

The “LAKEVIEWER”

LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reformed Church in America

October, 2023

Newsletter of
Lakeview Community Church
Reformed Church in America



30 Long Pond Road
Rochester, NY 14612

Worship at Lakeview...

Oct. 01: Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Oct. 08: Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Oct. 15: Family Picnic at 11:00 AM

Oct. 22: Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Oct. 29: Ice Cream Social at 11:00 AM

(Coffee Hours are held in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 AM)

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Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Philippians 2:4

By the time you read this, the tiny “*jewels of flight*,” the hummingbirds, will have left our area for their trip south. They are just one of God’s awe-inspiring creations, able to complete a migration that can be up to 2,000 miles long. Many follow a path along the Gulf of Mexico while others make an incredible 500-mile, nonstop trip across the Gulf. Their tiny wings can flap up to 70 times per second, and their tiny hearts can beat over 1,000 times per minute.

This past summer I was fortunate to have six ruby-throated hummingbirds visit my yard numerous times every day. The facts about them are amazing, but what I love most is the way they hover and ‘check things out.’ They just seem so curious and brave as they fly very close to get a good look at this big creature (human) in their feeding area. The reason I began with the Bible verse above, however, is because I constantly observed their territorial behavior.

Although it was quite entertaining to watch their aerial acrobatics and hear their tiny voices as they fought to keep each other away from the six feeders and many flowers planted just for them, I couldn’t help thinking about human behavior. Our little feathered friends are behaving as God made them to be, but we humans are given free will and the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit to guide our actions and choices. Despite that gift and the abundance of blessings we have been given, we too can be self-centered in our behaviors. We too can waste a lot of time, energy, and good will by being controlling and self-serving. Life is so much better when we live in harmony with one another as Romans 12:16 reminds us to do.

The Bible provides guidance to inspire us as we seek to follow in Jesus’ footsteps each day of our lives. Here are a few verses that may speak to you as we move into autumn.

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.

Psalms 119:18

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

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Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3: 5-6

O give thanks to the Lord; for He is good, for His mercy endures forever. 1 Chronicles 16:34

Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. Psalm 46:10

Every word of God is pure: he is a shield to those who put their trust in Him. Proverbs 30:5

Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord. Acts 3:19

Sherry Romanczyk,
Deacon



Thank You, LORD!



Communion will

be offered on October 1st during the 10:00 AM Worship Service.



Praise Band



Praise Band & *Rejoice!*
Leader: Kevin Griffith

Rejoice! Rehearsals on October 4, 11, 18, & 25
at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary



Choir Director and
Keyboardist:
Lynnann Rivas

Choir rehearsals on October 4, 11, 18, & 25
at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary



SUNDAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

for October 10:00 AM Worship Services

PREACHING

October 01 – Rev. Jim Crowley

October 08 – Charles Tijou

October 15 – Don Montesano

October 22 – Matt Wolf

October 29 – Charles Tijou

GREETERS

(Do not pass offering plates during Worship Service)

October 01 – Bob & Dagmar Van Alstyne

October 08 – Patricia DeLuzio

October 15 – Sherry Romanczyk

October 22 – Paul & Joan Marvin

October 29 – Sheila Williams

NURSERY

Presently, Lakeview does not offer Sunday Morning Nursery service; however, children are welcome and encouraged to attend worship. If you are attending the worship service and you would like Nursery care, a member of the Children's Welcome Team is available to sit with your small children in the Nursery.

PRAYER LEADERS

October 01 – Rex Ahrens

October 08 – Jane Egan

October 15 – Patricia DeLuzio

October 22 – Becky Hibbard

October 29 – Molly Ives

SOUND SYSTEM

October 01 – Paul Marvin

October 08 – Jonah Hettel

October 15 – Dave Griggs

October 22 – Joe Romanczyk

October 29 – Paul Marvin

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

October 01 – Becky Hibbard*

October 08 – Matt Wolf

October 15 – Dianne Pettifer**

October 22 – Donna Tijou

October 29 – Don Montesano*

**Reads Scripture Only; **Does Not Read Scripture*

If you are not able to be in church on the date you are scheduled, please arrange for a replacement from your Schedule List and notify the church secretary (lakeviewchurch3@gmail.com). Thank you for your help.





