



The Lakeview Beacon

we're so glad you're here!

JOHN 17:1-11

Ascension Sunday

In John 17:1-11, we are invited into a deeply personal moment as Jesus prays to the Father just before His arrest and crucifixion. Often called the "High Priestly Prayer," this passage reveals the heart of Jesus—not only His relationship with the Father, but His deep love and concern for those who follow Him. Jesus begins by speaking about glory, not as human recognition or success, but as the fulfillment of God's purpose through His coming sacrifice. He declares that eternal life is found in knowing the one true God and Jesus Christ whom He sent. This reminds us that eternal life is not merely something that begins after death; it is a living relationship with God that begins now. As Jesus prays, He reflects on the work He has completed and then turns His attention toward His disciples. He knows the challenges they will soon face, and He prays for their protection, unity, and faithfulness. What makes this moment so powerful is that Jesus prays not from a place of fear, but from trust and love.

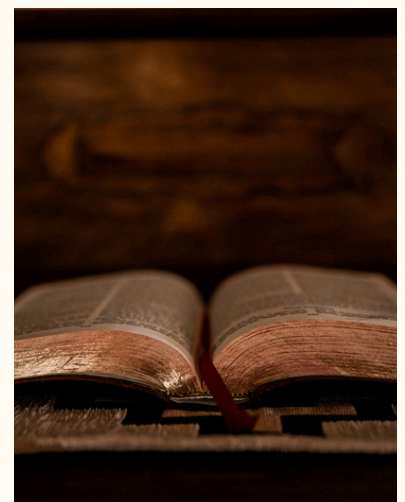


Pastor Brandon
Lead Pastor

What does John chapter 17 mean?

The last several chapters detailed Jesus' teachings during the Last Supper (John 13-16). Those statements warned about persecution, predicted the arrival of the Holy Spirit, encouraged Christian love, and even predicted the impending betrayal orchestrated by Judas. In this passage, John records an extended prayer from Jesus just prior to His arrival in Gethsemane.

[Read more here](#)



The 8:00am Service

Order of Worship

- Welcome
- Hymn Sing
- Pastoral Prayer, The Lord's Prayer
- Scripture Reading
- Message
- Holy Communion
- Benediction
- Response



The 9:30am Service - Order of Worship

- Prelude
- Welcome - Call to Worship
- Opening Hymn - *Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee* - #562
- Prayer Concerns, Silent Prayer
- Prayer Song - *Cares Chorus* - #2215
- Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer
- Special Music - *The Lakeview Choir*
- Scripture Reading - *John 17:1-11* - *Cyndee LaFontaine*
- Offering
- Hymn - *All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name* - #154
- Message
- Closing Hymn - *God Will Take Care of You* - #130
- Benediction & Response - *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* - #2241
- Postlude



We lift up the following in prayer this week;

Robert Coulson, Mary Dianis, Jerry Dibble, Sharon Gruhn-Hicks, Dennis Keaney, Larry Klein, BJ Martin, Sally Newell, Gerry Ellen Sleeth, Kathy Villa, Kathe Wilson, Amy Woodward

SHARE YOUR HEART: SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST

We believe in the power of prayer and the comfort it brings. If you or someone you know is in need of support, we invite you to share your prayer request with us. Whether it's for guidance, healing, or thanksgiving, your request will be held in love and lifted up in prayer by our community. You're not alone—let us pray with you and for you.

[Submit your request here](#)

Help Make Sunday Fellowship Happen

One of the things that makes Sundays at Lakeview feel so welcoming is the time we share together after worship over coffee, snacks, and conversation. From fresh coffee and cold lemonade to cookies, chips, and treats, Sunday Fellowship is a simple but meaningful way we connect as a church family. Right now, much of the preparation and setup is being handled by one dedicated volunteer, and we would love to build a small team to help share the joy – and the workload.

Volunteering for Sunday Fellowship is an easy and rewarding way to serve. Whether you can help occasionally or on a regular basis, an extra set of hands-on Sunday mornings would make a huge difference. Tasks include setting out refreshments, preparing beverages, and helping create the warm and inviting atmosphere everyone enjoys each week.

If you would like to help with Sunday Fellowship, please contact Cyndee LaFontaine. A little help goes a long way in making Sundays welcoming for everyone!

Celebrate Pentecost Sunday – May 24

Next Sunday, May 24, Lakeview will celebrate Pentecost – the day we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. In the book of Acts, the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples like tongues of fire, filling them with courage, faith, and the power to share the good news with the world. Pentecost reminds us that God's Spirit is still moving, guiding, and inspiring the Church today.

As part of this joyful celebration, everyone is invited to wear red to worship as a symbol of the flames of the Holy Spirit. It's a vibrant and meaningful tradition that helps us visually celebrate the presence and power of God at work among us. Whether bright red, burgundy, or just a touch of crimson, come ready to worship and celebrate together!

