# The "LAKEVIEWER"

#### LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reformed Church in America

February 2024

Newsletter of

# **Lakeview Community Church**

Reformed Church in America



30 Long Pond Road Rochester, NY 14612

Rev. Rick Admiraal, Pastor

#### Worship at Lakeview...

Feb. 04 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 11 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 18 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 25 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

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

Feb. 14 - Ash Wednesday Worship Service at 7:00 PM

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Deadline for March Newsletter: Feb. 18

## **Grateful**

It's hard to believe that we've already been here in Greece for a month. The time certainly passes by quickly, doesn't it? If I had to sum up my experience in a single word, it'd be **grateful**. I thank God that I'm here with you. As God's Word reminds us, we are to "enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name." (Psalm 100:4)

I'm grateful that I'm your pastor. In the past month I've had numerous opportunities to get to know you better. Some of you have stopped by my church office to enjoy conversation. Others have experienced health concerns giving me the blessing of praying over you. Often Rose has been with me on our visits. Rose had a wonderful idea of inviting you to put your names on a sign-up sheet. We're thankful that you've shared meals and coffee with us. In those visits we've listened to your stories as you've shared with us your joys and sorrows. What an honor!

I'm grateful that I've been able to preach. The month of January has been mainly an overview with big picture themes. On the first Sunday of January, the sermon title was "Blessed to be a Blessing" (Genesis 11:27-12:9). On the second Sunday of the month, the message focused on Lakeview—Where we are (Psalm 8). On the third Sunday of the month, I wasn't able to preach because I tested positive for COVID-19, but I gave the sermon manuscript to Mat Wolf. It focused on Community—Why we're here (Matthew 28:16-20). Lord willing, next Lord's Day will center on Church—Who we are (Romans 12:1-8). I encourage each one of you to read the Bible passages above and reflect on those four themes.

I'm grateful to be living in the parsonage. It's within walking distance of the church and my office. And it's a great location by the forest and Buck Pond. Just yesterday we saw a fox trotting across our backyard. A few weeks ago we saw a bald eagle flying overhead. On more than one occasion we've heard the honks of Canada geese. What a blessing to be near the nature trail. It's also a blessing to have a house

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keeping us warm and a roof keeping us dry during the rugged Western New York winter. Of course, I'll be even more grateful when spring finally arrives!

Overall, **I'm grateful** to God to be your minister. I thank God for you, Lakeview Community Church. May God continue to lead us by His Spirit and His Word. "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever." (1 Chronicles 16:34)

Submitted by,
Pastor Rick



WORSHIP SERVICE AT 7:00 PM Preaching: Rev. Rick Admiraal



Offered at Lakeview on February 11 during the 10:00 AM Worship Service

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and Praise Band Leader: Kevin Griffith

Rejoice! Rehearsals on February 7, 21, & 28, at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary



Choir Director & Keyboardist: Lynnann Rivas

Choir Rehearsals on February 7, 21, and 28 at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

#### SUNDAYWORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

for February 10:00 AM Worship Services

#### **PREACHING**

February 04 – Pastor Rick Admiraal

February 11 – Pastor Rick Admiraal

February 14 – 7 PM - Ash Wed. – Pastor Rick

February 18 – Pastor Rick Admiraal

February 25 – Pastor Rick Admiraal

#### **GREETERS**

(Do not pass offering plates during Worship Service)

February 04 – Patricia DeLuzio

February 11 – Dianne Pettifer

February 14 – 7 PM - Ash Wed. – Faye Cole

February 18 – Diane Phelps

February 25 – Molly Ives

#### **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

February 04 - Molly Ives

February 11 – Rex Ahrens

February 14 – 7 PM - Ash Wed. – No Prayer Leader

February 18 - Don Montesano

February 25 – Becky Hibbard

#### SOUND SYSTEM

February 04 – Joe Romanczyk

February 11- Jonah Hettel

February 14 – 7 PM - Ash Wed. – Dave Griggs

February 18 – Joe Romanczyk

February 25 – Jonah Hettel

#### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

February 04 – Rex Ahrens

February 11 – Lynn Allhusen

February 14 – 7 PM - Ash Wed. – No Worship Ass't.

February 18 – Faye Cole

February 25 – 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.

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#### **CONSISTORY MEETING**

Monday, February 19, 2024 7:00 PM, Founders' Room

# 2024 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES at Lakeview

Saturday, April 27, 2024 Saturday, June 22, 2024

Save the dates! Schedule your appointment at redcrossblood.org, email Becky Hibbard at rebelhib@yahoo.com, or call 1-800-733-2767. Thank you for your continued support.

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# MONTHLY MISSIONS in 2024

Consistory has decided to try something new for the 2024 Schedule of Monthly Missions. There will be a speaker one month; and then through the second month, members of Lakeview would volunteer for the monthly mission in some capacity.

