

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10:00 am: Worship for All, Sunday School for Children (Communion first Sunday of every month)  
11:15 am: Fellowship  
11:30 am: Youth Sunday School  
11:45 am: Adult Education  
12:30 pm: Myanmar Worship Service

## OCTOBER WORSHIP AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, October 6, 2019

10:00 am: Worship & Communion for all, Sunday School for children  
11:15 am: Fellowship  
11:30 am: Youth Sunday School  
11:45 am: Adult Education  
12:30 pm: Myanmar Worship Service

### Sunday, October 13, 2019

10:00 am: Worship for all, Sunday School for children  
11:15 am: Fellowship  
11:30 am: Youth Sunday School  
11:45 am: Adult Education  
12:30 pm: Myanmar Worship Service

### Sunday, October 20, 2019

10:00 am: Worship for all, Sunday School for children  
11:15 am: Fellowship  
11:30 am: Youth Sunday School  
11:45 am: Adult Education  
12:30 pm: Myanmar Worship Service

### Sunday, October 27, 2019

10:00 am: Worship for all, Sunday School for children  
11:15 am: Fellowship  
11:30 am: Youth Sunday School  
11:45 am: Adult Education  
12:30 pm: Myanmar Worship Service

## YOUR PASTOR'S ARTICLE



This year we did something a little different, a little challenging, and dare I say, a little shocking. As a church, we did something that from what I gather has never been done before. We moved our annual church picnic from the somewhat sacred summer months to a date in mid-September!

I know, can you believe it!?!?!

This doesn't seem like much, but it was a pretty big deal because it's something that deviated from the norm. It meant slightly more challenging weather, busier schedules, different potential activities, and other church activities that could conflict that we would have to make sure were adjusted accordingly.

I think, however, it was a great success. Granted, for those of you who were able to be there, you may have noticed that the bounce house arrived a bit late and eventually the skies did open up and we enjoyed a nice rainstorm. However, we did have plenty of food, wonderful games for the kids, and an excellent turnout. Overall, a grand success.

The greatest thing that this church picnic showed me, however, was the adaptability of the people of LABC. It may have been on a different date, but people adjusted accordingly and together we made it a great success.

The people of our church are people who are able to adapt. They are people who are able to adjust. They are people who are able to change. Sure, we all have our comfort zones and our preferences and the areas of most contentment, but we are also people who are able to look outside ourselves. We are able to see that as part of a community we are part of something much bigger than ourselves, and sometimes for the greater good we are able to make adjustments for the good of the community.

This is not a gift of all communities, and least of which all church communities. I have seen churches that get locked in debate over which color to get for the narthex paint (not churches I've served but ones about which I've heard about). Sometimes we do "major on the minors." At LABC we are able to "roll with

things.” This is a real blessing because it means we are able to put the real issues in the forefront: building community, worshipping God together, and serving the community.

As we enter into the fall there are bound to be issues that arise that will demand working together as people of LABC. That’s what happens when you’re part of a church. There will be opportunities for us to live in our comfort zones, and be pushed beyond: in worship, education, mission, and service. However, I continue to have great faith in how we work together and how we’ll approach ministry together. I am excited to continue ministering together as the people of LABC because if I have learned anything this past year ... if we can get past moving the date of a church picnic ... we can get past anything ☺

## Worship and Music Committee Announcements

Michael Ford and Susan Maybeck have decided to preach a sermon series in October on the subject of Prophecy. We will have discussion about this subject during the Adult Education classes.

The schedule is:

**Sunday, October 6:** *What is prophecy in the Old Testament? Jeremiah's Call from God to be a Prophet.* Preacher: Susan Maybeck

**Sunday, October 13:** *Naming the Issues.* Preacher: Michael Ford.

**Sunday, October 20:** *Where Is Hope? New Covenant.* Preachers: Michael Ford and Susan Maybeck

We hope this will be an interesting series that will lead us to thoughtfulness and understanding.

