

**The Leighton News**  
**Week of August 30, 2015**

**On The Calendar This Week:**

**Sunday, August 30:**

Sunday's Message – "Brothers and Sisters, What Shall We Do?" Acts 2:22-41

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 tonight from 5:45-8:00 p.m. G.L.U.E. is for all 6th through 12th graders and is held at the church. Dinner is at 5:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

**Monday, August 31:**

No Adult Basketball

6:30 p.m. Guitar Group (Prayer Room)

**Tuesday, September 1:**

6:30 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting (Lounge)

**Wednesday, September 2:**

11:30 a.m. 50+ Luncheon (Family Center)

6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice (Sanctuary)

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study on Revelation  
(Library—NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION)

**Thursday, September 3:**

7:00 a.m. Rummage Sale for Missions until 5:00 p.m.

**Friday, September 4:**

7:00 a.m. Rummage Sale for Missions until 5:00 p.m.

## **ADULT BASKETBALL MONDAY NIGHTS!**

Adult basketball will not meet throughout the month of August.  
The next night of Adult Basketball is scheduled for Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> (note corrected date) at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Center.

## **50+ POTLUCK LUNCH**

Everyone age 50 on up is invited to come to the September 50+ Potluck Lunch.

Wednesday, September 2nd at 11:30 a.m. in the Family Center

Bring your table service and a dish to pass.

Lemonade, water, and coffee are provided.

After lunch, David Dickerson and Dale Lowe will present The Louisiana Cowboy, an entertaining and humorous concert featuring country and gospel music. David is a member of the Michigan Country Music Hall of Fame and has written over 300 songs.

Friends and family members welcome.

Questions can be directed to [Jean McCaul](#)

## **RUMMAGE SALE FOR MISSIONS**

On Thursday, September 3rd and Friday, September 4th, the G.L.U.E. Youth Group is hosting a rummage sale at the church from 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. near the north entrance by the Family Center.

Proceeds from the sale will support 11th and 12th grade students going to Puerto Rico in 2016 on a mission trip.

If you have items you would like to donate, please contact Rachael Getter by Wednesday, September 1st. You may call or text her at (616) 706-1315.

Spread the word to family and friends.

Come and find some treasures to purchase and support this life changing opportunity for students.

## **LAKESIDE BAPTISM SERVICE**

A baptism service is being planned for Sunday, September 13th at Mark Schiefela's home on Duncan Lake. The service will be held at 5:00 p.m. and the baptisms will be by immersion in the lake. If you know Jesus Christ as your Savior and have not made that public profession of faith with the sacrament of baptism, you are invited to come.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact

[Pastor Dave](#) or the [church office](#) by August 30th.

### **BRIDAL SHOWER FOR LUCIA ZAMORA**

All women and girls are invited to celebrate with Lucia Zamora her upcoming marriage to Mark Schielfa.

The shower will be held on Thursday, September 17th at 6:30 p.m. in Rooms 15/16.

Cake, ice cream, and light refreshments will be served.

Mark & Lucia are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Please RSVP to [Nona Steeby](#) or [Stacey Aman](#) by September 13<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.

### **YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF**

With a new school season ready to begin, a fresh new season of youth group is gearing up to kick off.

All 6th-12th grade students are welcome to come. Bring your friends along.

This special kick-off night will be an evening for teens to meet their adult prayer pal and get acquainted with them.

Contact [Connie Blain](#) if you are planning on coming. Dinner will be served followed by a fun evening of teens and adults together.

### **NECKTIES NEEDED**

Gently used neckties are needed for the September 20th youth group kick-off night. Please look through your closet to see if there are neckties no longer being used that can be donated. The goal is to gather 50 ties.

Place them in the basket labeled "TIES" is in the Lobby.

Questions can be directed to [Connie Blain](#)

### **GUITAR GROUP**

Do you have a desire to learn to play the guitar, but didn't want to spend a lot of money on lessons? Perhaps you know how to play the guitar a little bit, but would enjoy getting together with others and play. If you answered "yes" to either of these questions, then Monday night Guitar Group is for you. There is no cost to participate, but you must bring your own guitar.