The Search Committee has been meeting faithfully and reviewing potential candidates. We are available after Sunday worship to answer any of your questions. **Next meetings:** October 9 and 25, 6:00 PM, to be held in the Church Library. *Please keep our Search Committee in your prayers.*

Members: *Becky Hibbard*, Chairperson;
Dottie Mason, Diane Phelps, Joe Romanczyk;
and Mark Gill (Consistory Rep)

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Monday, October 2
7:00 PM, Library

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RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

The Blood Drive held at Lakeview on September 9 yielded **12 blood units**. The goal was 20 units; we fell a little short, but what we collected can help save **36** lives!

The last drive at Lakeview in 2023 will be held on **November 4, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**. Please sign up today or encourage others you may know who could give this life-saving gift. Go to redcrossblood.org, email me at rebelhib@yahoo.com, or call **1-800-733-2767**. Thank you for your continued support for this ministry.

~Becky Hibbard

There Is Still a Critical Need for Blood Donors!

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**Sunday Morning
Adult Study**

Join us on Sundays
for the Adult Study

Group (formerly Adult Sunday School) at **9 AM** (lasts approximately 40 minutes to accommodate Choir Members and Greeters). We are studying the Seven Letters to the Seven Churches as found in the Holy Bible Book of Revelation, Chapters 1-3. The group is led by **Don Montesano** and meets in the Adult Classroom.

COMMITTEE NEWS

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS NEWS

If you should have a question or concern regarding the Parsonage or Church, please place a note in the Buildings & Grounds mailbox (located in the Fellowship Hall) listing your concern. Contact: **Jim Raymond**, B&G Chair

FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS

Next Finance Committee Meeting:

Monday, October 16, 7:00 PM

Founders' Room

Finance Committee will meet on the third Monday of October at 7:00 PM in the Founders' Room. At that time, the financial reports will be reviewed and approved (with corrections if needed). Everyone is welcome to join the meeting.

Your Finance Committee:
Faye Cole, Debbie Gill,
Mark Gill, & Linda Viney

CONGREGATIONAL GIVING

Congregational Giving on Aug. 20: \$1,880.01

Congregational Giving on Aug. 27: \$1,465.00

Congregational Giving on Sep. 03: \$1,664.00

Congregational Giving on Sep. 10: \$1,340.00

Congregational Giving on Sep. 17: \$1,825.00

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COMMUNITY LIFE COMMITTEE NEWS



Your Community Life Committee wishes to thank the 28 people who attended our Church Family Potluck Picnic on September 10 and brought delicious dishes for us. There was also a nice turn-out for the Ice Cream Social held on September 17. Our appreciation to those who were able to join us.

A Surprise for Sandy Rogalski

On Sunday, **September 24**, the Coffee Hour was planned to surprise **Sandy Rogalski** as she is getting ready to move from Rochester to Minnesota. Well, the surprise was on us, as Sandy was not able to be in church on Sunday.

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Since we already had purchased the cake, we served it at the Coffee Hour.



Cake for Sandy Rogalski

We had planned to acknowledge the many volunteer services Sandy has done here at Lakeview. She has read scripture on Sunday mornings, worked in the kitchen for our social events, and hosted the Sunday Coffee Hour. Sandy is an avid gardener and has worked diligently keeping the church gardens looking great. She has also taken care of our recycling of bottles and cans. And how many of us have received a phone call getting a singing “Happy Birthday” to make us smile and make our day even more special? Sandy has visited or phoned many of us who have been in the hospital, nursing home, or at home recovering.

We are going to miss her beautiful smile on Sunday mornings, but wish her much happiness as she moves to be close to her daughter and family. Maybe she will take the church directory with her and we might just get a call from her. Please know, **Sandy**, that you are in our prayers as you settle in your new home and meet new friends. And we, here, are only a phone call away. God Bless.

Sheila Williams



The Library Committee is ready to roll into action in the month of October. We will soon be purchasing new books and would love to know what interests you. If there is any author or title you would like to see on our shelves, please let Donna (or anyone on the Committee) know, and we will do our best to provide it.



