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FROM THE MODERATOR

Dear Lakeview Family,

I'm delighted to share the wonderful news that Rev. Ruth Hopkins will be joining us as our Interim Minister beginning August 3rd. We are incredibly grateful that everything came together, and I truly believe this fall season will be a time of growth, renewal, and blessing for our congregation.

I also want to extend my heartfelt thanks to Corey and Natalie for their continued dedication and hard work. Their commitment to Lakeview during this time has been truly exceptional, and we are so fortunate to have them on our team.

A special thank you goes out to the Lakeview Preschool for their enthusiastic support of the food drive. Your efforts are making a real difference in the lives of those in need.

A quick reminder that our annual picnic at the McOskers is coming up on **June 15th at 1:00 PM**—we hope to see many of you there for food, fellowship, and fun!

If you haven't yet had a chance, please take a few moments to make sure you've completed the **Settled Pastor Search Committee survey**. Your feedback is invaluable as we prayerfully discern the future of pastoral leadership at Lakeview.

As summer unfolds, I hope each of you finds moments of peace, joy, and connection. Be safe, stay well, and remember—we are stronger together.

With gratitude and hope,
Adam Paul
Moderator, Lakeview UCC

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Church Office Hours:

Summer office hours will include
Sun 1:30-3:00pm; W-Th-F 10a-2p
and well as additional hours which
may vary week- to-week.

Email for quickest response or call
during office hours above.

Sunday Worship Services

- Sanctuary Service 10:15am
- Worship service available
online at 2:00 pm via
Facebook & Vimeo
- Communion is held on the 1st
Sunday of each month.

CYF *(Children, Youth and Family Ministry)*

We made it! Almost all of our kiddos are out of school for summer, we have an interim lined up and Summer Sunday School activities are getting ready to kick off!

Over the summer we will continue to find opportunities to get outdoors (come in Cincinnati weather!), so please make sure everyone is dressed appropriately for the weather. Please let us know if any of our kids have any outdoor allergies we should be aware of and what preventative measures and care in case of an incident (Benadryl, EpiPen, etc.) should be taken. Thank you for helping us take the best care of our younger members as possible!

June is PRIDE month and we will be celebrating in Sunday School by continuing to learn about the ways we can love and support our community by living into God's loving kindness and Jesus's calls for love and justice.

Mark your calendars because **July 21-25, 2025 will be our Lakeview UCC VBS Program.** Our theme this year is Hand in Hand - we will be exploring many different ways in which we can come together to create a brighter future for all of God's creation, For more information please reach out Corey, Faith or the church office.

Thank you again for all your love and support for our Children, Youth and Families here at Lakeview!

Corey McOsker-Nieman (CYF Minister)
Faith Colwell (Nursery Care Leader)



JUNE Birthdays

1 James Friedhoff	18 Bill Overholt
5 Rex Paul	21 Cindy Prows
6 Noah McOsker	22 Will McOsker
7 Dan Tsui	26 Sandee McAlpine
11 Joyce Anderson	27 Karen Dinsmore
15 Tom McCormack	27 Dave Kievit
15 Linda Feucht	28 Bob Sandman

JULY Birthdays

1 Steve Friedhoff	24 Sarah McOsker
3 Kristin Jordan	26 Zoey Daily
15 Robert Alkire	29 Jody McOsker
15 April Brown	31 Alexandra McOsker
21 Rob Fite	

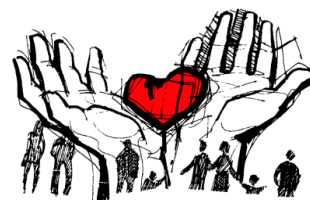
The Lakeview App is the easy way to send a prayer request, receive notifications, make a donation, or check out the scripture reading for the week. Scan the QR code to download and use our keyword "GIVE2LAKEVIEW"



PRAYER REQUESTS

The Alkire Family
 Louise (Pam's MIL)
 Mac McKenzie
 Ernie & Karen (friend of Pam's)
 Esther Friedhoff & family
 The Paul Family
 Tim (Pam's brother-in-law)
 Adrienne (friend of Lisa Barrows)

Karen Baumann & Larry
 Bob Barrows
 The Anderson Family
 Cindy Wood
 The Bierkan Family
 The Kievit Family
 Mary Densmore
 The McEleney Family
 The Huber Family



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



Sweet Cheeks
 — DIAPER BANK —

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Did you know traditional government assistance programs don't cover diapers? Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank has been providing diapers to families in need for 10 years. We at Lakeview UCC have been supporting their organization from the beginning with a diaper drive and 5th Sunday giving.* Now, it's time to put our hands to work helping wrap supplies at their warehouse!

