The Leighton News Week of June 28, 2015

On The Calendar This Week:

Sunday, June 28:

Scott & Jenni Pollmann will be sharing about their ministry in Hooper Bay, Alaska, and the many ways in which God provided for their needs especially during the time of Hannah's birth and hospitalization.

VBS Registration continues. Register in the Lobby or online at www.leightonchurch.org

Non-perishable food items, paper products and cleaning items are collected during the offering time by kids and the ushers. Your donations of these items stock our food pantry.

Coffee, tea, lemonade, and treats are available in the Lobby immediately after the worship service.

Sunday School classes for all ages are held each Sunday from 11:00 a.m.-Noon

G.L.U.E. Youth Group Sunday evening from 5:45 to 8 p.m. at the church for all 6th-12th grade students. Dinner is served from 5:45-6:15 p.m. Bring non-perishable food items for the food pantry and receive an extra special treat!

Monday, June 29:

6:00 p.m. Softball Game Leighton Team #2 vs. Gaines Church

7:30 p.m. Softball Game Burnips/Monterey Center vs. Leighton Team #1

7:00 p.m. Adult Basketball (Family Center)

Tuesday, June 30:

6:30 p.m. Mission Team Meeting VBS Skit Practice

Wednesday, July 1:

11:30 a.m. 50+ Potluck Luncheon

No Adult Bible Study

Saturday July 4:

10:00 a.m. Line up for Float in Caledonia Parade (see below for details)

ADULT BASKETBALL MONDAY NIGHTS!

Adult Basketball is held each Monday night, in the Family Center at 7:00 p.m. for men and women to come and enjoy some basketball. These are pick-up games; not league play. For more information, contact Doug Thaler

PRE-REGISTER FOR CAMP KILIMANJARO VBS

Beat the rush and get your child/children pre-registered for Camp Kilimanjaro Vacation Bible School. Pre-registration is happening now. Camp Kilimanjaro is for adventurers age 2 through 6th grade (entering in the fall) and will be held July 26-30 from 6:00-8:40 p.m. Click here to register online.

50+ Potluck Lunch

Wednesday, July 1st at 11:30 a.m. in the Family Center.

Everyone age 50 and up are invited to come! Bring a dish to pass and your table service. Coffee, lemonade, and water provided. After lunch, Art Scheid will provide a keyboard extravaganza with a variety of inspirational songs. Contact <u>Jean McCaul</u> for more information

SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday night Bible Study will not meet on July 1st or July 8th. Study will resume on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:30 p.m. in Rooms 7 & 8. All adults are welcome to come and join this informational study on Revelation. Contact Mike Horton for more info.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Garden stand is up and donations from spring/early summer harvest are being donated. The garden is growing and so are the weeds. If you would be willing to help weed and/or pick this summer, please tell us.

Thank you, Clay & Luann, Garden Coordinators (616) 891-8348

LEIGHTON MISSIONS T-SHIRT ORDER:

One of our missions here at Leighton is to go out and be the hands and feet of Jesus. When we do, people wonder who we are and what we are doing. Let people around

know by ordering a t-shirt and wearing it when you participate in church or missions projects. Use the attached t-shirt order form and return it along with payment to Connie Blain by **this Sunday**, **June 28**th. Shirts are \$10 each (2X-5X are \$1 per X).

BE PART OF THE CALEDONIA 4TH OF JULY PARADE!

Everyone loves a Parade!

Ride on the Leighton Church float in the Caledonia 4th of July Parade to promote Leighton Church and Vacation Bible School. Bring candy to distribute along the parade route. Everyone welcome to be part of the fun. Meet at Duncan Lake Middle School on Saturday, July 4th at 10:00 a.m. for parade line-up. Look for Dave Steeby's orange Case tractor with a cab on it. Contact Stacey Aman for more information

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The adult Sunday School classes will meet together with Pastor Dave during the month of July. You are invited to join the class and enjoy fellowship and learning with your brothers and sisters from other classes. We will meet in room 15/16. We will have a great time together. The experts tell us we now live in a post-modern, post Christian world. It's hard to say what people believe any more, or if they believe anything at all. The world certainly has changed. Join me, as we look at our culture and discuss the topic, "Why I don't believe.....!" Hope to see you there. ~Pastor Dave

PLAY DATE AT THE PARK

Moms, bring the kids for a fun time on July 7, at 10:30a.m. at Gun Lake State Park.

Bring a picnic lunch for your family. For more information,

The next Park Play date is July 21st at 10:30 a.m. at Boulder Ridge Wild Animal Park in Alto. For more information, contact Allison Draaisma.

G.L.U.E. YOUTH GROUP TRIP to Lifest Music Festival in Oshkosh, WI. All 6th-12th grade students are invited to go to Lifest 2015 featuring Newsboys, Matthew West, Chris Tomlin, Skillet, Red, Matt Maher, Francesca, Battistelli, and many more Christian artists and speakers. Check out lifest.com for complete lineup. The group will depart early Thursday, July 9th and return late Sunday, July 12th. Cost is \$60.00 per person. Bring several changes of clothes, personal care items, sleeping bag, pillow, and rain gear (just in case!). Sign up by July 1st with Misty Getter. Summer event permission slips must be submitted to be able to go.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO WORK AT BARRY COUNTY FAIR

Adults and teens are needed to represent Leighton Church at the Barry County Fair July 19-25.