January/February:

Saving Grace Ministries

March/April:

Open Door Mission/Coldwater House

May/June:

The Father's Heart

July/August:

Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf

September/October:

**Cameron Community Ministries** 

**November/December:** 

Salvation Army

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# **COMMITTEE NEWS**

#### **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS NEWS**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the church or parsonage, please place a note in the B&G mailbox in the Fellowship Hall listing your concerns.

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#### **COMMUNITY LIFE COMMITTEE NEWS**



The Community Life Committee will serve "Cake and Coffee" in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the Worship Service on February 4 to celebrate the Ordination and Installation of our new Consistory Members, Rex Ahrens as Deacon and Joe Romanczyk as Elder. Congratulations, Rex and Joe!

We also wish to thank our outgoing Consistory Members: *Mark Gill* and *Sherry Romanczyk* for their years of dedication and service to Lakeview.

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### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

The Adult Study Group is studying the Book of Revelation. The group meets every Sunday morning at **9:00 AM** for about forty minutes. All adults are encouraged to attend.

Don Montesano, Chair

# FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS

Next Finance Committee Meeting: Monday, February 12, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room

Finance Committee:

Faye Cole, Debbie Gill, Julie Hettel; and Linda Viney, Chair

## **CONGREGATIONAL GIVING**

Congregational Giving on Dec. 24: \$1,370.00 Congregational Giving on Dec. 31: \$1,020.00 Congregational Giving on Jan. 07: \$3,117.00 Congregational Giving on Jan. 14: \$2,148.00

# GREECE ECUMENICAL FOOD SHELF

We finished 2023 with a big splash! Lakeview Community Church (along with friends, families, and neighbors) donated **4,495 pounds** of food to GEFS. In addition, we gave GEFS **\$1,373.00**; which if that had been product purchased, we would have donated almost **three tons.** Many thanks to everyone for their generous support by shopping, bringing to church, and loading cars/trucks on the last Sunday of each month. GEFS and our neighbors in Greece and Charlotte are so appreciative. With the cold winter weather, our February focus is canned chili or stew, and canned fruit. *Many thanks!* 

Joan Marvin and Linda Viney GEFS Representatives



The library has many good reads. One of them is: "God Never Gives Up On You" (2023), by Max Lucado. This book is about Jacob, the Old Testament son of Isaac, and grandson of Abraham. Jacob was a sneaky one at times in his life. He stole the birthright of his brother, Esau, tricked his father into giving him his brother's blessing, and fooled his Uncle Laban by taking many of his sheep. But regardless of his misdeeds, Jacob was chosen to be used by God and God never gave up on him. The purpose of this story is to show us that in spite of our inappropriate behaviors and actions, God can still use us; in fact, He delights in using us.

Max Lacado is an excellent author and teacher. He is a prolific writer, easy to read, well-written, and well celebrated. Parts of this book are actually funny. His examples of human nature not only hit home, but actually cause us to laugh at ourselves. This is a book you

don't want to miss, and it's free to borrow, right on our Library's shelf in the Narthex. Do yourself a favor and take it home to enjoy.

> Donna Tijou, Chair, Library Committee

## MEN'S PRAYER & STUDY GROUP



Next Meeting: Saturday, February 3, 9:00-10:30 AM; Group will meet in the Stained-Glass Classroom.
Contact Person: Jim Raymond

# ROMEO'S Weekly Breakfast

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Meets each Wednesday Morning at 7:30 at the Hilton Family Diner in Hilton, New York 14468 All are Welcome!

# Juliet's Luncheon

(Just Us Ladies Eating Together)
Luncheon for Dagmar Doland

Next Luncheon: Friday, February 23 12:30 PM, Place: TBD

Please let Dottie Mason know if you plan to attend. ቴቴቴቴቴ





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# Lakeview Ladies' Group

The Lakeview Ladies will be meeting on the third Tuesday of each month (except for July, August and December) in 2024. We have completed the four-book study of the women of the Bible. This year we are planning to study some of the men of the Bible. All women are encouraged to attend the meetings for the study and the fellowship. We will be meeting on February 20 at 10:00 AM in the Founders' Room.

In December, we sent *two* flocks of chickens to help *two* families become more self-efficient through Heifer International.

Even though we are still in January, we have to start thinking about the **Upper Room Supper**. Easter is early, so the URS will be <u>March 26</u> this year. We will have a planning meeting on Sunday, <u>February 11</u>, in the <u>Library</u> after the Church service to begin planning. Many hands make the job easier so anyone who can help is invited to attend.

