



# LAKE HARBOR UMC's Harbor Light



Welcoming all...Empowered by Christ...Sent forth to serve

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This year marks another milestone in our house.

**Ana enters high school**, so there are new opportunities to learn and get involved in new activities. It's a totally new experience for Ivan and me as parents – and for her.

**Luka starts middle school**, so that's familiar to us, but it won't be quite the same for him – changing classes and meeting new people from different elementary schools.

I'm praying for my kids, but my **prayers don't stop with my own kids. We pray for ourselves as parents, grandparents, caregivers, and day care providers** who all play an important role in the school routine.

**But we can pray for many others, too: our children's friends and classmates** who will become best friends and confidants – and even sometimes role models and mentors without even knowing it! Every time I spend time with old friends, I recognize how important they are to my life and how long we've been connected.

**Teachers and classroom support staff** who are called to educate, encourage, and care for students. May they have the renewed energy and passion for their high calling! My family is full of educators, and their time and dedication is inspiring!

**Administrators and support staff** – and all the work they do to make the "business" and "busyness" of school run smoothly. May they have patience and positive attitudes to do the important work they do.

**Those in the lunchroom** who make meals that nourish our children's bodies so that they can learn. **Those on the playground** who watch our

children at play, keep them safe, and help them work out their problems peacefully.

**Custodial and maintenance staff** who keep the building a clean and safe space for children to learn and teachers to teach.

**Bus drivers** who get our children to and from school safely.

**Coaches** who guide our children at play and teach them to work together on a team.

**Volunteers like PTO and others** who offer their time and gifts.

**School board members** who represent us and make the best decisions for our children and our schools.

There are so many people are involved in our children's education. They need our prayers! If you know a school employee, tell them that you're praying for them! What a way to bless them!

And if you're interested in offering your time to serve our schools, please let me know. There are many ways we can support and encourage school staff and students!

See you on Sunday,

*Pastor Mary*

**Our annual Charge Conference is Sunday, November 11** at 3:00 p.m. We're hosting the Muskegon cluster this year, and **Rev. Dr. Margie Crawford**, our Midwest District Superintendent will be with us. Join us for this yearly "business" meeting and celebration of mission and ministry. **Our Lay Leadership (Nominations) Team is working on inviting people to serve in leadership positions.** If you're already serving on a team or committee, THANK YOU! Please pray about where God is calling you to serve and use your spiritual gifts.

**September 2, 2018 at 10:00 am:** “God the Promise Keeper”

*Scripture:* Psalm 81

*Synopsis:* Covenant is a foundational part of the relationship between God and us. How do we reflect God’s promise-keeping in our relationship with God and others?

**September 2018 – Back to Basics**

Whether we’re new on the journey of faith, whether we’ve taken some detours, or whether we’ve been on a fairly direct path for most of our lives, it’s important to go back to the basics of our faith. The spiritual life is a life of constant learning and growing; we don’t know everything there is to know. *Who is God? What is God like? Who is Jesus, and why does his life and ministry matter? How do we understand the Holy Spirit and the Spirit’s role in our lives? What is the church as the Body of Christ?* We’ll explore these questions and be challenged to confirm our faith again.

**September 9, 2018:** “God: The Great I AM”

*Scripture:* Exodus 3: 1-5; 1 John 4: 7-16

*Synopsis:* To say we believe in God is important, but that’s a pretty general statement. In a world where there’s an increasing struggle to claim faith and even more rejections of faith because of how God is portrayed, what do we believe about God, and how does it make a difference?

**September 16, 2018:** “Jesus: Word Made Flesh”

*Scripture:* John 1: 1-18; Philippians 2: 5-11

*Synopsis:* Incarnation means “in the flesh.” Jesus is God incarnate and shows us God’s love in a powerful way. What does it mean that we call him Savior, Messiah, and Lord?