GREECE ECUMENICAL FOOD SHELF

October means it is officially fall! The “**August Challenge**” is successfully behind us, but we thought you all may be interested in what it takes for Lakeview to pull off such an amazing feat and how many people are involved. First of all, each week in July a new clue as to the item we will be collecting is posted at the church. Our secretary, **Dotti**, prints the new flyers that we distribute to neighbors and friends. We start collecting boxes. Our focus item and our goal is announced and food starts pouring in. Every year **Linda Viney** paints our big sign for the front yard. Our neighbors tell us they watch for it every August to see what we are collecting. Items are counted each Sunday to keep track of our progress. Monetary donations need to be turned into actual food by our volunteer shoppers. Many thanks to **Linda Viney** and **Dagmar Doland** who relentlessly shopped for hundreds of cans of fruit from many stores in Greece, Spencerport, and Brockport. Some fruit came from as far away as Pennsylvania. On the last Saturday of the month, we hold our drive-up and drop-off for the neighborhood. Thanks to **Linda, Dagmar, Gail Wang, Dottie Mason, and Audrey Blocchi** for greeting our neighbors and accepting **72** cans of fruit on **Aug. 26**.

At month’s end, the food needs to be loaded on trucks and taken to Maiden Lane for our special delivery appointment. The loading crew consisted of **Dagmar Doland, Linda Viney, Dave Griggs, Sherry Romanczyk, Becky Hibbard, Wayne Hibbard, and Paul Marvin**. **Paul** and **Wayne** drove their loaded trucks to the GEFS where it was unloaded onto pallets and weighed. Our month-long efforts resulted in **1961 pounds** of fruit!

It takes all these volunteers, PLUS all of YOU, to make the “**August Challenge**” happen. A HUGE thank you to all the people mentioned above; and most of all, everyone who donated fruit or \$, and took the time and effort to involve others. Lakeview’s largest mission project and outreach venture is behind us for another year. **Great job, Lakeview!**

Since hunger never takes a break, we continue to help feed our neighbors in need by donating pasta sauce, canned carrots, and mixed vegetables during October. Thank you all for your continuing generosity. **You rock!**

Joan Marvin & Linda Viney

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The email letter below was received on **September 9th** from the Greece Food Shelf in response to the delivery of Lakeview's "August Challenge" of canned fruit:

Hi Joan,

We appreciate the Lakeview donations so much! The fruit will help many of our neighbors over the next several months. We found one carton that hadn't been weighed, so the official total is 1,961 lbs!

In deepest appreciation, Amy

Pictured below are the volunteers who loaded two pick-up trucks with canned fruit collected for the GEFS 2023 "August Challenge."



(Left to Right) Linda Viney, Joan Marvin, Paul Marvin, Sherry Romanczyk, David Griggs, Becky Hibbard, and Wayne Hibbard

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Juliet's Luncheon

The "Juliets" (Just Us Ladies Eating Together)

Meeting date for the luncheons has been changed to the fourth Friday of each month as many restaurants aren't open on Mondays. **Next Meeting: Friday, October 27, 12:30 PM, at the Hilton Family Diner, in Hilton, NY**

Please contact Dottie Mason if you plan to attend.



Nancy Steckel and Betsy Leipold at the Juliet's Luncheon held at Pelican's Nest on September 25, 2023

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The **Lakeview Ladies Group** will meet on **Tuesday, October 17, at 10:00 AM** in the **Founders Room**. We will be learning about the Samaritan Woman from the Book of John, Chapter 4. *All women are invited.*

Save the Date: The **Christmas Tea** will be held on **Sunday, December 3, 2023**. More details to be announced.

Faye Cole

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MISSION SHARE OUTREACH CENTER

Mission Share is continuing its request for "*pasta of any kind*" and *toiletries* for **October**. Please consider adding these items to your grocery list. If you prefer to give money, **Rob McCulloch** will shop for you and deliver to Mission Share on a weekly basis. Please leave cash in an envelope in the basket labeled "MS."

