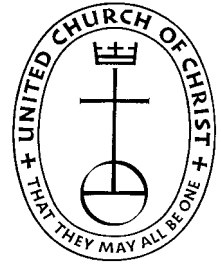




# The Chapel Chimes



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*So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God...*

Ephesians 23:19

In my book, the very best thing about September is that the “program year” of the church begins. The program year roughly corresponds to the school year. My thoughts in early September turn to cooler temperatures, tree leaves limned with bright colors and the smells of chalk and newly sharpened pencils. For the church, the program year is when church attendance goes back up, church school begins, and hopefully we all return from our summer vacations rested and renewed.

This September also marks a time of excitement and anticipation for Lake Edge United Church of Christ. The Search Committee has begun interviewing candidates for the senior pastor position. LEUCC has moved closer still to a bright future with a new pastor, not to mention renewed vigor and enthusiasm for all that God has to offer. The Cabinet has been hard at work all summer with projects to help move LEUCC into God’s future: projects to consider how the congregation might reshape itself in consonance with the world in which it lives.

Of course, moving ahead with God’s call means that changes will necessarily take place. A new pastor will bring with her or himself new ideas and inspiration. Projects under way for restructuring and renewing the church’s ministry will also bring changes. Change is both exciting and a little scary. There’s always a fear that what has been essential in our past will be lost. We might worry that we will lose the identity that has defined us. In times of change we are apt to feel a little isolated. It’s at these times when the words from Paul’s letter to the church at Ephesus can bring us great comfort. Paul

reminded that church that even though they were struggling with many things, they were all in the struggle together. Some members were new and some had been involved since the church’s inception. They came from a variety of social and economic backgrounds. They were struggling to combine the religious traditions of Jews and gentiles. The potential for division was great. The need for unity was even greater.

Paul wrote to remind those first Christians that what was essential was faith in the goodness of God and the leadership of Jesus Christ. That one identity as *Christians* was what made them whole, “*no longer strangers and sojourners...*” but one people in God.

The fresh wind of the Holy Spirit is blowing through Lake Edge. With faith in God and Jesus Christ those winds can be the hallmark of a wonderful new time in this congregation’s legacy. Have faith! Celebrate! God is here, and we are one!

*Wishing you peace,*  
Pastor Lisa

## **New Members Class Starts September 28!**

Tuesdays, September 28-October 19,  
6:30-8:30 pm, Hearthside

Please join Pastor Lisa and members of our church’s boards for our New Members Class. Each class will include conversation with church leaders about our denomination, the United Church of Christ, and also about our congregation here at Lake Edge. New members will join on Sunday, October 31. We believe that these classes will be both informative and fun. There’ll be time for questions and conversation each week. Please let Pastor Lisa or the office know if you can attend.

## Rejoice, Restructure, Renew

The world as well as the way we live our daily lives is evolving. To function in an evolving culture, the church structure—the way our congregation gets things done—must evolve too. Our guiding documents, the Constitution and Bylaws, were last revised in 1982 and no longer reflect the way the church carries out its commission.



The Restructure Team introduces **Rejoice** (for our past, present and future,) **Restructure** (as we evolve with the world,) **Renew** (for our long-term vitality as a community of faith). We believe the image conveys the ongoing process involved. The team has been reading and discussing *Flexible, Missional Constitution/Bylaws*, recommended by Wisconsin Conference UCC staff. For an opportunity to engage Lake Edge in conversation as we approach the time to revise our church's working documents, the team invites all board, committee and team members (and anyone else who is curious) to attend a morning presentation on Saturday, September 18, 8:30 a.m. to noon. Refreshments and child care will be provided.

### Restructuring Team Members:

Sue Brockman-Zeigler, Dick Schultz,  
Kevin Parker, Judi Knight,  
Nicole Rosenthal, Barb Lewis,  
and Pastor Deborah Dean-Ware

## Annual Giving Campaign Kick-Off Sunday – Dessert First!

The LEUCC Annual Giving Campaign will begin Sunday, September 26, at both services. Our theme this year is Dessert First! The committee will be sending out personal invitations to all members and friends over the age of 18. Individuals will be invited to attend a small group session called a Cottage Meeting. Cottage Meetings will take place in mid-October at church and in member homes. With a host and discussion leader, participants will discuss prayer over the life of the congregation and how giving is a part of one's spiritual life. Please contact Anne Schoenemann at 839-8045 or acm071061@charter.net if you do not receive an invite by September 27. At the Celebration Sunday, October 24, church members and friends will be asked to submit their 2011 intention of giving cards.

