

The Leighton News
Week of August 23, 2015

On The Calendar This Week:

Sunday, August 23:

Sunday's Message – "Big Picture Salvation" – Genesis 15:2-5, Luke 3:3-8

Josh Webb, our Director of Music Ministries, is filling the pulpit in Pastor Dave's absence.

Non-perishable food items, paper products and cleaning items are collected during the offering time by kids and the ushers. Your donations of these items stock our food pantry.

The Mission Team will share about their trip this past week to the Saganing Native American Center in Standish, MI, through testimonies and pictures.

Coffee, tea, lemonade, and treats are available in the Lobby immediately after the worship service.

Sunday School classes for all ages are held each Sunday from 11:00 a.m.-Noon.

G.L.U.E. Youth Group Sunday night from 5:45-8:00 p.m. G.L.U.E. is for all 6th through 12th graders and is held at the church. Dinner is served from 5:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Monday, August 24:

No Adult Basketball

6:30 p.m. Guitar Group (Prayer Room)

Tuesday, August 25:

6:30 p.m. Board of Elders Meeting (Pastor's Office)

7:00 p.m. Discipleship Team Meeting with Children & Teen Sunday School Teachers (Lounge)

Wednesday, August 26:

6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice (Sanctuary)

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study on Revelation (Rooms 7/8)

Saturday, August 29:

Noon Kitchen & Family Center in Use until 5:00 p.m.

ADULT BASKETBALL MONDAY NIGHTS!

Adult basketball will not meet throughout the month of August.
The next night of Adult Basketball is scheduled for Monday, September 7th at 7:00 p.m.
in the Family Center.

50+ POTLUCK LUNCH

Everyone age 50 on up is invited to come to the September 50+ Potluck Lunch.

Wednesday, September 2nd at 11:30 a.m. in the Family Center

Bring your table service and a dish to pass.

Lemonade, water, and coffee are provided.

After lunch, David Dickerson and Dale Lowe will present The Louisiana Cowboy, an entertaining and humorous concert featuring country and gospel music. David is a member of the Michigan Country Music Hall of Fame and has written over 300 songs.

Friends and family members welcome.

Questions can be directed to [Jean McCaul](#)

LAKESIDE BAPTISM SERVICE

A baptism service is being planned for Sunday, September 13th at Mark Schiefli's home on Duncan Lake. The service will be held at 5:00 p.m. and the baptisms will be by immersion in the lake. If you know Jesus Christ as your Savior and have not made that public profession of faith with the sacrament of baptism, you are invited to come.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact

[Pastor Dave](#) or the [church office](#) by August 30th.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR LUCIA ZAMORA

All women and girls are invited to celebrate with Lucia Zamora her upcoming marriage to Mark Schiefli.

The shower will be held on Thursday, September 17th
at 6:30 p.m. in Rooms 15/16.

Cake, ice cream, and light refreshments will be served.

Mark & Lucia are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Please RSVP to [Nona Steeby](#) or [Stacey Aman](#) if you plan to attend.

YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF

With a new school season ready to begin, a fresh new season of youth group is gearing up to kick off.

All 6th-12th grade students are welcome to come. Bring your friends along. This special kick-off night will be an evening for teens to meet their adult prayer pal and get acquainted with them.

Contact [Connie Blain](#) if you are planning on coming. Dinner will be served followed by a fun evening of teens and adults together.

NECKTIES NEEDED

Gently used neckties are needed for the September 20th youth group kick-off night. Please look through your closet to see if there are neckties no longer being used that can be donated. The goal is to gather 50 ties.

Place them in the basket labeled "TIES" is in the Lobby.

Questions can be directed to [Connie Blain](#)

GUITAR GROUP

Do you have a desire to learn to play the guitar, but didn't want to spend a lot of money on lessons? Perhaps you know how to play the guitar a little bit, but would enjoy getting together with others and play. If you answered "yes" to either of these questions, then Monday night Guitar Group is for you. There is no cost to participate, but you must bring your own guitar.

Lessons are in a group setting and are CD/DVD based. Guitar Group meets each Monday in the Prayer Room from

6:30-7:30 p.m. For more information, contact [Judy Hanlon](#)

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

There are many opportunities to get involved in the life of Leighton Church; attend worship, volunteer to be part of a ministry, volunteer to lead a ministry, attend Bible study, be part of the praise team, etc.

Listed below are areas where folks are needed to lead or participate in ministries at Leighton Church. Please pray over this list. Perhaps God is nudging you to serve.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL– Seeking individuals who would be

willing to teach Sunday School classes while teachers are on vacation, ill, etc. This would be for children's classes (age 2 thru 5th grade), Jr. High (6th-8th grade), Sr. High (9th-12th grade), and perhaps an adult class on occasion. If interested, please contact [Bonnie McBride](#), [Amanda Athearn](#), or [Christine Syswerda](#)

PRAISE TEAM/SOUND TEAM—The praise team is in need of instrumentalists and tech-crew members. If you play piano, bass, drums, or guitar or would like to operate the soundboard or presentation software, contact [Josh Webb](#)

CDL DRIVERS FOR YOUTH EVENTS—On occasion, the youth group borrows or rents a bus to transport the youth group to their destination. Drivers for the bus must have a CDL endorsement on the license. More drivers are needed. If you have a CDL endorsement on your license or would be willing to obtain an endorsement to help transport the youth group, contact Scott or [Misty Getter](#) or [Stacey Aman](#). Drivers would not be expected to participate in events the youth are attending.