**GOOD NEWS SINGERS:** We are pleased to announce that **Julia Fedor**, our alto choral scholar has agreed to be the director of the Good News Singers. Rehearsals for the Good News Singers will be on Wednesday evening beginning at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in singing with this group, please plan on attending on Wednesday evenings.



At LABC, we value education. Our Sunday School for Children and Youth is dedicated to helping to young people connect with God and with one

another. However, this isn't the extent of our education program. We also offer various opportunities for Adult Education.

This fall, we will be offering a weekly Second Hour Adult Education program. From 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. we will meet in the conference room (classroom 1) and explore a wide range of topics, welcome various speakers, and have wonderful conversations that will deepen our understanding of God, our faith, and our relationships with one another.

Our first Adult Education class allowed those in attendance to share some of the topics of interest to them. This fall and spring we will work to provide opportunities to explore those specific topics.

For the month of October our Sunday Adult Education Offerings will be: **Prophecy (Introduction) on October 6; Prophecy (Naming the Issues) on October 13; Prophecy (Hope and the New Covenant) on October 20; and Environment Stewardship (Speaker from Waste Management) on October 27.** Each month we will be announcing our Adult Education Offerings in our Newsletter and also in our bulletins. Please keep your eyes open for these opportunities and join us when you can!

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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH MINISTRY

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We are in full swing for fall activities here at LABC for our children and youth.

As many of you have heard the youth are interested in being more active in Sunday morning worship. So, with that being on their hearts, we have decided to hold youth group time during adult education time so our young people can participate in the rhythms or

morning worship. Also, the fifth Sunday of each month, morning worship will be incorporating some of their input, talent and ideas into those services.

We are still using SHINE Curriculum, put out by MennoMedia and Brethren Press for the children. One of the things the teacher's asked was to use the music accompaniment that is an option with the curriculum. I was able to spend a week this summer in North Carolina at the Wild Goose Festival, representing SHINE, and got the opportunity to meet Bran Sirchio who wrote the music we are using in our classes.

Thank you all for your prayers and support for our children and youth here at LABC.

# HALLOWEEN PARTY

A Halloween Party for the children and youth of the church is scheduled for Sunday, October 27, from 12:00 noon to 2:30 pm. Help will be needed to oversee the children and to help prepare and serve snacks. If you would like to help out, please contact Austin Pettigrew.

# Ladies' Night Potluck

The next women's gathering will be at the home of Susan Maybeck 56 Creek Ridge, Pittsford, on **Friday, Oct 4 at 6 pm**. Please let Susan know if you are coming by calling 472-3713 or signing up on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. Please bring an object that is important to you or makes you laugh. Be ready to talk about what you bring. It will help those attending to get to know each other better. Parking is limited so please car pool if you can.

## NURSERY NEWS

You may have noticed that the nursery has been under renovation for a couple of months. In that time it has been painted, floors cleaned, new

shelving installed, new furniture purchased and found, and new books and toys procured.

Of a special note is that the children in our Sunday School class in the summer provided all of the artwork for the space! All of this has been done to make the best possible space for our youngest children.

Thank you to all who worked on this project (Lara Ford, Karen Brokaw, Garth Brokaw, Austin Pettigrew, and Lloyd Cuyler). Together they have created a wonderful space. Please stop by to see our new space!



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## A NOTE FROM OUR NURTURE AND CARE COMMITTEE

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Our annual kitchen cleaning day will be on **Saturday, October 5th** and we could use additional help. We need to clean the refrigerator, the cupboards, and organize our utensils and cookware.

Also, if you want to borrow something from the kitchen such as a large pot or pan please let Soe Win know before you do so. There are a number of items missing from the kitchen and we do hope that, whoever has borrowed them, will return them.

Thank you,  
Soe Win, Nurture and Care Chairwoman



**A NOTE FROM YOUR  
LABC MISSION  
COMMITTEE**

On Sunday, October 13, the World Mission Offering will be received. This offering supports American Baptist missions around the world. This year's theme is "Let Living Water Flow" and is based on John 4:14. Each Sunday you will have the opportunity to read about a ministry which is supported by your gifts.