Leighton Church is staffing the Birthing Tent again this year. This is a great family event. Staffers are responsible for watching over the animals in the tent and interacting with those visiting the tent.

New this year, Leighton Church is staffing the food court located in the Expo Center building. Staff will be preparing and serving breakfast and lunch throughout the week. Sign up on the sign-up sheets by the Lobby drinking fountain to schedule your time to serve at either the birthing tent or the food court (616) 891-1858.

Thank You

Thank you to Lloyd Elwood and G.L.U.E.

Youth Group. They came to my home and did some work in my yard. I appreciate their hard work and the time they gave to help get my yard work completed.

~Alverna Truax

ITEMS NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DECORATIONS

The following items are needed to begin creating the decorations for this year's Vacation Bible School, <u>Camp Kilimanjaro</u> and for crafts the kids will make during the week of Vacation Bible School. Please place items in the designated basket in the church lobby or contact Cindy Herring (616) 299-0083 or herring @iserv.net or <u>Stacey</u> in the church office.

200 paper lunch bags Child's Play Tent

If previous items are no longer listed, then the quantity needed has been reached. Thank you!

Seeking CDL Drivers for Youth Events:

On occasion, the youth group borrows or rents a bus to transport the youth group to their destination. Drivers for the bus must have a CDL endorsement on the license. More drivers are needed. If you have a CDL endorsement on your license or would be willing to obtain an endorsement to help transport the youth group, contact Scott or Misty Getter or Stacey Aman. Drivers would not be expected to participate in events the youth are attending.

JOIN THE PRAISE TEAM!

The Praise Team needs you!

Looking for pianists, bass guitar players, drummers, and guitar players to join the praise team. Also looking for individuals to run the soundboard and presentation software.

Training available.

If you are interested, please contact <u>Josh Webb</u>, Director of Music Ministries to set up an appointment.

NEED PRAYER? PRAYER ROOM OPEN SUNDAYS AFTER WORSHIP.

The Prayer Room is staffed on Sunday mornings following the worship service. If you would like to be prayed for or have a need you would like prayer for, feel free to stop in the Prayer Room which is located across from the Coffee Bar. Questions can be directed to Nancy Geertman.

SERVICE IN ACTION

COFFEE SERVERS:

June 28—Randy & Bonnie Adams July 5—Gary & Jean McCaul July 12—Open

PROVIDING COOKIES:

June 28—Mark Schiefla & Linda Horton July 5—Sharon Kaechele & Nona Steeby July 12—The Aman Family

GREETERS:

June 28—Mike & Linda Horton July 5—Gary & Jean McCaul July 12—Randy & Bonnie Adams

NURSERY:

June 28—Mark & Ronda Kaechele July 5—Renee & Amanda Seeley July 12—Cindy Herring & Rachael Getter

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS:

June 28—Gabby Nicholson & Sam Farmer

ESTATE SALE ITEMS

Luann Snyder Lewis has household items and antiques for sale from her mother's home. There is a list of items being sold posted on the bulletin board down the North hallway between rooms 8 & 9. You may also contact Luann for a list of items. For more information, contact Luann at 616-891-8348.

NEWS FROM THE FOOD PANTRY

Your donations of non-perishable food items to our food pantry give assistance to the 6-8 families that regularly visit our pantry. Thanks to Alice Vander Schuur for thinking of the food pantry for her 90th birthday celebration. The pantry is pretty well stocked, but there are never enough of the items that are starred (*).

- *Laundry Detergent
- *Toilet Tissue
- *Spaghetti & Sauce

Canned fruit & meats

Cereal

Soup

Boxed meals/pasta & rice side dishes

Macaroni & Cheese

*Pancake Mix & Syrup

Peanut Butter & Jelly

- *Shampoo & Conditioner
- *Toothpaste
- *Deodorant for Men & Women

Ketchup, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Salad Dressing

Please do not donate items that have been opened or are outdated. Items are collected each Sunday during the offering time. Thank you!

SHOPPING FOR MISSIONS

You can help support the ministries of Red Bird Mission in Kentucky just by shopping at Meijer through the Meijer Rewards program. Just sign up by going to Meijer.com/rewards or to the customer service counter at any Meijer store with the Leighton United Methodist Church code 415811. Then use your rewards card

whenever you purchase gas, pharmaceuticals, general merchandise, and groceries. Payment for purchases to count for rewards must be cash, debit, or Meijer credit card (no checks). Another \$100 has been received through Meijer Rewards. Leighton will soon send that money on to Red Bird Mission to be used where they need it most. For more information, contact Luann Lewis Snyder 616-891-8348.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE COLLECTION

Did you know that many pastors, Christians, missionaries around the world do not have access to materials to prepare sermons, Bible studies, or for their own personal devotions?

