

# Lena United Methodist Church

March 2017 Newsletter

Pastor Brian

LeBaron

815-369-5291 or

Cell 815-541-4207

## March Servants

### Greeters

- 5 – Mick & Kris Flynn
- 12 – Gary & Nancy Price
- 19 – Dwayne & Carol Robieson
- 26 - Dwayne & Carol Robieson

### Liturgist

- 5 – Scott Stich
- 12 – Elaine Williams
- 19 – Roberta Rogers
- 26 – Jackie Edler

### Video Tech

- 5 – Lisa Dascher
- 12 – Elaine Williams
- 19 – Cathy Rich
- 26 – Cathy Rich

### Dial-a-Devotion

- 5 – Norma Klipping
- 12 – Eleanor Holmes
- 19 – Pat Phillips
- 26 – Kristie Flynn

### Fellowship

- 5 – Judy Buchenau, Marcia Lobdell
- 12 – Sandy Bilgri, Sally Buchenau
- 19 – TBA
- 26 – Renee Buisker, TBA

### Sunday School Teachers

- Lynne Howe
- Lisa Dascher
- Roberta Rogers, Cathy Rich



Dear LUMC Members and Friends,

News Flash.... I have been appointed to serve Polo Faith United Methodist Church effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. *“Bishop Sally Dyck and the Northern Illinois Conference Cabinet have prayerfully discerned Pastor Brian LeBaron to serve as the pastor of Faith UMC of Polo for the following missional reasons:*

1. *Maturity in ministry with gifts in pastoral care and counseling*
2. *Strengths in community engagement*
3. *Demonstrated ability to develop children's ministry*
4. *Affinity for small rural town context”*

This change comes about as initiated by the Bishop and was not requested by our church or myself. This comes as a result in part of the effective season of ministry (2011-2017) that we have enjoyed together that has thrust me into a spotlight. Yet we are part of a larger connectional church and I have pledged to serve the church wherever I am discerned to be needed. This change brings many feelings and memories to my heart of both joy and sorrow as I ponder moving away from this great community of Lena. Tears have been shed by many including myself already. I am looking forward to a concluding season of ministry in Lent, Easter and beyond with you as we grow in Christ. The Staff Parish Relations Committee chaired by Scott Stich is working with our Rockford District Supt., Rev. Lisa Kruse Safford, to discern the direction of your church ministry and mission with your next Pastor.

## March Birthdays and Anniversaries

### Birthdays

3/2 Carol Robieson  
3/3 Pookie Schubert  
3/4 Kathy Phillips  
3/5 Blaine Stamm  
3/6 Bill Hooker  
3/7 Brian LeBaron  
3/11 Donald Lobdell  
3/12 Michelle Liphart  
3/13 Cole Gerber  
3/17 Sharon Holland  
3/18 Janet Lobdell  
3/19 Jayden Clinton, James Hudson  
3/23 Rachel Edler, Samantha Griffin  
3/25 Nevin Kryder  
3/26 Christine Liles  
3/27 David Busch, Tabitha Roenneburg  
3/29 Darlene Pauley  
3/31 Roger Schulz

### Anniversaries

3/4 David & Linda Scheider  
3/10 Gary & Cathy Rich  
3/12 Robert & Theresa Kepner  
3/13 Randy & Tam Kryder  
3/15 Richard & Eleanor Holmes  
3/15 Mervin & Verla Lobdell  
3/16 Bob & Carol Buss

### Thank you:

Pastor Brian & The Lena United Methodist Church –

Thank you for the birthday and graduation congratulations! I am thrilled to share that I have accepted a position with Rosecrance in Rockford, IL as a Mental Health Recovery Specialist. There, I will lead group sessions, help, and aid those in crisis recovery with mental illness.

Thanks again!

*Courtney Borchardt*

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### **2017 Lenten Luncheon Schedule**

#### **12:00 noon on Wednesdays**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Hosts</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
March 1, 2017	Methodist churches from McConnell	Lena United Methodist
March 8, 2017	Good Shepherd	Good Shepherd
March 15, 2017	Beloved Church	St. John's
March 22, 2017	Lena United Methodist	Lena United Methodist
March 29, 2017	St. Joseph Catholic	St. Joseph
April 5, 2017	Evangelical Free Church	Evangelical Free Church
April 12, 2017	Salem UCC	Lena United Methodist

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**A Bit of Trivia.....**Did you know there is a town in Indiana named Lena? And... Did you know that there is a Lena United Methodist Church there? If you answered, "Yes" you are correct!!! Todd Bussian and family made this discovery while visiting Greencastle, IN in 2015 while attending son, Tyler's, college graduation. Lena is a small town about the size of McConnell that has a few houses and a church.



