

Newsletter of the Lake Oswego United Methodist Church LOUMC: A Place to Connect—to God, to each other, and to the World April/May 2024

Worship with Us

March 31 Easter Sunday 6:30am Sunrise Service 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

April 7 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

April 14 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

April 21 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

April 28 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

May 5 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

May 12 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

May 19 Pentecost 9:00am Sunday Morning Alive! 10:30am Traditional Worship

May 26 10:00am One Combined Service

Join Us for Easter Services

Sunrise Service at Foothills Park (6:30am) Services at LOUMC (9:00 & 10:30) Holy Week Schedule Palm Sunday/9:00 & 10:30am Maundy Thursday/7:00pm Good Friday/12:00 & 7:00pm

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Easter is fast approaching! Watch for the above ad in your LO Review, West Linn Tidings, or Wilsonville Spokesman!

If you plan to join us for the Sunrise service at Foothills Park, look for us at (or near - we are unable to reserve early morning) the Pavilion. Be sure to dress for the weather and bring a couple of chairs, just in case someone else takes over the pavilion!

If you plan to join us at the church, please consider parking in the back lot to allow extra parking for our guests and those who need closer parking in the front lot.

Consider coming to help the Worship Team "deep clean" our worship spaces at 9am on Saturday, March 23! Bring cleaning supplies, hand vaccuums and plenty of elbow grease!

A Word from Clay

Practicing Resurrection: New Life All Around

As we head into Holy Week and Easter, we're seeing signs of a beautiful spring all around us. This time of new and renewed life and beauty is such a gift from God. But it's not just blooming plants and sunny weather that are signs of newness. In our congregation and even in the United Methodist Church we're seeing sings of new life as well.

Where do I see new signs of life, you ask?

In the coming months there will be new opportunities for each of us to be part of ministry, mission and spiritual formation. (That's one of the key directions our Board is discerning that God is leading us toward.)

We're finding new partnerships in ministry and connection – with the Willamette UMC in West Linn, with our District and Conference siblings doing important life-changing ministry, in solidarity support with Lakeridge High School, in developing even stronger partnerships with on-the-ground ministry groups like foodbanks and clothing closets.

Gifted new leaders are emerging in our congregation and we're building on the strength of our staff by adding new members to nurture and lead ministries for our nursery and youth.

New patterns and practices of worship (like Sanctuary, our monthly gathering in the Chapel) and are growing and some new things may be about to emerge.

Our worship in the season of Easter (Easter Sunday – May 12) will focus on the themes of new life and resurrection.

It's an exciting time to be your pastor, and I'm looking forward to the next season of life and ministry with you. Resurrection is happening all around us – keep your eyes and ears, your hearts and minds open!

Peace, Clay

Clay

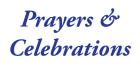
Worship in April

April 7 – Rev. Danna Drum preaching

April 14 – Rev. Brian Mackey (Willamette UMC) preaching as part of pulpit exchange

April 21 - New Life: Trusting Like Sheep?, Rev. Clay Andrew

April 28 – New Life: A Time Away (Camp Sunday!) Rev. Clay Andrew & Hope Montgomery (Camp Magruder program director)



We have been keeping the following people in our prayers:

Our friend and former member Velma McConnell passed away and her memorial was celebrated on February 24 at Rose City Park UMC. Our prayers have been with Dave Peaslee as he has experienced several hospitalizations.

We celebrated the life of our sister **Peg Lofsvold** at LOUMC on March 1. **Sue McClintock** was diagnosed with congestive heart failure & continual rapid afib in early December. She had a successful cardiac conversion in February and is doing well.

Noelle Goodenberger and her family were in our prayers as they travelled to be with her grandmother who was under hospice care.

Mary Anne Lewis' sister, Laura, passed away in late February. Julie Blake's sister, Sandy, passed away in early March.

Rainbow Cai is in China with her mother as her brother has had a medical emergency.

Joyce Sluss suffered a stroke and, thanks to quick thinking by her husband Mike who got her to the hospital quickly, is recovering at home.

We have been sending healing prayers for **David Miller** who was hospitalized in mid-March.

Tim Cushing suffered a broken ankle and was in rehab at the Marquis awaiting surgery this week.

