



Leighton Church

Proclaiming New Life in Jesus Christ

Rev. David L. McBride, Pastor

Week of October 31, 2021

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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www.leightonchurch.org
Office Hours: 9a-3p
Tues/Wed/Thurs

Sunday Worship: 9:30am
Sunday School: 10:45 am for
children, teens, adults

Board of Elders:

Drew Corwin, Chairman
Art Hooker, David Kaechele
Scott Pollmann, Mark
Schiefla, Mike Shanahan
Pastor David McBride



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Sunday, October 31	Stewardship Sunday Pledges for 2022 Refreshments in Gym Youth Group Party 5:15-7:30 p.m.
Monday, November 1	"You in God's Word" Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Men's Basketball 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 2	<i>Election Day</i> Leadership Team Meeting 6:30p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 3	Kids Worship 6:00 p.m. Tween Girls Bible Study 6:00 pm Praise Team Practice 6:30 p.m.
Friday, November 5	Youth Movie Night 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 6	Kitchen & Gym in Use
Sunday, November 7	<i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i> Youth Group 5:15-7:30 p.m.



Children's Church is for kids age 4 through 2nd Grade. Kids will be dismissed during the worship service to attend their own time of worship in Room 3.

In Children's Church, kids will enjoy singing, crafts, games, and a snack.

Questions can be directed to Diane Norris (269) 491-8968
Or Rebecca Shanahan (616) 312-3070

October is Stewardship Emphasis Month!

To conclude this month of stewardship emphasis, everyone will have an opportunity this Sunday, October 31st to make a pledge to give to the ministries of Leighton Church in 2022.



You make a difference in the eternal lives of others when you give of your time, abilities, and finances. Thank you for giving!

To thank you for your generosity throughout the year and your commitment in the coming year, doughnuts, fruit, coffee and cider will be served in the gym between church and Sunday School.



Small Group Adult Classes Sunday Mornings 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Three adult classes are offered on Sunday mornings.

Doug Thaler is teaching a class which will meet in the Lounge. The topic of the class is:

"God's Plan Always Prevails: God Leads Godly Leaders"

Drew Corwin is teaching a class which will meet in Rooms 15/16. The topic of the class is:

"Follow Me: God is Faithful to His People"

Pastor Dave and Bill & Stacey Aman are team teaching a class which meets in Rooms 7/8. The topic of the class is the book of Philippians.

Get connected!
Join a Sunday Morning
Small Group!



**Monday Nights 7:00 p.m. in the
Family Center**

Games are pick-up games. Come when you can and enjoy playing basketball. Open for high school age on up.

Questions can be directed to
Doug Thaler (269) 795-9909

Prayer Gatherings



NO PRAYER GATHERING NOV. 1ST.

Our nation is in a downward spiral. Followers of Christ are being harassed, intimidated, and attacked due to their commitment to Christ. What can we do?
PRAY!

You are invited to come to Room 7/8 on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. for a time of devotions, Bible based discussion and prayer for needs both near and far.

For more information, contact
Bonnie McBride (616) 891-1646



**Sunday, October 31st
5:15-7:30 p.m.**

A fun night celebrating with games, activities, and snacks centered around the fall season! Pumpkins, apples, doughnuts, cider, maybe even a hayride!

All students in 6th-12th grades are welcome.
Bring your friends!

Questions can be directed to Brian Smith,
Director of Youth Ministries
youth@leightonchurch.org or 616-881-1488

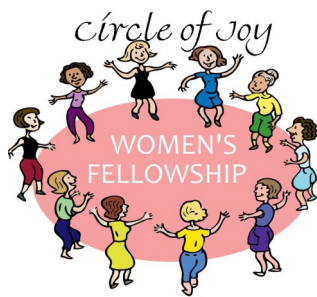
Volunteer Day at Lavender Life Farm



On October 20th, four people from Leighton Church helped pack Xander stuffed animals to be shipped out of state for children in foster care. In fact, almost 3,000 were packed that day.

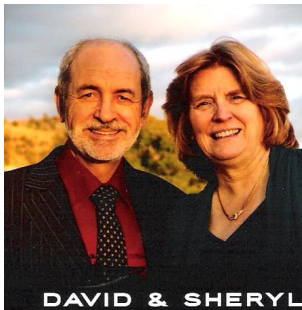
We have another opportunity to help on Thursday, November 11th from 9:00 am-12:30 p.m. Lunch is provided. Lavender Life Farm is located at 464 Stanton Farms Drive, Caledonia

If you would like to help, contact Luann Snyder by Sunday, November 7th. (616) 891-8348



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH AT 1:30 P.M.