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**Special Guest Speaker Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup> in Worship Service**

**Rockford District Superintendent, Rev. Lisa Kruse Safford** will be our guest speaker March 19<sup>th</sup>. Lisa brings an encouraging and inspiring word to the church. You won't want to miss her uplifting message!

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**Pray for Healing :** Richard Baer, Gary Schwartz, Garry Parker, Rose Black, Tami Williams, Marci Borchardt, Arlene Kryder, Dick Wuebben, Larry and Christine Woolcock (Larry is Faye Wybourn's brother), Lorraine Bonebright, Ron Buchenau, Marce Rothschadl (Steve's mom), Patricia Milliken

**In treatment:**

Melody Maly, Gerry Koertner, Joanne Gruendler, Kelli Huneke, Anita Wells, Darlene Kossar, Pat Campbell

**Lena Living Center Residents:**

Carol Fluegel, Orval & Dorothy Schoonhoven, Norma Streeb

**In Hospice Care:**

Phyllis Hulbert

**Our Condolences to:**

Matthew & Kathy Phillips and family on the death of Kathy's mom, Melodie Bose, on January 31,2017

# 3 Simple Rules for Social Media



## Social media guidelines for NIC United Methodists

John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, lived by and taught three simple rules: Do no harm, do good, and stay in love with God. These simple rules can be applied to many facets of life, including our use of social media. The Minnesota

Conference's Extended Cabinet supports the use of social media and believes it can be a valuable tool for ministry. We affirm these guidelines to help use social media in a manner that positively represents the church, the Gospel, and Jesus Christ and that helps us fulfill our Gospel imperatives to grow in love of God and neighbor, reach new people, and heal a broken world.

## *No. 1: Do no harm*

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One of the benefits of social media is that it provides the opportunity to share views, thoughts, joys, and concerns about all areas of life. Our social media contributions can be very effective tools for ministry if we apply caution before we post. We will be careful that our posts are not “doing harm” by insulting or damaging the reputation of others. We will make sure our posts are respectful and in good taste. And we will remember that everything we post—status updates, comments, tweets, blogs—becomes public immediately after we click “send” (even if we’re using a limited-access setting). We can’t take it back once it’s out there, so we will use discernment with everything we post.

### TO THINK ABOUT

- Is the post “doing harm” to the reputation of the church, Christ, or another person or organization?
- Can the post be interpreted as harmful, offensive, rude, or distasteful? If I’m posting photos, do I have the permission of the people pictured?
- If using the post as an outlet to vent, what’s the most productive and least harmful way to seek resolution or reconciliation? Is there a less public, more respectful way to do so?

## *No. 2: Do good*

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Social media can serve as an effective method of church networking and communicating. It has the potential to have an encouraging influence on our congregations and communities and to serve as a powerful tool for delivering the Gospel message to a large audience that extends beyond our contact list. It’s also a great way to share news about our church and ministry—and to invite others to join us in worship and service. Additionally, it can be a useful tool for obtaining feedback and ideas from our audience and can be used to gain insight for sermons, Bible study topics, worship times, and needs of the community. The “good” and positive uses of social media are endless.

### TO THINK ABOUT

- Can the post be described as “good”?
- Will it help the kingdom and fellow believers? How will it be perceived by non-believers? How will the post be received by people with different cultural or faith backgrounds?
- Are we communicating effectively by asking questions in addition to providing information?

## *No. 3: Stay in love with God*

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Social media is a great way to find meaningful devotional materials, thought-provoking blogs, inspiring worship videos and media resources, and current articles and tools for our ministry. Users have reported that their social media usage helps keep them informed and enthusiastic about their ministry on a daily basis. While it can definitely help us “stay in love with God,” it also can be very distracting. We will make sure our use of social media does not occupy so much of our time that we are no longer fully participating in meaningful devotion, worship, Bible study, and conversations with our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Social media can serve as a tool to aid, promote, and conduct discussions, studies, and devotional times but should not be our primary source of interaction with the world.

### TO THINK ABOUT

- How is social media helping me to stay in love with God? How is it hindering me?
- How am I helping others stay in love with God by my social media contributions?
- How am I engaging in meaningful interactions that don’t involve social media? When is personal dialogue more beneficial?