**September 23, 2018:** “Holy Spirit: Breath, Voice, and Power”

*Scripture:* Genesis 1: 1-2; John 14: 25-27; Acts 2: 1-4; Romans 8: 26-27

*Synopsis:* The Holy Spirit is probably the most mysterious and misunderstood person of the

Trinity – and perhaps the most uncomfortable because it’s active, unpredictable, and usually brings change. We have physical images to describe the Spirit, but we also know the Spirit as a guiding voice and giver of spiritual gifts. How do we claim the Spirit as Sustainer who leads us in God’s grace?

**September 30, 2018:** “The Church: Christ’s Love Made Real in the World”

*Scripture:* 1 Corinthians 12: 27–13: 13

*Synopsis:* Church isn’t a place we go or a building on a city corner; the church is the Body of Christ. We are a gathered community of people seeking to follow Jesus Christ – actively loving God and loving neighbor through worship and mission by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Hearing Loop Reminder**

Thanks to our Trustees Committee, an audio visual engineer out of Hudsonville was here in late June. He was able to make some adjustments so that T-coil users would once again be able to hear what is happening Sunday morning rather than the noise from the transformers on Henry Street. It is not perfect, but it is worth checking out. It has made a difference in more than one person’s Sunday morning worship experience.



*Worship Connections Teams*

**Worship Connections Calendar**

Tues, Sept. 4	1:00 PM	Work Session
Fri, Sept. 7	noon – 8 PM	Planning Retreat
Sat, Sept. 8	8 AM – 1:30 PM	Planning Retreat
Mon, Sept. 10	2:00 PM	Worship Team
Mon, Sept. 17	2:00 PM	Worship Team
Mon, Sept. 24	2:00 PM	Worship Team

Worship Connections Team meetings are open to everyone. Karen Booth leads this team which

usually meets Mondays at 2:00 pm (or 1:00 pm if we have work session). The team includes people who attend and plan for **both worship services**. Please contact Karen (798-8431 or [kwbooth@comcast.net](mailto:kwbooth@comcast.net)) for details. Vicki Zuker coordinates the Celebration Service volunteers. Please contact Vicki (759-8848 or [zukerr@comcast.net](mailto:zukerr@comcast.net)) for details.

## LAKE HARBOR'S MUSIC MINISTRY



*"Music is the voice of the soul."*

Come...join us and make a "joyful noise to the Lord."

**Adult Choir Practice** resumes on **Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m.** in the sanctuary. We'd love to have new voices join us! For additional information, contact Diane Thompson at [diane.sj.thompson@gmail.com](mailto:diane.sj.thompson@gmail.com)

*God gave us Music... that we might Pray without words."*

Come and experience the sounds of hand chimes and hand bells. There will be a **Drop-In Ringing... Open House** on **Sunday, Sept. 9** in the Hand Bell Room downstairs. Stop in any time between **6:00-7:00 p.m.** and "ring" any size bell or chime. **All ages welcome!!!!**

For additional information, contact Diane Thompson at [diane.sj.thompson@gmail.com](mailto:diane.sj.thompson@gmail.com)



**The Alleluia Grace Note Ringers** (Hand bell choir) will begin rehearsal on **Sunday, Sept. 16 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Hand Bell Room. New Ringers are always welcome! We have an exciting "ringing year" ahead!

*Don't be anxious about anything!  
Instead of worrying, pray.*

Philippians 4:6

**Monthly Prayer Service** on **Wednesday, September 26 at 6:00 p.m.** in our sanctuary. This is intentional time to lift up our prayers to God for our congregation, community, and world.

**SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER CIRCLE:** Join us at 8:50 a.m. in the Lounge and/or at the front of the sanctuary at 10:55 a.m. **Everyone is welcome to join in our circle!** It's a wonderful way to support Pastor Mary and our congregation with prayer.