All women are invited to Jean Bender's home for a time of fellowship. Guest speaker, Sheryl Olmedo, missionary in Spain, will be sharing about the ministry she and her husband have to residents and tourists in Nerja, Spain.



The Circle of Joy has supported Sheryl for decades. She is in the States for a short time and this is the only opportunity we could get together with her. Please join us!

Jean Bender's home is located at 3050 N. M-37 Hwy, Middleville



FREE MOVIE NIGHT FOR TEENS!

Friday, November 5th 7:00-10:00 p.m.



Free Popcorn, Pop & Candy!

Air Hockey, Foosball, & Ping Pong

Details on the church website. Pick up an invite in the Lobby and give to the teens in your life!



Get involved!

Contact Lori Haselden, Coordinator
(269) 838-5941 or lghaselden@gmail.com



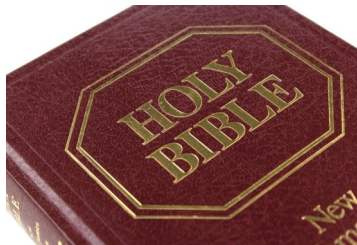
Hand2Hand provides food on the weekends to school children dealing with food insecurities. Each child receives non-perishable items for breakfast, snack, and dinner. Leighton Church is providing food for 9 children who attend Paris Ridge Elementary School, just 2 1/2 miles north of Leighton Church.

How can you be part of this important and life-changing ministry?

- Donate food. Specific items are needed for the meals. A list of food items needed is available in the Lobby or at www.leightonchurch.org/community
- Make financial contributions. If you are unable to purchase food items, you may donate funds that will be used to purchase needed food items.
- Help pack and/or delivery food. Deliveries are made weekly. Food is packed once or twice a month

Items needed are:

Scalloped potatoes (boxed)
Canned Peaches
Fruit Cups
Mashed potatoes (bagged)



"You in God's Word" Bible Study

6:30 p.m.

Are you looking to get more out of reading your Bible? Do you wish you knew how to really study, understand, and apply the Scriptures that you are reading?

Stacey Aman is leading an 8-week Bible study written by Judi Galloway. This is a practical application study that will teach you techniques and reliance on the Holy Spirit to glean more from God's Word through daily readings and note taking creating the habit of daily Bible reading.

This is open to men and women and people of all spiritual maturity. You can still join us. Lessons are not based on previous week's material.

Questions can be directed to Stacey at Stacey.aman@leightonchurch.org

Meeting Schedule:

Monday, November 1st
Tuesday, November 9th
Tuesday, November 16th
Monday, November 22nd
Tuesday, November 30th
Monday, December 6th

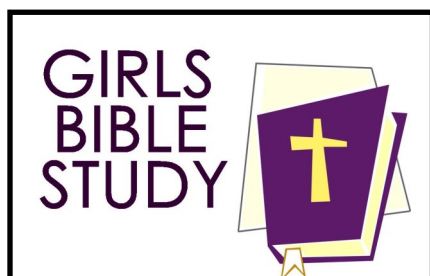


Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Looking for a meaningful mid-week activity for your kids? Bring them to Kids Worship!

For kids age 3 thru 5th Grade to experience God's story in fresh, fun, meaningful ways.

Questions? Contact Robbi Hilton (616) 217-7532



A Bible study for girls age 10-12 in Room 14 on the book of Ruth: Becoming a Girl of Loyalty on how to be loyal, loving, and godly.

Questions? Contact Sarah Geers (616) 299-6898

UPCOMING MISSIONS PROJECTS



Throughout the month of November, donate the following new or like new items for Mel Trotter's Code Blue Drive:

Men's Jeans (size 32-40 waist and 32 length)
Winter Boots (men's sizes 9-15 and women's sizes 6-12)
Sweatpants size L-4XL



Throughout the month of November, donate the following new or like new items for Pregnancy Resource Center

Baby Wipes
Pacifiers
Receiving Blankets
18 month-2T boy & girl fall/winter clothing
Newborn-3 mos. Girls fall/winter clothing
Baby toiletries (baby wash, shampoo, lotion, diaper rash cream)



The Prison Fellowship Angel Tree will be in the Lobby starting November 21st (note change of date)
Select the name of an angel, a child with an incarcerated parent, off the tree.

Purchase the gift listed on the angel.
Wrap the gift and return it to the tree by December 12th.
Suggested gift value \$20.

