## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING LAKESIDE!

Your giving is keeping us strong so that Lakeside can continue to minister to its members and to the community. Whether you give electronically, by mail, or in person, we want to say thank you. We couldn't be God's hands and feet without you. If you would like to help us continue our ministry in the community and online, you may contribute by:

- Placing your offering in the plate as it is passed or in the box at the rear of the sanctuary
- Setting up automatic deductions from your checking account. For help setting up electronic giving or other giving questions, call 561.844.3756.
- To give through the website, Click on the button to give at <u>www.lakesidepres.org</u> or use the QR code found here
- To mail in your gift, please send it to: Lakeside Presbyterian Church 4601 S. Flagler Dr. West Palm Beach, FL 33405



# **DON'T FORGET TO PUT LAKESIDE IN YOUR WILL!**

### **AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS**

#### THE SCOTTISH AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

Celebrating and learning about Scottish Heritage <a href="mailto:lgberdoll@comcast.net">lgberdoll@comcast.net</a> (Larry Berdoll)



#### TROPICAL FLUTES

Offering regular concerts featuring flutes of all types <u>All4bands@aol.com</u> (Kimberlee Aliapoulios)



#### THE CHORAL SOCIETY OF THE PALM BEACHES

Offering seasonal concerts

Mark Aliapoulios@pba.edu (Mark Aliapoulios)



#### FAMILY EDUCATION

Family Education Programs where parents and their small children learn together. Programs consist of Adult ESOL and Parenting Empowerment classes in conjunction with Early Childhood Readiness



HobbsTJ@att.net (Janice Hobbs)



#### PALM BEACH HARVEST

Feeding the food insecure <a href="mailto:info@palmbeachharvest.org">info@palmbeachharvest.org</a> (Deborah Morgan)



#### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Offering support and recovery



### TOGETHER IN MINISTRY

Roger P. Richardson, Minister Robert J. Collins, Pastor Emeritus Mark Aliapoulios, Director of Music Ministry Kimberlee Aliapoulios, Assistant Music Director Tom Hobbs, Treasurer Heather Ferguson, Financial Secretary Janice Monroe, Church Custodian

and the members of Lakeside Presbyterian Church

# THE BEACON

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Dear Lakesiders and friends,

2024 is upon us and now is the time to choose the path which is fulfilling, meaningful, and filled with purpose. So, as we approach a New Year filled with hope and promise let all of us dive into this year with the same heart of the Psalmist who said: "Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for His steadfast love endures forever."

(Psalm 106:1)

### Please Remember This in 2024:

- 1. Your job is the dream of the unemployed.
- 2. Your house is the dream of the homeless.
- 3. Your smile is the dream of the depressed.
- 4. Your income is the dream of the penniless.
- 5. Your health is the dream of those who are sick.

Beautiful things happen when you distance yourself from negativity. Focus on those blessings for which you are grateful.

The author, Herbert, says something that I truly appreciate and believe is the only way to walk through this life pilgrimage into 2024. "God of love, mercy and grace abides in two very special places. First, in the heavens above and Second, in a grateful heart." So true and the necessary ingredient to living a successful life in 2024. Another idea to underscore this is that in the end, it won't matter how big a house we had, how fancy the cars we drove, all the things we possessed but only who we loved, the Savior we claimed and Who claimed us and our sincere thanksgiving for God's forgiving love in which we lived.

Have a Happy New Year of Thanksgiving and Praise.

Gratefully in Jesus,



Roger



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There are NO membership dues, BUT your church is required to pay for you and each person on our membership roll. This fee is called "per capita apportionment." The Presbyterian Church fee or per capita apportionment per member is: \$36.85 for 2024.

The Per capita apportionment of \$36.85 consists of the following:

- Presbytery = \$25.55;
- Synod = \$1.50;
- General Assembly = \$9.80.

