

# January/February Newsletter 2015

## Northern Lakes Community Church

5444 Herkner Road  
Traverse City, MI 49685  
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[www.northernlakescc.org](http://www.northernlakescc.org)

### Join Us for Worship

**Sundays 10am at NLCC**  
Childcare and/or Christian Education  
Provided for Toddlers-4<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **Worship at the Village**

**Tuesdays 2pm**  
The Village at Bay Ridge  
3950 Scenic Ridge

#### **NLCC Office Hours:**

**Monday, Tuesday & Friday**  
**11:30 am – 2:30 pm**



## Prayer Concerns

*Please take a moment to lift up our friends and family in prayer.*

- Kathy Gauthier in ongoing medical concerns
- Pat Settles as she recovers from medical issues.
- For Ron Messner recovering from surgery
- For Sally Stauffer recovering from surgery
- For Bev Adams Sister
- For Ken, Sue Messner's Step-Father
- Angela Carter
- Praises for Dolores Trosch (Dawn Bondy's mother) and her successful outcome
- Praises that Connie Frassetto, Shari Hanna's sister-in-law, is in remission
- Pray for Jan, Lee Gwyn's sister, fighting breast cancer
- Benjamin & Jack Miller and their family
- Teresa Caldwell, Bev and Gene Adam's daughter
- Penny Schmidt
- Breanne Kelderhouse, niece of Donna Nelson
- Rosemary Roberts
- That the Lord would bless our church, so we may fulfill our mission to grow and share our love for Jesus
- Our college students, both home and away
- Our service men and women, here and abroad

*Prayer  
Changes  
Things*

**For urgent prayer requests: Activate the NLCC Prayer Chain by calling Pastor Mike Riggins at the church office: 935-4556, or cell: 342-1374.**

*Medical privacy rules make it more difficult for pastors and deacons to learn who is hospitalized. Now, more than ever, it is extremely important for families of patients to notify the church when a person goes into the hospital. Please call the church office (935-4556) when you, or a loved one, go into the hospital!*

## Sunday Morning Announcements

If you have information you would like shared with the church on Sunday mornings, please contact the office before 11am on Friday. We encourage representatives from various church ministries to make their own announcements. Please contact the church office by 11am on Friday to be put on the list.

**Did you know** that NLCC collects pop cans with MI deposit, and uses the funds to help families in emergency situations? Bring in your empty returnable cans and bottles with deposit, and turn them in to the canister in the kitchen.

## Get Connected ~ Keep in Touch

NLCC uses email and Facebook to keep members and friends up-to-date on events happening in our church community. If you are not receiving emails from the church, call the office to be added to our list, or email [office@northernlakescc.org](mailto:office@northernlakescc.org). To join our FB group, search and join "Northern Lakes Community Church" Group.

Visit our web page, [www.northernlakescc.org](http://www.northernlakescc.org)

The website holds our church calendar, weekly bulletins and bible study questions, audio recordings of past sermons, weather cancellation updates, current and past newsletters, and much more. **Check it out!**

## NLCC EVENT FORMS:

If you plan and host an event at NLCC, would you please fill out an Event Report Form immediately following? With your help, future hosts won't be reinventing the wheel when planning their event and the Session can refer to the form when planning the church mission. We as a church will know which events are most successful, what worked well and what mistakes to avoid in the future. Thank you!

The forms are available in the church office. Return the form to the office or to the Clerk of Session.

## Financial Report as of December 31, 2014

### Income

YTD budget	YTD Actual	Difference
\$179,751	\$194,975	\$15,224

### Expense

YTD budget	YTD Actual	Difference
\$179,751	\$179,139	\$612

Cash Flow YTD = \$15,836

# SAFE HARBOR

## Of Grand Traverse

*Shelter for those experiencing homelessness on the street.*

Safe Harbor is coming to  
Northern Lakes Community Church  
January 31<sup>st</sup> – February 6<sup>th</sup>

*Sign up on the board at church or contact  
Rene Scott to find out how you can help!*

## Officers' Retreat: Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>

All elders and deacons serving in 2015 should attend this important communications and planning meeting at church. We gather at 8am sharp for breakfast provided by Pastor Mike. Done by noon.

## Annual Congregational Meeting: Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>

Immediately following worship. We will receive reports from the elders and deacons on their activities in 2014, as well as approve the 2015 budget.