PIONEER CLUBS® LEADERS

Do you enjoy kids and seeing kids get excited about Jesus? Kids need you in Pioneer Clubs! Our Pioneer Clubs program currently has openings for leaders for all ages groups (toddlers on up through 6th Grade). Leaders work together to lead children through Bible Exploration, Bible memory, activity awards, songs, and games. They have great fun right along with the club members.

Teachers & Helpers needed for: 2 & 3 year olds, 1st & 2nd Grade, 3rd & 4th Grade, and 5th & 6th Grade. Also needed are: Snack Team Members, Music Team Members

If you are interested in being part of the Pioneer Clubs ministry, stop by the table in the Lobby today to sign up or get more information from [Allison Draaisma](#), Pioneer Club coordinator.

Pioneer Clubs meets Wednesday nights from October-March 6:30-8:00 p.m. Can you give an hour and a half of your time once a week to impact a child's eternity?

FAMILY DINNER UPDATE

Sarah Geers, who has coordinated and cooked Wednesday night Family Dinners for the past couple of years, will be taking a break this year as she is expecting a baby in December. Sarah has done a great job planning menus, putting together a kitchen crew, and cooking meals for 80-90 people each week. With Sarah stepping aside for a time, we have been searching for a Family Dinner coordinator. This past week, Renee Seeley graciously

offered to take on this role. While the exact start date of Family Dinner has yet to be determined, your support and encouragement for Renee as she begins thinking about Family Dinners is appreciated. If you are interested in helping with preparing meals, serving meals, and/or clean-up contact [Renee](#).

COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Community Garden is growing and so are the weeds. **If you would be willing to help weed and/or pick veggies, please tell us.**

Thank you, Clay & Luann, Garden Coordinators (616) 891-8348

LEIGHTON MISSIONS T-SHIRT ORDER:

One of our missions here at Leighton is to go out and be the hands and feet of Jesus. When we do, people wonder who we are and what we are doing. Let people around know by ordering a t-shirt and wearing it when you participate in church or missions projects. Use the attached t-shirt order form and return it along with payment to Connie Blain. Orders will be taken ongoing. Shirts are bright red and cost \$10 each (2X-5X are \$1 per X).

NEED PRAYER? PRAYER ROOM OPEN SUNDAYS AFTER WORSHIP.

The Prayer Room is staffed on Sunday mornings following the worship service. If you would like to be prayed for or have a need you would like prayer for, feel free to stop in the Prayer Room which is located across from the Coffee Bar. Questions can be directed to Nancy Geertman.

SERVICE IN ACTION

COFFEE SERVERS:

August 23—Mike & Cindy Punt

August 30—Open

September 6—Open

PROVIDING TREATS FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP:

August 23—Claudia Thornton & Cindy Punt

August 30—Andrea Landon & Mary Ackerson

September 6—Kris Freds & Robbi Hilton

GREETERS:

August 23—Todd & Judi Galloway
August 30—Doug & Judy Hanlon
September 6—Shirlee Cheers & Theresa Noffke

NURSERY:

August 23—Misty & Becca Getter
August 30—Eric & Tina Peck; Gabby Nicholson
September 6—Kris Freds & Kaylie Taylor

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS:

August 23—Gabby Nicholson, Sam Farmer
August 30—Renee & Emeline Seeley
September 6—Becca Getter, Sam Farmer

ESTATE SALE ITEMS

Luann Lewis Snyder has household items and antiques for sale from her mother's home. There is a list of items being sold posted on the bulletin board down the North hallway between rooms 8 & 9 and items are also listed below. For more information, contact Luann at 616-891-8348.

Microwave: Kenmore with turntable and all the buttons (popcorn, potato, etc.)
27" Magnavox analog TV (converter box available if needed)
wooden frame mirror (15 1/4" x 23")
record player/tape player in console
wall hanging that looks like tree branch
2 round frameless mirrors
Portable electric heater

ANTIQUES:

Old suitcase
wicker picnic basket with colored dishes
2 gallon crock
sled
metal bread box
carpet sweeper
large brown jug
2 flower pictures
arm chair
oval mirror (gold frame)

floor lamp
table lamp

FOOD PANTRY SHELVES HAVE PLENTY OF ROOM FOR MORE GROCERIES!

Your donations of non-perishable food items to our food pantry give assistance to the 10 families that regularly visit our pantry (regularly means at least once a month). The pantry shelves have plenty of room for more food. Any items you can donate are appreciated. Food items are collected each Sunday during the offering time.