Per Capita giving makes it possible for:

- Presbyterians to discern and live out God's call in their lives
- Churches to connect with individuals seeking a call to ministry
- Staff support for General Assembly committees and commissions
- Management and coordination of General Assembly gatherings
- Presbytery and synod leaders to gather for training and discernment
- Counsel and support for churches in crisis (misconduct, legal matters)
- Presbyteries to address matters of inclusion, participation, and representation at all levels of church leadership and decision-making
- The denomination to build connections with ecumenical partners around the world
- Presbyteries and pastors to receive support on immigration issues
- Presbyterian history to be cataloged, preserved, and utilized by future generations

Lakeside Presbyterian Church congregation's per capita apportionment assessment for 2024 is based on the membership reported in your General Assembly Annual Statistical Report for 2023 (in that report we reported our membership as of Dec 31, 2022). Our congregation's per capita apportionment for 2024 is: \$5,122.15.

This is what it costs our church family. As custom, most of our members, take the opportunity to make this payment of \$36.85 for each member in their family as a special gift to cover the assessment for each of them and help Lakeside Presbyterian Church meet this obligation on their behalf. If you would like to help your church family in this way just make a payment and mark it for "Per capita Payment". Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

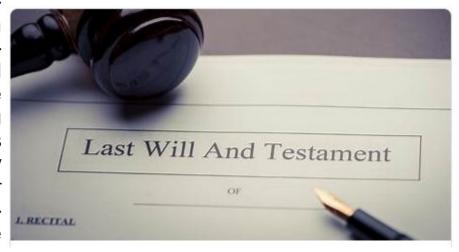
Gratefully,

Your Finance Committee

# Dear Lakeside Church Family,

Each year our Presbyterian Church (USA) reminds us to share a very special giving opportunity with our church family. Statistics remind us that more people write or renew their final estate during the end of January and through the month of February than at any other time of the year. So, if this is the case for you or if this prompts you to consider doing just that, we would like to ask that you prayerfully consider remembering your Lakeside Presbyterian Church in your estate plans. You

have the ongoing opportunity to join with us in prayer and financial support in this very special way. When you do, we cannot thank you enough for making this opportunity of ministry and mission found in our wonderful church possible for so many into the future!



This is called Gift Legacy thinking and it will be more and more valuable for your children, grandchildren and future generations. We share the Gospel message here at Lakeside Presbyterian and in that message is LIFE abundant and LIFE eternal. Won't you decide to compose a Legacy that will reverberate on and on into the future with such a gift. We can only imagine how many will be blessed and introduced to Jesus and life everlasting through such an important gift that will project your faith into the future even long after you have claimed your own heavenly reward.

Thank you for any consideration that you might give to this very important request and through you may blessings abound through eternity.

In God's Love,

Your Legacy and Stewardship Committee

# FRIENDS of the CARPEN ER

In 2019, the Friends of the Carpenter Fund was started at Lakeside to honor Lakeside members who have entered the Kingdom of Heaven and continue to inspire us by their wonderful legacies of love and service. We are so thankful to these wonderful brothers and sisters whose names have been entered in the Friends of the Carpenter's Memorial Book as gifts have been made to keep their legacy alive in the mission of the church.

Doug Bailey
Sue Comerford
Constance Dalton
Charles H. Damsel Jr
Rev Susan Dobbs-Key
Margery Eaton
Mary Flanagan
Richard Gates
Susan Lenore Gates
Carolina Guarin
Robert Howell
Bette Hudson

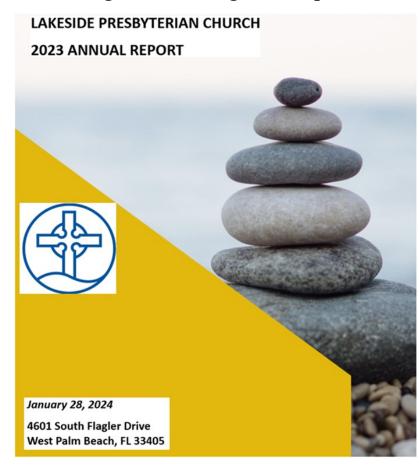
Dr Richard Hudson
Harry Johnston
Mary Otley Johnston
John Karlin
David Kelso
Harry Lambert
William Maybury
Charlotte Miller
Rev W. Jack Noble
Jocelyn Nuckols
Martha Persinger
Louise Peterson

Jim Pickens
Franz Rankin
Jill Reid
Donald Sarringar
Jack Shultze
Jaccqueline Stetson
Rev Dr; Robert Sullivan
Marilyn Timmerman
Virginia Thuman
Mary Eliabeth Watts
Carol Wright

# **ANNUAL MEETING**

-- January 28 --

following our morning Worship Service.