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# STUDY OF SERMON VIDEOS



Next Meeting: February 21, 1:00 PM, in the Sanctuary

Our *Charles Stanley* studies have started again. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month. Everyone is invited to join us for this time of learning and growing in the Lord, as well as enjoying a time of sharing and fellowship.

The Library Committee, Donna Tijou Chair)

Sheila Wolf, Marlene Morisson,

Charles Tijou, & Kathy Inzana

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## \*\*Prayers Are Requested for...

Dick Allhusen, Stacy Dorland, Kevin Griffith, Dave Griggs, the family of Mary Hart, the family of Richard Howell, Jan Mahon, Pastor Steven Rodriguez and his family, Bette Schmidt, Charlie Tijou and Donna Tijou, Gloria Weaver and her daughter, the family of Mat Wolf, and Lois Worboys.

\*\*Articles for the March "Lakeviewer" are due on Sunday, February 25.

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February 11 – Audrey Blocchi	
February 12 – Kenny Gill	
February 17 – Lois Worboys	
February 21 – Kara Frank	

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

February 28 – Grieg Quetschenbach

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#### **MISSION SHARE OUTREACH CENTER**

Mission Share is extending its request for "pasta of any kind" and toiletries for February. Please add pasta and toiletries to your grocery list. If you prefer to give money, Rob McCulloch will shop for you and deliver to Mission Share. If leaving cash, please place it in an envelope in the basket labeled "MS."

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### SECRET PRAYER PAL PROGRAM



On Saturday, January 13, the Prayer Pals who participated in 2023 met for breakfast, and to learn who the person was that was praying for them throughout the year. Thank you to Faye Cole, Dagmar Doland, Colleen-Dox-Griffith, Jane Egan, Debbie Gill, Becky Hibbard, Dottie Mason, Sherry Romanczyk, Bob Van Alstyne, and Linda Viney for their participation last year, and in years past.

For the 2024 SPP Program, we have added a few new people and have a total of thirteen Prayer Pals. Welcome, and thank you for participating.

#### **Prayer for Friendship:**

Almighty Father, we give thanks today for the friendships in our life. Lord, this life isn't meant to be lived alone; so we are grateful for the people who walk alongside us, supporting us, loving us, and encouraging us. For we cannot do it all alone, but are better together. Help us to be more aware and gracious to our friends, appreciating them and accepting their help. Help us to be a better friend, too; supporting, loving, and encouraging others. Lord, lead us to find and cultivate deeper friendships and be a good friend in all that we do. Shower your blessings upon those we call friends that you may ever be in our midst. Bind us together, Lord, for a cord of three strands is not quickly broken. Amen.

Blessings, Audrey Blocchi



#### IN REMEMBRANCE



Member of Lakeview since November 28, 2004

The members of Lakeview were saddened at the recent loss of Mary Hart who was a faithful member of Lakeview Community Church. She grew up in Grandview Heights which is just across Long Pond. One of her interests was working with numbers. She was a Financial Secretary to Lakeview Community Church for many years. She served on the Finance Committee and worked diligently for the Committee. She also volunteered for the Community Life Committee helping put on breakfasts, lunches, and receptions at the church. For many years, Mary and her father, Bob, went to Fabulous Flowers & Gifts for altar flowers for Lakeview every weekend. Her friendly smile and quick laugh were contagious to everyone around her. She will surely be missed.



Flowers in Lakeview's Sanctuary on January 14 donated by **Fabulous Flowers & Gifts** in memory of *Mary Hart*.



# at Lakeview...

February 01 – Memorial Service for Richard Howell, 7:00 PM (Reception Afterwards at Lakeview

February 03 – Men's Prayer & Study Group, 9:00-10:30 AM, Stain Glass Classroom

February 04 – Ordination & Installation Service for New Consistory Members at 10 AM Service

February 07 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall

February 07 – Rejoice! Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary

February 07 – Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

February 08 – Suburban Rochester Art Group, 1:00-4:00 PM, Fellowship Hall

February 11 – Lakeview Ladies' Planning Meeting, Follows Worship Service, Library

February 12 – Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room

February 14 – Ash Wednesday Worship Service, 7:00 PM

February 14 – Valentine's Day

February 19 – Consistory Meeting, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room

February 20 - Lakeview Ladies' Group, 10:00 AM, Founders' Room

February 20 – Lakeview Volunteers to Serve Hot Meal at Saving Grace Ministries

February 21 – Study of Charles Stanley Sermon Videos, 1:00 PM, Sanctuary

February 21 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall

February 21 - Rejoice! Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary

February 21 – Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary

February 28 - AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall

February 28 – Rejoice! Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary

February 28 – Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM, Sanctuary



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Join Us for Sunday Worship at Lakeview - 10:00 AM and stay for Coffee Hour at 11:00 AM Rev. Rick Admiraal, Pastor