**Lake Harbor's Prayer Chain** is an important ministry to our congregation and community. Contact [Office@LakeHarborUMC.org](mailto:Office@LakeHarborUMC.org) if you want to be included on the chain. FYI: Prayer requests are not shared or published without permission.



**Remember in Prayer:** Marilyn Colburn, Viv Nelund, Maxine Workman, Edie White, Dave Jirikovic, Those battling cancer, Homebound Members, Families grieving losses, and Pastor Mary & our staff.



### Another Hand in Ours...

**Magdalene Elizabeth Boersma** born on August 23 to Ashley & Michael. She joins brother, Josiah, and sister, Charlotte. We pray for God's blessings on this family.

**Muskegon Methodist Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 8 from 9:30-11:00 a.m.** at Twin Lake UMC. Please join this very vibrant group of Christian men for good food, prayers and fellowship. Twin Lake UMC is located at 5940 S. Main St., Twin Lake, MI. Please consider joining us!

**Women's Prayer Group** meets on Saturday, Sept. 15 at 10:00 a.m. in the room across from the Lounge. **This is the 3RD SATURDAY** of the month, rather than the usual 2nd. We'll be praying the Psalms using Lectio Divina. Join us for some quiet time with God. Questions? Call Vicki Zuker at 231-759-8848.



## Radical Hospitality

Usually we think of hospitality as something we offer once someone is in our home (or our church!). **But what about invitation as a part of offering hospitality, especially in the church?** Offering an invitation to family member, friend, or co-worker to come to church with you can be an incredible blessing – to you and to them! **Maybe we think that our loved ones will ask us to come to church if they want to, but what if we ask them?** It just might be that an invitation would make them feel more comfortable in joining us! After all, how many of us would go somewhere without receiving an invitation?

We want the church to be a welcoming place, but we can help! Make a list of five people you know whom you could invite to church. September is a great time to invite someone to worship, Sunday School, Youth Group, and/or other church events like our picnic! Most people aren't offended by an invitation, and you may want to try more than once. Who knows what might happen?



Thanks to everyone who served at **Unity Christian Music Festival.**

What an incredible display of radical hospitality and servanthood!

**HELP!!! Greeters and Coffee Hosts** are needed for September. Please sign up on the back tower to serve. Thanks for your part in offering hospitality!



## INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Christian camping is a blessing and an important part of spiritual development for many people. Many of us have great memories of time spent in a place set apart in the beauty of nature, meeting new people, singing songs at firebowl, going to chapel, and growing in faith. Here are reflections from some of our campers:

I had a fun time at camp and was able to grow closer to God during my time there. This was my first time at Lake Michigan's Senior High camp and I made new friends that I keep in contact with daily. We slept on the beach, star tipping, ate good cookies, played lots of games, spent time at the beach, daily bible studies, made friendship bracelets and enjoyed nightly firebowl where we made each other cry.

I had to leave a day early to get ready for our youth group's mission trip and it was really hard to leave!

Thank you for helping me attend church camp again this year for my favorite year yet!

Love, *Skylar Epplert*

I had so much fun at Spring Hill day camp this year. I liked seeing my friend, Anna, from Kindergarten there. I made a lot of new friends, learned new camp songs and my leaders were super nice! I liked learning lots of new ways to pray. Crowns for Jesus, squeeze prayers, waterfall prayers, Laying down prayers, and more. I liked all of the activities and learned some new bible stories while I was there. Thank you for helping to send me to camp this summer, I really liked it!

Love, *Molly Epplert*

Thank you for helping me attend Spring Hill day camp this summer. I had a lot of fun playing in the water! Love, *Camden Epplert*

This year I went to camp. It was so much fun. It was fun because we got to learn about God, I met new people, and we got to do a lot of activities.

We learned a lot about God...We learned that God will always be with us. Also we learned that he will always forgive us.

The best thing about camp was meeting new friends. My best friends name was Amy she was super nice. Everyone in my cabin was my friend.

