck meal while connecting, reading scripture together and growing closer to God. The cool thing about Life Groups is that it will involve the entire family. The kids will be encouraged to be part of the Bible study and it will expose them to the value of being involved in a small group.

Building Faith Friends (BFF) is scheduled to begin the first week of Jan 2024. It is a program that hopes to bridge the generational gap and build meaningful relationships within the church. The team designed a cute brown & beige brochure (that is available at church) explaining, "Our program is designed to match a senior church member with a younger member in a mentorship relationship." They have four fun activities that will take place over the coming months for these pairs, which will help partners get to know each other better and offer a space to share their faith with one another.

I spoke to Alexis Hooper, the lead, and she said BFF was born out of the relationship she had with her great-great grandmother until age 9 and a similar program she saw offered at another church two years ago. She told me that this program is important to her because she knows first-hand how much children can learn from older generations. Her team consists of five additional women who also felt this passion and calling to help – Neesha VanGorder, Ellen Sumner, Pam Boyd, Linda Demers & Debbie Rowe.

Parents Night Out, the third new program will offer parents of young children a few hours to themselves quarterly (throughout the year) while fellow church members take care of their children. There will be a meal provided and fun activities to engage in while the children are at church. Madeline Freeman is the lead, and the team consists of Alison Grosch & Michele Maksout. All three ladies believe there is a need for free child-care for little ones, where their parents know their children are safe and having fun. The team anticipates offering this important service in early 2024.



Written & submitted by Michele Maksout.

We are excited to see these innovative programs get under way and blossom at Lake Shore Church and believe they will positively impact many in our church community.

FALL CLEAN UP—10/7—9-11am

Please, if you can spare an hour or two, it would be so appreciated!

Tools Provided!
Donuts & Water Provided!



Let's get these award-winning gardens ready for our Michigan winter!

Middle & High School Bible Study

Sundays ~ 10-10:45am
In the Underground



Led by Brian & Sheryl Mieczkowski

WESTMINSTER THANKSGIVING

Westminster Church, Detroit, is celebrating their 41st year of providing Thanksgiving dinner to the community. This year they hope to provide 1400 dinners to needy in the community.

They need our help! They need volunteers to help prepare dinner Monday thru Wednesday, November 20-22. They need volunteers to help serve dinner and clean up on Thursday, November 23. And they need volunteers to help deliver dinners to senior complexes and housebound seniors on Thursday, November 23.

Volunteers can email p.kaye@wcodetroit.org or you can call the dedicated phone line 313-34-2697, ext. 314, to sign up. If you would like to make a financial donation, please designate Westminster Thanksgiving on your donation.



MOPS

this is motherhood

We are a great group of moms, with kids of all ages, who get together twice a month to share and learn and grow our "village".

We meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from 6-8pm.

Check the calendar for dates! All are welcome!

"Flock of Believers"



Saturday
Nov 18th from
7-9pm

Corn Hole
at Great Shots
Backyard Bar &
Games in
Clinton Twp.

No cost to play thanks to an anonymous donor.

Event is limited to 16 players, so please RSVP soon to Michele at 586-246-3921.

LET'S GO TO THE HOP ~ 11/3/23 ~ 7-9PM

JOIN US FOR A FUN FRIDAY EVENING DANCING AND LISTENING TO
THE SOUNDS OF DETROIT'S PREMIERE 16 PIECE BIG BAND
FEATURING LISA AND JEFF WATZ

TICKETS ARE \$10 AT THE DOOR
AND INCLUDE LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

CRUISE ON IN WITH YOUR
CLASSIC CARS
AND COME SEE THE SHOW!



November / December dates . . .

- 11/3 = Sock Hop Dance 7-9pm
- 11/10 = 100th Anniversary Gala Dinner
- 11/12 = 100th Anniversary Celebration & Lunch
Dedication Sunday (pledge cards)
10:30am Unity Service
- 11/14 = Remembrance Dinner 6pm
- 11/26 = Deck the Halls
- 12/4 = Candlelight Communion Service 7pm
- 12/16 = Choir Concert/Children's Pageant 2pm
- 12/24 = 10:30am Unity Worship
4pm Christmas Eve Modern Worship
9pm Christmas Eve Traditional Worship

The Deacons will host the
14th Annual Blue Christmas
Remembrance Dinner on
November 14th at 6pm.

This is a night of dinner & fellowship in remembrance of our loved ones who have passed away.

Please save the date. A sign-up sheet will be out in the atrium for your convenience—please register so we can plan accordingly for dinner. Thank you.



Gentle Reminders - please...

Remember to turn off the lights when you're done in a room, or the building, if you're last out.

If you have to set something up for your event/meeting/ etc., then you are the person/team responsible for taking it down.

Thank you all for your cooperation.