WOW!! What a Year it has been!

Reports, reports, and more reports with outstanding results.

Come and hear about the building of our beloved Lakeside Presbyterian Church.

Come and join us and give thanks for all that has been accomplished in Lakeside Presbyterian Church.

We will receive the reports.

Adopt the church budget.

Vote on new Elders and Deacons

We are so very pleased to share with you the progress of YOUR church and our hopes for our future together.

Come and see what the Lord has done!

## Finance Committee Update - January 2024

"But godliness with contentment is great gain.

For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it."

1 Timothy 6:6-7

Generosity is a high value in church. The Bible teaches that as followers of God, we should not be focused on wealth; rather, we should be good stewards of what we have been given and share what we have with those who are less fortunate. Being generous with our resources is one way we as believers can be a part of the work of God on earth.

But how do we know how much to give? How much should go to our local church? These are questions you may have when giving and determining how to be a good steward of what God has given to you.

#### What Is Church Giving?

Church giving refers to the financial contributions gifted to a church. The act can be seen as part of our individual discipleship with God through faith in Jesus Christ and His teachings on giving to those in need. Gifts may be given from those inside or outside the congregation and may include offerings from non-members. These contributions may be given through regular tithing, one-time offerings, or recurring gifts.

People may also pledge to give over a period of time. Church pledges are usually formal commitments made by those in the congregation for year-round generosity. Recurring giving and pledges help churches financially plan for the future since leaders have a better idea of how much money will come in each month. Because of this, they are better able to create a budget and plan for expenses.

### Why Is Church Giving Important?

Giving is important because it helps the church continue its mission in service to God. Church leaders and members decide how to allocate those gifts in support of missions, weekly services, community initiatives, those who are less fortunate, programs that encourage spiritual growth, and more.

#### **How Churches Use Your Contributions**

In addition to the above, churches allocate money toward many specific areas, such as staff salaries, program costs, audio and visual equipment, youth programs, maintenance expenses (like repairing leaky roofs), and keeping up facilities.

Churches may also spend some funds on invitations to the community for people to visit and become involved. They often also pay for materials to hand out, such as bulletins.

#### How Churches Share the Value of Giving With Their Congregations

Financial reports from 2023 and a proposed budget for 2024 will be shared at the upcoming annual congregational meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup>. We encourage you to attend the meeting, review the documents, and ask any questions you have on how your contributions are used. We also ask you to prayerfully consider how you give. It is never too late to make a commitment with your pledge.

"But now as for what is inside you—be generous to the poor, and everything will be clean for you."

Luke 11:41



# PALM BEACH HARVEST INC. BEACON ARTICLE

12/30/23

Happy New Year to all!

They say, "Out with the old and in with the new." It seems good to keep that old and welcome the new in many ways. Let us reflect on all the good things of 2023 and pray for a change to improve the events and things that were not so positive to reflect on.

"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." C.S. Lewis. Palm Beach Harvest reaches 26 years rescuing food and delivering free of charge to those who would not have the choice to eat. 2024 may prove to bring more challenges to conquer in the food rescue arena but they are well received with positive attitudes to reach new heights.

Do you have a new challenge in front of you, are you wondering what to do with your time, talents, and gifts that God asks? He has a plan for us and when you listen you will hear that voice that will lead you to your calling.

Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who "Meet the Need to Feed" thru Lakeside Presbyterian Church and Palm Beach Harvest. For more information about PBH and how you can become involved visit us at <a href="https://www.palmbeachharvest.org">www.palmbeachharvest.org</a>.

"Meeting the Need to Feed"

Deborah Morgan

# DEACONS

# Deacons of the Month

Opening/closing the church each Sunday is a big job. The deacons rotate these duties.

These fine folks lead the charge to get our house ready for guests and to worship.