We celebrated: Mac & Jeanie Butler's anniversary, the Orem family March birthdays, Pat Lockard's Heavenly 100th birthday, Bob Bates' 80th birthday, and Linda Woods' birthday.

Please let us know how we can pray for you. Prayer request cards are in the pew racks and on the welcome tables.

Finance Matters

December Financial Report

Amount Pledged to budget: \$29,272 Amount Received for budget: \$32,820 Total Monthly Expenses: \$35,879 which includes: Facilities: \$5,670 Payroll/Admin: \$24306 Outreach: \$787 Apportionments: \$5,116

January Financial Report

Amount Pledged to budget: \$29,272 Amount Received for budget: \$31,291 Total Monthly Expenses: \$43,011 which includes: Facilities: \$11,081 Payroll/Admin: \$25,854 Outreach: \$787 Apportionments: \$5,289

February Financial Report

Amount Pledged to budget: \$29,272 Amount Received for budget: \$42,060 Total Monthly Expenses: \$31,999 which includes: Facilities: \$8,493 Pavroll/Admin: \$17,430 Outreach: \$787 Apportionments: \$5,289

LOUMC Calendar

May

22 Lunch Bunch

Senior Sunday

12 Mother's Day

20 Lunch Bunch

27 Memorial Day

Office Closed

12:00pm - Fellowship Hall

April 23-May 3 in Charlotte, NC

11:30am-5:00pm - Fellowship Hall

23 General Conference Begins

Both worship services

16 Spotlight Article Deadline

17 Wayne's World Coffee House

7:00pm - Fellowship Hall

12:00pm - Fellowship Hall

26 Begin One Service for Summer

10 Red Cross Blood Drive

March

25 Lunch Bunch 12:00pm - Fellowship Hall 28 Maundy Thursday Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm - Sanctuary 29 Good Friday Good Friday Service 12:00pm - Chapel 7:00pm - Sanctuary

31 Easter Sunday 6:30am - Sunrise Service @ Foothills Park in Lake Oswego 9:00am - Contemporary Worship 10:30am - Traditional Worship

April

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- Office Closed Easter Monday
- Youth Group Scavenger Hunt 6:30-8pm
- 12 Wilma Sheridan Memorial Service 20- Columbia District Annual 11:00am - Sanctuary 23 Conference

Regular Weekly Small Groups & Classes

June

Mondavs Pickleball Tuesdays Knitting Group (2nd & 4th) Wednesdays Craft Group Quilt Group (last Wed) 9:00am

9:30am

7:00pm

Fridays Friday Bible Study Sundavs Probers Sunday Soul Food

Thursdavs

Open Hearts

Pickleball

10:00am 10:15am

10:00am

7:00pm



Our Church Board went on retreat in February for a time of planning and community building. See more information on page 8.

Save the date!! Vacation Bible School Returns This Summer! June 24-27

Classes, Ministries & Small Groups

Easter Bonnet

Monday, March 25 12:00pm

Be sure to contact <u>Nan Olson</u> or call the Front Office to make your reservations! All are welcome!

April Lunch Bunch will be on Monday April 22.

Indoor Play Park

Our Lake Oswego Indoor Play Park is now open on Wednesday mornings from 8:30 until 11:30! Children ages 0-4 with their parents or caregivers are welcome to come and enjoy playing in our clean, dry fun play space with lots of large and small motor areas to explore!

Tell your friends, family and neighbors to come and bring their littles! The Play Park is currently free to all!

Circle of Purls Knitting Group



Join the ladies who knit on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 2:00–4:00pm in the Conference Room!

Contact Marty Stiven or the church office if you would like to join!

Open Hearts

Open Hearts is beginning a study of *See No Stranger* by Valarie Kaur (suggested reading for all from our Bishop) this week that will continue into May.

You can join the ladies on Thursday mornings at 10 am in the Conference Room. *All* church women are invited! Contact Ann Hageman with any questions.

LOUMC Care Partner Ministry Expanding!

The Care Partners Ministry is still in the regrouping process at this time. If you are interested in volunteering or if you are aware of a need in our church family, please let Jeanie Mattern or Emilie Kroen know.

Also, stay tuned for some upcoming future presentations on aging and mental health.