Lakeview UCC has signed up to help at the warehouse of COVERD Greater Cincinnati (the umbrella organization that runs Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank, Tidal Babe Period Bank, and Fly & Dry Basic Needs Bank). **We will be helping to wrap diapers, period supplies, and/or adult diapers on Wednesday, July 9th from 1-3.** If you are interested in participating, please reach out to Sarah Huber (sarah.nicole.huber@gmail.com). (Note that minors are allowed to participate as well, as long as we have 1 adult per every 3 kids.)

*This year's diaper drive and 5th Sunday collection for Sweet Cheeks will be on June 29th.



CINCINNATI PRIDE

Save The Date

Saturday, June 28, 2025

Sawyer Point & Yeatman's Cove - Downtown Cincinnati

We are quickly coming up on Cincinnati's PRIDE Parade and Festival -

Cincy Pride is Saturday, June 28th. and Lebanon Pride on July 12th. We are thrilled to announce that Lakeview will have a booth at both Pride Festivals from 12-6pm again this year as a way to let those that attend know that there are faith communities that are Open and Affirming and that

God loves us all!

We would love to have your help in the booth this year! There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby at church if you are interested in helping this year. If you have any questions please reach out to Corey Nieman or the church office and we will get back to you.



Please consider making a donation to the Lakeview Pride fund to help offset the costs of our vendor booths and Lebanon Pride sponsorship.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

FAMILY PROMISE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Lakeview made a commitment several years ago to assist host church St. Pat's Episcopal Church in Lebanon during their rotation week, and Lakeview handles Monday nights. This happens 4 times a year at the renovated facility on 600 Cincinnati Ave. in Lebanon.



Next Date: Monday, July 21, 2025

Volunteers are needed to:

- Provide a dish for the evening meal (4 volunteers).
- Host the families during evening hours (about 5 p.m. to about 8:45 p.m.)—2 volunteers needed. This involves helping to set out dinner and clean up, as well as hanging out with the guests and maybe doing activities with the kids (bring a craft or art project if you wish, depending on the ages of the children).
- Spend the night—2 volunteers needed. You will have your own space to sleep. There are no real duties except to make sure everyone is accounted for, turn off lights and lock up the common area, and be there in case any emergencies occur (you will have emergency contact numbers). In the morning you are free to leave as soon as you need to.

Please let Ellen Abel (ellenabel1016@gmail.com; 513-967-5022) know if you can help out, or sign up in the narthex! Support will be provided for those who have and have not done this before. It is a great and eye opening experience, allowing you to put your faith and values into action. Thank you for your continued support of this mission!



Mark your Calendar for **Sunday, June 15th**

for the Lakeview Summer/Pool Party! The festivities will be held at Chuck and Jody's house AT 1PM. Bring a dish to pass. A big THANK YOU to the McOske's for their hospitality! Watch the bulletin for further details.



Run4Home 5K - Mark your Calendar

Friday, July 4th, 2025 by Family Promise of Warren County/ IHN

The Run4Home 5K and Kid's Fun Run is the largest fundraising event of the year for Family Promise of Warren County. It provides funds essential to support families experiencing homelessness and those at risk in the Warren County Community. This year the Run4Home 5K funds are dedicated to Christmas in July as well as continued updates to the new Family Promise Campus.

This 3.1-mile course is in a beautiful, shaded park atmosphere and is suitable for runners and walkers of all abilities. There will be a ¼ mile Kid's Fun Run at 9:30 for children aged 10 and under. T-shirts are guaranteed for those who register by June 13th.

Paper entries are accepted only until June 30th and online entries are encouraged up to and including race day. Sign up online:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Lebanon/Run4Home5KandKidsFunRun>

and watch for a sign-up/carpool sheet here at Lakeview soon!

ACTION IN MISSION—(A.I.M.)