## It's Worth A Shot!

Sunday, September 26,

10:00am-12:30pm, Fellowship Hall

It's flu vaccination time again. The CDC recommends that everyone over the age of 50; all children through 19 years of age; and those with chronic illness or those in the at-risk group get vaccinated. The cost is \$30 and is covered by Medicare and Medicaid. Pneumonia vaccine will also be available for \$55. If you have Medicare coverage, please bring all of your Medicare cards and a picture ID with you to the clinic. Questions? Call your parish nurse, Peggy at 222-8668.

## Recent Celebration of Baptism

On August 8, we were pleased to celebrate the baptism of Hans Maxwell Rudie, son of Laurie and Glen Rudie. With great joy, we welcome Hans into the faith and family of Christ here at Lake Edge United Church of Christ.

## Our Whole Lives (OWL) for 6th and 7th Graders to Begin in September!

The OWL program will be offered this year to our 6th and 7th graders. It is an abstinence-based (not abstinence-only!), comprehensive sexuality program that is shaped by the values of Self-Worth, Responsibility, Sexual Health and Justice and Inclusivity. The curriculum works at creating a trusting, fun, and non-threatening environment where the youth are able to receive information, ask questions and learn to understand how sexuality is connected to faith. We will cover topics including body awareness and image, gender roles, relationship skills (dating, communication, and lifetime commitments), sexual decisions, responsible sexual behavior, sexual orientations, and abuse of sexuality. This year's program will start in late September and run through mid-May. This year's program will start in late September and run through mid-May. The program will be led by four trained facilitators. If you have questions or you would like to enroll your youth, please contact Pastor Deb.

## Bothered by the Bible Discussion Group

First and third Sundays, 10:10 am

Sixteen of us attended the first meeting on July 24 of a group discussing Bishop J. S. Spong's book "*Rescuing the Bible from Fundamentalism*" We plan to continue meeting on the FIRST and THIRD Sunday mornings. PLEASE feel free to join us at any time (or to come and go as you are able). Everyone and anyone is welcome to join us!

Lorece Aitken

## Planting Seeds



### **Children and Youth Ministry, Programs, and Events**

*Ursulla Schiller, Director of Children and Youth Ministries*

#### **Thanks for welcoming me!**

I would like to first thank everyone for being so welcoming and helping me to feel at home here at Lake Edge. It has been quite an exciting first month, partaking in the musical and the youth food stand at the giant Parking Lot Sale. I feel both were great successes and cultivated a lot of excitement.

#### **Sunday School**

Sunday, September 12

Sunday school will resume on September 12, and teachers are inviting all parents to share the first day of class with the children in their classrooms. This first day of class will be a festive orientation and celebration!

Our teachers do a great job sharing the bible and cultivating fellowship amongst the children, but teacher helpers are needed both in aiding the classes and in meeting Safe Sanctuary standards. Please review your calendars to select a day to be a teacher helper and provide the snack for that day.

Sunday school registration forms will be sent to your home in the next few weeks, so please be sure to get your child/children registered. Also you can come by my office to pick up forms as well.

#### **Sunday School Supplies Needed**

The following supplies are needed for the Sunday school supply room. Please label your donation as "Sunday School Supplies" and leave them in my office or in the main office. Generating supplies together can help preserve funds for the Christian Education budget for more programming and events throughout the year. I will have this list posted outside my office. Please choose which items you are going to purchase and how many packets of each and notate on the board so others know what is left purchase.

- Large package of AA batteries for classroom clocks
- 6 packages of washable wide markers
- 10 packages of washable narrow markers
- Large package of masking tape  
10- or 12-pack
- 6 packages of white board wipe-off markers and erasers
- 6 packages of glue sticks
- 10 packages of construction paper
- 6 bags of pretzels
- 6 boxes of animal crackers
- 6 boxes of Oreos

For more information, please contact me.

