

The "LAKEVIEWER"

LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reformed Church in America

April/May, 2020

Newsletter of
Lakeview Community Church
Reformed Church in America



30 Long Pond Road
Rochester, NY 14612

Rev. Steven Rodriguez, Pastor

Sunday Mornings On-Line...

May 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31

Worship Service at 10:00 AM

On-Line Coffee Hour follows Worship Service

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Deadline for June Newsletter: May 24

From the Pastor's Desk...

A Special Note for Those Without Internet Access

Dear Lakeview Family, greetings in the Lord!

I am writing especially to those who do not have internet access and have not been a part of our online worship and discipleship since the pandemic started. We miss you! We have not forgotten about you! I remember you in prayer, and I know that others are praying for you, as well. If you have a smart phone or a computer and you would like to join our on-line activities but don't know how, please call me (Pastor Steven), and I will be happy to help you figure it out.

There is an important phrase that shows up, in one way or another, a little over a dozen times in the Bible. The phrase is this: "God remembered." God remembered Noah and all the animals, and the flood subsided (Genesis 8:1). God remembered Abraham and saved his nephew Lot (Genesis 19:29). God remembered his covenant with Israel when he heard their groaning in Egyptian slavery (Exodus 2 & 6). God remembered Rachel and Hannah and blessed them with children (Genesis 30 & I Samuel 1). This phrase is for you, too: *God remembers you.* God doesn't forget about you. God will never leave you or forsake you. Take this verse to heart, from Psalm 112: "The righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever." God never forgets about us, even when it feels like no one remembers us; God never forgets about us, even when we forget about God. No matter what happens next, God will go with you, sustain you, and uphold you by his righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10).

And we remember you, too! If you need anything, or if you just need someone to talk to or pray with, please feel free to call Pastor Steven at (585) 773-4153, or you can call any of the Elders. Their numbers are: Don Montesano: (585) 563-7955, Don Barry: (585) 750-6588, Dianne Pettifer: (585) 225-7429, and Julie Hettel: (585) 453-9345.

May God be your strength in this difficult time!

Pastor Steven

ON-LINE WORSHIP SERVICE

The Lakeview Sunday Worship Service is available on the Lakeview Website:

LakeviewCommunityChurch.Net



ON-LINE BIBLE STUDY

Lakeview's On-line Bible Study takes place on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. You can join us by clicking on this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/249222890>



ON-LINE SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

We have been meeting on the **digital platform, Zoom**, for Sunday Coffee Hours at **11:00 AM** (following the on-line worship service). You can join the meeting by clicking on this link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/595232886>

Also, here are three zoom tips so that we can have the best coffee hour together:

1. Please mute your microphone when you are not talking, so that we can hear what people are saying.
2. There is a chat box where you can text things, if we can't hear you, or you are not comfortable speaking, or you want to say something off-topic.
3. Try switching your view to "gallery mode" so that you can see everyone instead of just the person who is talking. On a computer, you can get to gallery mode by clicking on the icon in the top right of the screen. On a mobile device, you can get to gallery mode by swiping the screen left.



CHOIR



Organist & Keyboardist: Lynnann Rivas

Choir rehearsals have been postponed until further notice because of the Coronavirus Pandemic.



PRAISE BANDS



Praise Band & Rejoice!
Leader: Kevin Griffith

Praise Band and *Rejoice!* rehearsals have been canceled until further notice due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.



American Red Cross

Our next Blood Drive is still scheduled for **Thursday, June 25, 4:00-8:00 PM**, and will be held in the Fellowship Hall of Lakeview. Please keep this date on your calendars until we hear differently from the American Red Cross.



Thank you, everyone, for your donations in March for the GEFS. They have requested "Jelly, Stew, Chili, and Hash" for April. Please consider adding this to your grocery list.

Joan Marvin & Linda Viney
Lakeview GEFS Reps



If you purchased tickets to the Scout Troop 18 Spaghetti Dinner that was scheduled for March 21, please hold on to your tickets. The Spaghetti Dinner will be rescheduled as soon as groups are allowed to meet together.



CONGREGATIONAL GIVING

Congregational Giving for April 5 was \$1,997.00.
Congregational Giving for April 12 was \$1,875.00.



CONTRIBUTIONS TO LAKEVIEW

We are still doing banking once a week for the church. You can mail your regular contributions to Lakeview (30 Long Pond Road, Rochester, NY 14612) or, if you also wish to make a monetary contribution to the Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf, that can also be mailed to the church.

Linda Viney



Congregational Giving and Expenses for the month of March, 2020:

***Income: \$ 5,675.50; YTD: \$34,493.69**
(Note: Operating Account only, Benevolence not included.)

Expenses: \$13,324.27; YTD: \$38,593.55

***Note:** Significant funds were received at the end of March but were not recorded until April. The total amount of these belated funds was: \$5,660 for Operating Income, and \$4,000 for Memorials.