Questions? Contact Cindy Punt. (616) 482-9293



Ron & Melin G. Interserve Southeast Asia

Ron and Melin have been in the U.S. since spring of 2020. They have been working on obtaining visas to return to the mission field. They are currently on Plan C, meaning that when they start the process, the visa restrictions and requirements continue to change and be altered. At the moment, in order to get the long-term visas, they need to enter the country with a short-term visa. Then while in the country, they can apply for the long-term visa. They have begun this process which should allow them to return to the mission field in the next month or so. Please be praying for this process to go smoothly. They long to return to their field and ministry partners there.

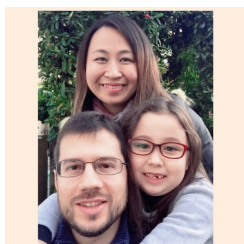
One of the ministries that Ron and Melin are heavily involved in is installing clean water systems in communities. The ninth water system was installed in October! The road to the community where they were installing the system was impassible, so the team had to drive through a rice paddy!

The Agricultural Demonstration Farm is enjoying two new calves that have been born. The rainy season has come, but seems to be spotty with the Farm not receiving enough rain. Therefore, many crops need to be hand watered. Peppers are suffering from lack of water. Eggplant has been planted and the kalamansi continue to produce well.

Your gifts to the Leighton Church Faith Promise Missions Fund supports the ministry of Ron & Melin G. along with 15 other missionaries around the world.

Upcoming Missionary Visits

We have missionaries coming to Leighton in the coming months to share what is happening in their mission field. Mark these dates on your calendar and wear your red shirts!



Zach & Esther Motts
Sunday, Nov. 14



Noah & Liz Kamper
Sunday, Dec. 12th

Service in Action

How do I get involved?

Greeter Ministry:

October 31: Clay & Luann Snyder
November 7: Scott & Terri Farmer
November 14: Art & Connie Hooker

Contact Diane Porter, Greeter Ministry Coordinator
(616) 617-0269 or
dianeporter93@gmail.com

Intercessory Prayer:

October 31: Jean McCaul
November 7: Chris Herring
November 14: Drew & Jackie Corwin

Contact Alverna Truax
(616) 891-8219. The Intercessory Prayer team is actively praying during the church service. Serve every 6 to 8 weeks.

Nursery:

October 31: Christine & Ava Syswerda
November 7: Robbi & Zoey Hilton
November 14: Cindy Herring & Rylee Norris

Contact Sarah Geers. Nursery staff must undergo background checks and attend Child Protection Class. (616) 299-6898 or sarahgeersbb@gmail.com

Hand2Hand Delivery:

November 3: Kim Bender & Jan Geukes
November 10: Luann Snyder & Jean McCaul
November 17: Open

Contact Lori Haselden, Hand2Hand Coordinator
(269) 838-5941 or
lghaselden@gmail.com



**Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday,
November 7th.
Change your clocks back one hour
on Saturday night, November 6th.**



Dear Leighton Family,
Thank you for your prayers and support over the years
for my mother.

Thank you for the prayers and cards for my cancer and
ongoing kidney stones.

The cards really touch me.

Mike & Cindy Punt



JOB opening

Leighton Church is seeking a part-time (15-18 hours per week) worship leader/music program director. The purpose of this position is to oversee, coordinate, and give leadership to weekly worship services and further develop music ministry programs. We are looking for a vibrant Christian with a calling and gifts for service in the area of music with experience in leading praise teams in mostly contemporary music. A complete job description and application can be found at www.leightonchurch.org/job



First UMC of Holland Presents
"A Candy Cane Christmas"
60th Annual Holiday Bazaar

Friday, November 12th 9:30 am-3:00 pm
Attic Specials, Tree Decorations
Cookie Corner, Country Store
Bargain Boutique, Home Décor, Christmas Treasures

Coffee & Homemade Goodies 9:30-11:00 am
Luncheon 11:30 am-1:00 pm
Meals are available to take out.
Masks strongly recommended.

First United Methodist Church of Holland
57 West 10th Street, Holland

PROJECT HOPE CHRISTMAS MINISTRY



Project Hope is planning their annual Christmas Ministry to help families in need with Christmas gifts for their children. The families must live in the areas of Burnips, Dorr, Hopkins, or Moline. Families may sign up by November 26th for this ministry event which takes place on December 9th.

Contact Kaye Evans, Compassionate Care Director
(616) 681-4673 ext. 13