**Our character and faith are reflected in each post we make, so if we are unsure about something, we won’t post it.**

## UMW Meeting Feb. 4th

This year I decided not to have a regular meeting after our Valentine Party, so there isn't as much to tell you.

The officers made a breakfast casserole, coffee cake & banana bread for the brunch. If you didn't attend, you missed a good meal and program. Rose Ann Kuhlemeier came to tell us about the organization for the Mother Hubbard's Kiddie Cupboard. She has been with them for over 20 years, so was very knowledgeable and interesting. They need more volunteers, so if anyone is interested in helping them, you can call her at 815-233-0975.

I was told the Lena Nursing Home residents really enjoyed the "Junction Jammers" musical group that our committee got for their birthday party entertainment in January. It's always good to know things we do for them are appreciated.

We will be having our annual rummage and bake sale Mar. 6-11. You can start bringing rummage sale items after church on Sunday Mar. 5th until Wed. afternoon Mar. 8th, so they can be sorted and priced. Have your baked items to the church Wednesday afternoon or early Thursday morning - cookies, pies, breads and snack items sell good, but cupcakes and cakes don't go as well.

Our next meeting is Saturday March 4th 9:30.

Program - Judy Buchenau

Response Moments - Carol Buss

Hostess - Carol Buss

God Bless Everyone,  
Maryanne Gritzmaker, UMW President

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Following is a nice comment LUMC received regarding the carillon (church bells). If you would like to share your comments about the carillon, you can email them to [umclena@gmail.com](mailto:umclena@gmail.com) or call the church office at 369-5291.

*"I have to say that I absolutely love the church bells. We can hear them so clearly throughout the neighborhood. The old hymns are nostalgic and heartwarming. I love to sing along and teach the old songs to my kids, which bring back great memories from my own childhood." I've heard a lot of positive feedback from neighbors as well.*

*Erin Korte*

**Lena United Methodist**  
**Rummage and Bake Sale**

Donate your gently used treasures to the rummage sale  
Any clean, useable donations accepted

**Drop-off dates and times are as follows:**

Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 pm  
Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 pm

**For more information or to volunteer  
to help sort and mark items contact:**

**Carol Robieson – 369-2236 or  
Pat Edler - 369-2261**

**Shop the Rummage and Bake Sale on:**

Thursday and Friday March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>  
From 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

**Saturday** March 11<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – 11:00 am  
For the **\$1.00 a bag day**

**Bake Sale is Thursday and Friday only**

Best items to donate for the bake sale are:  
Cookies, Pies, Bars or Snack Items

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Some history on the Rummage and Bake Sale as remembered and submitted by Lavone Gabel:

*Dorothy Shaw organized the first sale to earn money to remove the wall between Fellowship Hall and the next room. Due to some resistance it didn't happen right away. When the wall was finally removed, what a great improvement!*

*A few years later the UMW decided to sponsor the Rummage Sale and make it an "All church rummage and bake sale" with the proceeds going to help with improvements for the church.*

*To name a few of the improvements that have happened past and present:*

- *Remodeled 3 restrooms – approximately \$10,000*
- *Replaced countertops and floor tile, painted the walls, replaced freezer, commercial stove and refrigerator in the kitchen.*
- *Fellowship Hall – light fixtures, painted walls and ceilings, 150 chairs and round tables, electricity on east wall and window blinds*
- *Bus Fund received \$1,000 for insurance, etc.*
- *Carpeting for Library – first time*
- *Painted several rooms over the years*
- *Helped day care.*
- *Vertical blinds for Quilting/Sunday School room upstairs*
- *This past year finished paying for sidewalk replacement, garage roof and water leak between street and church (cut water bill in half) for a total of \$2400.*

The account is empty, so clean your closet and get the oven going!!

## Lena UMC Youth Ministry Pie Fundraiser

### Thanks so much for your support!

The Lena UMC Youth Ministry will once again be partnering with other local Methodist churches for a spring pie fundraiser. All proceeds from our congregation's orders will go to support the Lena UMC Youth Ministry!

All pies are homemade and will be delivered fresh to you on  
**a Sunday TBA in March prior to Easter** with baking  
instructions attached!

