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Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

13 New Members Recognized on September 20th!

What a celebration it was, to see all of these brothers and sisters in Christ join Lena United Methodist Church as new members! If you missed this Sunday, we are happy to introduce to you, from left to right:

Dale and Stacey Mader
Joyce Knight
Michael and Angie Oliva



Breakfast Buffet is gearing up for its big day on **October 17!!**

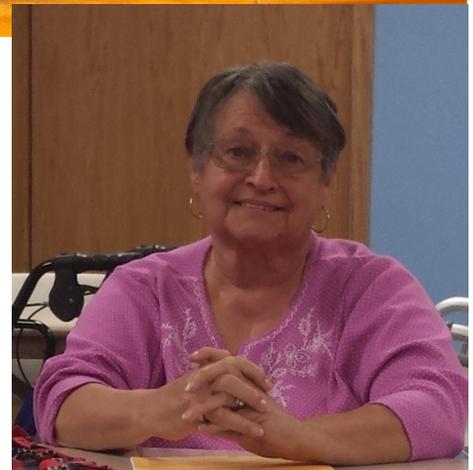
Look for an announcement of **new cancer support group** to be forming soon here at LUMC. Our Parish Nurse Kathy LeBaron will be sending us information on this.

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Bonnie Lafferty was not able to attend service on Sept 20th



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Again, from left to right:
Cherie Biehl and Debra Smith
Jack and Sara Rausch

Renee Buisker
Scott and Gretchen Heitkam



Church Finances, by Gary Rich, Finance Chairman



The finance committee is always looking for ways to use your **financial gifts** to the church in the **best way possible**. With increase cost of printing and mailing we would like to send out the newsletter by email whenever possible. It **cost about 63 cents to print and mail the newsletter**. There is no cost to email. Help us out. Please, provide us with your email address so it can be sent out by email. You will love all the color used in the newsletter that you don't get to see in the mailed newsletter. Please, either call the office at 369-5291 with your email address, or send a quick email form your address to lenaumc@mchsi.com.

Learning to Live with Loss

Who would want to attend a seminar for six weeks to learn about grief? Anyone who has experienced an emotionally difficult loss. Often the person has lost the companionship of a spouse, but grief can be experienced after the loss of anyone or anything or anyplace that has deep significance for them. Simply put, grief is the loss of a love.

Who else is interested in the seminar? Family members and friends of a person who is finding it difficult to cope with a loss. They can talk to their bereaved friend or family member about the seminar and urge them to join.

Learning to Live with Loss will begin meeting on **October 19th**, and meet every Monday at 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. through **November 23rd**. For more information or to join the seminar contact Rev. Jeff Baer cell (815)541-6558; Eleanor Holmes (815)369-4804, cell (815)238-2372; or Flo Chapin (815)369-5556, cell (815)275-6809

Lena UMC's Church Conference was held on September 24. The District Superintendent was here to lead the meeting for us. The next couple of articles are taken directly from the booklet presented, discussed and voted upon at the Church Conference.

Ballot of Recommendations from Nominations/Lay Leadership Committee

2016 Leadership personnel
Lena UMC
Church Council

POSITION	PERSON
Chairperson	Gary Rich
Vice Chairperson	TBD
Secretary	Mary Anne Gritzmaker
Lay Leader	Gary Rich
Annual Conference Delegate	Gary Rich

COMMITTEES REQUIRED BY BOOK OF DISCIPLINE

COMMITTEE ON LAY LEADERSHIP

Chairperson: Pastor Brian LeBaron

2016 Eleanor Holmes
Roberta Rogers

2017 Judy Baer
Sally Buchenau

2018 Tom Edler
Wayne Benson

FINANCE

Chairperson	Gary Rich
Pastor	Brian LeBaron
Lay Leader	Gary Rich
Lay Member to Annual Conference	Gary Rich
Chairperson of Church Council	Gary Rich
Chairperson/Representative of Staff Parish	to be chosen by SPRC
President/Rep from Trustees	to be chosen by Trustees
Financial Secretary	Cindy Kerchner
Treasurer	Judy Buchenau
Assistant Treasurer	Lois Shelton
Endowment Committee Representative	Ron Buchenau
Auditor	Kim Nelson
Members-at-Large (2)	Cindy Kerchner, Steve Rothschild

