

# The "LAKEVIEWER"

LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Reformed Church in America

January/February 2025

*Newsletter of*  
**Lakeview Community Church**  
Reformed Church in America



30 Long Pond Road  
Rochester, NY 14612

*Rev. Rick Admiraal, Pastor*

**Worship at Lakeview...**

Jan. 05 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Jan. 12 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Jan. 19 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Jan. 26 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 02 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 09 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 16 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

Feb. 23 – Worship Service at 10:00 AM

*(Coffee Hours are held in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 AM)*

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**THRIVE IN 2025!**

*by Pastor Rick Admiraal*

Thrive in 2025? You may react to that title, asking yourself: "Hasn't Pastor Rick beat that drum before?" The answer is Yes, of course. In September we hosted a seminar called "Thriving Essentials." After the seminar concluded, I embarked on a four-part preaching series that reinforced the message even further. God calls us to go beyond surviving to thriving. Some may wonder what's wrong with survival.

Well survival is primarily fear based, but thriving takes some faith. Fear is a natural human response. Here are the top three human fears: Fear of failure, fear of loss, and fear of change. No wonder there is some pushback and resistance in the church when you try to move forward and do things a bit differently. God speaks into our fears when we read his Holy Word. The Spirit inspired Isaiah to write: "Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41:10)

It's so comforting to realize that God will help us and strengthen us so that we can face our fears. The Spirit inspired John to write down the words of Jesus: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14:27) It's so comforting to realize that Jesus gives us his peace to calm our troubled hearts and counteract our fears.

What are we afraid of at Lakeview Community Church? I can't read your minds but I wonder if some of us are afraid of the future. The future is unknown to us (but God knows). We ask one another if our little church on Long Pond Road will continue to survive into the next decade and beyond. The danger is this: If we focus too much on survival, we'll just maintain the status quo. In contrast, a faith-forward mentality will make bold moves as God leads.

I also wonder if some of our concern has to do with finances. At the annual congregational meeting, the intensity of the conversation and the number of comments increased significantly when financial matters were discussed. I've been

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a church member all my life and this is not uncommon. People seem to get really fired up about finances. So, what is the main concern? What are we so afraid of? That we'll run out of money? That we won't be able to pay our bills? There is a remedy to a fear-based mentality of survival. It's faith. Faith looks back to remember God's actions in the past. Faith is able to remember the Exodus, recalling that God sustained His people in their wilderness wanderings by giving them manna to eat. Faith can look back decades, recalling that God has provided for Lakeview to do ministry in our community for over 70 years! If he did it before, he can do it again! It's so much easier to have faith when you follow a faithful God. Faith looks up to a loving God who desires for his church to thrive. The Spirit enables us to believe in the true God who preserves, protects, and provides. God preserves His church as it marches forward in the 21st century. God protects His people from threats both inside and outside our four walls. Finally, God provides both financial and human resources so that our church can flourish in the coming year. Rose & I don't want to just survive. Our dream for Lakeview is to see it thrive. By the Holy Spirit, God has the power to accomplish it.

Want to discuss this further? Stop by my office or give me a call.



**SUNDAY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**  
**for 2025 January and February 10:00 AM Worship Services**

**PREACHING**

Jan. 05 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Jan. 12 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Jan. 19 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Jan. 26 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Feb. 02 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Feb. 09 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Feb. 16 – Pastor Rick Admiraal  
Feb. 23 – Pastor Rick Admiraal

**GREETERS**

Jan. 05 – Gail Wang  
Jan. 12 – Diane Phelps  
Jan. 19 – Dick & Lynn Allhusen  
Jan. 26 – Charlie & Donna Tijou  
Feb. 02 – Patricia DeLuzio  
Feb. 09 – Marlene Morrison  
Feb. 16 – Faye Cole  
Feb. 23 – Diane Phelps

**NURSERY**

*Lakeview does not offer Sunday Nursery service; however, children are welcome and encouraged to attend worship. Nursery is available for those who prefer to sit with their children in the Nursery.*

**PRAYER LEADERS**

Jan. 05 – Dianne Pettifer  
Jan. 12 – Rex Ahrens  
Jan. 19 – Patricia DeLuzio  
Jan. 26 – Molly Ives  
Feb. 02 – Donna Tijou  
Feb. 09 – Jane Egan  
Feb. 16 – Charlie Tijou  
Feb. 23 – Rose Admiraal

**SOUND SYSTEM**

Jan. 05 – Dave Griggs  
Jan. 12 – Joe Romanczyk  
Jan. 19 – Dave Griggs  
Jan. 26 – Dave Griggs  
Feb. 02 – Joe Romanczyk  
Feb. 09 – Dave Griggs  
Feb. 16 – Dave Griggs  
Feb. 23 – Joe Romanczyk

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Jan. 05 – Donna Tijou	Feb. 02 – Faye Cole
Jan. 12 – Rose Admiraal	Feb. 09 – Dianne Pettifer**
Jan. 19 – Lynn Allhusen	Feb. 16 – Donna Tijou
Jan. 26 – Rex Ahrens	Feb. 23 – Charlie Tijou

*\*Reads Scripture Only; \*\*Does Not Read Scripture*

*If you are not able to be in church on the date you are scheduled, please arrange for a replacement.*



Offered on JAN 12 & FEB 09 during 10:00 AM Worship



Leader: Kevin Griffith  
Rehearsals: Wednesdays at 5:00 PM in January and February 2025  
Rehearsals resume on January 8th



Choir Director & Keyboardist: Lynnann Rivas  
Rehearsals: Wednesdays, 6:00 PM, in 2025  
Rehearsals resume on January 8th.