The activities I did were fun. One activity I did was go swimming it was very fun. I also went boating it was super fun all I want to say is thank you for giving me the best summer ever.

Thank you!!!! *Mikayla Yaros*

Look for **opportunities in Sept. and Oct.** – whether it's our Worship Planning Retreat, choir, Sunday School, Bible study, or another learning opportunity, consider trying something new! Remember: ***We can't make disciples unless we are disciples.***



**Tuesday morning Bible Study** meets at 10:00 a.m. in the Lounge. **We're studying the Gospel of Mark.** Join us for deep study and lively conversation!

### ***Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world...***

The **Endowment Fund for Theological Education in the Central Conferences (ENDOW F-TECC)** is an opportunity to help in "Forming Trusted Leaders" in Europe, Africa, and the Philippines.

Pastor Mary is on a team of clergy and laity encouraging support for this important ministry. Funding for theological education is a real blessing for those who are pursuing ministry as a vocation. The generosity of others will enable our brothers and sisters who are called to ministry in areas outside of the U.S. to receive the training they need and desire. To learn more, go to <http://grand-rapids.michiganumc.org/the-generosity-of-others/>

Pastor Mary has more information available as well.



**Our current session continues on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. (no meeting on Labor Day).** GriefShare is designed to support those who have lost a loved one through death. All are welcome. There is a one-time \$15.00 fee for the workbook. Please share this with anyone you know who might be interested. More information is available at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org).

## **SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES THIS FALL:**

### ***Women's Emmaus Walk***

**Sept. 27-30 at Greenville First UMC**

The objective of Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, and equip the local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled lives to be lived and shared with others. For more information, go to <http://events.michiganumc.org/event/fall-emmaus-womens-walk/>

If you'd like to talk about Emmaus with someone who has participated in a walk, see Pastor Mary.

**Lay Servant Classes Oct. 2, 9, 16, & 23 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at UMC Dunes in Grand Haven**  
**Basic and Advanced Classes will be offered.**

### **2 ways to register:**

**Online** ⇒ <http://forms.michiganumc.org/district-4-fall-lay-servant-classes/>

**Paper** ⇒ <http://events.michiganumc.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2018/04/Registration-Form-Lay-Servant-Classes-Fall-2018.pdf>

**Registration deadline is September 15.**

Questions? Contact Pastor Mary for more information.

## **Membership, Nurture & Outreach**



### **(M.N.O.) News:**

We welcome new members to this fun-loving group! Contact Sheryl Thompson at 231-563-6417, or talk to Myke in the church office. **Our next meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 22 at 1:00 p.m. in the Library.**



### **Ross Park Elementary Connection**

Thank you to everyone who donated money and/or supplies to show some extra love to the teachers at Ross Park! We collected over \$2,555 to help support 28+ teachers. That is awesome! Supplies were delivered to the teachers the week before school started, and they were all so very happy and grateful. So again, thank you for the extra support for the teachers in our community.



**Ross Park Readers** is an opportunity to serve teachers and kids in our local school by offering one hour (or more) during the week reading with kids or helping in a classroom. Please see Pastor Mary if you're interested in this great ministry!



**The Autumn Luncheon for our 80+ friends will be Wednesday, October 10 at noon.** All those who have reached that milestone or above are invited, and you can bring a friend! We do send invitations, so please let Myke know if you just celebrated that magic 80<sup>th</sup> birthday :) We look forward to this wonderful opportunity to have lunch with these young at heart friends!



**Soup Pot Ministry** is available to those who are in need of a meal during difficult times. If you know of someone who could use some love, please call Marie Kordecki at 231-740-5458 for information on how we can help. **New cooks are always welcome!** Even if you aren't a "cook," feel free to bring in take out (Lee's, Fazoli's, or pizza). It's such a gift to not have to worry about "what's for supper."