Note – Finance Committee to meet Monday evenings rather than Tuesdays, the second Monday of the even numbered months commencing in 2015

TRUSTEES

Chair to be chosen by Trustees

2016 Bruce Shelton
Don Lobdell

2017 Jeff Stamm
Pat Edler

2018 Brad Moore
Stephen Roennenburg
Tam Kryder

STAFF PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS

Chairperson	to be chosen by SPRC
Pastor	Brian LeBaron
Lay Members to Annual Conference	Gary Rich
2016 Tom Edler	2018 Liz Gerber
Roberta Rogers	Laura Setterstrom
	Larry Nelson
	Linda Korte

Leadership Personnel, 2015

COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED BY CHURCH CONFERENCE

PERMANENT ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Representative from Finance	Ron Buchenau
Representative from Trustees	to be chosen by Trustees
Representative from Administrative Council	Gary Rich
At Large (3)	Steve Rothschadl
	Kim Nelson
	Cindy Kerchner

MINISTRY TEAMS

EDUCATION

Chairperson	Cathy Rich
Sunday School Secretary	Lynne Howe
Teachers:	Lisa Dascher, Nancy Etnyre, Roberta Rogers Cathy Rich, Janet Lobdell, Gary Rich,

MISSION/OUTREACH/EVANGELISM

Chairperson:	TBD
Bill Hooker, Kristie Flynn, Judy and Larry Buchenau	

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson:	TBD
Committee Members	Jeff & Judy Baer, Norma Klipping, Pauline Lutz, Marcia Lobdell, Bruce and Lois Shelton, David and Joann Grundler

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Chairperson:	Jackie Edler
Musicians:	Marilyn Holmes, Lisa Stich, Scott Stich
Committee Members	Colleen Rakowska, Sally Buchenau, Arlene Kryder, Eleanor Holmes

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Coordinator:	Elaine Williams
Committee Members	Ron Buchenau, Vera Kempel, Scott Stich, Lynne Howe, Connie Stamm

YOUTH SPONSORS

Tom and Tammy Edler, Liz Gerber

AUDIO VISUAL TEAM

Dean Gerbick, Larry Nelson, roster of volunteers

GUIDE TEAM

Gary Rich, Randy Kryder, Liz Gerber, Sally Buchenau, Rev. Dr. Carroll Smith, Kim Nelson

SHUT IN VISITATION TEAM

Mick and Kristie Flynn and Wayne and Olga Benson

From the desk of the Pastor (and in the Church Conference booklet).....

Greetings to you all for this season of fall!

Another year is about to past and here we are again, sharing our stories and giving reports to the Church Conference, of our past and upcoming ministries and mission of the church.

First of all I would like to thank God, for the blessings that God has given to us and I thank you all the members and Administrative Council of the Lena United Methodist Church for once again you have given me this opportunity to render my report of the ministries that I was entrusted

It has been five years now since I've started here in a beautiful and loving town of Lena. And I thank God that we had surpassed our five years of meaningful and fruitful ministries at Lena United Methodist Church for we have been blessed, of a church who supported my family and I in many excellent ways.

Thank you to my wife Kathy who has been a blessing for me; she has been so helpful to the church work behind the scenes and now as our parish nurse. Again let me say thank you all.

As we continue to renovate ministry here at LUMC I wish to give a brief account about providing support, guidance, and training to the lay membership in the church; ministering within the congregation and to the world; and administering the temporal affairs of the congregation. I will include as a part of this report a statement outlining the my program of continuing education and spiritual growth for the past year and plans for the year to come.