Laundry Detergent
Toilet Tissue
Spaghetti & Sauce
Canned fruit & meats
Cereal
Soup
Boxed meals/pasta & rice side dishes
Macaroni & Cheese
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Peanut Butter & Jelly
Shampoo & Conditioner
Toothpaste
Deodorant for Men & Women
Ketchup, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Salad Dressing

Please do not donate items that have been opened or are outdated. Items are collected each Sunday during the offering time. Thank you!

SHOPPING FOR MISSIONS

You can help support the ministries of Red Bird Mission in Kentucky just by shopping at Meijer through the Meijer Rewards program. Just sign up by going to [Meijer.com/rewards](https://www.meijer.com/rewards) or to the customer service counter at any Meijer store with the Leighton United Methodist Church code 415811. Then use your rewards card whenever you purchase gas, pharmaceuticals, general merchandise, and groceries. Payment for purchases to count for rewards must be cash, debit, or Meijer credit card (no checks). Another \$100 has been received through Meijer Rewards. Leighton will soon send that money on to Red Bird Mission to be used where they need it most. For more information, contact Luann Lewis Snyder 616-891-8348.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE COLLECTION

Did you know that many pastors, Christians, missionaries around the world do not have access to materials to prepare sermons, Bible studies, or for their own personal devotions?

An organization called Christian Resources International collects Bibles, devotional books, curriculum, and more to send to pastors, evangelists, Bible colleges, and missionaries around the world. If you have any of these items that you would like to donate, bring them and drop them in the box in the Lounge. Dave & Sharon Kaechele will deliver them to CRI.

DONATE ANY EXTRA/UNWANTED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

If you have any extra or unwanted medical equipment (walkers, crutches, canes, knee braces, wheelchairs, etc.) in your home, contact [Tiffany Thaler](#). Each August, Grand Valley State University's physical therapy program makes a trip to Guatemala with Hearts in Motion. Medical equipment is needed to help aid local residents. Any donation can make a difference.

PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER UPCOMING EVENTS

GOLF FOR LIFE – Friday, September 18

The 14th annual Golf for Life is sponsored by Dan Vos Construction. Enjoy a round of golf at Boulder Creek Golf Club while supporting life.

GALA – Thursday, November 5

Gala is our premier fundraising event held at the JW Marriott with guest speaker Star Parker.

For more information on these events, contact the events office at 616-259-1522 or visit www.prcforlife.org/events

MARANTHA SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Marantha Bible & Missionary Conference Center presents a summer concert series each Saturday June 20th-September 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Concerts are free of charge. Come early and eat dinner in their dining room for preferred seating (walk-ins welcome, but reservations preferred).

Concert Schedule:

August 22 – Theater for the Thirsty

August 29 – John & Anne Barbour

September 5 – Buddy Greene

Maranatha is located at 4759 Lake Harbor Road, Norton Shores, MI 49441
(231) 798-2161

GULL LAKE MINISTRIES ADULT GETAWAY

September 14-18 at Gull Lake Ministries located at 1800 Burlington Drive, Hickory
Corners, MI.

Speaker: Marvin Williams Musicians: Bob & Becky Brunton.

Double Occupancy: \$290 per person

Single Occupancy: \$307 per person

Includes exciting excursions, 11 chef prepared meals, authentic Bible teaching, inspiring
worship, and uplifting fellowship.

Call 800-3530-2442 ext. 205 or go to www.gulllake.org to register.

Refresh your soul at Gull Lake.

PROJECT HOPE HAS MANY VOLUNTEER POSITIONS OPEN!

Would you like to serve the Lord a few hours a week and enjoy being with the “Body of
Christ” or even fulfill the deep need to have purpose for the Lord? Come to Project
Hope! We are in need of people to fill these volunteer positions:

Cashiers (Must be 18 years or older)

Drivers to pick up food (CDL is not required, but must have a good driving record)

An experienced person to price antiques and restock floor

A puzzle-putter-together/counter. Can be done in the comfort of your own home and at
your convenience.

Volunteers needed to price clothing, housewares, etc. Can be as young as 15 with
parental consent.

“Jewelry Happenings” (sorting and pricing) first Thursday of every month. Snacks
provided!

Cosmetics and cards.

Frames, pictures and wall hangings – price and stock floor

Gardner to help keep up the “Annetta Garden Center” and the landscape around the
building.

If interested in helping us out as a driver or gardner, call Sandy at (616) 681-HOPE ext.

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Please call Jean Bodo, Thrift Store Director (616) 681-HOPE ext. 106 if interested in
any other volunteer positions listed.

BIG O' SMOKEHOUSE IN CALEDONIA IS HIRING

The Smokehouse Market is expanding and remodeling into the front half of their
building and has an immediate need of a person to help 20-25 hours/week and/or 25-35
hours per week. Duties include: customer service, stocking, packing, cleaning, and
maintaining displays. A person who has some management and supervisory skills is
also needed. Compensation is negotiable based on skills, experience and commitment.

Production workers also needed Monday-Friday 5:00 am-Noon. Pay for production
workers starts at \$11.00/hour.

Stop in at 9740 Cherry Valley (M-37) Caledonia or call Keith at 616-891-5555 or e-mail kosterhaven@bigosmokehouse.com.

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