#### **Childcare Center**

Many members appreciate and benefit from our childcare center, open Sunday mornings during services. We are currently in need of volunteers to assist Michelle, our staff childcare provider. As the fall comes, so will more children. We need parents to step up and pick a day they can pitch in and help Michelle continue to provide a safe environment for infants, so parents can attend church without concern or disruptions. For more information, please contact Ursulla Schiller in the office at 222-8668.

#### **Youth Programs**

##### **Success of the Youth Food Stand at Parking Lot Sale**

I would like to thank all the youth who came out and helped at the youth food stand at the Parking Lot Sale. We had about 10 youth show up to help. Although it was not a raving fiscal success, only generating about \$60 in profits, it was a great day of youth fellowship, and I got to meet and talk with many of the youth here at Lake Edge.

##### **In-Church Youth Service Project**

Saturday, September 7, 6:30-8:00 pm, Basement.

Here's another service project! I would like to gather youth and adults alike to set up the Sunday school classrooms, do some minor touch-up painting, and decorate for a festive welcoming back to Sunday school. All interested in helping out please feel free to email or call me. There will be hot dogs, assorted chips, and soda available during this service project. What a great way to utilize unsold stock from the food stand than to chow down ourselves as we prepare our church for an exciting year!

##### **What's New for Our Youth?**

Since I arrived, a hot topic amongst the teens has been the décor of the Youth Room. So, with collaboration of youth input, we have decided to redesign the mood of the Youth Room. We are exploring the possibility of repainting and setting the room up in a café style. If you have not stepped down to the Youth Room in the past few weeks, I will inform you that it is in a transitional phase. I've had all of the old couches removed and they have been replaced with different couches. Although the replacements are not new, they are certainly newer and far more comfortable and color-coordinated for our theme. We are sort of following a "Starbucks"-themed atmosphere with olive green, burgundy, and golden browns for colors. Next, I told the youth they need to come up with a really cool name for the room! The Edge Café? Maybe that's been used already? I'll have to drive up and down Monona Drive to check! Haha!

Youth Ministry continued

## Youth! Keep Tuned in for Upcoming Plans for an Overnight Youth Retreat

Currently I am trying to put together an overnight retreat for us to repaint the Youth Room and make a calendar of service and social programs together as a group. Keep your radar up as dates and times are secured!

For more information on any children and youth programs, please contact Ursulla Schiller at [uschiller@lakeedge.org](mailto:uschiller@lakeedge.org) or in the office at 222-8668.



## Hospitalized? Please Let Us Know

Just a reminder that if you or someone you love is going into the hospital, and you want to make sure that they receive a pastoral visit, you'll need to let us know here at the church. We can't always find out that you've been admitted, and with hospital stays now becoming increasingly brief, it's all too possible for your church to miss your hospital stay. We want to come and visit you, and you can ensure that it happens if you'll just let us know that you're there. Additionally, it helps to identify Lake Edge UCC by name at the time of your admittance.

## Lake Edge United Church of Christ Meet Our Newest Members July 25, 2010

**Heather Davison:** I am an Administrative Supervisor at TASC in Madison. I am from Door County and have lived all over Wisconsin. I am helping raise 4 nephews. I love music, movies, and the Packers. I have 3 titanium joints, so now feel strong in body as well as mind and spirit. I feel very blessed to have found Lake Edge :)

**Nancy Davison** shares a home on N. Thompson Dr. in Madison with daughters Heather Davison and Naomi Rouse-Kugel, as well as Naomi's children, Ezra, Jordan, and Gabriel. After a career in social work at Rock Co., I retired here to assist in raising my grandchildren; I am also an alumni of UW-Madison and love this area. Lake Edge UCC appeals to me because the members are so welcoming, and the church is open and affirming. I enjoy everything from classical music to knitting, and my favorite place in the world is Washington Island in Door County, Wisconsin.



## Heart and Soul From Your Parish Nurse

**For Our Souls and Hearts:** *"Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability."*

– Sam Keen

In the final weeks of summer, September brings pulsing hot weather and sudden heavy showers; an otherwise noisy world muffled by sluggish wet breezes barely moving through the thick air. The wise among us embrace the simmering stillness; realizing peace is a rare gift indeed.