First of all being engaged in mission and ministry is a team effort here at Lena UMC. Many people contribute their time, talent, and treasure towards our common mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. After many years of service Elaine Williams once again retired from the workforce. Her devotion and passion for ministry will continue to be cherished by our church and myself. Cindy Kerchner is has stepped into the work of Office Administrator admirably and contributes to the day to day operation of the office. Lisa Stich continues to be a valued musician leading our worship team, choir and congregational music. We recognize that as Marilyn's health declined and she was no longer able to be on the rotation of players Lisa has stepped up to be with us to carry the entire service week to week. We even have the opportunity to hear Lisa when she is away with the recordings she has prepared for us on the Clavinova. Christin Flucke continues to be an outstanding servant leader with our youth as they gather together, grow in Christ and then go into the world in service and witness. Christin makes great sacrifices to come to Lena from Dubuque and brings us the added blessing of her husband Daniel. This will mark the last year for Christin as they anticipate following Daniel's graduation from Wartburg seminary they will be called to a Lutheran church elsewhere. Like the wind that is never seen but its effects are clear, is the work of our janitor, Jennifer Heitz. Jennifer keeps the church building cleaned, supplied, weekly or more as needed making our church look well kept. Combined with the adroit and tenacious work of our retired bankers, Kim Nelson and Judy Buchenau, our accountant Jodi Diffenderfer keeps the books in balance with great precision and expertise. We have precise and timely information at our finger tips thanks to these ladies. They keep the business of the church rolling forward smoothly.

For training of the laity we have had opportunity to take advantage of several offerings from the Rockford District as well as the Northern Illinois Conference. These training sessions are invaluable in giving our laity up to date training on current methods to engage in ministry. Further in most committee meetings there is an occasional focus on teaching and training about the scope and purpose of the committee as outlined in the Guidelines booklets from the national office. Of special mention is Lay Leader Gary Rich who is leading up our new Disciple Class and continues with a growing Adult Sunday School class.

Under the leadership of Mick Flynn our small group ministry continues to develop disciples as they study the Bible in monthly home based growth groups. There are four groups that consistently meet with the potential for more. Out of these groups has sprung "Text and Testimony" a feature of our Sunday morning worship service where laity speak about a personally meaningful passage with life application.

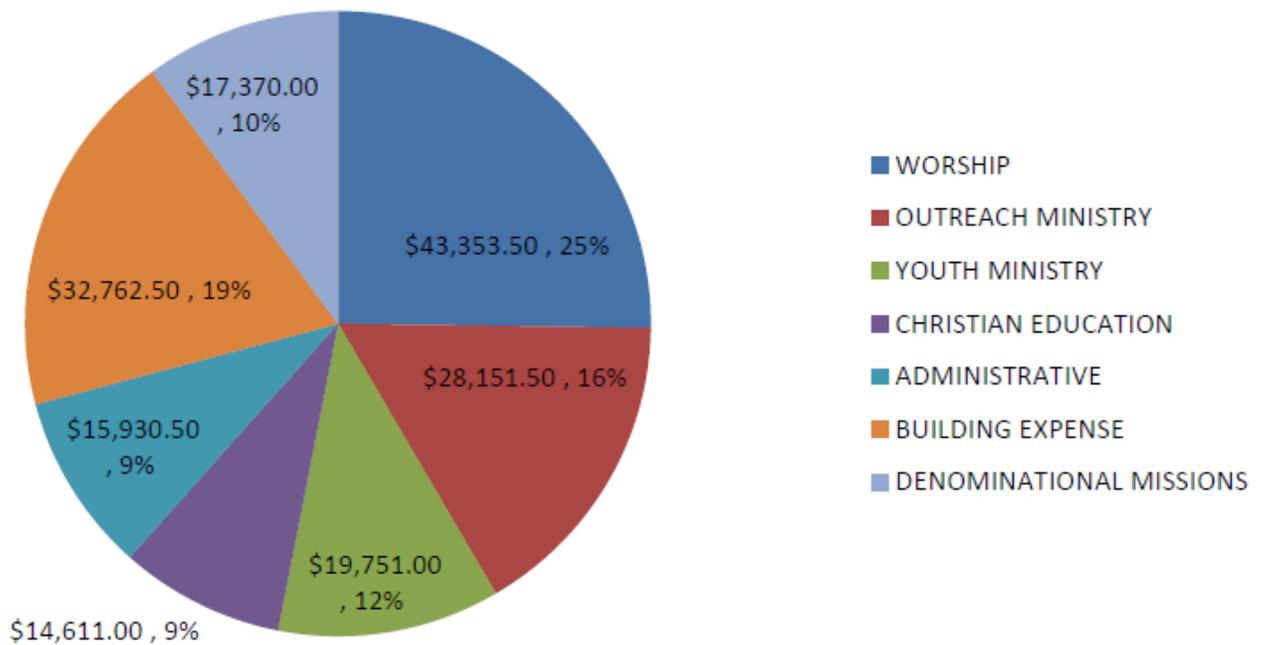
We are indebted to Larry Nelson and the Trustee Board for their thoughtfulness and efforts in overseeing our buildings, grounds and equipment. They are very responsive to situations as they arise. Further as funds allow we continue to maintain an aging structure as effectively and efficiently as possible. Any given day you will find Larry's truck here two or three times checking in on the facility and its maintenance.