WHAT'S HAPPENING

AT LAKEVIEW

THIS WEEK AT LAKEVIEW

MONDAY, MAY 18

8:00am - The Lakeview Wrappers - Smoot Hall

9:00am - Monday Exercise Class - Smoot Hall

9:30am - Crafters in Action - Fellowship Hall

10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room

TUESDAY, MAY 19

9:00am - Bible Study, The Bible Recap - Conference Room

10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room

1:00pm - Finance Committee Meeting - Conference Room

2:00pm - All Stephen Ministers - Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

9:00am - Wednesday Exercise Class - Smoot Hall

10:00am - Caregiver Support Group - Conference Room

10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room

11:30am - Amazing Grays Luncheon - Smoot Hall

12:30pm - Games - Smoot Hall

12:30pm - GriefShare - Conference Room

THURSDAY, MAY 21

10:00am - Narcotics Anonymous - Choir Room

4:00pm - Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

5:00pm - Thursday Night Together Dinner - Smoot Hall

FRIDAY, MAY 22

9:00am Friday Exercise Class - Smoot Hall

SATURDAY, MAY 23

2:00pm - Drum Circle Arizona - Smoot Hall

SUNDAY, MAY 24 - PENTECOST

8:00am - Worship Service - Chapel / Online

9:30am - Worship Service - Worship Center / Online

9:00 & 10:30am - Fellowship - Smoot Hall

AMAZING GRAYS LUNCHEON

Wednesday May 20th at 11:30am – Prepared by Pastor Stuart and his cook team – Surprise Entrée, Salad, Dessert. Sign up online, between services or call the Church office before 4:00 PM on May 18th.

THURSDAY NIGHT TOGETHER DINNER

Thursday May 21th at 5:00pm – Lasagna, Roasted Cauliflower and Garlic Bread, Salad, Dessert. Sign up online, between services or call the Church office before 4:00 PM on May 19th.



[MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS HERE](#)

Lakeview Welcomes Annual Conference

This June, Lakeview has the exciting opportunity to host Annual Conference from **June 18–21**. We are honored to welcome clergy and church leaders from across the conference for this important gathering filled with worship, learning, fellowship, and ministry. Hosting an event of this size is a wonderful way for Lakeview to extend hospitality and share the spirit of our church community.

Because of the conference schedule, a **few regular activities during the week of June 15th will be adjusted or canceled, including Amazing Grays luncheon, Thursday Night Together, and several other ministry gatherings**. In addition, **worship on Sunday, June 21st will follow a modified schedule with the 8:00am service remaining as usual and the 9:30am service moving to 10:30am**. We appreciate everyone's flexibility and support as we prepare for this special week in the life of the church.

Please watch the weekly bulletin and church calendar for schedule updates during Annual Conference week, and join us in praying for all those traveling to and participating in the conference.



Dine & Donate with Lakeview!

Make plans for **Monday, June 1**, and enjoy a great meal while supporting the ministries of Lakeview! Our friends at **Black Bear Diner** are partnering with Lakeview for a special Dine & Donate event where 20% of your food purchase will be donated back to the church. Whether you choose dine-in, carryout, or delivery, every order helps support the mission and ministry of Lakeview.

This is an easy and delicious way to make a difference. Gather your family, invite some friends, or plan a fun dinner outing while giving back to the church community. Just present the event barcode when ordering at the **Bell Road location** (61st Ave and Bell Rd) and enjoy a meal that supports a meaningful cause. The more people who participate, the bigger the impact we can make together!

Save the date, grab the barcode (*available throughout the campus or in the church office*), and plan to dine at Black Bear Diner on Monday, June 1st. Share the event with friends and family – every meal helps support Lakeview ministries!



Summer at Lakeview

Summer scheduling begins after Memorial Day weekend at Lakeview United Methodist Church. Some activities will pause for the season while others continue on a modified schedule. Please check the weekly bulletin and church calendar regularly for updates and summer ministry opportunities.

Help Us Stay Connected

At Lakeview, staying connected as a church family matters deeply to us. We want to make sure our records are current so we can communicate well, celebrate milestones together, and care for one another in the best way possible.

We're asking everyone to take a moment to review and update your contact details and household information. This helps us ensure we can reach you with important updates, prayer requests, and upcoming opportunities in the life of the church.

While you're updating your information, we'd also love to refresh our photo directory! Stop by the church office on Wednesday or Thursday, or visit us at TNT, to update your photo. It's a simple way to help us all put names and faces together—and it makes a big difference in helping our church feel more connected and personal.

Thank you for taking a few minutes to help us stay connected as a church family. We truly appreciate it!

[Update your information here](#)



Your Generosity Changes Everything

When you give, you're saying "yes" to God's invitation to be part of something beautiful. Your gift today keeps our ministry strong, our mission moving forward, and our community thriving. Start now and experience the unexpected joy that comes from giving with a full heart.

[Make a donation here](#)

The Lakeview Cookbook

MRS. Z'S SECRET-INGREDIENT BAKLAVA

This is my mom's recipe. I don't know where she got the idea for her "secret ingredient," but it produces the best baklava EVER. If you like baklava but can't get past the cloying sweetness, this is the one to try -- you will never go back or be satisfied with the stuff you get in Greek restaurants again.

[Get the recipe here](#)