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

****Prayers Are Requested for...**

Stacy Dorland, Kevin Griffith, Dave Griggs, Mary Hart, Jan Mahon, Pastor Steven Rodriguez and his family, Charlie Tijou and Donna Tijou, Gail Wang, Gloria Weaver and her daughter, and Lois Worboys.

****Articles for the November "Lakeviewer" are due on Sunday, October 22.**

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Worship Dates for hosting one of our Coffee Hours after Sunday worship are still available. Sign-up sheet is located on the table in the Fellowship Hall. *Lakeview supplies the coffee and juice; snacks are optional.*

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MEN'S PRAYER & STUDY GROUP



Next meeting of the **Men's Prayer & Study Group** will be held on Saturday, **October 7, 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM**; in the Stained-Glass Classroom. Contact Person: **Jim Raymond**

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STUDY OF SERMON VIDEOS OF CHARLES STANLEY



We will be starting the Charles Stanley studies once again this year, but for the month October we will hold it on the **25th** of the month (*4th Wednesday*), instead of the 18th (our usual 3rd

Wednesday of the month). This should hold true only for October, and we should go back to the 3rd Wednesday of the month again in November. We hope that you will join us on the 25th. It is a time of learning and growing in the Lord, as well as a time of sharing and fellowship.

The Library Committee, Donna Tijou (Chair)
Sheila Wolf, Marlene Morisson,
Charles Tijou, & Kathy Inzana

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MONTHLY MISSION for OCTOBER

Willow Domestic Violence Center

The Willow Domestic Violence Center has served the greater Rochester community for nearly 40 years. Its mission is to prevent domestic violence and ensure every survivor has access to the services and supports needed along the journey to a safe and empowered life. A special collection for this organization will be received on **Sunday, October 1st.**

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October 03 – Chris Dorland
October 03 – Carol Miller
October 04 – Marlene Morrison
October 07 – Jayden Ortiz
October 09 – Marti O'Dell
October 14 – Geoff Pettifer
October 15 – Tyle Hart
October 17 – Andrew Gill
October 24 – Caedmon Rodriguez
October 26 – Sarah Marshall

If you have a birthday that does not appear on our monthly birthday list, please send your name and birthdate to lakeviewchurch3@gmail.com.

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CHURCH CALENDAR...

- October 01 – Communion offered during 10:00 AM Worship Service
- October 01 – Monthly Mission: Willow Domestic Violence Center
- October 02 – Scouts, 6:00-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 02 – Elders' Meeting, 6:00 PM, Pastor's Study
- October 02 – Consistory Meeting, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room
- October 04 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 04 – *Rejoice!* Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 05 – Grandview Beach Assn. Meeting, 5:30-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 07 – Men's Prayer & Study Group Mtg., 9:00-10:30 AM, Stained Glass Room
- October 08 – Preaching: Charles Tijou, Preaching Elder
- October 09 – Scouts, 6:00-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 09 – Pastoral Search Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM, Library
- October 11 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 11 – *Rejoice!* Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 11 – Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 12 – Suburban Rochester Art Group, 1:00-3:30 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 15 – Preaching: Don Montesano, Preaching Elder
- October 16 – Scouts, 6:00-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 16 – Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room
- October 17 – Lakeview Ladies' Group Meeting, 10:00 AM, Founders' Room
- October 18 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 18 – *Rejoice!* Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 18 – Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 22 – Preaching: Matt Wolf, Preaching Elder
- October 23 – Scouts, 6:00-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 23 – Pastoral Search Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM, Library
- October 25 – Study of Charles Stanley Sermon Videos, 1:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 25 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 25 – *Rejoice!* Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 25 – Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary
- October 27 – Juliet's Luncheon, 12:30 PM, Hilton Family Diner
- October 29 – Preaching: Charles Tijou, Preaching Elder
- October 30 – Scouts, 6:00-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- October 31 – Halloween
- October 31 – Piano Tuning, between 1:00-2:00 PM, Grand Piano



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Count your blessings instead of your crosses
Count your gains instead of your losses
Count your joys instead of your woes
Count your friends instead of your foes
Count your smiles instead of your tears
Count your courage instead of your fears
Count your full years instead of your lean
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean
Count your health instead of your wealth
Count on God instead of yourself

Your Blessings