The June mission is Family Promise, a cooperative of many faith communities working toward providing intermediate care to homeless families as they make their way through a program of education, job training, life skills preparation, and a housing search. This program is found in 39 states, with 4500 partnering congregations. A majority of these families become homeless because of eviction or family disruption, such as divorce, abandonment, or domestic violence. Given the choice of buying food or paying the high housing costs encountered in Warren County, most families choose food, leading to eviction and foreclosure. Many of the parents have low wage jobs without benefits, and any unforeseen problem such as illness can lead to homelessness. Prescreening of families is done prior to admission to the program to qualify need.



Lakeview United Church
iM (June)
<https://pay.co78thCoIll>

Once in the program, families were being hosted by various churches on a weekly rotational basis until they obtained housing (Lakeview assists St. Patrick's Episcopal Church in Lebanon on Monday nights). During the pandemic, guests stayed in a local hotel (each family had a room) while congregations provided meals only. A day center in Lebanon is where staff had been housed, and this center offers programming, job and housing searches, public assistance applications, showers, and laundry facilities. The center is also the transportation hub, where rides are provided, if needed, for family members to and from school, jobs, and other places.

Fast forward to May, 2024. There is a new headquarters for Family Promise at 600 Columbus Ave., Lebanon. The day center is housed there, and as the guests are now being hosted at this center, a renovated motel where each family has its own room. There is a large kitchen and communal living space for all to relax in the evenings. Lakeview resumed in person hosting duties in July, 2024.

Besides our offering, which can help to defray expenses for so many items needed to operate the program in Warren County, there is another way we can help. Family Promise will hold it's annual Run4Home 5K and Kid's Fun Run on July 4th at Armco Park. Proceeds will support Christmas in July to help children in the program feel ready for school, as well as continued updates on the new campus. See the Family Promise website for further information and/or to sign up.

Please consider a gift to Family Promise, and talk to Ellen Abel if you would like to know more or are interested in getting involved on one of our hosting dates. Thanks!



Contributions to the Lakeview Operating fund can be made during offering, by using the giving envelopes in the main aisle, via automatic bill pay at your bank, online using the Pushpay app or the QR code here. Your generosity is deeply appreciated!



Lakeview United Church
Operating Fund
<https://pay.co78thCoIll>

ACTION IN MISSION—(A.I.M.)....Continued



June Did you know WIC and food stamps DO NOT cover diapers? In Cincinnati alone, there are approximately 11,000 diaper-wearing children who are experiencing some degree of diaper need every month. **Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank** works with social service agencies to get free diapers onto the bottoms of the babies who need them.

Lakeview will once again be collecting diapers for Sweet Cheeks during the month of July. Please bring in diapers of any size, including open packages or loose diapers (as long as they are in a bag to keep them clean) **by June 29th**. Their biggest need is for **sizes 4 and 5**, as well as **pull-ups**.

We will also be doing a collection on June 29th to specifically benefit Sweet Cheeks. Their organization can use funds to buy diapers and pull-ups at discounted rates.

For more information on Sweet Cheeks, you can visit www.sweetcheeksdiapebank.org. If you have any questions about the diaper drive, you can contact Sarah Huber (sarah.nicole.huber@gmail.com or 614-579-3468).

Washington UCC BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Washington United Church of Christ is located in a suburb of Cincinnati where residents face great financial challenges. The congregation is dedicated to providing outreach ministries to their neighbors in Camp Washington and surrounding low-income neighborhoods.

Washington UCC strives to partner with the citizens of Camp Washington to create a community that is safe and clean, where people have enough food, decent housing, opportunities for education and work, and live in an environment that nurtures all families.

Outreach Programs include a store where residents can obtain clothing and household goods at no cost, community meals, a homework club for kids, boxes of food at Thanksgiving and their annual "Gifts to the Manger" program providing Christmas gifts for kids.

The Back to School program provides children connected to Washington UCC with school uniforms, hygiene items, a backpack, and school supplies.

Our donations this month will help Washington UCC ensure students in their community have what they need to succeed in school.

July ★★



Lakeview United Church
Washington Back to School (Jul)
<https://www.lakeviewucc.org/backtoschool>



Sign Up to Help With Worship and Fellowship—WE NEED YOU!

In case you have missed it, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the lobby where you are encouraged to volunteer for Sundays. We are in need of greeters, scripture readers, help with Communion preparation/serving, and providing and/or serving refreshments/doing cleanup after worship.