## INSTALLATION & ORDINATION OF NEW CONSISTORY MEMBERS

Patty DeLuzio (deacon) and Mark Gill (elder) will be installed to serve on the 2025 Consistory on Sunday, January 5, during the 10 AM worship service. In addition, *Rose Admiraal* will be ordained as an elder to meet a requirement of the Commissioned Pastor Program in the RCA. **Congratulations!** to our new Consistory members!



In 2024, the deacons of Lakeview continued in the path of serving the community, although our approach changed due to decreased attendance over time. We chose to dedicate one month for monetary support and the following month for more direct support in volunteer services to that local organization. Our monetary collection averaged between \$500 to 900 every other month to a dedicated local organization.

We served meals at Saving Grace Ministries, Open Door Mission, Cameron Ministries, and The Father's Heart Ministry. Volunteers donated and

sorted clothing at Saving Grace Ministries and the Open Door Mission. We toured the facilities at Saving Grace Ministries, The Father's Heart Ministry, and Mission Share. In December we worked with the Salvation Army in organizing an Angel Tree at our church, of which 43 Christmas presents were collected for children in need. On December 14, we rang bells for the Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign at Tops Friendly Market in Hilton. During July and August, we supported other church groups to meet their goals of providing food to Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf and Mission Share here in Greece.

We plan to continue this same style of mission work in 2025, providing to the same local organizations. We couldn't have done this without the support of our church members, and we thank you for your generous support.

*Dottie Mason, Rex Ahrens, and Lynn Allhusen*, Deacons of 2024



Thank you to everyone who attended the 2025 Annual Meeting of Lakeview, held on Friday, December 6, 2024, at 6:30 PM. A Potluck Dinner, held at 5:30 PM, began the evening and was enjoyed by all.



**TWO** Scout groups meet at Lakeview on Monday evenings in the Fellowship Hall:

**Boy Scout Troop #18**

(Scoutmaster, *Stacey Cudzilo*) at **7:00 PM**

**Cub Scout Group #278**

(Scoutmaster, *Kelly Myers*)



## CONSISTORY MEETINGS

Next 2025 Meetings:

**Mondays, January 20 and February 17**

**7:00 PM, Founders' Room**

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## MONTHLY MISSION

Monthly mission for January and February, 2025, will be **Saving Grace Ministries**. Watch the announcements for additional information.

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American  
Red Cross

The last blood drive at Lakeview, held on November 2, 2024, was quite successful. We collected 19 units (enough to help save 57 lives! Blood products collected at that drive have now been delivered to patients in need of vital care! Distribution included, but was not limited to, the following local hospitals:

SUNY UPSTATE UNIV HOSP

(Downtown Campus)

URMC-STRONG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

ST. PETERS HOSPITAL

ROCHESTER GENERAL HOSPITAL

THE UNITY HOSPITAL OF ROCHESTER

There are two Blood Drives scheduled so far for 2025:

**Saturday, February 8, 2025;** and **Saturday, May 3, 2025; from 10:00 am - 2:00pm** (All blood types are in short supply)

Sign up today at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call/text **Becky Hibbard** at 506-2449

*Thank you for your continued support to help save lives.*

## **COMMITTEE NEWS**

### BUILDINGS & GROUNDS NEWS

If you have any questions or concerns relating to the parsonage and church building, please direct all your inquiries to **Chris Dorland** who has agreed to be Lakeview's Buildings & Grounds Chairman.

## COMMUNITY LIFE COMMITTEE NEWS



Here we are saying goodbye to 2024. We have had a busy year and, in December, we enjoyed helping **Dottie** and **Diane** with the Christmas Tea. Always fun to see family members and the guests from other churches.