Our guide team meets quarterly to discern our long term direction in ministry. This group helped get us move in the direction of reinvigorating and supporting our youth ministry several years ago. Our next challenge is moving forward with an alternative worship service which we will launch Saturday November 7th at 4:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We continue to work on the three priorities of excellence in worship, quality youth and children's ministry and warm hospitality. Our fellowship time after the service continues to be a hit with newcomers and seasoned members alike.

As we endeavor to minister beyond the walls of the church I am engaged with the community as I circulate with the Le – Win school system administration. The church has several collaborative ministries serving the students such as a vibrant After School Program that had a recent attendance of 81 students. Further we support a Back Pack program that provides weekend food for about ten needy students administered by one of our members. Several of our members provide homework assistance to select students. I am also involved in the Lena Lions Club where I gain exposure and opportunities to serve with fellow church members and community servant leaders.

For personal renewal and development I have participated in two seminars in Orlando, FL associated with Church Leader Insights led by Nelson Searcy. The focus is on developing healthy systems for the pastor's personal life and then eight key systems for church health. This fall I was chosen for Highland Community College's Leadership Institute for developing more leadership skill and community engagement awareness. This is a six credit course. Additionally I attend the aforementioned District and Conference training events for ongoing inspiration and information. At this point ends my report, may you have all received the blessings of our God Almighty, as we continually to grow more in our faith, facing the new challenge of the year to come. Once again thank you.

TOTAL BUDGET - 2016 - \$171,930.00



Upcoming Area Events

There are many area church events coming up this month, and a poster of each one is on the bulletin board in Fellowship hall.

Lena Living Center has a lot of great activities for the community in October.

Wed. Oct. 7th at 2:00
 Afternoon Coffee Break
 Held at Lena Mercantile Eatery
 Sponsored by Lena Living Center
 Educational Speaker
 Complimentary pie or ice cream and beverage
 RSVP [815.369.4561](tel:815.369.4561)

Thursday Oct. 8th
 COOKOUT FOR A CAUSE
 Drive-thru lunch and supper
 11:00-1:00 and 4:00-6:00
 Pulled pork sandwich, chips, cookie and a drink.
 Only \$5
 Lena Living Center, 1010 S Logan, Lena IL
 Call ahead to have your order ready.
 Will deliver within Lena.

Friday Oct. 16th, 8:30-10:30
 Flu Shots by FHN Top 50
 Doll Memorial Community Room
 1008 S Logan, Lena, IL.
 Please bring your Medicare card and photo ID.

Wed. October 21st from 5:00-6:00
 Community Supper
 No cost, No obligation.
 Come and join us for great food and good fellowship.

Thursday, Oct. 29th
 Community Bingo Lunch at 12:30
 Bingo at 1:30
 Doll Memorial Community Room
 1008 S Logan, Lena, IL.

Friday, Oct. 30th from 3:30-5:00
 Safe Trick or Treat
 Lena Living Center, 1010 S Logan, Lena, IL.

Many Thanks for your support!

