

Lima Presbyterian Church  
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Fall 2012  
Schedule of Events & Services



## Save the date - November 3rd Roast Pork and Dressing Dinner

Sign up sheets for food donations and volunteering are on the table in Fellowship Hall. Or contact Judy Recktenwald (582-2503).

The following is a list of food items we will need. The larger quantities can be broken down into several donations.

### All other items need to be at church **Wed. Oct 31st**

20 -1 lb. butter quarters  
5 - 1lb. Butter solid unsalted  
7 WHOLE milk  
24 small cans - whole pitted black olives  
5- 64 oz. bread and butter pickles  
Bunches of celery - 16  
Onions - 20 lbs.  
3- 32oz **Hellman's** Mayonnaise  
3 - 32 oz. Miracle Whip  
2 5lb flour  
2 32 oz. apple cider

**65- 9" HOMEMADE pies** All homemade pies should be at church no later than 3 P.M. on Saturday.

**CASH donations** will gladly be accepted by Judy Recktenwald (582-2503) There are a number of items that we buy in bulk from U.S. Food Service and your cash will help offset the cost of the dinner.



### WORKERS NEEDED

**Saturday October 20th - 9:00** Cook the squash.

### Thursday - November 1st - 9:00

Work will begin in the morning for food preparation Cutting bread for dressing, cutting onions and celery, Making dressing  
Please bring your own vegetable peelers and knives.

### Friday- November 2nd - 9:00

Make stuffing  
Set all the tables, misc.

### Saturday: November 3rd - Day of the Dinner

Kitchen help  
Afternoon set up,  
Table servers, coffee/drink servers  
Take out runners,  
Dishwashers, scrappers  
Clean up crew will be needed.

Please sign up on sheets in fellowship hall, or contact Judy Recktenwald (582-2503)

*Thank you in advance for your generous support of this important church fundraising event.*

### Saturday, November 3rd

Annual Pork Dinner 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM

### Saturday, November 24th,

Morning helpers needed to set up the Christmas tree, 10:00 AM

### Sunday, November 25th,

Hanging of the Greens, just after worship

### Tuesday, December 11th

Community Choir Festival, 7:00 PM at the Lima Baptist Church

### Sunday, December 16th

Christmas Pageant, during worship 10:30 AM

### Sunday, December 23rd

Regular worship, 10:30 AM

### Sunday, December 23rd

Christmas Caroling to Shut-ins, 12:00 Noon.  
Bring some cookies to provide during caroling.

### Monday, December 24th

Christmas Eve Service, 7:00 PM  
Lessons and Carols, with Communion

## Deacon Care

Our Deacons are Bev Gillette, Carol Bartold, Carolyn Fleming, Jean Howes, Marilyn MacIntyre, Robin Hargrave and Suzanne Nielsen. Before the end of the year, you will be receiving a note or card from one of us. We have just kicked off the Deacon Care program, where each member is assigned a Deacon. Your Deacon will be contacting you throughout the year. This is a person you can contact with concerns or prayer requests. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers throughout the year.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4



## The Lima Presbyterian Church Elevator Speech

Like me, you love this church. We all want our church to have a future as vibrant as its present. Your session (now technically called the church 'council') has been writing personal stories about their experience of the church. These, when shared with others, will give people a sense of what we are about. Spreading the word (and the Word) is important because the long-term future of LPC will be in the care of a new group of the faithful not yet in the pews.



Who are these new people? Where will they come from? Experience suggests that you already know them. They are your neighbors, co-workers, relatives, and friends. How do you tell one of these people about LPC in a way that is interesting, informative and inviting? One way is by crafting an "elevator speech."

An "elevator speech" is an under 30 second pitch that can be delivered between the ground and fourth floors, or while in a checkout line, or during a time-out at the game. What follows is a numbered outline of an elevator speech about LPC. Some things I include in my personal speech are in italics. Yours will differ.

### Background (not necessary to include)

"People are itchy and lost and bored and quick to jump at any fix. Why is there such a vast self-help industry in this country? Why do all these selves need help? They have been deprived of something by our psychological culture. They have been deprived of the sense that there is something else in life, some purpose that has come with them into the world."