All meetings have been postponed until further notice. Hopefully, we will be able to have our annual picnic in June.



Please remember when you shop on-line for any miscellaneous items to consider using AmazonSmile.

If you purchase items from Amazon on the Internet, please consider using "Amazon Smile." **If you do, 1% of your purchase price is donated to Lakeview Church.** Your cost does not change and Amazon gets to claim a charitable deduction.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

****PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for:**

Rex Ahrens, Don Barry, Bill Burns, Stacy Dorland, Ken & Gail Gill, Ken & Gail Gill's daughter, Gaye; Mary Hart, Frank Imo, Kathi Kehrli, Pat Palumbo, Jan Mahon, Bob & Linda Perrotte, Amy Piccarreto, Sophie Purdy, Patty Salone, Eleanor Thornton, Gail Wang, Matt Wolf, and Lois Worboys.

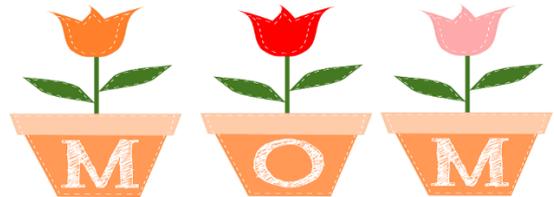
****5th SUNDAY BREAKFAST...**

A 5th Sunday Breakfast is planned for May 31 at 9:00 AM, and will be held in the Fellowship Hall depending on if the ban on group gatherings has been lifted in New York state.

Contact Person: Sheila Williams

E-MAILS

Several people have let us know that they are not receiving some of the emails with announcements, liturgies, Zoom links, etc. Please check your spam folder to make sure that you are not inadvertently blocking emails from Lakeview.

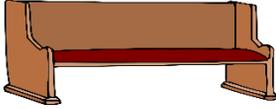


Mother's Day: May 10th

Mother's Day in the United States is an annual holiday celebrated on the second Sunday in May. Mother's Day recognizes mothers, motherhood and maternal bonds in general, as well as the positive contributions that they make to society. It was established by Anna Jarvis, with the first official Mother's Day celebrated at St. Andrew's Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia, on May 10, 1908.



REFINISHED PEWS IN SANCTUARY



Our pews in the Sanctuary have been beautifully refinished. This labor of love was done by *Jim & Laurie Raymond, Diane Phelps, Tom Duthoy, and Dottie & Vic Mason*. Also, *Dottie Mason and Diane Phelps* refinished the wooden benches located in the narthex. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for your hard work.



BUILDINGS & GROUNDS UPDATE



The following additional work was done in the Sanctuary: All wood work was refreshed, concrete floors waxed, all bibles/hymnals sanitized, cushions and carpets were vacuumed.



Give thanks to *Don Montesano* for servicing the church and parsonage lawn tractors; and thanks to *Geoff Pettifer, Eric Frank, and Tim Hettel* for volunteering to mow around the church exclusively during the virus period.

Work to be done:

- 1) Remove sanctuary storm windows & install screens. Clean all glass surfaces, install screens, and store storms in garage—a two-person job.
- 2) Garden work, plantings/mulch.

*Jim Raymond,
B & G Chair*



April 02 – David Griggs
April 02 – Rachel (Quetschenbach) Longwell
April 02 – Nancy Steckel
April 06 – Faye Cole
April 06 – Sandy Rogalski
April 14 – Jeffrey Hart
April 16 – Elizabeth Pettifer
April 16 – Zoey Booth
April 20 – Celeste Pawlicki
April 24 – Sheila Williams
April 25 – Barb Friga
April 25 – Gregory Lawrence
April 26 – Jane Ahrens
April 26 – Immanuel Rodriguez
April 29 – Paul Marvin
May 03 – Rob McCulloch
May 05 – Rex Ahrens
May 05 – Betsy Leipold
May 06 – Nick Marshall
May 09 – Rachel (Hibbard) Ryan
May 10 – Esther Rodriguez
May 18 – Kathi Kehrli
May 18 – Suzanne Pettifer
May 20 – Matt Wolf
May 23 – Don Barry
May 26 – Jonathan Gill
May 26 – Makayla Hart

If you have a birthday that is not listed, please send the name and date to the church secretary at: lakeviewchurch3@gmail.com.



PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY VOTING

There will be no Presidential Primary voting at Lakeview on Tuesday, May 28, 2020, as stipulated by New York Governor Andrew Cuomo (because of the Coronavirus Pandemic).



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APR and **MAY**

Events at Lakeview...

April 21 – Consistory Meeting at 7:00 PM (*tentative*)

May 10 – Mother’s Day

May 12 – Consistory Meeting at 7:00 PM (*tentative*)

May 31 – 5th Sunday Breakfast at 9:00 AM (*tentative*)