News about Lena UMC

By Gary Rich

Lay Servant

It is good to see churches coming together on community projects. Lena UMC, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, and the Beloved Church together sponsor the After School Program for 4th through 8th graders. They meet after school every Wednesday at the Hangout. The program started a few years ago with about 35 kids involved. This year has set new records with attendance. The first couple of times they met this year they had 75-80 kids gathering at the Hangout. Steve has many new activities for the kids to enjoy. A typical Wednesday afternoon at the Hangout is 20 minutes of exercise to wear them out a little, 10 minutes of a devotional time, 10 minutes of singing, and 20 minutes for pizza and juice, then more games until 5:00 when parents arrive to pick up their kids. We thank all those that help financially support this program and all the adult volunteers who make it possible.



Lena UMC's adult Sunday school continues to study the Apostle Paul. We have studied his early life, his conversion and his first missionary trip. We are currently studying his second missionary trip. Paul started many new churches on his trips but we also see his struggles to keep them following Christ's message. There were many distractions just like today. It is important to continue to read your bible and study together.

Our Food and Fun program has started back up. It is held every Thursday evening at 6:00 PM at Lena UMC. We are currently doing the same bible study as the Adult Sunday school class, Adam Hamilton's The Call. This is being offered on Thursday nights for those that cannot attend on Sunday morning or just need to catch up on one they missed.



Sunday evening September 20th was the first meeting of our weekly bible study on Discipleship. It is a 24 week study that will examine your relationship with Christ and hopefully help you understand your gifts and ways you can use these gifts in God's name.

LUMC Youth and Children's Ministry Happenings in October

Gather in Community – Grow in Faith – Go to Serve Others

After School Program at "The Hangout"

3:30-5:00 pm every Wednesday afternoon

Open to students in grades 4-8

Looking for a cool and safe place to hang out after school? Come join us for an afternoon of games, free pizza and pop, and a short worship and devotion time. Adult volunteers welcomed!

Children's Worship Services

A portion of the Sunday morning worship services, offered the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month

Open to all students

Students will be dismissed part way through the Sunday morning worship service to attend a worship time geared more towards youth. Participate in music, activities, and discussions about faith with other kids your age.

Kids Trip to Edward's Orchard

Sunday, October 11th, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Open to all students in grades 1-6

Hey kids, you're invited to come hang out for an afternoon trip to Edward's Apple Orchard! Have some fall fun taking a wagon ride, feeding the goats, savoring some apple cider donuts and slushies, and enjoying a Bible study surrounded by the sights, sounds, and smells of autumn!



We will leave for the orchard around 1:00 and be back to church around 5:00. There is no admission fee to the orchard itself, but each student is invited to bring between \$5 and \$10 with them to purchase some treats and take part in the wagon ride. Please RSVP by Sunday, October 4th

Youth Pumpkin Carving and Halloween Mystery Dinner

Sunday, October 25th, 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Open to all students in grades 6-12



Come join us at Lena UMC along with the youth group from Wesley UMC in Stockton for some spooktacular fun! The afternoon begins with a chance to show off your creativity as you carve/ decorate your very own pumpkin. After the pumpkins you will be treated to a haunting Halloween-themed mystery dinner.

There is no charge for this event and pumpkins will be provided. Parents, if you are able to help with dinner or if you have any pumpkin carving tools you'd be willing to let us borrow that day, please talk to Christin!

Please RSVP by Sunday, October 18th

**Have questions or want to get involved?
Please do not hesitate to talk to me!**

Christin Flucke, Youth Ministry Director

Phone: 920-273-5963

Email: cflucke12@gmail.com



UMW News Sat, Sept 5th, 2015:

We had our election of officers for next year. Lynne Howe will be our vice president & Pat Edler will be our treasurer. Tracy Williams and Carol Borchardt will be added to our nominating committee. Positions will take effect on Jan. 1st.

Our “Breakfast Buffet, Crafts and Sweet Shop” meetings have been productive and things seem to be moving in the right direction. The buffet will be done differently this year. We will be letting people pay for the whole buffet or selecting items as ala carte, since we have heard that some people would like to just be able to buy a cinnamon roll and coffee. This is a year of change, so we’ll see how this is received by the public. We are also moving the crafts to fellowship hall to the same area as the baked goods. We want to see if having everything in one area will make a difference in sales. Some people just went to the dining room before, but having things in one room and visible may make a difference. Mark your calendars for Sat. Oct. 17th from 8:00-12:00. We are also extending the time one more hour. Cindy did a good job of having us work on some craft items on Thurs. nights. Cute things so make sure you come and check them out. The best part was the fellowship while working on these items. (Gossip, boy we learned a lot and you missed it if you weren’t there)

We are looking forward to our “Mystery Outing” on Sept. 18th. Some of us are meeting at Coaches for supper before going on the outing. This is a first time event and we have 23 women going. I am excited that we have that many. I know everyone can use a few laughs in life and that is what this night should bring to us. I am praying that everyone enjoys themselves and wants to do another mystery next year. Fellowship and laughter makes life better.