Lessons are in a group setting and are CD/DVD based. Guitar Group meets each Monday in the Prayer Room from

6:30-7:30 p.m. For more information, contact [Judy Hanlon](#)

## **SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF MINISTRY EVENTS**

While your personal calendar may be getting full in September with the start of school, school activities, sports, family events, work, and all that life brings, take time to fit into the life of the church to connect with God, serve God, and grow in your walk with God. The September calendar of ministry events is attached. You can also find events on the church website calendar [www.leightonchurch.org/calendar](http://www.leightonchurch.org/calendar)

## **OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

There are many opportunities to get involved in the life of Leighton Church; attend worship, volunteer to be part of a ministry, volunteer to lead a ministry, attend Bible study, be part of the praise team, etc.

Listed below are areas where folks are needed to lead or participate in ministries at Leighton Church. Please pray over this list. Perhaps God is nudging you to serve.

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL**— Seeking individuals who would be willing to teach Sunday School classes while teachers are on vacation, ill, etc. This would be for children's classes (age 2 thru 5th grade), Jr. High (6th-8th grade), Sr. High (9th-12th grade), and perhaps an adult class on occasion. If interested, please contact [Bonnie McBride](#), [Amanda Athearn](#), or [Christine Syswerda](#)

**PRAISE TEAM/SOUND TEAM**—The praise team is in need of instrumentalists and tech-crew members. If you play piano, bass, drums, or guitar or would like to operate the soundboard or presentation software, contact [Josh Webb](#)

**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.

## **PIONEER CLUBS® LEADERS**

It's that time of year again and volunteers are needed to reach children with the love of Christ through Pioneer Clubs®, which meets Wednesday nights October thru March from 6:15-8:00 p.m. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to fill one of the positions listed below. Volunteers Needed for:

Teachers: 3 yrs old and under, 1st & 2nd Grade, 5th & 6th Grade

Classroom Helpers: 3 yrs old and under, 4 & 5 Year Olds  
1st & 2nd Grade, 5th & 6th Grade

We are also looking for 2 people to lead singing. This position would be needed only for the first 20 minutes of Pioneer Club. This would work great for someone on praise team as Pioneer Club singing is done right before praise team practice starts.

Helpers for snacks and substitutes are also needed. Contact [Allison Draaisma](#), Pioneer Club Coordinator, if you are interested in being part of Pioneer Clubs. Can't commit to help each week, but want to be involved? Contact [Allison](#).

### **FAMILY DINNER UPDATE**

Sarah Geers, who has coordinated and cooked Wednesday night Family Dinners for the past couple of years, will be taking a break this year as she is expecting a baby in December. Sarah has done a great job planning menus, putting together a kitchen crew, and cooking meals for 80-90 people each week. With Sarah stepping aside for a time, we have been searching for a Family Dinner coordinator. This past week, Renee Seeley graciously offered to take on this role. While the exact start date of Family Dinner has yet to be determined, your support and encouragement for Renee as she begins thinking about Family Dinners is appreciated. If you are interested in helping with preparing meals, serving meals, and/or clean-up contact [Renee](#).

### **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The Community Garden is growing and so are the weeds. **If you would be willing to help weed and/or pick veggies, 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. Orders will be taken ongoing. Shirts are bright red and cost \$10 each (2X-5X are \$1 per X).

### **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:**

August 30—Clay & Luann Snyder

September 6—Open

September 13—Open

### **PROVIDING TREATS FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:**

August 30—Andrea Landon & Mary Ackerson

September 6—Kris Freds & Robbi Hilton

September 13—Mary Phillips & Linda McBride

### **GREETERS:**

August 30—Doug & Judy Hanlon

September 6—Shirlee Cheers & Theresa Noffke

September 13—Dale & Lois Byars

### **NURSERY:**

August 30—Eric & Tina Peck; Gabby Nicholson

September 6—Kris Freds & Kaylie Taylor

September 13—Mark & Ronda Kaechele

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS:**

August 30—Renee & Emeline Seeley

September 6—Becca Getter, Sam Farmer

September 13—Stephanie Aman, Robbin Hilton

## **ESTATE SALE ITEMS**

Luann Lewis Snyder 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 and items are also listed below. For more information, contact Luann at 616-891-8348.

Microwave: Kenmore with turntable and all the buttons (popcorn, potato, etc.)