Enjoy immediately or freeze for later ☺

**Order Deadline: Sunday, March 5th**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/> Apple	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Free Apple
<input type="checkbox"/> Apple Crumb Top	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Free Apple Crumb Top
<input type="checkbox"/> Cherry	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Free Cherry
<input type="checkbox"/> Cherry Crumb Top	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Free Cherry Crumb Top
<input type="checkbox"/> Pecan	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Free Pecan

Total # of Pies \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay at the time of ordering. Cash and checks accepted.  
**All checks can be made out to "Mission Possible"**

## March 2017 Calendar of Student Activities @ Lena UMC

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**March 5 – April 2, 2017 / Youth Service Project** - will be collecting food donations for Lena food pantry – church members are ask to bring in a can or dry good which will be located in the entry way off the parking lot in a barrel. Thank you for your support!

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**March 12, 2017 - Let's Talk** / will meet during Sunday school class with teens only

**March 26, 2017 - Student Ministry** – will identify 2 teens to participate in the service which will include scripture reading according to Pastor Message theme and 2 youth to participate with the adult praise worship team. Names will be submitted the week of service

**March 26, 2017 – Student Ministry Recreation night @ Coaches 5pm to 7pm** – fun & food. Teens are encouraged to invite friends and notify Scott by text if you're planning to attend.

**March 29, 2017 – Mass choir rehearsal @ the Hang Out** with Psalmist & Minister Carl Cole – 3:45pm to 4:30pm 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Kids from Lena UMC are encouraged to participate.

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**MY FRIEND'S CLOSET THRIFT STORE** is a community based ministry of St. John's Lutheran Church in Lena. We are open Mondays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with extended hours on Wednesdays until 8 p.m. **We welcome requests** from the local churches and community for consideration for the proceeds disbursements. We have ongoing support for other missions and ministries such as the Lena Friendship Center Adult Day Care, the Ministerial Food Pantry, Freeport Pregnancy Center, Tyler's Justice Center, K-Love, Doors Open Wide, Rockford Rescue Mission, and more. We also help those in the mission field like the Osterloo's. We extend support to our local schools and businesses. We are blessed to be able to help those going through rough times for various reasons like medical, fire, accidents. **If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please call Fawn at St. John's at [815-369-4035](tel:815-369-4035). We are always in need of volunteers.**



**Finance Committee Minutes – Lena United Methodist Church**  
**February 13, 2017**

The meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. with the reading of Psalms 1-6. Those present were: Mick Flynn, Judy Buchenau, Lois Shelton, Randy and Tam Kryder, Pastor Brian LeBaron, Steve Rothschadl, Larry and Kim Nelson.

The committee reviewed the minutes of January 9, 2017. Discussion followed:

- Hangout insurance – church has insurance coverage. Insurance company requested that the Hangout provide a copy of their liability insurance coverage. Pastor will obtain policy.
- Bus insurance – church has full coverage. No changes were made to coverage at this time.
- Bus- previous review of getting bus was for a 2007 model
- Pastor will work on sending letter to first time givers

Larry moved and Tam seconded that the minutes of January 9, 2017, be approved. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** A special finance meeting was held on Sunday, January 15, 2017. Present were Tam and Randy Kryder, Pastor LeBaron, Mick Flynn, Judy Buchenau, Larry and Kim Nelson. Mick Flynn requested funds for a church family in financial need. The Benevolent fund is the account that is used for this type request. Approximately \$550 would be needed for this request. Motion approved.

Judy Buchenau requested that a member of the finance committee be a signer on the General and Designated Fund checking account, as there are times when the two current signers are not available. The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer are the current signers. Approval was given to have Finance Chairman Mick Flynn added as signer.

**New Business:** Judy reviewed the Memorial Summary Report of all funds, the designated amounts in each fund available, and purpose of funds. Discussion followed on the procedures to be followed on disbursements of funds and accountability. Kim reported that there are procedures for Solicited, Unsolicited and Memorial Designated Funds which had been approved by church council for use in 2014.

The committee reviewed the procedures document. After discussion it was decided to update the memorial/endowment procedures. Larry moved Tam seconded, and committee approved the following: Memorial and Endowment distribution requires approval by finance committee pending approval by church council and minutes recorded for proper audit. The committee also requested a letter be sent to all committee chairs to go over what is required on ALL financial accounting procedures.

A request was made by Eleanor Holmes for payment of \$1,017 invoice for banners. June Stewart memorial had designated funds of \$3,000 for banners. Banners had been purchased in 2016 with a balance remaining of \$601. Request was made for the additional funds of \$416. Following the discussion, additional funds will be paid from the undesignated memorial fund. Randy moved and Steve seconded. Motion passed four to one. Mick emphasized the importance of following proper documentation and procedures for all expenditures.