Join Danna Drum First Sundays at 5:00pm for "Sanctuary"



Please join us the first Sunday evenings of the month in the LOUMC Chapel. Once a month we come together in sacred space for renewal, reflection, singing, and connection through an informal worship experience.

Sunday, April 7, 5:00 p.m. – "What Does It Mean to Believe?" (Our last Ted Lasso installment) Sunday, May 2, 5:00 p.m. – "Come to the Center"

Probers Meet Sundays Online!

The Probers meet online on Sunday mornings via Zoom from 9-10:20. They are beginning a discussion of *The Founding Myth: Why Christian Nationalism is Un-American* by Andrew Seidel on Palm Sunday. Seidel discusses the Ten Commandments, the Declaration, the Constitution, Biblical principles and the philosophy of America's founding. Contact Susan Ford, tsuzef@msn.com for the Zoom link.

Mancakes Breakfast and a Speaker



Join the men one Saturday each month at 8am for breakfast, discussion and a speaker! Jon Gice and friends cook up a mean breakfast (please let Jon know you plan to come so there is plenty of food!) Speakers share on any number of topics! Here is the upcoming lineup!

April 6: Oregon Food Bank - Contact Ken Kramer and fill out a volunteer registration form if you are attending.

May 11: Twende Solar - Jeff Mattern

Pickleball



Events and Activities

Lenten Soup Suppers, My Best Song and Pastor's Study a Great Success!

Many thanks to John Milner and his crew for serving up wonderful soup suppers! Thanks to Stacey Bernal for organizing volunteers and serving. Thanks to Jen Andrew, Linda Woody, Mike Pearson, Kiera Kuehn and Wayne Richards for telling their stories and sharing their songs! If you missed their presentations, contact Pam Pearson and she will share a video link so you can see them! Thanks to Steve Blake for sound! And many thanks to Pastor Clay for his great study/ discussion of the Bible verses used in his Lenten sermons!

Tuesday evenings during Lent were good times for fellowship and learning!

Coming Soon! EE HOUSE th pm LAKE OSWEGO METHODIST CHURCH 1855 SOUTH SHORE BLVD. LAKE OSWEGO, OREGON 97034 Lloyd Jones Wayne Richards Your host. A National award winning Songwriter, Portland Music Hall of Fame AND A FESTIVAL FAVORITE. AMERICAN ORIGINALS inductee in 2007. AND GREAT STORY TELLING MAKE WAYNE A FAN Lloyd has been a FAVORITE! "TAKE A HEART AS BIG AS A WESTERN singer/songwriter for over 50 years, Jones has toured the US SKY AND THEN COMPLETLY INVENT A NEW MOUSETRAP AROUND IT AND Jack YOU HAVE SOMETHING LIKE A and Europe and his songs have been covered by many well known favorites such as Curtis Salgado,CoCo Montoya Joe Lewis Walker and others. His new release SONG BY WAYNE. DAVE CARTER lahon Jack is a veteran artist who delights is from Nashville entitled "Tennessee Run" audiences everywhere! He continues to live, play and record music. Delbert McClinton - " Seeing Lloyd Jones was like His colorful voice & tuneful hooks has established him as one of our city's premiere musical talents. McMahon's songs have been exhaling after hoarding my breath for 15 years" covered by many. Cowboy Angels

Come out, hear and see these incredible talents, what an evening it will be! s established him as one of our city's premiere musical talents. McMahon's songs have been overed by many. Cowboy Angels Freak Mountain Ramblers Craig Carothers just to name a few. Journeyman guitar chops will bring a thrill to your evening!

Free parking - All ages - No cover Donations Greatly Appreciated Cookies - Soda

Lenten Prayer Walk

Through in The Sanctuary There is still some time to take advantage of it!

Many thanks to the Contemplative Practices Group for creating this space for prayer and contemplation.





There was a fun crowd and a nice cross section of folks at the St. Patty's Day Progressive Dinner! What a fun way to get to know people better and have great time!

Many thanks to our hosts - Pam & Mike Pearson, Laura & Ken Kramer and Angie & Jef Baker - and to Stacey Bernal for organizing!

Look for more progressives in the future!









Ministries

Our Lenten Food Collection a Big Success!