## Calendar Highlights: Men's Group

January 21<sup>st</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm  
*Video Series, Dinner Provided*

## Preacher's Creatures

January 18<sup>th</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> 12:15pm  
*Fellowship and activities, Lunch Provided*

# WHERE YOU CAN GET INVOLVED AT NORTHERN LAKES COMMUNITY CHURCH

- ✚ **NLCC Women's Book Club:** A study and discussion of Christian writings held at various women's homes once a month. Read the book ahead, bring a dish to pass, and get ready to grow in faith and fellowship! See Kim Scherrer for more details, or check the online church calendar at <http://northernlakescc.org/calendar.html>
- ✚ **Diva Devotions:** A devotional and fellowship group of ladies meet on the **First Tuesday of every month at 1pm** at Cracker Barrel. See Pat Thompson for more information.
- ✚ **Bible Study:** Pastor Mike leads a Bible Study at Cracker Barrel every **Tuesday morning at 7am.**
- ✚ **Men's Bible Study:** Every other **Wednesday evening from 6:30 - 8pm** at the church, men will gather to study the Bible, pray and share in fellowship.
- ✚ **Jr-Sr. High Youth:** meets **1st & 3rd Sundays, 12:00pm – 2:00pm** (Sept.- May)
- ✚ **Sunday School Classes:** (Sept. – May) After worship every Sunday, dedicated teachers bring studies for teens and adults. Groups are open to join at any time. Activity Program offered for children of adult class members.
- ✚ **Children's Worship:** (Sept. – May) Elementary School-aged children are invited to a special service in the new building designed just for them. Available all Sundays except the first Sunday of the month, where children worship with the entire congregation in a kid-friendly service.
- ✚ **Food Pantry:** We collect non-perishable food items left at the foot of the cross on the last Sunday of every month. We keep some of the donations at our church for families in need, and give the rest to Christ Redeemer Church in Interlochen.
- ✚ **Returnable Cans and Bottles (with MI 10¢ deposit)** may always be left at the church. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to help families who have emergency needs. If you would like to return the bottles and cans yourself and turn in the deposit, we would greatly appreciate your effort! Simply label the offering "Deacons Fund", and drop it in the offering basket on a Sunday.

## January & February Birthdays & Anniversaries

January 4th – Dave Wilson  
January 6th – Ian Wilson  
January 6th – Jessie Hemming  
January 9th – Matt Hanna  
January 10th – Pat Thompson  
January 11th – Dan Tatar  
January 14th – Marie Groombridge  
January 15th – Chris Miller  
January 16th – Barb Cain  
January 16th – Julie Burton  
January 16th – Madison Graham  
January 17th – Jack Miller  
January 19th – Sarah Hansen  
January 22nd – Benjamin Schollett  
January 23rd – Rick Lovejoy  
January 27th – Tom Tatar  
January 28th – Frank Schollett  
January 30th – Frank and Gina McPherson

February 1st – Bill Scott  
February 1st – Eric Warren  
February 9th – Rita Lovejoy  
February 9th – Thom Rice  
February 10th – Micah Justin  
February 13th – Andrew Schollett  
February 16th – Amy Elliott  
February 16th – Haley Robinson  
February 17th – Bob & Pat Thompson  
February 19th – Larry Groombridge  
February 19th – Sean McPherson  
February 21st – Rob Butryn  
February 27th – Linda Riggins  
February 27th – Tom Rice  
February 29th – Ashley Turner  
February 29th – Jay & Cindy DeYoung



*\* If you are not on this list and would like to be, please contact the church office with your family's birthday and anniversary information.  
Thank you!*

# Northern Lakes Community Church

**Our Mission Statement:** *Growing and sharing our love for Jesus Christ*

**Our Biblical Theme:** *1 Corinthians 3:7-9*

“So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes all things grow. All have one purpose...For we are God’s fellow workers; you are God’s field, God’s building.”

**Our Purpose:** *Northern Lakes Community Church exists to make disciples and send apostles.*

Disciples follow Jesus Christ; apostles witness to Him. We make disciples by worshiping Jesus with joy, teaching His Gospel, and gathering small groups for Bible study and prayer. We send apostles by witnessing to Christ in the community, employing members’ gifts for ministry, and working to serve human needs near and far.

*We pray that all we do will reflect the love of Jesus Christ, and be scriptural, authentic, and of the highest possible quality.*



## STAFF



**Pastor Mike Riggins** | 231.342.1374 | mike@northernlakescc.org

### Music Leadership Team

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### Administrative Assistant

**Gretchen Palmer** | 231.935.4556 | office@northernlakescc.org

### Volunteer Youth Leadership Team

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**Dan Tatar** | 231.640.0527 | dan.tatar.73@facebook.com

## ELDERS

*The **session** sets our vision and has authority over our entire ministry. Please contact its’ members with your questions, comments and/or ideas.*

**Jeff Burton** (Mission ‘17) | 632-4043 | jeff.burton@hillshirebrands.com

**Tara Dennis** (Adult Ministries ‘17) | 313-9919 | taraleighdennis@yahoo.com

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**Marge School** (Finance ‘15) | 645-0228 | 5844meschool@gmail.com

**Bob Thompson** (Personnel ‘16) | 645-1767 | patriciarobertt@chartermi.net

## DEACONS

*The **deacons** perform ministries of service and compassion. If you have or see a spiritual and/or physical need, please call.*

**Bev Adams** ‘17) | 492-6027 | bjacedar@yahoo.com

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**Kathy Gauthier** (Moderator, Foodie Fellowship ‘15) | 392-4072 | dkgauthier@yahoo.com

**Melynn Jenner** ‘17) | 499-9452 | jenrusm@gmail.com

**Sharon Kent** ‘16) | 632-7102 | sellison4644@yahoo.com

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