An organization called Christian Resources International collects Bibles, devotional books, curriculum, and more to send to pastors, evangelists, Bible colleges, and missionaries around the world. If you have any of these items that you would like to donate, bring them and drop them in the box in the Lounge. Dave & Sharon Kaechele will deliver them to CRI.

DONATE ANY EXTRA/UNWANTED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

If you have any extra or unwanted medical equipment (walkers, crutches, canes, knee braces, wheelchairs, etc.) in your home, contact <u>Tiffany Thaler</u>.

Each August, Grand Valley State University's physical therapy program makes a trip to

Guatemala with Hearts in Motion. Medical equipment is needed to help aid local residents. Any donation can make a difference.

PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER UPCOMING EVENTS

GOLF FOR LIFE – Friday, September 18
The 14th annual Golf for Life is sponsored by Dan Vos Construction. Enjoy a round of golf at Boulder Creek Golf Club while supporting life.

GALA – Thursday, November 5
Gala is our premier fundraising event held at the JW Marriott with guest speaker Star
Parker.

For more information on these events, contact the events office at 616-259-1522 or visit www.prcforlife.org/events

UNITED METHODISTS JOIN JULY 17 CROWD AT COMERICA PARK

The 3rd annual *Renaissance in the D* is coming to Detroit Tiger's Comerica Park Friday, July 17th. What better way to spend a summer Friday evening than sitting in a seat in the ballpark? Enjoy baseball, fellowship, plus other extras.

The event is sponsored by the Detroit Renaissance District of the United Methodist Church, but is open to all United Methodists in Michigan. Tickets are limited and will be sold on a first come/first serve basis.

Tickets are for Section 323 and 324 behind home plate. A sellout crowd is expected so order AND prepay for your tickets now. Your prompt response is necessary because of the high upfront deposit required to secure this block of great seats and a new Tiger dynamic pricing policy. Planners of the event will work to secure additional seats based on demand.

The game between the Tigers and Baltimore Orioles begins at 7:08 p.m., but you are encouraged to come early. Pre-game activities include recognition of Imagine No Malaria and Hands 4 Detroit. Stay after the game for post-game fireworks (weather permitting).

Ticket cost is \$38/ticket (through June 10). Make checks payable to Detroit Renaissance District UMC and send to Don Archambeau, 28270 Elmira Street, Livonia, MI 48150. Call Don at (734) 422-2227 with questions.

BARRY COUNTY FAIR PIE CONTEST

Everyone is invited to enter the pie contest at the Barry County Fair. The contest will be held July 23rd. Judging will take place during the Ladies' Day program. Entry may be a one or two crusted pie. Please deliver to the Barry County Expo Building by 10:00 a.m. Make sure that your name/phone number and name of pie is on your entry and a copy of the recipe may be attached also. Judging will take place during Ladies Day program. Age divisions: 25 & under, 26 & older Four 1st place winners & one grand prize

Schedule for Ladies Day program:
Held in the Community Tent
10:00 a.m. Registration
10:15 a.m. Light Brunch

10:30 a.m. "Turn of the Century Household Mysteries"
Presented by: Claire Johnston, Curator and Exhibits Coordinator
Historic Charlton Park, Hastings, MI
Pie Contest Winner Announced

MARANATHA WOMEN'S SUMMER BREAKAWAY

Wednesday, July 29th 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. \$30 per person – Lunch included

Bible Teaching by Carrie Boren Headington Mission Presentation by Betty Krause Worship with Charly Sommers

Come and break away from your daily life to be refreshed and encouraged by solid Bible teaching, inspiring missionary testimony and encouraging times of worship with other local Christian women. All in the beautiful, historic, setting of Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference. Women and girls of all ages are encouraged to attend.

20% discount for groups of 10 or more.

Order tickets by calling (231) 798-2161 or visit www.vacationwithpurpose.org
Maranatha Bible & Missionary Conference Center is located at 4759 Lake Harbor Road, Norton Shores, MI

HOST FAMILIES NEED FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The Council for Educational Travel is looking for Host Families who would like to make the world a smaller place. Looking for loving families for students, who will be placed within the area community and attend the local school system. The students will be arriving on the J-1 Visa program, so the host family is a volunteer. Host families would welcome this student into their home much like a member of their family. Students will have their own medical insurance, money for expenses such as hot lunch at school, school supplies, entertainment, clothing, toiletries, etc. Many students are available and are seeking a 5 to 10 month stay in the U.S. Call (616) 250-60477 or 888-238-8723 to speak with Barbara Decker, area representative or visit www.cetusa.org.

MARANTHA SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Marantha Bible & Missionary Conference Center presents a summer concert series each Saturday June 20th-September 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Concerts are free of charge. Come early and eat dinner in their dining room for preferred seating (walk-ins welcome, but reservations preferred).

Concert Schedule:
July 4 – Annie Moses Band
July 11 – Selah
July 18 – Anthony Evans
July 25 – Robert & Pam Adams
August 1 – Aaron Shust
August 8 – Dallas Holm
August 15 – Sara Groves
August 22 – Theater for the Thirsty
August 29 – John & Anne Barbour
September 5 – Buddy Greene

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