Christ's good news is like living water, life-giving and sustaining. International Ministries' global servants engage in the work of evangelism, discipleship, health and wellness, peace and justice, economic development and more. Our offerings help to continue this life-giving stream!

On October 13, you are invited to wear ethnic clothing--something that represents where your ancestors came from or clothing that represents your friendships with newcomers to America, and to Lake Ave. Baptist.

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**BUILDING A FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE  
(CAMERON COMMUNITY MINISTRIES)**

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**On September 25, 2019, Cameron Community Ministries opened its new Teen Center and completed what we have been referring to as "The Cameron Campus."** Cameron was able to open this teen center and complete our campus because of the generosity of its supporters who were able to give funds, time, and talents.

With a total fundraising goal of \$500,000, the Cameron Campus together will expand current services to serve teenagers in 7th - 12th grade. Adjacent properties have been transformed into a Teen Center focusing on academic support, college tours, career exploration, mentorships, links to part time jobs/internships, conflict resolution, skills development and more.

*THANK YOU* for your donations, your volunteer hours, and your prayerful support as we've undertaken this \$500,000 Capital Campaign, and gone through the challenging, yet necessary, building program to help make our community better through the ministry of Cameron Community Ministries.

Blessings,

*Michael Ford (Chair of the Board – Cameron Community Ministries)*

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## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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- We extend our prayers and sympathy to **Lee Foster** and his family following the passing of his beloved wife, **Dottie Yoder Foster**. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 am at Lake Ave. Baptist Church on Saturday, October 12. Calling hours are Friday, October 11th from 4 pm to 7 pm at Harris Funeral Home, 570 Kings Highway, South.
- We pray for **Mike Donatucci** who is at home recuperating from knee replacement surgery.



**OCTOBER 27 OPPORTUNITY**

A recent (July/August 2019) article in the Sierra magazine pronounced that recycling is broken. "For nearly 3 decades, the items in our recycling bins contained a dirty secret: half the plastic and much of the paper in the bins did not go to local recycling centers, but was stuffed into giant container ships and sold to China."

When items arrived in China, some recycling occurred, but much of it was dumped into rivers, streams, and the ocean. Since 2018, China has

banned receipt of our trash as part of a crackdown on pollution in their nation. So what is next?

On Sunday, October 27, during the adult English class, a representative from Monroe County will explain some of the new rules about recycling in our area. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions in a more informal setting during the fellowship time. Plan to update your knowledge about what to place into your recycle bin. Invite a friend—coffee and “trash talk!”

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## A REMINDER FROM RESOURCE AND SUPPORT

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Just a reminder to keep your pledge giving up to date. Our church budget operates on the amounts you have pledged. We need to continue our great work with your financial commitment. A couple of suggestions may help you keep your pledge current.

1. If you submit your pledge in cash, please use an envelope so we can identify these funds as your pledge.
2. If you use a check, please indicate in the memo field that this is your pledge.
3. Attached as separate documents to this email are instructions to set up a PayPal account for online (internet). Once you set up your account, you can donate online through the Lake Avenue Baptist Church website. We will have printed copies of these instructions also at the Welcome Center.

Thank you for all the great work you do and for your generous contributions.

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS OF INTEREST

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●2019 Fall Lectures at Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School:

**Wednesday, October 2,** 9:00 am to 12:00 noon the Janice Lynn Cohen Symposium: "Caring for Children with Chronic Illnesses" will take place at the University of Rochester Class of '62 auditorium. Registration not required.

**Monday, October 7,** 7:00 pm Christian Faith and the LGBT experience lecture with Reverend Elder Dr. Nancy Wilson, retired global leader for the Metropolitan Community Churches. This lecture will be held at the CRCDS campus at 320 North

Goodman St. Suite 207, Rochester, NY, 14607. LABC is a sponsor of the LGBT series.

**Tuesday, October 8,** 1:30 pm: The Bartlett Lectures, Part 1 Workshop with Rev. Marvin A. McMickle Ph.D, Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program & Professor of African American Religious Studies and Retired President of CRCDS. This lecture will be held at the CRCDS Campus 320 N. Goodman Street.