Our next meeting is Sat. Oct. 3rd at 9:30. Hostesses are Norma Klipping and Marsha Tessendorf.

Maryanne Gritzmaker, UMW president

Council meeting, Tuesday Sept. 8th, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Attendance: Pastor Brian, Judy Buchenau, Cathy Rich, Gary Rich, Larry Nelson, Cindy Kerchner, Pat Edler, Wayne Benson, Eleanor Holmes, Richard Holmes, Randy Kryder, Jackie Edler and Maryanne Gritzmaker

Meeting opened with prayer by Pastor Brian.

Committee Reports:

Eleanor - membership –

We will be accepting new members on Sept. 20th-- Jack & Sarah Rausch transferring, Bonnie Lafferty transferring, Scott and Gretchen Heitkam, Dale & Stacey Mader, Cherie Biehl, Debra Smith, Joyce Knight, Michael & Angie Oliva.

Aleayah Irving has been attending Sunday school.

Pat Edler will visit Marlene Stewart to encourage her to come to church

Phillip & Cheryl Karn have been visiting from Ohio.

Carroll & Jan Brumfield felt welcomed and not over whelmed.

Pat Edler suggested we should welcome new people to town with something baked from our church. Maybe by Hannah's Helpers group or maybe do the delivery of the Lena town welcome package.

Inactive church members – letters hadn't been sent yet to see if they wanted to continue to get the newsletter.

The cost of printing the newsletter has gone up, because we have been having more items added to it. (extra ink & paper)

Newsletters for Oct., Nov. & Dec. will ask for e-mail addresses. Starting Jan. 1st we will only send them to those who don't have e-mail. Others could pick them up at church, but we will still mail them to shut-uns.

Pat Edler asked if we could have a family day for the kids from the Hangout to bring their families to our church. They had 81 kids last week.

Larry - Trustees - The sidewalk has been repaired and paid for out of the Ham Loaf supper account. Jeff Stamm is working with Jesse Becke for the steeple repair by winter. Jerry Edler doesn't have the bathroom project on his schedule yet. Brad Moore will be checking the furnace and boiler. Don't know if the carillon will ever work, can now toll the bells on Sunday manually. Checking with Steve Rothschadl on West Point Ins. for the church. Don Meyers family is purchasing a wooden bench to replace the one we have in front of the church.

Gary - Finance – Used \$1,700 that was taken from designated money to pay expenses. Still need to check on copy machine expense, Getting people to use e-mail for newsletter will change the requirement of use. New budget is ready, but Gary didn't have it with him. Kim Nelson is making up new forms for donations that people make other than money, like computers, TVs, furniture & etc.. Need \$100 to send to UMCOR to finish our project pkg. to buy toothpaste. It was decided to use money from the 3103 acct. of Christmas 2014. "Quick Book" program costs \$600-\$900 a year, so we're going to pay Jody \$100 a yr. to use hers. She will do our payroll at her office. We need a form for deposit of \$150 for using our church for weddings, receptions & other gatherings. Shoppers Guide has been agreeable to have church articles submitted.

Still need to decide if we should start a separate account for a bus/van fund.

Disciple class will be starting Sept. 20th. We need to order books at \$40 each.

Jackie – Worship- We are having the fire truck in the parade at the Fall Festival. Kneeling pads need to be cleaned, We need a Smart TV for the back of the church for live streaming broad cast and will store on our web site. Choir will sing on holidays only. Christmas Eve we will have only one service at 4:30. Gretchen is looking for volunteers to help with the nursery.