Electric Range

Refrigerator

wooden frame mirror (15 1/4" x 23")  
record player/tape player in console  
wall hanging that looks like tree branch  
2 round frameless mirrors  
Portable electric heater

**ANTIQUES:**

Old suitcase  
wicker picnic basket with colored dishes  
2 gallon crock  
metal bread box  
carpet sweeper  
large brown jug  
2 flower pictures  
arm chair  
oval mirror (gold frame)  
floor lamp  
table lamp

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**

Your donations of non-perishable food items to our food pantry give assistance to the 10 families that regularly visit our pantry (regularly means at least once a month). Any items you can donate are appreciated. Food items are collected each Sunday during the offering time.

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](http://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 [Tiffany Thaler](#). 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.prcforlife.org/events)

### **MARANTHA SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

Marantha Bible & Missionary Conference Center presents a summer concert series each Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>-September 5<sup>th</sup> 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:

August 29 – John & Anne Barbour  
September 5 – Buddy Greene

Maranatha is located at 4759 Lake Harbor Road, Norton Shores, MI 49441  
(231) 798-2161

### **GULL LAKE MINISTRIES ADULT GETAWAY**

September 14-18 at Gull Lake Ministries located at 1800 Burlington Drive, Hickory Corners, MI.

Speaker: Marvin Williams Musicians: Bob & Becky Brunton.

Double Occupancy: \$290 per person

Single Occupancy: \$307 per person

Includes exciting excursions, 11 chef prepared meals, authentic Bible teaching, inspiring worship, and uplifting fellowship.

Call 800-3530-2442 ext. 205 or go to [www.gulllake.org](http://www.gulllake.org) to register.

Refresh your soul at Gull Lake.

### **FALL RETREATS AT CAMP BARAKEL**

Camp Barakel, located in Fairview, MI, is offering a variety of camps and retreats this fall including Father/Daughter Retreat (Sept. 11-13), Married Couples' Retreat (Sept. 11-13), Ladies' Retreats (Sept. 18-20, Sept. 25-27, & Oct. 2-4), and Men's Retreats (Oct. 9-11 & Oct. 16-18).

Camp Barakel is an oasis where you can be encouraged and recharged. The weekend schedule always includes a mix of fellowship and solitude, activity and rest, laughter and thoughtfulness. The staff of Camp Barakel loves Jesus Christ and loves to present him as the true rest for all souls. Claim a spot in one of their events and drink in the beauty of a northern Michigan autumn on one of these Christ-exalting weekend.

Visit [www.campbarakel.org](http://www.campbarakel.org) for complete registration information.

**PROJECT HOPE HAS MANY VOLUNTEER POSITIONS OPEN!**

Would you like to serve the Lord a few hours a week and enjoy being with the “Body of Christ” or even fulfill the deep need to have purpose for the Lord? Come to Project Hope! We are in need of people to fill these volunteer positions:

Cashiers (Must be 18 years or older)

Drivers to pick up food (CDL is not required, but must have a good driving record)

An experienced person to price antiques and restock floor

A puzzle-putter-together/counter. Can be done in the comfort of your own home and at your convenience.

Volunteers needed to price clothing, housewares, etc. Can be as young as 15 with parental consent.

“Jewelry Happenings” (sorting and pricing) first Thursday of every month. Snacks provided!

Cosmetics and cards.

Frames, pictures and wall hangings – price and stock floor

Gardner to help keep up the “Annetta Garden Center” and the landscape around the building.

If interested in helping us out as a driver or gardner, call Sandy at (616) 681-HOPE ext. 5

Please call Jean Bodo, Thrift Store Director (616) 681-HOPE ext. 106 if interested in any other volunteer positions listed.

### **BIG O' SMOKEHOUSE IN CALEDONIA IS HIRING**

The Smokehouse Market is expanding and remodeling into the front half of their building and has an immediate need of a person to help 20-25 hours/week and/or 25-35 hours per week. Duties include: customer service, stocking, packing, cleaning, and maintaining displays. A person who has some management and supervisory skills is also needed. Compensation is negotiable based on skills, experience and commitment.

Production workers also needed Monday-Friday 5:00 am-Noon. Pay for production workers starts at \$11.00/hour.

Stop in at 9740 Cherry Valley (M-37) Caledonia or call Keith at 616-891-5555 or e-mail [kosterhaven@bigosmokehouse.com](mailto:kosterhaven@bigosmokehouse.com).

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