Kim reviewed the January 31, 2017, Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss reports. Income for January was \$11,881, and expenses were \$14,406 giving a loss of (\$2,525). January expenses were under budget. February expenses are anticipated to be lower than January's. Treasurer will monitor income before paying bills.

Discussion followed on the benevolent account. Mick requested that the benevolent designated fund be replenished to have funds available for future mission needs. Steven moved and Tam seconded and committee approved that \$500 be moved from memorial mission account to benevolent designated fund.

Kim reviewed the analysis report of contributions for 2014, 2015, and 2016. Also reviewed were the 2016 Audit Funds Balance report, findings, and recommendations. Discussion followed on completing recommendations as requested by audit committee.

- Committee will review all financial procedures and forms
- Expenses will be reviewed by member of finance committee  
Notification will be made to all committees and persons involved with financial transactions about all financial procedures
- Accountant will be asked about backup procedures of bookkeeping/payroll system

Mick requested Kim Nelson be added as a member of finance committee. Randy moved, Steve seconded, and motion carried pending approval of church council.

Mick discussed possible ways that committees could be combined so there would be fewer meetings. Many members are on the same committees making for duplication of issues and needing approvals from committees which may not meet for a month or more. The United Methodist conference held a leadership meeting where one meeting detailed a simplified structure of committees that a few churches in the conference are now using. The pastor will look into this with the Shannon Bethel United Methodist Church as it uses this system. Further discussion will be held at next meeting.

Kim reported that Jake Andrews had moved the rest of PC programs and files to the newer PC. Drive from the old computer will be added to the other PC. The committee approved paying Jake \$100 for his services. The account of administrative miscellaneous expense will be debited.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 6, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting closed with a prayer at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by Kim Nelson, acting secretary

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**Update of Finances of LUMC**

	<u>January 2017</u>	<u>January Budget</u>	<u>\$Over Budget</u>
Income	\$ 11,881.00	\$15,088.00	(\$ 3,207.00)
Expenses	<u>\$ 14,406.00</u>	<u>\$15,052.00</u>	<u>\$ 646.00</u>
Net	(\$2,525.00)	\$ 36.00	(\$ 2,561.00)

*LUMC Finance Committee*

**Due into the church office by May 1, 2017**

**APPLICATION FOR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**

Criteria in determining eligibility:

1. Must be a member of the **Lena United Methodist Church.**
2. Be at least Sophomore status in a 4 year school; or in a 1 year Vocational/Tech School working towards a certificate, eligibility will be a t mid-term.
3. Candidate must be of good Christian Character.

Applying for this scholarship does not insure that you will receive a scholarship.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School name \_\_\_\_\_

Your address \_\_\_\_\_

Your phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Your parents names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your major \_\_\_\_\_

Last term grade point average \_\_\_\_\_

(A=5, B=4 or A=4, B=3) (please specify)

The year you were confirmed or joined the church \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us about yourself, your achievements and goals. \_\_\_\_\_

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Which United Methodist Activities have you participated in and when?

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Perhaps some of the following:

Worship      Sunday School      Bible School      Mission Trips

Youth activities

Church Suppers

## COMMUNITY EVENTS LLC MARCH 2017

### WEEKLY WELLNESS PROGRAM

Every **Monday** we host **Morning Happy Hour** with a light breakfast and stretching  
FREE to the community.

8:00 - 9:00 AM

Every **Tuesday** and **Thursday** we have  
**Open Gym** FREE to the community.

5:00—6:00 PM

Please Join Us for these events  
in our new Therapy Gym!

### March 1, 2017 Coffee & Dessert at the Mercantile In

Downtown Lena from 2:00-3:00 PM Join us for interesting topics and good company! This event is every 1st Wednesday of the month and Free to the community.

March 4, 2017 Home Party Series at LLC: Tupperware Party!! Saturday Fun and Refreshments 10:00-11:30 am Bring a Friend and get a prize! Event will be held in the Dining Area of our New Rehabilitation Wing.

### March 15, 2017 Community Supper 5:00-6:00 PM

Join us in the Front Living Room/Coffee Bistro Area for a delicious free meal and an interactive talk by Marsha Mulligan with Sweeping Treasures.

### March 16, 2017 Blood Pressure Screening at

Stella's Café in Stockton 10:30 AM Check out the menu and take care of your health all in one visit!

### March 17, 2017 Happy St. Patrick's Day!

St. Patty's Day Party 2:30 at LLC: Celebrate with us as we enjoy a few Drinks at the Bar (non-alcoholic), Special Treats, and sing a few Irish tunes and maybe even dance a jig! Come join the fun, win a prize, and bring a friend!