Chris Stewart

January



Larry Berdoll

**February** 

Welcome to 2024! Although new Deacons have not yet been elected, don't worry, we will let you know who your new leaders are as we know who will be filling the shoes of Ken Seeman, Christine Stewart and Chris Lambert,. New officers will be elected during the January 28th Congregational Meeting, with Installation scheduled for February 11th.

ARISH SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25th!



We Presbyterians divide our congregation into smaller groups called Parishes and assign at least one Deacon & Elder to each. It is the hope that your leaders then watch over their flock and make

sure all needs are met. Rides to church or doctors, meals, a visit, a listening ear, et al, just give them a shout!

A few years ago, we shuffled everyone, so that now you should live in proximity to your fellow Lakeside members, even if it's not next to Lakeside. That makes sense right? If you're not sure who your fellow Parish members are, well that is what Parish Sunday is all about! Your Elder &/or Deacon will set up a table in the Fellowship Hall complete with some snacks and treats. Go introduce yourself, or just say hi to an old friend. We've had quite a few members this last year, praise God, so let's reach out and meet everyone.

# Sunday School

# DECEMBER

The True Meaning of Christmas was truly an amazing show and the children put so much work into it.

# JANUARY

Now with the show completed, it's time to get back into the groove of Sunday School. We will start off by having the students create vision boards for 2024.

# FEBRUARY

We plan on trying to organize an event to bring some joy to the community for Valentine's Day.



JACK IS THE WINNER FOR MOST VOLUNTEER HOURS FOR 2023!

Alexis and Lauren Wilt 561.512.6039 561.891.1132

# Mission Christian Education: Adult Sunday School

We will be continuing the Bible Project study INTRODUCTION TO THE HEBREW BIBLE.

In the fall we worked our way through The SHAPE OF THE HEBREW



BIBLE, January brings us to Module 2: THE ORIGINS OF THE HEBREW BIBLE. We will dive into Lesson 7 when we start back this Sunday 01/07. Susan Halliday has graciously provided us with previous lessons in binders to keep us all on track.

Join us, this is exciting stuff!

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Once a month, members of the congregation who have worshipped in different cultures or faith traditions share their experiences and how the worship was the same and how it differs from our traditional American service. Here Mioche shares what we might see if we worshipped in Haiti.



# **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

# MEETS FOR BREAKFAST EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 AM



## CALLING ALL LAKESIDE MEN!

Men's Fellowship continues with breakfasts supporting Lakeside Presbyterian Men in their life journey. The eggs and bacon are hot, the coffee abundant, donuts, cakes and rolls filling. The discussion is wide ranging and rich with ideas and stories galore. The fellowship is light-hearted and fun. So, give our Men's Club Breakfast Bunch a try, as we are sure you will enjoy being with us every third Wednesday.

## LADIES SMALL GROUP

# The BYOL/LOL: Bring Your Own Lunch/Ladies of Lakeside

We gather every second and fourth Thursdays @1130 AM

We'll meet January 11 & 25 & February 8 & 22

Our study continues with the Gospel of John and the Acts of the Apostles as we work our way through the NewTestament. Our time together includes readings and videos as well as prayers, discussion and naturally bringing our own lunch. Come join the prayer, food and giggles as we women lean on each other during this special fellowship



#### LEADERS

# Sarah Richardson & Sherwayne Bell.

Mission YARD WORK! We would really like these teens to start getting into some helping mission work. That said if you'd like have any work that needs done around the house or yard, we'd love to help. Reach out to Christa Tiedge and we'll put you on our schedule.

Looking forward to some fun in Otown. We're putting together a trip to Universal in February. Look for a car wash fundraiser sometime soon.



# AXIOS YOUTH Jan/Feb. 2024



Hanging in the Youth room upstairs.

We look forward to some remodel in the beginning of 2024. We can't let the downstairs Sunday school rooms have all the fun!