**Tuesday, October 8,** 3:45 pm Worship service in the Chapel at the CRCDS Campus with Dr. McMickle preaching.

**Tuesday, October 8,** 7:00 pm: The Bartlett Lectures, Part 2 with David Cay Johnston, American Journalist, Distinguished Lecturer and Author. Location: CRCDS Campus

**Wednesday, October 9,** 7:00 pm: African American Legacy Lecture: "In the Spirit of Howard Thurman" in partnership with the M. K. Ghandi Institute for Nonviolence and the Cinema. The documentary, *"Backs Against the Wall: The Howard Thurman Story"*, will be shown with conversation following at the Cinema Theater, 957 S. Clinton Ave. Rochester, NY 14620.

●**The Maplewood Community Library is offering the following classes:** English as a New Language, Monday through Friday 11:30 am to 1 pm; ESL Classes by ESOL of Rochester on Thursdays 5 - 6:45 pm and Saturdays, 10 am to noon. The library is also offering Citizenship Test Preparation classes Mondays and Wednesdays 4-5 pm (reading and writing) and 5-6:30 pm (Civics and Interview Practice). No registration is necessary. For more information or to make an appointment, please call the New Americans Librarian at 585-428-8233.

●**PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT TOILETRY DRIVE** Project Homeless Connect is an event serving people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. For more information visit [homelessconnectrochester.org](http://homelessconnectrochester.org) or call Stephanie at 295-5625. Suggested donations include: toothpaste & toothbrushes, soap (liquid, bar, and gel), combs and brushes, shaving cream & razors, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, socks, lotion, hand sanitizer, shampoo & conditioner. Drop off locations are YourCare Health Plan, 16 W. Main St. (street level) and Pathstone, 6 Prince St. (closed 12-1 for

lunch). They will be collecting through September and the final day will be October 11th.



Once again we will be having a **flu shot clinic** at our church thanks to Walgreen Pharmacy. This will take place on **Sunday, October 6**, immediately following worship in the Narthex. The flu shots will be free but you may need to show your medical insurance card. If you haven't had your flu shot yet, this is your opportunity!

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## **FIVE FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE**

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In conjunction with our church's Creation Care emphasis, the following 5 facts about climate change are being shared with you.

1. As of 2018 the concentration of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere at 408 parts per million is the highest it has been in 3 million years.
2. 2016 was the warmest year on record. The NASA and NOAA data show that the global averages in 2016 were 1.78 degrees F warmer than the mid-20th century average. Seventeen of the 18 warmest years have occurred since 2000.
3. 11 percent of all global greenhouse gas emissions caused by humans are caused by deforestation - comparable to the emissions from all of the cars and trucks on the planet.
4. The Amazon is a carbon-storing powerhouse. In the Amazon, 1% of tree species sequester 50% of the region's carbon.
5. Eleven percent of the world's population is currently vulnerable to climate change impacts such as droughts, floods, heat waves, extreme weather events and sea-level rise.

Additional information and facts regarding Climate Change will appear in upcoming newsletters.

*Thank  
you*

LABC wishes to thank the Cathedral Community who has helped to support our Refugee Outreach Ministry through a \$2,000.00 grant from the DeVany Fund.

**NOTE: We are quickly approaching a very busy time in our church year. Therefore, if you have or plan to have an event at the church, please mark it on the church calendar in the church office as soon as possible to avoid conflicts with other events and meetings!**

**Church Moderator:** Laura Tubbs

**Church Staff**

Sr. Pastor: Michael Ford; Music Educator, Chancel Choir Director, & Organist: Lee Foster; Assisting Minister: Susan Maybeck; Refugee Coordinator: Hkadin Lee; Director of Youth and Children's Ministry: Austin Pettigrew  
Good News Singer Director: Julia Fedor; Myanmar Christian Fellowship: Pastor Simon Kui;  
Church Accountant: Bonaventure Moulogho; Office Manager: Kenneth Setera; Custodial Services: Lloyd Cuyler