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Outreach committee's food collection. We will be distributing several categories of non-perishable items - breakfast foods, canned proteins, hearty soups, canned fruit, and toilet paper - to our hard working local food pantries. During the week leading up to Easter, we will be delivering items to Lake Oswego Hunger Fighters, West Linn Food Pantry, and the Tualatin Food Pantry. We appreciate your support of service to the needy during Lent.



Your Memorial Funds at Work: Supporting Infrastructure

Recently, the Memorial Fund Committee purchased windows for the Sunday School wings and for the Fireside Room. Thanks to the Fund, all windows in the church have now been upgraded. The Fund was used to purchase the TV/ Monitors, used for many meetings, in the Conference Room and Chapel. In addition, the Fund recently purchased a portable dishwasher for the small kitchen downstairs. Cleanliness is next to Godliness right?! Our most recent purchase is a new AED. The current one is woefully dated, something discovered during the recent CPR training. The work of this committee is deeply gratifying. Our priorities are infrastructure, the music ministry and youth. Your memorial donations make all the difference and we are grateful for each gift. Donations are greatly accepted at any time during the year. It is a wonderful way to honor a loved one.

As chair, I am deeply grateful to members Cheryl Bell, Cherryl Walker, Jim Wilson, Wade Moseby and Pastor Clay. This is a caring, thoughtful group of people and I appreciate their time and commitment.



Health Ministries Team Loans Medical Equipment

Did you know? Our Health Ministries Team has medical equipment to loan!!



You can check out equipment from any of the office staff or by calling Carol Higgins to arrange for pickup at the church. The Check out book is kept in the church work room and equipment is in the Electrical Room under the CAC.

Equipment should to be checked out *and in* when returned. It can be kept as long as is needed, but should be returned when no longer in use to be available for others. If needed for an extended period please advise the church of this.

Friends or family of church members are welcome to use the equipment, but a member must be responsible for the item and check it out themselves.

If you wish to donate equipment

please check with the coordinator to be sure that we can use the item or items. We do not keep "soft" items.

Equipment available: Bed rails, bed transfer support rails, free standing commodes, toilet risers, bath chairs, canes, crutches, knee walker, gray metal walkers, wheeled walkers, wheel chairs. Except for the knee walker we have several of each item above. Based upon recent needs another knee walker would be great!

Student Ministries

Upcoming Youth Events

<u>3/24 - Palm Sunday - 10am Sunday School.</u> Come join teacher Jenny to learn about Palm Sunday and why we are an Easter people. NO Youth Group, enjoy Spring Break!

<u>3/31 - EASTER Sunday</u> - Come to a service or two (Sunrise, 9am, or 10:30) and celebrate the resurrection of Christ, and all the power and joy of Easter. No Sunday School, no Youth Group.

<u>4/7 - Sit with your family Sunday</u> - come participate in the worship experience 6:30-8pm - Youth Group Scavenger Hunt - Where we will go? Who knows? See if you can sleuth out our clues!

<u>4/17 10am - Sunday School with Teacher Jenny</u>. Meet downstairs in the Youth Room for our April Easter series. (No Youth Group)

<u>4/21 10am - Service Sunday</u> - Meet downstairs for Sunday School & Service Project

6:30-8pm - Mission Trip Team Building - Everyone is welcome to join us and we will be doing some team building activities, and will have fun activities for our 6th and 7th graders too!

4/28 10am Sunday School - Meet downstairs in the youth room

6:30-7:30pm - Mission Trip Team meeting - We will be meeting to dive a little deeper into the curriculum we will be using to prepare for our mission work. **5/5 8:30am - 11:30 - SENIOR SUNDAY** - Youth - we will be assisting with BOTH worship services, and help celebrate our seniors! We'll sign up for jobs in April- be thinking if you want to read scripture, help lead a prayer, a song, or childrens' time, greet people, or host coffee/treats.

6:30 - It's a very Merry UNbirthday Party! This is one of our favorite events of the year! Come eat cake, play fun party games, and celebrate everyone (and no one's) birthday!

<u>5/12 10am - Sunday school with Teacher Jenny</u> - meet downstairs in the youth room as we wrap up our "How Shall We Live" series.

Mothers Day- NO YOUTH GROUP - spend time with the person who has been a mom to you!

<u>5/19 10am Service Sunday School</u> - We'll meet downstairs for a service and to talk about Pentecost!