Wayne – Pastor parish, nothing new

Pastor Brian – Our Father's House using our church on Wed. nights has been working out well.

Our alternative worship service still needs work before we actually get it started. Tentative date is Nov. 7th. Maybe casual in fellowship hall, maybe held Sat. night at 4:30. Need a name for the service. Alternative service is not about a money goal.

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:35 p.m.

Next meeting is Tuesday, Nov. 10th, 2015 at 6:30.

Mary Anne Gritzmaker, secretary

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



10/2 Katelynn Phillips	10/21 Connie Kempel
10/4 Marsha Tessendorf	10/21 Pauline Schubert
10/5 Mike Tessendorf	10/22 Larry Buchenau
10/5 Tammy Wybourn	10/23 Joanne Gruendler
10/6 Nancy Seuring	10/23 Vera Kempel
10/7 Merton Holland	10/24 Leveta Bussian
10/8 Elmer Hybarger	10/24 Joelle White
10/8 Jenny Nickel	10/24 Katie White
10/10 Jennifer Edler	10/25 Olga Benson
10/10 Marv Kempel	10/25 Bonnie Lafferty
10/11 Bob Bussian	10/25 Laura Setterstrom
10/11 Karlyn Kempel	10/26 Eunice Lomas
10/12 Mary Hudson	10/26 Shannon McFadden
10/15 Diane Burke	10/26 Melvin Polhill
10/15 David Finkenbinder	10/27 James Burke
10/16 Bob Buss	10/27 MaryAnne Gritzmaker
10/16 Beth Haughan	10/28 Jeff Stamm
10/17 Tyler Bussian	10/29 Deanna Boyer
10/19 Allie Brown	10/31 Duane Eilders
10/19 Pam Meier	

10/2 Nevin & Arlene Kryder, Marshall & Pauline Schubert
10/3 Michael & Kristie Flynn
10/4 Thomas & Lynn White
10/5 Gordon & Jackie Edler
10/6 Curt & Kelsey Goeke, David & Joanne Gruendler, Kenneth & Sharon Koch, Kent & Nancy Seuring, Mike & Marsha Tessendorf
10/14 Chris & Clarissa Brown
10/18 Harold & Betty Meeker
10/19 Donald & Elsie Lobdell
10/21 Tom & Kirsten Hollister
10/22 Maurice & Lynne Howe
10/23 Jr. & Lisa Dascher
10/24 Gene & Gail Brister
10/25 Michael & Margory Liphart
10/27 John & Jody Bell
10/30 Duane & Beverly Rakowska



Income to Budget YTD -
January through
August 23, 2015 Income

\$95,611	Actual
\$108,900	Budgeted
(\$13,289)	Shortage



FOR HEALING
Mary Lloyd
Jayden Kempel
Richard Miranda
Chris Savaglio
Lois Shelton's father
Meagan Homan
Kathie Schulz
Mike Tessendorf
Shanna Lartz
Ron Buchenau

IN TREATMENT
Katy Lartz,
Sandy Kooistra,
Pat Campbell,
Glen Heisler,
Darlene Kossar,
Marvin Kempel,
Christine Dayton,
Anna Hancock

October Servants

	Liturgists	Greeters	Video Tech	Fellowship	Dial-a-Devotion
Oct 4	Sally Buchenau	Richard & Eleanor Holmes	Lisa Dascher	Carol Sander & Sherry Sandell	Eleanor Holmes
Oct 11	Vera Kempel	Richard & Eleanor Holmes	Elaine Williams	MaryAnne Griztmaker & Pat Edler	Elaine Williams
Oct 18	Scott Stich	Norma Robieson, Colleen Rakowska	Marvin Kempel	Stacy Mader & Eleanor Holmes	Kristie Flynn
Oct 25	Elaine Williams	Mark & Marcia Lobdell	Cathy Rich	Kathy LeBaron & Marcia Lobdell	Janet Lobdell