## Fellowship Opportunities



**Sixty Plus or Minus Lunch Bunch** meets on **Thursday, September 20 at 1:00 p.m. at Hobo's in North**

**Muskegon.** Our hostess is Corinne All. Sign up is on the tower by the Welcome Center. **PLEASE SIGN UP even if you're a "maybe,"** so we reserve enough seating!



**Coffee & Crafts** meets every other Thursday from 9:00-11:30 a.m. **This month, we meet on September 6 and 20.**

Everyone is welcome; we usually work on our own crafts.



**Our annual All-Church Picnic Potluck** is on **Sunday, September 9 beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Ross Park.** There will be games for all

ages, as well as kickball, so bring your tennis shoes! Please bring a dish to pass (see below) and your own table service.

**Last names with A-K:** dessert

**Last names with L-S:** main dish

**Last names with T-Z:** side dish or salad

We'll be near the west parking lot near field #1. MNO committee will provide lemonade and coffee. Please join us for this kick-off to the fall season!

### **A Picture is worth 1,000 words**

**Photo Directory:** We need your snapshots from church events over the last couple years. Please email photos to [Office@LakeHarborUMC.org](mailto:Office@LakeHarborUMC.org)



### **Keep your Church informed!**

Did you know? If you're in the hospital, because of the privacy laws, they will not call us and let us know you are there. **Please have a family member or friend notify the office.**



**Members on the move...** Please keep the office informed when you're moving or changing phone numbers or e-mail.

### **Our Fall Rummage & Bake Sale is Oct 19 & 20**



We appreciate your gently-used treasures to make the sale a success. Please bring your sale items downstairs to the Fellowship Hall **STARTING Oct. 1.** Please:

**NO** TVs or computers/monitors and **NO** large exercise equipment. Thanks for your help in raising funds to support many projects in our church and our community.

**Christmas will be here before we know it!**



**Artisans, Crafters, and Christmas Shoppers:**

We'll be hosting **Grandma's Christmas Craft Sale** on **Sunday, Nov. 18** between services in the Lounge. We're looking for donations of crafty items to sell. Money raised will support Lake Harbor's Church Preservation Fund.



## Lake Harbor Youth Groups



**We had a great turn out for our Planet 3** fun night in August! It's so fun watching students try new things and bond with each other through those struggles and victories. What a fun night!

**We plan on having a hike and a bonfire** in September, but we're working on a date that makes sense with school starting and all the activities that go with that. Watch your emails for most up to date info!

**All youth groups** will begin **regular meetings on Wednesday, October 5.** 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will meet from 5:30-6:30 p.m. 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders will meet from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**We're excited for a new year** to begin and jump into another fun, faith-filled year! We have serve days, retreats, and events all in the works! We hope you had an amazing summer, and we can't wait to see you all soon!  
PEACE AND LOVE, JIMMY

**Youth Director Jimmy Epplert's Contact Info:**  
Facebook = Jimmy Epplert cell # (231) 750-9707

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS...



**September birthday blessings to our Sunday School friends:**

**Cam Epplert** on the 4th  
**Colin Thompson** on the 6th

**Phoenix Hawkins** on the 10th  
**Skyler Bosch** on the 12th  
**Landen VanKammen** on the 13th  
**Avery Woiorl** on the 20th  
**Danny Owens** on the 22nd  
**Derek Mertz** on the 26th

**September** has 3 Sundays of "B" activities for our Sunday School youth in grades Pre-K through 7th grade:

**September 9 BIBLES** will be given to our third graders. **BACKPACKS** will be **BLESSED** in both worship services. A church-wide picnic will celebrate the start of the new Sunday School year. See this newsletter for further info about this Ross Park event.

**September 16 and 23:** Students will compete in age-appropriate **BIBLE BUSTER** activities in Fellowship Hall. As they increase their knowledge of the **BIBLE**, the students will earn **BIBLE BUCKS**. These **BUCKS** may be redeemed for prizes at the **BIBLE Store** on these 2 Sundays, or saved for future purchases throughout the Sunday School year.