Noon - Youth Group End of the Year Bash! We will eat and be merry, and have lots of fun. Stay tuned for more details as we get closer to the date.

Youth Summer Mission Trip Information

This summer, our youth team will be headed to the Yakima Nation from July 28 -August 2 to participate in a "S.L.A.M. Trip" - Students Learning About Mission. We're so excited to take this faith journey and work and learn with our Native brothers and sisters. Interested in learning more about this trip, and the Mending Wings Organization that will be hosting our team? Visit https://slamtrips.com/ *IMPORTANT:* If your 8-12th grade aged youth would like to attend this trip, registration paperwork and payment (\$50/student) is due Sunday 4/14. If your family missed the required mission trip meeting on 3/10, please contact Jenny Cook (cook.noelle@gmail.com) ASAP to discuss and get a copy of the required paperwork.

Children's Sunday School News

Sunday School and Kidz Zone Spring Schedule*

March 24th (Palm Sunday): Kidz Zone available; No Sunday School March 31st (Easter Sunday): Kidz Zone available; No Sunday School. There will be some fun, easy craft projects for the kids on Easter Sunday at the Kidz Zone, including a table set up in the back of the sanctuary on Easter Sunday during the 10:30 worship service.

April 7th – May 19th: we will have Sunday School each morning during the 9:00 service, and also Kidz Zone will be available.

May 26th: Kidz Zone available; No Sunday School.

*Please check the weekly QuickNews in case there are changes to this schedule.



When's the Youth Auction?

We know you've been wondering, when is the social event of the year going to take place? When can I buy tickets to the BBQ? *Hang tight!* While this event has always taken place in spring, we're going to try something new this year (gasp!), and host the youth auction on the Sunday AFTER Mission Trip.

Save the date: Sunday August 4 Lunch time (exact time TBA)

Menu, back by popular demand: BBQ (veg and vegan options and any other dietary needs will be provided!)

Church Business

What's the New Board Been Up To?

Rome wasn't built in a day – but a lot has been accomplished!

Submitted By Deb Gice

As you look around the church there is much evidence that we are an active, busy faith community. Many of our ministries continue their good work as evidenced by the huge gathering of food in the front lobby for the food pantry, worship and music ministries have been guiding us through the church seasons with meaningful sights and sounds, a new "Building Ministry" has been formed and are hard at work cleaning up and out the building and bringing "light" to fellowship hall. The new "Grounds Ministry" will soon be hard at work outside as the weather improves.

Behind the scenes the Church Board has been hard at work too, reviewing and updating the Building Use policy, looking at job descriptions that might need updating, reviewing our investments and creating the budget for 2024. All of which are vital and important components of administering a church. And there are still many "to dos" on the list. All of this is great! But in order to be a vital and fruitful church that thrives in the future it's important for the Church Board to take the time to focus on who and where we want to be in the next 1-3-5 years. To that end the Board gathered at Collins Retreat

Center for a weekend to begin this work and will continue to work over the next several months. At the retreat in addition to spending time building community, praying and worshiping, the Board spent time assessing where and who we are as a church now. Through the SWOT process -as individuals, in small groups and then as a whole group- the board assessed the internal Strengths and Weaknesses of our church and external Opportunities and Threats that might need to be considered. The Board also spent time in reflection and discussion of the UMC Mission Statement - "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world". What does this stated mission call us to. what does this mean and look like for LOUMC?

And then finally combining our SWOT work with the mission of making disciple for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world, the board began to look at the possibilities for the future and what sense we have about where God might be calling us to be/look/feel like as LOUMC in the future.

The Board then worked on articulating a vision that centers around:

Key Directions:

1. Every person at LOUMC is intentionally connected to ministry, mission and spiritual formation.

2. The LOUMC congregation is a safe, welcoming place and is actively engaged with the surrounding community and beyond.

Our Approach:

1. We trust and embrace new, innovative possibilities.

2. Our work is simultaneously internal and external.

3. We have a culture that is relational first.

In the coming months the Board will brainstorm possible strategies and priorities and continue to do the hard work of looking into the future. Please feel free to talk to any of the Board members about the process and progress.

