

January Newsletter 2014

Northern Lakes Community Church



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Worship Schedule

Sundays 10am at NLCC ~ Child Care provided for Toddlers
Worship at the Village Tuesdays 2pm ~ The Village at Bay Ridge
(3950 Scenic Ridge off of Silver Lake Rd, south of TC West Jr. High)

Prayer Concerns

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

- Carol Cook
- Benjamin & Jack Miller and their family
- Pat Settles
- Infant nephew of Molly Lyons with breathing complications
- Marge School
- Doug Scherrer's son Jason
- Nick, grandson of Bud and Kathy Hockin, in his battle with cancer
- John and Nancy Lanham, Kathy Gauthier's parents
- Teresa Caldwell, Bev and Gene Adam's daughter
- Penny Schmidt
- Breanne Kelderhouse, niece of Donna Nelson
- Rosemary Roberts
- Mel Rotier
- 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



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.

Pop Cans

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. To join our FB group, search and join "Northern Lakes Community Church" Group.

Visit our web page, 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

In order to get this newsletter to you in a timely fashion, we are unable to report on December's financials at this time. We will send them via email in the weeks to come, as well as an end-of-the-year report.

Are you ready?



Oh **yes**, it's that time again! Mark your calendars and save the date, **January 19th** is the return of the much celebrated, can't-miss event of the season...

The Italian Dinner Theatre

Seatings at 4:00pm & 6:30pm

\$15 per adult, \$8 per child

\$50 max per immediate family

Reserve your seats with Dawn Bondy at:
bondy@viktorwithak.com or 933-8777

Indicate choice of time, #of adults/#of kids

All proceeds go towards our 2014 summer mission trip.

Informational Meeting on the 2014 Budget

The elders and pastor will host an informational meeting on **January 5th**, following worship and fellowship. The purpose will be to speak about and -most importantly- to listen to concerns and ideas regarding the 2014 NLCC budget. Please plan to join us. We need to work together to create a budget that will help us grow and share our love for Jesus Christ.

Officers' Retreat January 18th

All elders and deacons serving in 2014 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: January 26th

immediately following worship. We will receive reports from the elders and deacons on their activities in 2013, as well as approve the 2014 budget.

ON-GOING MINISTRIES AT NORTHERN LAKES COMMUNITY CHURCH

- **Bible Study:** Pastor Mike leads a Bible Study at Cracker Barrel every **Tuesday morning at 7am.**
- **Women's Bible Study:** Kim Scherrer leads a group of women in her home **Thursday evenings at 7pm.** Contact Kim for more information at 231-631-4041.
- **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)
- **Elementary Youth:** meets on the 1st Sunday of every month during the Sunday School hour (Sept.-May)
- **Sunday School for all ages:** (Sept. – May) After worship every Sunday, dedicated teachers bring studies for children and adults. Groups are open to join at any time.
- **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 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



** 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 Staff

Pastor: Mike Riggins	231-935-4556	mike@northernlakescc.org
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The **session** sets our vision and has authority over our entire ministry.

Please contact its' members with your questions, comments and/or ideas:

Sue Fink (Youth & Family '15)	231-946-1119	suefink@umich.edu
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Ron Messner (Mission '14)	231-276-6488	rsmessner@yahoo.com
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Rene Scott (Adult Ministries '14)	231-933-4867	irene.scott@gmail.com
Pat Thompson (Personnel '13)	231-642-1767	patriciarobertt@chartermi.net
Dave Wilson (Worship '14)	231-342-1035	wilson@davidwilsoncpa.com

The **deacons** perform ministries of service and compassion.

If you have or see a spiritual and/or physical need, please call:

Joe Deater (Care Packages, Special Needs, Mens Ministry '14)	231-275-2270	jandtdeater@chartermi.net
Amy Elliott (Blood Drive, Care Packages '13)	231-620-1662	amysue432@yahoo.com
Doug Gauthier (Prayer Chain '13)	231-276-9673	dkgauthier@yahoo.com
Kathy Gauthier (Moderator, Foodie Fellowship '15)	231-392-4072	dkgauthier@yahoo.com
Jean Mahoney (TLC Cards/Funerals, Overseas Mission '14)	231-947-2921	docnjean@charter.net
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Mary Peterson (Blood Drive '15)	231-995-9534	marypete61@gmail.com
Sam Tatar '14	231-640-0688	
Kathy Wilson (Foodie Fellowship, Small Groups '15)	919-943-3925	kbrentonkr@aol.com

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

Our Biblical Theme: *1Corinthians 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.