ACTION IN MISSION—(A.I.M.)....Continued

DONATIONS FOR KINGS FOOD PANTRY:

June and July are BREAKFAST MONTHS!

- Cereal
- Pop Tarts
- Granola Bars
- Pancake mix
- Muffin mixes



Look for the bins under the bulletin board in the church lobby. Thank you for your generosity and the positive impact you continue to make in our community for those in need.

2025 Lakeview Capital Campaign

PAVING THE WAY— JUNE 2025

On Sunday, March 16th, 2025, at the congregational meeting of Lakeview UCC, a vote was taken to extend the 2022 Capital Campaign. Now that the second mortgage has been paid off (February 24, 2025), extending the campaign will enable the church to gather funds for much needed property projects.

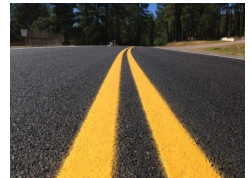
One of the projects is repairing the parking lot. Information is being gathered concerning the cost and how much of it can be done.

Second, in a few years, the church will need the roof shingles replaced and that will also be a major expense.

So, prayerfully consider extending your commitment to the capital campaign. As of May 15th, we have \$1,515.99 already. Any gift is gratefully appreciated. Please remember to mark your gift "Capital Campaign" so the Financial Secretary, Julie Peterson, can place it in the proper designation.

I will keep you informed about the progress each month in The Link.

Karen Baumann, Treasurer



PRESCHOOL

Lakeview Preschool is all geared up for 2025 Summer Camp! These half day camps will run June 2-5 and 9-12.



LAKEVIEW



PRESCHOOL

Congratulations to all the 2025 Pre-school Graduates and their families!



TREASURER'S REPORT

Lakeview United Church of Christ Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual April 2025

	<u>Apr 2025</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense Income				
Income				
40000—Operating Income	<u>114,301.23</u>	<u>103,676.78</u>	<u>10,624.45</u>	<u>110.2%</u>
Total Income	114,301.23	103,676.78	10,624.45	110.2%
Expense				
60000—Employee Expenses	33,348.20	57,584.32	-24,236.12	57.9%
50000—Operating Expenses	38,588.31	28,901.01	9,687.30	133.5%
72070—Cornerstone Mortgage	<u>33,560.11</u>	<u>33,808.75</u>	<u>-248.64</u>	<u>99.3%</u>
Total Expense	105,496.62	120,297.08	-14,797.46	87.7%
Net Ordinary Income	<u>8,804.61</u>	<u>-16,617.30</u>	<u>25,421.91</u>	<u>-53.0%</u>
Net Income	8,804.61	-16,617.30	25,421.91	-53.0%

Checking Account Balance as of 4/30/25 \$41,364.29*

Savings Account Balance as of 4/30/25 \$16,118.06

*Contains \$1505.99 in capital campaign fund

Cornerstone Mortgage Balance as of 5/1/25: \$582,218.71



Thank you for generous gifts as we continue the important work Lakeview does in our community and the world. Please remember Lakeview as Summer vacations are enjoyed.

Karen Baumann, Treasurer

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Your generosity is deeply appreciated!



April Mission Totals- *Childhood Food Solutions:* \$1890.00



DO YOU KNOW LAKEVIEW'S LEADERSHIP TEAM?

Position	Name	Primary Contact	Secondary
Pastor			
Admin/Dir. of Music	Natalie Nolte	513-683-2073	info@lakeviewucc.com
CYF Ministry	Corey Nieman	513-262-9381	cyfministry@lakeviewucc.com
Director of Instr. Music	Irina Hall	513-753-0377	
Child Care	Faith Colwell	513-320-3255	

Executive Committee

Moderator/President	Adam Paul	adampaul.ap@gmail.com
Vice Moderator/V.P.	Rob Schorry	rschorry@gmail.com
Past Moderator/Past Pres	Steve Mays	scmays1@gmail.com
Treasurer	Karen Baumann	513-732-6880
Assistant Treasurer	Rosemary Ennis	513-265-2579
Recording Secretary	Sarah Huber	sarah.nicole.huber@gmail.com
Financial Secretary	Julie Peterson	julie.kay258@gmail.com
Facilities Coordinator	<i>Vacant</i>	

