

the Messenger

June 2025 | Monthly Newsletter of Lakeside United Methodist Church



Mark Your Calendar

- 6.1** Communion Sunday
- 6.3** ROMEOS breakfast
- 6.4** Church Picnic
- 6.7** Cornhole
Tournament
- 6.8**
“Claiming the Change”
Capital Campaign
Kickoff Luncheon
- 6.11-14** Annual
Conference
- 6.14** Blood Drive
- 6.15** Father’s Day

The Pastor’s Corner

Virginia Annual Conference 2025: A Time for Worship,
Learning, and Connection

June 11–14, 2025

Theme: “Movement of the Heart”


*The focus on how God transforms us and how God molds
and shapes us and allows us to be agents of change in and
around our community.*

Each year Methodists from across the Virginia Conference gather to worship, learn, and discern how God is calling us to be the church in the world today. This year’s Annual Conference will be held from June 11 through 14, in Roanoke, bringing together clergy and lay members in a spirit of fellowship, faith, and service.

Our church will be represented by Brenda Baynham and myself. I am glad that Kip, Nancy Robinson and Larry Brayton will attend this event as well. We are honored to attend on your behalf and to be part of this important time of connection and decision-making for our conference.

The Annual Conference includes vibrant worship services, mission opportunities, reports on the work of various ministries, and voting on key matters that affect our shared life as United Methodists in Virginia. It’s a time to celebrate how God is at work among us and to renew our commitment to making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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“We envision Lakeside UMC
to be God’s **HANDS** in our
community and beyond:
**Hospitable, Always Faithful,
Nurturing, Discipleship, Service.”**

Pastor’s Corner continued...

We look forward to sharing what we experience and learn when we return. Please keep us in your prayers for safe travel, spiritual renewal, and a faithful gathering.

You may find more information about the Annual Conference at <https://vaumc.org/ac2025/>.

Grace and peace,

Jae

Annual Picnic

The United Methodist Men will host their annual church picnic on Wednesday, June 4, at 6:00 p.m. The event will take place rain or shine. In case of rain, they’ll meet in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5.00 per immediate family and no take-outs, please.

Music Notes

What a night we had with our musical revue! You’ve probably already seen the breakdown: 460 pounds of food, plus 110 pounds from Karen Brown’s 1st Grade class at Richmond Academy, and \$1,465.83 (after expenses) were raised for Lamb’s Basket. Thanks to all who participated (and we’ll do it again next year on May 2).

I recently read an article (Why We Should Sing Children’s Hymns) by Lutheran church musician Marie Greenway. Hymns such as “Jesus Loves Me” (no.191), with its simple text and melody, can remain relevant into adulthood, and we never get bored with singing “Away in a Manger” or “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” during Christmas season. Look in the back of your hymnal, p. 936, to see how many hymns are appropriate for children (and adults), and take time to read the beautiful and thoughtful texts.

Looking ahead: the men will be singing for worship during June, and the women during July. I know these are vacation months, but we still need singers in the choir loft and worshipers in the pews!

Caroline

Staff Parish Relations Committee

“What is SPRC?”

The SPRC serves our Church family by serving as the bridge between the church membership and our Pastor and paid staff. The SPRC communicates our mission and ministry needs to our staff and provides feedback on their performance.

“What’s the best way to share feedback about staff-related matters with the SPRC?”

If you have feedback on the LUMC staff, you may address it to the SPRC chair or the Pastor, preferably in writing. We take church members’ input seriously and act on it appropriately. However, any actions taken will most likely be confidential in nature and not necessarily reported in detail.

“May we show grace to one another together!”

Often, our staff and SPRC members actively participate in worship and church life as fellow members of the LUMC family. We kindly ask that their time in worship and at church events be respected as sacred, and that any staff-related requests or concerns be shared outside of those moments.

Thank you!

Mike Magner
SPRC Chair

What is the role of the SPRC?

The SPRC listens to our paid team members and provides assistance and resources as needed. Discussions between the SPRC and our Pastor and staff are held in the highest confidence to facilitate frank and honest discussion.