March 23, 2017 Community Lunch & Bingo Beginning at 12:45 in the Dining Area of our New Rehabilitation Wing. **Doors open at 12:30 PM** Prizes will be sponsored by Citizen's State Bank-Lena.

### March 28, 2017 Spring Fling! 1:00-2:00 PM

Celebrate with us at the Doll Apartments in the Community Room. Special Treats, Games, and Prizes come join the fun and bring a friend!

**Call Karen at 815.291.4800 to see how you can be involved!**

***Please follow us on Facebook !***

## March 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> <b>9:30 am</b> <b>Healthy Living</b> 12:00 – Lenten Luncheon – McConnell Methodist @ Lena UMC  3:15-5:00 pm After School Program <b>7pm – Ash Wednesday service</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>8 am – Men’s Breakfast</b>  <b>9:30 am – UMW Meeting</b>
<b>5</b> <b>9 AM Worship</b> <b>10:30 Sunday School</b>  <b>Food Drive (Youth Service Project) begins</b>  6 pm – Bible Study at Edler’s  6:30 pm – Bible Study at Holmes’	<b>6</b>  <b>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall</b>  <b>6:30 Finance Meeting</b>	<b>7</b> <b>1 pm Quilters</b>	<b>8</b> 9:30 am Healthy Living  10 pm – Bible Study @ Chapin’s  12:00 – Lenten Luncheon @ Good Shepherd  3:15-5:00 pm After School Program  7pm Grief Support Group	<b>9</b>  6:30 pm Knitters and Knotters	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> <b>9 AM Worship</b> <b>10:30 Sunday School</b> <b>Let’s Talk Teens group – Meet during Sunday School</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <b>1 pm Quilters</b>  <b>6:30 pm – Ad Council Meeting</b>	<b>15</b> 9:30 am Healthy Living 12:00 – Lenten Luncheon – Beloved Church @ St. John’s 1:30 pm Hannah’s Helpers  3:15-5:00 pm After School Program	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>18</b> 6:45 am Men’s Bible Study @ Flynn’s
<b>19</b> <b>9 AM Worship</b> <b>Rev. Lisa Kruse-Safford, Special Guest Speaker</b>  <b>10:30 Sunday School</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>6:00 pm – Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall</b>	<b>21</b>  <b>1 pm Quilters</b>  <b>6:30 pm – Trustee’s Meeting</b>	<b>22</b> 9:30 am Healthy Living 12:00 – Lenten Luncheon @ Lena UMC  3:15-5:00 pm After School Program	<b>23</b> 6 pm – Food’ n Fun  6:30 pm Knitters and Knotters	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> <b>9 AM Worship</b> <b>Student Ministry participation</b> <b>10:30 Sunday School</b>  <b>5-7pm @ Coaches – Teens Recreation Night</b>	<b>27</b>  7pm - Stagecoach Quilters	<b>28</b> <b>9:45 am Hymn Sing</b>  <b>1 pm Quilters</b>  <b>1 pm Elizabeth Circle</b>	<b>29</b> 9:30 am Healthy Living 12:00 – Lenten Luncheon @ St. Joseph Catholic  3:15-5:00 pm After School Program 3:45-4:30 – Choir Rehearsal @ the Hangout with Carl Cole	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

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**March 2017**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – 9:30 am – Health Living Group  
(meets every Wednesday )  
7 pm – Ash Wednesday Service
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 8 am – Men’s Breakfast; 9:30 am UMW Meeting
- 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm – Girl Scouts
- 6<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm – Finance Meeting
- 14<sup>th</sup> – Ad Council Meeting; 21<sup>st</sup> – 6:30- Trustees Meeting
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6 pm – Food ‘n Fun
- 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6:30 pm - Knitters & Knotters
- 17<sup>th</sup> - Newsletter Deadline
- 27<sup>th</sup> - Stagecoach Quilters
- 28<sup>th</sup> – 9:45 am – Hymn Sing

Or Current Resident

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Pastor Brian LeBaron  
Office Telephone  
Dial-A-Devotion  
Worship hours:  
Sunday School

Home 369-4899  
369-5291  
369-4411  
Sunday 9 A.M.  
10:30 A.M.

Cell 815-541-4207  
Church e-mail [umclena@gmail.com](mailto:umclena@gmail.com)  
Fax 815-369-2523  
Children’s worship 9 A. M. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
Scott Lewis, Student Ministries Director 815.275.4716