Your Church Board and Pastor Clay Andrew, Jenny Cook, Judy Cushing, Deb Gice, Ken Kramer, Alaina Kuehn, Mary Anne Lewis, Kay Lutze, Jeff Mattern, and Jeff Moxie



CPR & AED Training: "Ah, Ah, Ah, Ah! Stayin' Alive! Stayin' Alive!"

On February 1, about 25-30 LOUMC members, including Pastor Clay, other staff, a few of our Youth, some Board members, and a variety of other members, gathered to learn First Aid, CPR and how to use our AED. Emergency Training Northwest made the training fast and fun and very informative!

The important part is that more folks now know how to use the AED and know CPR! Now it is more likely that someone will survive a sudden heart attack if it happens at LOUMC! We hope and pray never to need our training, but appreciate the reality that this could happen to us!

Look for opportunities to learn these important skills! You could save a life!



The Spotlight -April/May 2024

Church Business

Lakeridge High School Support

Back in January we learned of the threats of violence towards Lakeridge High School because of an inclusive, informational, entertainment event the GSA Club was going to have for the community. We at LOUMC were very disheartened by the threats and wanted the Lakeridge community to know that we stand with them in making the world a better, safer place for everyone.

A large card was created and many in our congregation signed it. It was delivered to the school principal. In addition, we used the opportunity to support the students by making donations to the Trevor Project in their honor. Our faith community's response was wonderful! \$2119 was donated! The principal was thrilled, and let us know that they are planning to reschedule the event with good security so everyone can enjoy the day and feel supported and safe while doing it.

Thank you to all who showed their support, making a clear statement that hate will not win its way and standing up for the world we want to see.

A few members of our LOUMC family have received emails that claim to be Pastor Clay asking for help on a "confidential matter" or asking to have an email meeting. Pastor Clay will NEVER email you asking for your help in this way.

- You should NEVER reply to an email like this.
- You should NEVER buy gift cards or send money directly to someone who contacts you via email.
- You should NEVER share your financial or banking information

General Conference April 23-May 3

Every four years, the United Methodist Church holds its General Conference – a global gathering of delegates to work together to lead the Church. The Covid pandemic disrupted our normal pattern of General Conference gatherings, but at long last the delayed 2020 General Conference will meet April 23-May 3 of this year. (Yup, four years after the original date. And, yup, it's still called the 2020 General Conference. More info about General Conference here: <u>https://www.</u> <u>umc.org/en/content/2020-generalconference-in-2024</u>)

This General Conference (GC2020) will be a significant moment in the life of our denomination. After decades of in-fighting (mostly within the United States) about questions of sexuality, and with many US congregations disaffiliating in the last three years, it is likely that a new way forward for United Methodists will emerge from GC2020. There will be many sources of GC2020 news, but these are probably the best to keep an eye on:

- The UMC.org site will have a General Conference page and a news page: <u>https://www.</u> <u>resourceumc.org/en/churchwide/</u> <u>general-conference-2020</u>
- UMNews will also have a regularly updated GC2020 news page: <u>https://www.umnews.org/en/</u> <u>landing-pages/general-conference-</u> <u>news-and-commentary</u>
- And if you're interested in commentary from a local source, Hacking Christianity, by Rev. Jeremy Smith, will be following and commenting on the GC2020 happenings: <u>https://hackingchristianity.net/</u>
- And, of course, we'll keep you updated in worship and other channels. In the meantime, keep our denomination and the GC2020 delegates in prayer as we head into these important and challenging days!

Beware Email Scams!

with someone who sends an unsolicited email.

- Be VERY CAREFUL in sharing others' contact information (email addresses or phone numbers).
 Scammers will sometimes ask for that information as a way to find more potential victims.
- Pastor Clay will ONLY ask you to make a donation through the church, never with gift cards or directly to himself.
- It is possible that you will receive emails pretending to be another church staff person or member.

The same rules apply: do not give gift cards, financial information, etc., to any of these emails.

• These scams are frustrating and dangerous. Let's pray for the folks who are desperate enough for money that they willing to scam others – may they have a change

of heart and find productive work! *In the meantime,* be careful and ask the church office if you are unsure about an email from Pastor Clay or anyone else associate with the church.



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Spotlight Deadlines: May 16 for the Summer Issue

Please email submissions for the Spotlight to pam@lakeoswegoumc.org by noon of the deadline date. Articles received after the deadline may not be printed. Articles may be edited for length.