**Individual Sunday School Classes will be up and running on September 30th.** All classes meet from 10:00-10:50 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Please make sure that your kids and grandkids are registered. Forms will be available starting Sunday, September 9. Invite your children's friends to join us, too!!



**FOOD GALORE was collected** in the VBS canoe this past June to help the Kids' Food Basket. Together, the youth from Rolling River Rampage and members of Lake Harbor

donated 440 pounds of food!! Included in the collection were 300+ fruit cups, 300+ granola bars and cookies, 300+ cracker packs, and over 1,000 ziplock baggies!!

Thanks to everyone for helping to feed hungry children this summer!!



## Christian Summer Camps

Here are a few pictures from camp:

**Max and Bailey at Spring Hill day camp, and Pastor Mary, Ana, and Luka at Lake Louise.**



Meet and Greet with Rev. Kathy Pittenger, the new Children's Initiatives Coordinator for the Michigan Conference on Wednesday, Sept. 19 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. at LHUMC. You can get acquainted with Rev. Kathy and share your needs, wants, thoughts, and prayers for children's ministry work.

## Lake Harbor's Missions Corner



Our Mission Statement:

***Actively living our faith to alleviate human suffering.***

*Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy. Proverbs 31: 8-9*

Gary and Jen Cooper are co-chairpersons of our Missions Team. New members are welcome to join us anytime. Please let Pastor Mary know if you're interested. **Our next meeting is October 16 at 7:00 p.m.**



## **Change the World!**



**August's Noisy Offering** was \$428.02 to support missionary Rev. Paul L. Webster. He serves through the Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church serving at the Mujila Falls Agriculture Centre in Kanyama, Zambia. Thank you for your generous support.



**September Noisy Offering will support CROP WALK.** Noisy Offering will be received on **September 23**. CROP

WALK is coming on October 7!

***Change is noisy, but we will gratefully accept currency and checks, too!***



**Sister Church CHALLENGE:** We're almost to our goal of \$10,000 to make the building of a new church a reality for people in Zambia. We know how vital our physical space is for worship, fellowship, and ministry, and we want to bless others with that same gift!

## **Our Missions Team is issuing a "ONE for TWO" Challenge:**

For every \$2.00 given until October 1, \$1.00 will be given from Missions funds. (That means if you give \$100, Missions will give \$50.) A model church is in the Lounge, so check it out and give generously!

**Supper House:** Our next opportunity to serve is **Tuesday, September 4**. Please plan to be there at 3:45 p.m. and stay until 5:30 p.m. **If you're planning on serving, please call Sheryl Thompson at 231-563-6417** so we can plan accordingly.



**Our next week of service is December**

**23-29, which means we'll serve during Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.** Please mark your calendar. Thanks for your continued support!



## **September MAP Items of the Month:**

Boxed Rice or Potatoes & Laundry Soap

**Lake Harbor serves at MAP Food Pantry on September 24, 26 & 28.** If you're willing to help, talk to Linda Herbert at 231-755-4863.

**Lake Harbor serves at MAP Clothing Closet on September 17, 19 & 21.** If you're willing to help, talk to Madonna Borgerding at 231-780-2998.



### Community enCompass-Bethany

**Housing Work Day:** Look for more details on an **upcoming project for 5<sup>th</sup> St. beautification.**



**Memorial Garden Team** has worked hard this summer to make the garden look great! New bark has been spread, and there's been a lot of clean up! Thanks to the team for hosting coffee time and an open house in August! Elyse Ihlenfeldt is serving as chairperson of this team, and new members are welcome! Contact the Office at 231-798-2181 if you're interested.



Dear Lake Harbor Family,  
We are grateful for all the love and support and prayers from you. We've received many cards and they are so appreciated. Thank you for your on-going support.  
Love, Lisa & Dave Jirikovic



### If you sign up for flowers for

Sunday morning worship, it is your responsibility to make arrangements for order and delivery (or feel free to bring fresh flowers from your garden.) Both Le Fleur and Wasserman's are able to get into the building to deliver flowers.