Cornhole Tournament

Join Us for Cornhole, Food, & Fun!
Saturday, June 7th from 10am-1pm

Come as a team with a friend for our tournament or we can pair you with someone when you arrive. Don’t want to play? Bring a lawn chair and hang out! We’ll have hot dogs, beverages, and snacks after the games.

See Bob Friend for questions or if you’re interested in playing.

ROMEOS

Gentlemen, you are invited to join the ROMEOS for breakfast on Tuesday, June 3rd at Golden Corral off of Gaskins Rd.

Please contact Bob Friend if you plan to attend or have questions.

Lamb's Basket Update

We are excited to share the final tally from the 2025 Musical Revue. The following is a breakdown with each of the line items:

- 460 pounds of food were donated from the revue
- 110 pounds of food were donated from Karen Brown's Class at Richmond Academy
- 1069 pounds of the requested April items were donated
- 851 pounds of miscellaneous food items were donated

**A GRAND TOTAL OF 2490 POUNDS
\$1465.83 (after expenses) was raised for
Lamb's Basket!**

Thank you to Jeanne Bluford & Linda Keener & the Choirs of Lakeside UMC & Christ Lutheran for all their hard work in making this revue a big success. A special thank you goes to the United Methodist Men for preparing & serving the delicious meal before the 2025 Musical Revue. The meal was delicious & enjoyed by everyone. Many caring people came together & worked together for the purpose of helping others.

Lamb's Basket Needs in June

For the month of June we are collecting:

- ⇒ Week of June 1: large peanut butter and/or jelly
- ⇒ Week of June 8: cereal
- ⇒ Week of June 15: PopTarts
- ⇒ Week of June 22: pancake mix and/or syrup
- ⇒ Week of June 29: instant potatoes

Thank you for your generosity!

Red Cross Blood Drive: Saturday, June 14th!

To make an appointment or for information, call Jo Anne Kelchner at (804) 746-9005. Don't wait!

It's never too late to give the gift of life and...**giving the gift of life is another way you can dispense God's grace.**

Lakeside in Prayer

(This is a partial list)

Those in need of healing:

- ◇ Cherry Corley
- ◇ Kip Robinson
- ◇ Susan Walker
- ◇ Teresa Temple
- ◇ Edith Brooks
- ◇ Gary & Sarah Murphree
- ◇ Ned & Brenda Custis
- ◇ Marie Christophersen & her family
- ◇ Bill Giese
- ◇ Caroline Fergusson
- ◇ Donna Hunt
- ◇ David Palmore (Dina's brother)
- ◇ Debbie Gillis
- ◇ Kimberly Moore (Kylie & Kaedan's grandmother)

Other prayer concerns:

- ◇ The elderly who have no family or support system
- ◇ Those who are incarcerated
- ◇ Anyone who lives on the margins of society and feels invisible
- ◇ Our neighbors on Hilliard Road
- ◇ The principal of Lakeside Elementary School
- ◇ Hope House residents and their needs
- ◇ Our search for an Organist & Youth Shepherd
- ◇ Shut in church members
- ◇ Recent guests in worship
- ◇ Military men and women
- ◇ Those who worship virtually at LUMC
- ◇ That person who is contemplating suicide
- ◇ Those without hope



Ned Custis	6/1
Jeanne Bluford	6/3
Robert Brown	6/4
Eldridge Perkins	6/4
Walter Ewbank	6/5
Sarah Murphree	6/6
Rita Bowers	6/9
Bill Gibbon	6/12
Komba Momarkoe	6/12
Peggy Jennings	6/13
Anne Cox	6/17
Judy Oliver	6/17
Jess Wade	6/17
Nancy Robinson	6/19
Alpha Kallon	6/22
Ryan Hedrick	6/25
Ann Forburger	6/27
Marcia Sims Stackhouse	6/27
Brenda Custis	6/28
Julian Abuan	6/29
Kylie Lovelace	6/30
June Landrum	6/30