Ernest Hemingway once said, *"There are some things which cannot be learned quickly, and time, which is all we have, must be paid heavily for their acquiring."*

Late summer is the time to learn those things that "cannot be learned quickly," those things that can't be taught in the fast school of Twitter. Only when we are patient, only when we wait without rancor for clarity, do deeper lessons take hold inside of us. Children know this; they learn a great many valuable lessons via the fine art of dawdling.

If this method is lost to you, or unfamiliar, take a walk with a 4-year old. A stroll around the block is an hour-long excursion. Such expeditions take time. Although they invariably involve jumping, hopping, skipping, and running, they also require meticulous, slow inspection of the world. An ant on the sidewalk, twigs under the tree, tiny stones in the grass, clouds sailing in the sky all call for unlimited time to contemplate. No 30-second quick peek here, time must be generously allotted to each task.

Fast, continual movement simply slams the door on the experience of late summer; it just can't be done in fast-forward. Being intentionally lazy, keeping hearts and minds wide open, and un-tethering our imaginations is the key to the real richness that is summer.

My prayer is that we embrace this season, the quiet sister of explosive, life-bursting springtime and eye-popping, multi-colored autumn. After all, summer is the only season that languidly and proudly invites us to be lazy. In doubt? Ever see a hammock sitting in the winter snow? Summer simply deserves our gratitude; the value of laziness can't be overstated ... or over-appreciated.



## Late Risers Breakfast

Thursday, September 9th, 9:00 am

Original Pancake House, 516 River Place

Mark your calendars now for the second Thursday of each month to join us for breakfast at the Original Pancake House, 516 River Place, at 9 a.m. The fellowship is great!

## School Kits for Homeless Kids

Thanks to all who selected and filled the kits for grades K, 1, 2, and 3, and to all who donated supplies and money for grades 3, 4, and 5, as well as overseas missions. Thanks to those who helped assemble these kits. It is a tall order to make up 120 school kits in today's economy, and you all met the challenge. This year makes it 25 years that Lake Edge has been fulfilling this need. Dedication of the kits on Sunday, August 15, signified another successful year!

*Eunice Eide*

## Church World Service Blankets+

For something as simple as a concept of blanket, amazing things can happen! Here at Lake Edge, we can provide warmth and protection to victims of a disaster, seeds and tools to struggling farmers, and water and health to impoverished communities by making a Church World Service Blankets+ donation. Offering envelopes will be available in your Sunday bulletin on September 12.

Many of us know this offering as Blanket and Tools Sunday, but the new name has been adopted for several reasons. First, it honors the root name of the program which has provided support for Church World Service emergency response efforts these many years, and secondly, blankets are only the beginning of Church World Service engagement in helping communities in crisis and, as needs change, so does the form of the assistance.

An interesting story from Iowa ... the Refugees Cooperative Services of Des Moines received four cartons of CWS blankets for the incoming refugee families. They expect over 200 refugees during the coming year with "little more than the clothes on their back" and are grateful for the blankets.

## Adult Fellowship Harvest Potluck

Friday, October 22, 6:15 pm,

Fellowship Hall

"Let's Talk Turkey" with Ron and Diane Rockow sharing their adventures by video with narration and Turkish folk music.

Bring plate, silverware, and a dish to share. Don't miss it!

## Library News



Fall book discussions:

Sunday, September 19

"*The Help*" by Kathryn Stockett - Southern black women write about their experiences in the 60's as maids.

Sunday, October 17

"*Stones into Schools*" by Greg Mortenson - This book continues on where "*Three Cups of Tea*" leaves off, as Greg Mortenson builds schools for girls in Afghanistan.

Sunday November 21

"*Unbowed*" by Wangari Maathai - The first woman and first environmentalist to win the Nobel Peace Prize writes about her life in Africa.

All discussions take place in the church Library between worship services and are open to everyone, whether you have read the book or not. The books are also available in the church Library for checkout.



## Upcoming Area Bloodmobiles

Wednesday, September 1, 2:00-6:00 pm

Lake Edge UCC, Fellowship Hall

Note: All donors age 16 and older are welcome. Please call coordinators Carol and Bob Naylor at 873-9714 with any questions.

