
LAKEVIEW UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 15, 2018

Todd Peterson Pastor	Corey Nieman CYF Minister	Emily Kronenberger Music Director	Irina Hall Accompanist	Ministers All People
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*Please sign the registry of attendance and pass it along to the person next to you, and then to the row behind you.
For the courtesy of those around you, please set your electronic device to silent.*

** Indicates stand as you are able.*



Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude-Kindling of the Christ Candle

As we light the candles, let us take a moment to focus our hearts and minds for worship.

* Call to Worship

One: God calls the lost,

Left: God calls the least,

Right: God calls all who long for home.

One: God calls us when we wander from the path,

Left: God calls us when we turn aside and seek our own way,

Right: God calls and welcomes us back to the fold.

One: Let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever;

ALL: Let us gather today and worship God together.

* Opening Hymn

"O Come to Me, You Weary"

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* Prayer of Community *(unison)*

God of Heaven and Earth, of sunrise and sunset, of the highest mountains and the deepest valleys; we come in prayer this morning. Grant us the courage to hear Your calling voice and to listen. May our listening turn to action and may our actions touch the hearts of those who seek Your realm and Your way. We put our trust in You, knowing that it is well placed in Your gentle and caring hands. Amen.

Large-print bulletins and hearing-assistance tools are available. Please see an usher for assistance. Nursery is offered for children through Kindergarten. Sunday School is offered for children through 8th grade and begins after the Passing of the Peace.

* Sharing God's Peace

Please share God's peace by greeting one another with a smile, a handshake, a hug, a wave ... whatever is most comfortable for you.

Call to Prayer

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

***Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Maker's throne let all my needs and wants be known.
In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare by your return, sweet hour of prayer!***

Prayers of the People

We begin by sharing our joys and concerns. Each sharing is lifted up with:

One: We lift them up in prayer.

All: Lord, hold them in Your love

The Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Choral Anthem

"You Will Be Found"

Hearing the Good News

Luke 15:1-10 *(GNT)*

Sharing the Good News

Katie Madden

Hymn of Rejoicing

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

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Mission Moment

Childhood Food Solutions

Tony Fairhead

Offertory

* Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

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* **Prayer of Thanksgiving** *(unison)*

God of life, take these gifts and bless them, so they may be used to work wherever there is need of peace, of justice, of hope. May their use and our lives proclaim Your ever abounding love. Amen.

* **Hymn of Sending Forth** “Go my Children, with My Blessing” #82

* **Commission and Benediction**

* **Closing Response** “Eagle’s Wings” #775

* **Postlude**

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Worship Volunteers:

Greeter: **Bonnie Van Zandt**; Worship Leader: **Corey Nieman**

Prayers of the People: **Katie Madden**; Scripture Reader: **Janet Friedhoff**

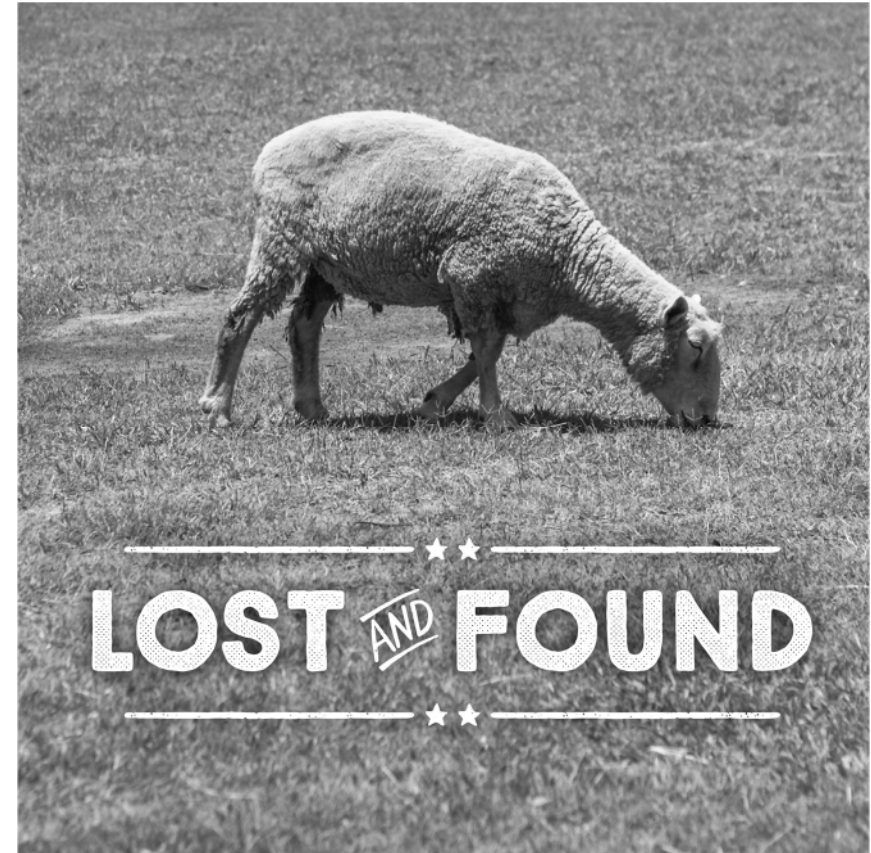
Ushers: **Steve Friedhoff, Linda Overholt**; Nursery: **Faith Colwell**

WELCOME VISITORS

“No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here!”

We make a point to say this from the pulpit most Sundays. We like saying it. We like what it means. It means that at Lakeview United Church of Christ you don't have to be sure about your understanding of God to worship here. It means that in this community of faith you are welcome to share your gifts and your needs--- no matter what they are. It means that no matter your race, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identification, age, ability, or *whatever it is that makes you you, our welcome to you is extravagant!*

If you have found yourself excluded and alienated, spiritually homeless or questioning, you are welcome here. If you have ever felt there is no room for you within Christianity or the Church, you are welcome here. We are a community of faith that celebrates diversity and strives to fulfill our mission to: Reach out through God’s spirit by Involving, Serving and Learning Together. *We hope you will return and even consider joining this band of fellow travelers. Let’s journey together!*



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