PACT Comm. Members: PACT is currently on hiatus during this time of search and call

Standing Committees (contact person) / Delegates

Assoc/Conf. Delegate	Lisa Barrows	828-489-2726
Alternate Delegate	Ann Tsui	513-683-8329
A.I.M. (Action in Mission)	Sandee McAlpine	513-608-0597
Membership/Welcoming	Linda Overholt	513-515-8870
Publicity/Social Media	<i>Vacant</i>	

**OPEN AND AFFIRMING
COALITION**
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



The Open and Affirming Coalition of the United Church of Christ advocates for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community in the UCC, and equips UCC congregations to become effective witnesses to Christ's extravagant welcome.

<https://openandaffirming.org/about/>

Lakeview's Mission: We are a people called by God to intentionally welcome, nurture and send, so that we can grow God's church.

Lakeview's Vision: Reaching Out Through God's Spirit by Involving, Serving, and Learning

June LUCC Calendar of Events



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 10:15A-Worship Service- <i>Music Sunday</i> 10A-Harmony-Rm8/9, CR, FH 11:30A- Harmony-rm 7	2 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom	3 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 8P-AA -FH 8P-AA-CR	4 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 7:00P-NAR-Anon-rm 7	5 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 6:30 BSA Cmmtt mtg- rm 7 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -rm 8	6	7 8:30A-AA- FH
8 10:15A-Worship Service	9 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom	10 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 8P-AA -FH 8P-AA-CR	11 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 6:30P-Girl Scouts-rm8 6:00P-NarAnon & NA Cookout-FH	12 9A- Preschool Summer Camp 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -8	13	14 <i>Flag Day</i> 8:30A-AA- rm 8
15 <i>Father's Day</i> 10:15A- Worship Service 10A-Harmony-Rm8/9, CR, FH 1P- Summer/Pool Party- McOske's House	16 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom	17 5P-AA -FH- Anniversary Dinner 8P-AA-CR	18 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 7:00P-NAR-Anon-rm 7	19 <i>Juneteenth</i> 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -rm8	20	21 8:30A-AA- rm 8
22 10:15A-Worship Service	23 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom	24 7P- EC Mtg- Zoom 8P-AA-CR 8P-AA -FH	25 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 6:30P-Girl Scouts-rm8 7:00P-NARAAnon-rm7	26 5P- Acting Up- Load-in 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -rm8	27 9am-9pm: Acting Up Summer Camp	28  Save The Date Saturday, June 28, 2025 Sawyer Point & Yeatsman's Cove - Downtown Cincinnati 8:30A-AA- rm 8
29 10:15A-Worship Service 3P- 4H Crusaders-FH	30 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom					



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		1 8P-AA -FH 8P-AA-CR	2 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 7:00P-NAR-Anon- rm 7	3 6:30P- BSA Cmm. Mtg- rm 7 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -rm 8	4 <i>Independence Day</i> 8:30A- Run4Home 5K	5 8:30A-AA- rm 8
6 10:15A-Service 10A-Harmony- Rm8/9, CR, FH 1P- Lumos Auditions	7 11A- AA- FH 6P- Lumos Callbacks 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom	8 8P-AA -FH 8P-AA-CR	9 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 1:00P- Sweet Cheeks Wrap- ping Event 6:30P-Girl Scouts- rm8 7:00P-NAR-Anon- rm 7	10 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -rm8	11	12 8:30A-AA- rm 8 Lebanon PRIDE 
13 10:15A-Service 1P- Lumos Re- hearsal	14 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom 7P- Lumos Re- hearsal	15 8P-AA -FH 8P-AA-CR	16 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 7:00P-NAR-Anon- rm 7	17 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon- 8/9 7P- Lumos Re- hearsal	18	19 8:30A-AA- rm 8
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27 10:15A- Sanctuary Service 1P- Lumos Re- hearsal	28 11A- AA- FH 6:30P-BSA-FH 7P- AA- CR 7P- Search Team mtg- Zoom 7P- Lumos Re- hearsal	29 8P-AA -FH 8P-AA-CR	30 10A-Quilters-CR 12:00P-AA-FH 7:00P-NAR-Anon- rm 7	31 7P-AA-FH 7P-Al Anon -rm8 7P- Lumos Re- hearsal		

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