Tuesday, September 7,

Wednesday, September 8,

Thursday, September 9,

9:30 am-3:30 pm

State Capitol Rotunda

Friday, September 17, 7:30 am-1:45 pm

Meriter Hospital, Community Health Education Center,  
202 S. Park Street

Thursday, September 23, 12:00-4:00 pm

McFarland Community Christ The King, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, September 23, 8:30 am-1:30 pm

UW-Extension, Dane County, 1 Fen Oak Court,  
Large Conference Room

## The Road Home Needs Your Help

We will be hosting families in our church **beginning October 3 and ending October 10**. Before families arrive, we need volunteers to shop for necessary items, and organize activities, toys and books, and move belongings in. On the final day (Oct.10) we need volunteers to help move families' belongings out, deliver leftover food to the Salvation Army, ready Sunday School rooms and do laundry. Or work directly with families as a dinner

host, activities host, or overnight host. Hosts must be trained in a short 1-hour informative tour.

The dates for training are:

**Tuesday, September 14th at 7:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, September 29th at 5:30 p.m.**

All tours take place in The Road Home's Madison office located at 128 East Olin Ave., Suite 202. No RSVP is necessary.

**Here are some of the ways you can help. Please call or email any of the volunteer coordinators below.**

- **Host:** Be trained as host to stay with IHN families OR partner with an experienced host.
- **Dinner Host Cook** 5:30 – 7 pm                      Oct. 3 OR Oct. 9  
Plan meal and prepare with the dinner helpers.
- **Dinner Host Helper** 5:30 – 7 pm                      Oct. 3 OR Oct. 9  
No purchase; prepare or serve/dine/mingle/cleanup.
- **Activities** 7 – 8:30 pm                                      Oct. 3 OR Oct. 9  
Play activities, clean up and snack by 8:30 pm.
- **Overnight & breakfast** 8:30 pm–7:30 am    Oct. 3-4 OR Oct. 9-10  
Bring pillow, sleeping bag; cot provided in classroom.  
Feel free to come early for dinner or activities.  
Provide presence in case of emergency, lock/unlock doors.  
Set out breakfast items, make coffee, and clean-up.
- **Provide staples as needed**
- **Shop as needed**
- **Laundry bath and bed linens**
- **Donate grocery funds**
- **Help move families' belongings**  
IN—11:00 am, October 3 OR  
OUT—7:00 am, October 10

### Volunteer Coordinators to Contact

**Coordinator:** Jessie Gwynne, 257-5761, jessiegwynne@aol.com

**Coordinator:** Mary Brackey, 223-1040, djdex@mac.com

**Activity items:** Pat Gadow, 274-2940, patgadow@msn.com

**Laundry:** Harriet Steil, 244-4900, Thatshat@gmail.com

**Moving info:** Dave Lindorff, 241-0882, drlindorff@charter.net

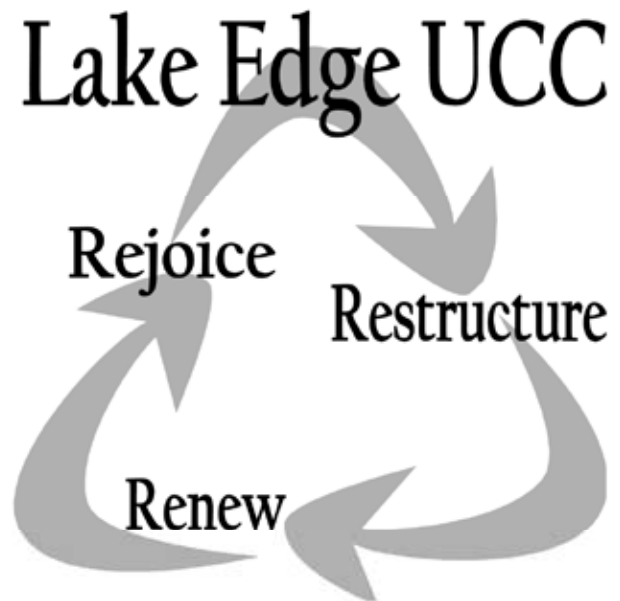


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Members and Friends



Saturday, September 18th

8:30 am-12:00 pm

Refreshments and  
childcare provided.

The world and the way we live our lives is evolving. The church structure must evolve with us.

Come be part of the evolution conversation!