Sally Buchenau—a BIG round of applause to you. Your talent and decorating skills are so appreciated here at Lena UMC! The tables in fellowship hall are always so seasonally attired. The halls and bulletin boards have just the right colors and wreathes to make this church look so festive. Your sayings out on the sign are so cute—I just have to smile when I drive by, and pray... that your sign may impact someone else driving by, in ways that we may never know. But God does, and he appreciates your efforts, too. We love your painting skills on the Christmas ornaments that we sell at the Breakfast Buffet, Crafts and Sweet Shop—that is coming up soon. You are so friendly and kind, you always wear a smile! And for all of the other things you do for this church family that have not been specifically mentioned here. We would be lost without you, Sally, and would miss all the little touches that just speak out, ‘Sally has been here. See how nice I look’. Thank you for your time and your talents! Please don’t ever think we take you for granted, or that we don’t recognize how fortunate we are to have you! Take this little recognition as the THANK YOU that you are so deserving of.

Thank you, Sally!!



Thank You's

Thank you to Pat Phillips, Beulah Haeft, Don and Elsie Lobdell for their help on this October newsletter!

Lena United Methodist Church,

Thank you so much for choosing me as one of this years scholarship accepters. I have already been able to use some of the funds on this semester’s books. As a psychology and biology-zoology double major I definitely plan to put the scholarship to great use!

Thanks so much!

Courtney Borchardt

October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>27 9 Worship 9:15 Youth Worship 10 Fellowship 10 Parish Nurse 10:30 S School 6:30p Disciple Class</p>	<p>28 7p Stagecoach Quilters 8p AA meeting</p>	<p>29 1p Quilters</p>	<p>30 9:30 Healthy Living 1p Breakfast Buffet committee 3:15p After School Program 7:30p Beloved</p>	<p>1 6p Food & Fun</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 8 Men's breakfast 9:30 UMW</p>
<p>4 9 Worship 10:30 Sunday School 6p Bible study at Kryder's 6:30p Bible study at Holmes'</p>	<p>5 8p AA meeting</p>	<p>6 1p Quilters</p>	<p>7 9:30 Healthy Living 3:15p After School Program 7:30p Beloved Church Classes</p>	<p>8 9 energy assessment 6p Food & Fun</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11 9 Worship 9:15 Youth W. 10 Parish Nurse 10:30 S School 12p Beloved Church luncheon 1p Edward's Apple Orchard 6:30p Disciple Class</p>	<p>12 6:30p Finance 8p AA meeting</p>	<p>13 1p Quilters 6p Girl Scouts 7p Grief Support group</p>	<p>14 9:30 Healthy Living 10 Bible study at Chapin's 3:15p After School Program 6:30p Hannah' s Helpers 7:30p Beloved Church Classes</p>	<p>15 Newsletter DEADLINE 6p Food & Fun 8p set-up for Saturday</p>	<p>16 1-8p drop off crafts and baked goods for sale tomorrow</p>	<p>17 6:45 Men's Bible Study at Flynn's 8-12 Breakfast Buffet, Crafts and Sweet Shop Event—Come, eat, buy and enjoy!</p>
<p>18 9 Worship 10 Fellowship 10:30 Sunday School 6:30p Disciple Class</p>	<p>19 7p Learning to Live with Loss 8p AA meeting</p>	<p>20 1p Quilters 6p Girl Scouts</p>	<p>21 9:30 Healthy Living 3:15p After School Prog. 7:30p Beloved Church Classes</p>	<p>22 6p Food & Fun</p>	<p>23 6p wedding rehearsal</p>	<p>24 9 UMW Annual Celebration 2p Megan Schultz and Tyler Sellman wedding</p>
<p>25 9 Worship 9:15 Youth W. 10 Parish Nurse 10:30 S School 3p Youth Pump- kin Carving & Mystery Dinner 6:30p Disciple Class</p>	<p>26 7p Learning to Live with Loss 7p Stagecoach Quilters 8p AA meeting</p>	<p>27 9:45 Hymn Sing 1p Quilters 1p Elizabeth Circle</p>	<p>28 9:30 Healthy Living 3:15p After School Program 7:30p Beloved Church Classes</p>	<p>29 6p Food & Fun</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>Days that are shaded like this are days that Pastor will be out of the office. Sept 30 through Oct 16 is his vacation. Oct 21 is his HCC Leadership institute day.</p>

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