Please **help us keep our prayer list of military personnel current.** Check the weekly bulletin to help us update it.

### From our FINANCE Team:

**What a blessing to share that we're staying current on our financial obligations** including our operational needs, programming support, and Ministry Shares. **Thank you for your faithful giving!**

This year, we've been offering more details about how **Ministry Shares** support our UM connection in mission nearby and around the world. One part of Ministry Shares is called the **Episcopal Fund**, which supports our bishops. Episcopal is derived from the New Testament Greek "episkopos," which the book of Acts and several of the pastoral letters use to indicate someone who's an overseer of a Christian church. This is the person who's charged with the duty of seeing that the work being done by others is done properly—and that's exactly what our bishops do as they shepherd the life and ministry of our congregations.

Bishop Bard and other bishops around the globe serve faithfully in many ways. Bishops prayerfully determine pastoral appointments, counsel with pastors, and encourage congregations. Our bishops not only lead in the connectional ministry of the church, but they're on the forefront of world issues, encouraging secular leaders to incorporate faith into their decision making.

Today bishops are providing spiritual leadership to more than 12.4 million persons in a broad range of settings on four continents, including North America, Europe, Africa and Asia.



Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit card or debit card. Electronic giving offers convenience for you and much needed consistency in giving. You can set up your donations on our website or if you'd rather, stop by the church office for assistance.

To set up your electronic donation on our [www.lakeharborumc.org](http://www.lakeharborumc.org):

- 1) Click on "Give" button
  - 2) Click on "Create Profile" button
  - 3) Follow onscreen instructions.
- It's easy and stress free!

## From our Trustees

Thanks to our Women's Group for the purchase of a new refrigerator for our downstairs kitchen. This allows us to have space we need to serve meals for Family Promise guests, funeral luncheons for our church family and community, and make pasties and pies to support our youth in mission and ministry!

## LAKE HARBOR UMC on SOCIAL MEDIA



Make sure you've **joined our group** (Lake Harbor UMC) and/or **"liked" our page** (Lake Harbor United Methodist Church). We also encourage you to **"check in"** when you're at church and **look at our website** ([www.lakeharborumc.org](http://www.lakeharborumc.org)) for Sunday messages and other info. Also, please feel free to **share church events and invite your loved ones** to participate!  
**Please make sure we have your current E-mail** so that you can receive weekly info notes!

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## Midwest District & MI Conference West Open House on Sept. 23

You're invited to attend an open house to meet the new Midwest District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Margie Crawford and see the new MI Conference West and Midwest District offices on **Sunday, September 23 from 3-5pm! Save the date!**



## Midwest District Conference

**Oct. 14 Save the date!** You're invited to attend the **Midwest District**

**Conference** being planned from 2-4pm on Sunday, October 14 at Grand Rapids First UMC (227 Fulton St. E).

### **Stay connected:**

**United Methodist Church** at [www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org)

**Michigan Area UMC** at <http://michiganumc.org>,

**GR District** at <http://grand-rapids.michiganumc.org>

**Lake Harbor UMC:** <http://lakeharborumc.org>



**Looking ahead: CROP Walk is October 7 in downtown Muskegon** at Central UMC.

Registration at 12:30 p.m., and walk begins at 1:00 p.m. Plan now to walk and/or sponsor LHUMC walkers! See Betty Kinney to get your Walker Pledge Envelope.