1 Corinthians 10:13

God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. We meet Friday nights @ 6pm Fellowship Hall & Youth Room

Gettin' Out Events for January/February

January 1/19 Dinner in the Park M Okeeheelee

February 2/19 & Universal Trip 4

# FAMILY TABLE SET FOR LAKESIDE NEW YEAR'S COMMUNION



New Year's first Communion is January 7, 2024. As we move further into 2024, let's pause and seek forgiveness and dust off the past as we move ahead into a new year full of opportunities, hopes and promises. You are cordially invited to a dinner held in your honor and hosted by Jesus the Savior. This is God's special way to give you and me a fresh start, a new beginning, a clear path into our tomorrows. Please, plan to join your family of faith as we break bread and drink wine together at the table of our Lord.

# Kirkin' O' The Tartans



Come one, come all. <u>SUNDAY- JANUARY 21, 2024</u> Celebrate your own heritage as Lakeside Presbyterian Church celebrates its heritage out of the Scottish clan background. After the service, join us for fellowship and enjoy a wee bit of Scottish short-bread.

Tartan refers to the pattern of interlocking stripes, running in both the warp and weft in the cloth (horizontal and vertical), or any representation of such a woven design in other media (printed, painted, or otherwise rendered). Typically today one thinks of "clan tartans" — that is, tartan designs that represent certain Scottish clans and families. While this is typical, it was not always so.

Tartan has an ancient history. The earliest known tartan in Scotland can be dated to the third or fourth century AD. Tartan, in general, however came to be extremely popular in Scottish Highland culture. So much so that by the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, tartan clothing is seen to be characteristic of Highland dress.

Tartan was so identified with the Highland Gael that after the Battle of Culloden in 1746, the British government, in the Act of Proscription, forbade the wearing of tartan (among other things) in the Highlands, in an attempt to suppress the rebellious Scottish culture.

The Clan idea of tartan claim was brought to the United States and with great joy into the Presbyterian Church. As the idea grew, the Church, ready to claim its Scottish Presbyterian roots, allowed tartans to be brought into the sanctuary to be blessed. One of the most well known such event was directed by the late Rev. Peter Marshall pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C. It was here that the "Kirkin' O' The Tartans" became well known and was copied in Presbyterian Churches across the United States.



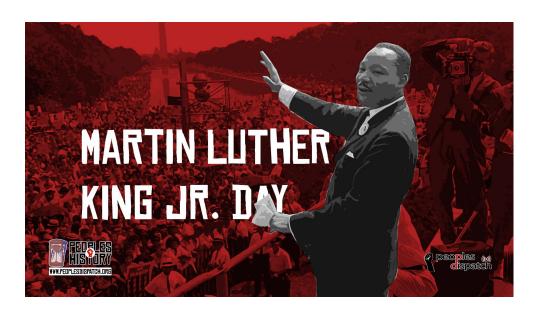
# **International Holocaust Remembrance Day**



The United Nations General Assembly designated January 27—the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau—as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

On this annual day of commemoration, the UN urges every member state to honor the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust and millions of other victims of Nazism and to develop educational programs to help prevent future genocides.

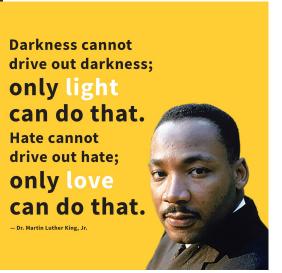
Lakeside Presbyterian Church has its own Remembrance Presentation which we will offer again this year on Saturday January 27, 2024, at 7:00 PM on Facebook and YouTube. Please take time to view our brief but very meaningful remembrance presentation.



Once again, this year Lakeside Presbyterian Church will be remembering Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The pre-recorded presentation that comes from members of our church will be played on January 15, 2024 at 7:00 on Facebook and YouTube. It is truly a fitting and moving tribute to a person who changed the course of history and expressed the love of freedom for all.



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# LENT - A Season of Renewal

Begins on Ash Wednesday February 14 and ends on Maundy Thursday March 28



Lent is traditionally a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Maundy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading the Bible; we serve by giving donations of time talent and treasure to help those in need; and we practice self-control through a variety of ways. In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as we recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

# CIRISTINAS PARTY



# CHRISTMAS AT LAKESIDE



















# January 2024 February 2024

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