- James Hillman, From Little Acorns

### 1. Who Am I?

Hi, I'm Dave Norton, pastor of the Lima Presbyterian Church.

### 2. Why Might You Be Interested in LPC?

Many people are emotionally itchy, vaguely dissatisfied, looking for more substance in life, but not quite sure what that might be. These could all be symptoms of a kind of spiritual emptiness. LPC is in the business of helping people fill their spirits.

### 3. What Is LPC's Approach?

Our church is humble before God; we don't believe we have all the spiritual answers. At the same time we are grounded enough to have confidence we are asking many of the right questions. We are more into thoughtful exploration than rigid dogma.

### 4. What Do We do?

We have Sunday worship for adults, church school for children, book clubs, Bible study and service projects of many kinds. All these are expressions of the love we have for God, for one another and for our community. (Here you might add a personal outcome of your participation.)

### 5. Call for Action

Would you like to try us out? I'd be happy to pick you up at 10:15. Bring (name).

That's it - 12 or 13 sentences. Want to have fun with a speech that is even shorter and punchier? Play with this one:

Lima Presbyterian Church, we're quite possibly better than nothing. Try us and see for yourself. (Nothing is the most common alternative to church.)

Whether or not your particular speech draws in a lot of new people, the experience of making it will help focus your faith and witness. And that in itself is a valuable benefit.

Oh, there is one more thing, please introduce me to those you bring.

*May the Peace of Christ Be With You,  
Dave*



## News from the Church School

Over the summer and into the fall we have taken some time to consider how to really engage our Lima Presbyterian Youth. Once church school started in September we also asked the children how they would like to explore their faith and what helps them enjoy being in church on a Sunday morning. Together we have put together LPC Church School's TOP 10 LIST of Ideas for Exploring our FAITH together this year.

But, before we share our list I'd like to share that our LPC Family is what brings the children to church. They feel welcomed and comfortable and would like to get to know everyone better. Nicholas and Nathan in particular were interested in having people other than "their moms" with them on Sunday mornings. So, I ask all of you...

Would you like to know our Church School children better?

Would you like them to know you?

If so, please consider helping us explore our faith. Maybe you worship or have an intersection with Jesus in your life in one or more of the following areas:

### OUR TOP 10 LIST

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|---------------------------|--|
| 1. Woodworking            | 6. Cooking                                 |
| 2. Living Juicy           | 7. Shaving Cream Painting of Bible Stories |
| 3. Sharing Faith Journeys | 8. Nature Walks                            |
| 4. Create Armor of Faith  | 9. Day of Fun                              |
| 5. Jesus vs. Super Heros  | 10. Visiting                               |

Thank you already to Paul Fleming, Debbie Norton, Claudia Gallipeau and Bill Webster for expressing some interest in sharing time with our youth! We would love it if you would also consider joining in on any of these topics. Please ask Robin for more details.

## Deacons



The Deacons welcome Jean Howes as a new member. Deacons continue to offer prayers for all of our congregation and friends and families. You either have or will receive a prayer postcard in the mail which we pray for you in good times and in time of concern. If you are need of prayers or have prayer concerns, please contact any Deacon. The Deacons are Carol Bartold, Carolyn Fleming, Suzan Neilsen, Bev Gillette, Marilyn MacIntyre, Robin Hargrave and Jean Howes.

The Deacons have a busy fall preparing for visits to some of our older members. We also will be setting up a collection box for items for Cameron Ministries. Watch for more details.



We are preparing for the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday November 25th. So mark your calendar and join us after Sunday Worship Services to decorate for the Holiday Season and for pizza.

Food Pantry needs. Each month we are making specific request for the Food Pantry. For the month of October: box of cereal, November: spaghetti sauce and Dec will be gifts for children.

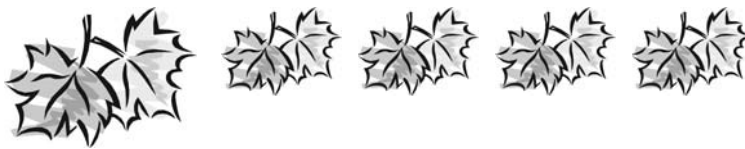


Birthdays. We would like to continue to honor all those in the congregation who have special birthday of 90 or more years. If you know of someone, please let us know.