October Birthdays

10/3	Lin Graber	10/15	Carol Jobak
10/4	Peggy Chamberlain, John Hunter	10/16	Tom Barton
10/5	John Franklin, Ed Maconochie	10/20	Jameson Mazmanian
10/6	Owen Markesino	10/23	Tyler Cook, Emma Dell
10/7	Mo King	10/25	Kara Kraus, Brett Mazmanian
10/9	Shirley Bolyea, Bill Polom	10/26	Peggy Ball
10/11	Linda Harrell, Charlene Wunderlich	10/27	June Foukes
10/13	Dale Graber, Janice Oswald	10/29	Courtney Carroll
		10/31	Dave Opperman

and Anniversaries

10/5	Skip & Sue Bearance
10/8	Steve & Alexis Hooper Scott & Laura Glowniak
10/12	Sean & Natalie Corbett
10/18	Bryan & Alicia Troyer
10/19	Dave & Jeannie Opperman
10/23	Dick & Kathy Marino



Where do ghosts go on vacation?

Answer: Lake Eerie.

What do you get when you cross Bambi with a ghost?

Answer: Bam-boo.



What is a mummy's favorite type of music?

Answer: Wrap.



Friday, October 20th
6-8pm

FREE
Open to all!

Trunk
'n
Treat



Spread the word!

With the great response we always receive from the community for this event, please know that we are in need of more cars for our Trunk 'n Treat!

All it requires is handing out candy/treats from the trunk of your car - decorations are optional - the church can even offer some help if you run out!!

Please give it some prayerful consideration and sign up on the sign up sheet if you want to participate!

It's a great evening! And it'll be here before you know it!

9am Traditional
10:45am Modern
10:45am Sunday
School
6pm Youth Groups

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* = a Small Group
Sun

Mon

Tue

1:30pm Ukuleles
7:30pm Band Prac.
7pm Men's
AA **Wed**

1:30pm Pinochle
7:30pm AA
& Al Anon
7pm Choir **Thu**

**Office
Closed Fri**

7:30pm NA **Sat**

1 Communion
10am DeMers *
Small Group
6pm SNS*

2

3
9am Flu Clinic

4
6pm T'nT mtg.

5
9:30am GFC*

6

7
9am Fall Clean-Up

8
10am DeMers *
Small Group
6pm MOPS

9
1pm Food Pantry

10

11
9am Staff Mtg.
1:30pm Bayview
Bunch

12
9:30am GFC*

13

14
Pumpkin Patch
Unload & Sell
1pm-7pm
10am Breakfast
Bunch

15
Pumpkin Patch
Noon-5pm
10am DeMers *
Small Group
6pm SNS*

16
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
7pm Session
Deacons

17
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm

18
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
5pm Food Pantry

19
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
9:30am GFC*

20
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
Trunk n Treat
6-8pm



21
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
5:30pm Youth Trip

22
Pumpkin Patch
Noon-5pm
6pm MOPS
NO YOUTH

23
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
1pm Food Pantry
6:45pm
Personnel

24
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm

25
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
1:30pm Bayview
Bunch

26
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
9:30am GFC*

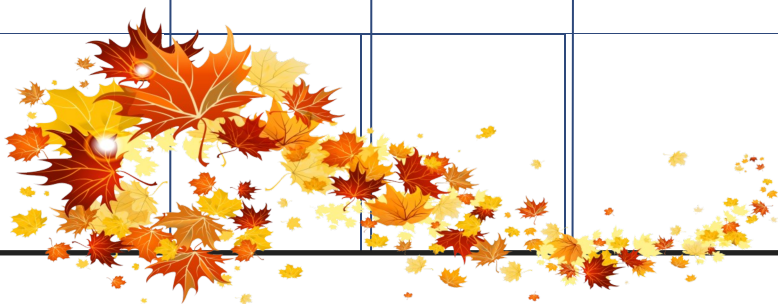
27
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm

28
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
10am Breakfast
Bunch

29
Pumpkin Patch
Noon-5pm

30
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm

31
Pumpkin Patch
11am-7pm
LAST DAY



Mission News

Toiletries - Please check through those toiletries you got this summer in your travels. Please donate all unopened, unused sample size toiletries. We use them to create hygiene bags which go in our blessing bags for the homeless. We will be making some blessing bags in the next couple weeks.

Clothes Closet/Food Pantry - During the month of September we provided free clothing and food to 96 families, 261 persons. Our clothes closet is going to be converting over to fall and winter clothes. Please only donate clean, smoke-free, current season (fall and winter) clothing. We appreciate your donations. So many of our guests are retirees who struggle on a fixed income.

Candy Donations - On Sunday, November 12, our Sunday School kids are going to be packing snack bags of candy for Westminster Thanksgiving. If your kids have Halloween candy you would like to donate for our bags, there will be a container with a sign on Sunday, November 5th, on the table in the atrium. You can donate any extra candy for our bags.



Thank you for always supporting Mission.
Cheryl Smark