**Lake Harbor UMC's Office Hours** are Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **We are closed Friday and Saturday.** If you leave a message on the answering machine on the weekend, **it will not be received until Monday morning.**

# **Sunday Worship Servants**

## **Serving Sept. 2:**

### **10:00 a.m. Service**

*Guest Pastor:* Rev. Susan Hagans

*Worship Leader:* Carole Koch

*Greeters:* Linda Rousell, Marie Kordecki

*Ushers:* Fred Yonkers, Pat Yonkers, John Bellamy,  
Rob Mertz, Kathy Mertz, Jeff Stone

*Outside Attendant:* Rod Moon

*Computer:* Glenn Chilson *Camera:* Dena Chilson

*Sound:* Rob Mertz *Altar Guild:* Linda Herbert

*Coffee Hosts:* Dawn & Tom Van Dyke

*Counters:* Cyndi Barefoot, Karen Hill

## **Serving Sept. 9:**

### **9:00 a.m. Service**

*Worship Leader:* Carole Koch

*Greeter:* Carol Donohue

*Ushers:* John Decker, Barb Gripton, Eric Gordon,  
Mark Rousell, Roger Richmond, Tom Van Dyke

*Outside Attendant:* Tom Van Dyke

*Computer:* Karen Booth *Camera:* Lisa Kasmauski

*Sound:* Dave Booth *Altar Guild:* Betty Kinney

*Coffee Hosts:* Carol Donohue

*Counters:* Madonna Borgerding, Jeanne Funnell

## **11:00 a.m. Service:**

*Worship Leader:* Dirk Fuller

*Greeters:* John Thompson & John Colella

*Set-up:* Stephanie Sroka & Laura Dean

*Computer:* Jim Grace *Sound:* Karen Grace

*Coffee Hosts:* Stephanie Sroka & Laura Dean

## **Serving Sept. 16:**

### **9:00 a.m. Service**

*Worship Leader:* Carole Koch

*Greeter:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Ushers:* Dave Stamy, Jim Elrod, Doris Elrod, Mark  
Graves, Harold Phinney, Bill Barton

*Outside:* Dave Stamy

*Computer:* Ivan Ivanov *Camera:* Lisa Kasmauski

*Sound:* Rob Mertz *Altar Guild:* Carol Bodenber

*Coffee Hosts:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Counters:* Cyndi Barefoot, Allen Winslow

## **11:00 a.m. Service:**

*Worship Leader & Set-up:* Chris Beaudoin

*Greeter:* Jill Warren, Jean Kelly

*Computer:* Jason Colella *Sound:* Mark Graves

*Coffee Hosts:* Jill McMahon

## **Serving Sept. 23:**

### **9:00 a.m. Service**

*Worship Leader:* Carole Koch

*Greeters:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Ushers:* Don Nelund, Dee Nelund, Karen Post,  
Jim Post, Marie Kordecki, Peggy Tully,  
Harold Phinney

*Outside Attendant:* Jim Post

*Computer:* Fred Yonkers *Camera:* Pat Yonkers

*Sound:* Rob Mertz *Altar Guild:* Jeanne Funnell

*Coffee Hosts:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Counters:* Steve Hill, Lynn Vanderberg

## **11:00 a.m. Service:**

*Worship Leader & Set -up:* Rose Emmons

*Greeters:* Pete & Angela Thompson

*Computer:* Patrick Miles *Sound:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Coffee Host:* Pete & Angela Thompson

## **Serving Sept. 30:**

### **9:00 a.m. Service**

*Worship Leader:* Carole Koch

*Greeters:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Ushers:* Fred Yonkers, Pat Yonkers, John Bellamy,  
Rob Mertz, Kathy Mertz, Jeff Stone

*Outside Attendant:* Rod Moon

*Computer:* Glenn Chilson *Camera:* Dena Chilson

*Sound:* Deb Moon *Altar Guild:* Linda Herbert

*Coffee Hosts:* Ruth & Ken Deephouse

*Counters:* Cyndi Barefoot, Jeanne Funnell

## **11:00 a.m. Service:**

*Worship Leader & Set -up:* Jill McMahon

*Greeters:* Pete & Angela Thompson

*Computer:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Sound:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Coffee Host:* Pete & Angela Thompson