Recycle! Please remember to leave your bulletins in the recycle bin in Fellowship Hall.

*Thank you and God Bless  
The Deacons*





## Worship/Education Committee

We once again have a worship/education committee. The members are Dave Norton, Peter Geise, Marilyn MacIntyre, Claudia Gallipeau, Brenda Pfeil, Amanda Pfeil and Robin Hargrave. Our present focus is making

sure our worship services runs smoothly...bulletin printed, candles lit, greeters list, etc.

We are discussing ideas for worship and would appreciate hearing from you. You will notice that the children of the church are taking an active role in worship service.

**Greeters:** All members of the congregation have the joy of being a greeter for Sunday morning worship. We will shortly have an assigned list posted in fellowship hall and hopefully will send out reminder emails or postcards. If you are unable to greet on your assigned date, please ask someone to fill in for you. Please arrive by 10:15 to meet people as they arrive. There is a list of greeter's recommendations in the drawer in the table and name tags.

Thank you very much, we appreciate everyone's participation.

All Saints Sunday or All Souls day is November 4th. All Saints' Day is observed on the first Sunday in November to remember deceased members of the local church congregation. If you would like to remember someone in the bulletin that Sunday, please contact Marilyn MacIntyre at [amcintyre001@rochester.rr.com](mailto:amcintyre001@rochester.rr.com) or at 582-2766

Mary's reunite..and Josephs, and angels, and shepherds, and Wiseman...anyone who was ever part of our Christmas pageant. We welcome all of you to the Sunday Worship Service on December 23rd and/or on December 16th for this year's Christmas Pageant. Also needed: pictures from past Christmas Pageants. Please leave them with Marilyn MacIntyre or Robin Hargrave.



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*Worship Committee*

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fundraising event.*



## Organ Project

As I write this report we have had a successful workday that saw the installation of the largest (and heaviest!) single piece into our organ. This is only the latest in a series of milestones that we have achieved over the last few months. As I reviewed my last newsletter update from June, it has been remarkable to see the progress that we have made towards completion of the organ.

Since June we have set up the organ structure and begun to install components in it. We have constructed the new choir risers, which the choir has begun to use this fall. When the organ set-up is more complete at the end of November, the hardwood will be installed on the floor, and the pews will be re-installed in the choir loft. Work has also been taking place in the blower room in the tower. The organ blower is being re-assembled, and the other components are being installed in the room. Much of the outside work is complete. The windchests have been delivered from Parsons, and the structure built in John Bailey's shop has been completed and mostly installed. The casework has been stripped, and will soon be returned to John Bailey for refinishing.

While all of these large and obvious changes are happening, less obvious work is also underway. This includes finishing of many components with shellac or polyurethane, and wiring many of the windchests. We are also applying gaskets to many of the winding components. As we complete the installation of the large components later this year, more of these smaller projects will need to be done.

There are many ways in which you can help complete this project. First, please pray for the work days, for safety, wisdom and fellowship. Come join us for a workday; you might just enjoy yourself, learn something the project, and learn something about your fellow church members. Many different people have helped with this project, but we always welcome additional hands. It has been a real blessing to share these times with one another, and to get to know one another. The support that has been received for this project is much appreciated. We look forward to the sounds that we will hear, and we can say that we made that possible together.

Organ workdays are every Saturday (except for November 3rd) from 8:30 to 1:00. Everyone is welcome!

*by Peter Geise*

## ***Some Things You Might Encourage our children to do while waiting for worship to begin***

·With pieces of paper, mark the hymns to be sung, read over the words.

·Mark the scripture readings so you can find them quickly.

·Think of the things you want to pray about in the Prayers of the People.

·Mark a star\* for times everyone stands up.

### ***While the sermon is being given***

·Draw a circle around anything in the bulletin you don't understand. Ask about it after the service.

·Put a tick by the parts you want to talk about.

·Draw a picture of the readings.

Children are not the Church of the future. They are the church of the present. Children can know and experience God and have faith to share. We need to know that all of us are on the faith journey together and that God is active in all our lives. Worship can be the place and the activity where we seek God's will and presence for our lives together in community.

*Robin Hargrave*