Wishing each of you a very Happy and Healthy New Year from the The Community Life Committee

### FINANCE COMMITTEE NEWS

Next Meetings: **Monday: Jan. 13 and Feb. 13**  
**7:00 PM in the Founders' Room**

Finance Committee: **Faye Cole, Debbie Gill, Julie Hettel; Audrey Blocchi, Linda Viney (Chair) and Joe Romanczyk (Consistory Rep.)**

### CONGREGATIONAL GIVING

Congregational Giving on Nov. 03: **\$4,272.75**

Congregational Giving on Nov. 10: **\$3,323.00**

Congregational Giving on Nov. 17: **\$3,706.00**

Congregational Giving on Nov. 24: **\$2,341.00**

Congregational Giving on Dec. 01: **\$3,983.00**

Congregational Giving on Dec. 08: **\$4,473.00**

Congregational Giving on Dec. 15: **\$3,257.00**

Congregational Giving on Dec. 22: **\$3,645.00**

Congregational Giving on Dec. 29: **\$3,926.00**

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### GREECE ECUMENICAL FOOD SHELF

Many thanks to everyone who sacrificed a meal during Advent and bought food for the Food Shelf. We were able to deliver **128** pounds of food to the Maiden Lane site on Dec. 15 in time for distribution before Christmas. This donation is in addition to our regular delivery that takes place at the end of each month. Great job, Lakeview.

As we begin a new year, we again commit to the important mission of helping to feed the hungry here along the lakeshore. The GEFS anticipates our donations of requested items each month. For the month of January, our focus items will be chunky soup, chili, coffee and tea. These items will help many provide hot meals throughout the coldest winter months. Thanks in advance for your unflinching generosity to the GEFS.

Joan Marvin & Linda Viney

## LIBRARY

The Library Committee purchased 12 new books for the Church Library. Stop by the Library and check them out. They are:

- “Good and Beautiful and Kind” - Rich Villodas  
“God’s Got You” - Tracie Miles  
“His Love Carries Me” - DeLayne Haga  
“I Want to Trust You, but I Don’t” - Lysa Terkeurst  
“The Coming Golden Age” - Dr. David Jeremiah  
“Deep Roots, Good Fruit” - Kristin Elizabeth Couch  
“What Happens Next” - Max Lucado  
“The World of The End” - Dr. David Jeremiah  
“Are We Living in the End Times?” - Dr. Robert Jeffress  
“My Utmost for His Highest” - Oswald Chambers  
“God’s Armor Bearer” (Volumes 1 & 2) – Terry Nance  
“The Harbinger II The Return” - Jonatthan Cahn

Donna Tijou  
Library Committee Chair

## OUTREACH COMMITTEE NEWS

“To Share the Love of Christ with our Community”



First meeting of 2025 held on Thursday,  
**January 2, 6:30 PM**, in the Fellowship Hall



## Lakeview Ladies’ Group

The Lakeview Ladies will meet on **January 21** and **February 18** at **10:00 AM** in the Founders’ Room.

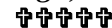


Thank you to everyone who attended the Ladies’ Annual Christmas Tea held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at Lakeview. A great time was enjoyed by all.

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

### **\*\*Prayers Are Requested for...**

*Dick & Lynn Allhusen, Chris & Stacy Dorland, Kevin Griffith, Faye Cole, Dave Griggs, Jan Mahon, Pastor Steven Rodriguez and his family, Charlie Tijou and Donna Tijou, Gloria Weaver and her daughter, Barb Friga; and Lois Worboys.*



## NURSERY

Lakeview does not offer Sunday Morning Nursery service; however, children are welcome and encouraged to attend the worship service. Our Nursery is available for visitors or members who prefer to use the Nursery.

## ROMEO’S Weekly Breakfast

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)

Meets each Wednesday Morning at 7:30 at the Hilton Family Diner in Hilton, New York 14468

All are Welcome!



## Juliet’s Luncheon

(Just Us Ladies Eating Together)

The date and location TBD—info will be published in the Sunday announcements.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

January 02 – Todd Marvin
January 08 – Jonah Adam Hettel
January 09 – Jean Dibble
January 18 – Dottie Mason
January 19 – Patty Williams
January 20 – Linda Viney
January 25 – Cheryl Griggs
January 25 – Alivia Dorland
February 07 – Michael Lonobile, Jr.
February 11 – Audrey Blocchi
February 12 – Kenny Gill
February 17 – Lois Worboys
February 21 – Kara (Pettifer) Frank
February 28 – Grieg Quetschenbach

If you have a birthday that does not appear on our monthly birthday list, please send your name and birthdate to [lakeviewchurch3@gmail.com](mailto:lakeviewchurch3@gmail.com).



## LAKEVIEW'S WEBSITE UPDATE

*Lakeview Website celebrates 10 years of spreading the news.*

The presence of Lakeview on the Internet continues to grow as more and more people turn to it for information and the “good news” preached from the pulpit. During 2024, the website averaged over 300 people visiting every month, with 100 listening to the sermons that are recorded every Sunday and posted to the website. We’ve seen an increasing number of people downloading the Sunday sermon in what’s called a Podcast, a way folks can download the sermon and listen to it on their “smart phone” or other electronic devices at any time.

Although the average is 20 on any given Sunday, some sermons have drawn as many as 60 downloads. Yes, these are just numbers but it does show that there is a growing thirst for people to hear the Gospel and be drawn closer to the love of our Savior. Looking at the number of people in the pews, we see a number much smaller than the number of folks who weekly, are drawn to the message of Grace and love as the website continues to further the mission of Lakeview to “have our hearts centered on Christ and to be open to our neighbors.”

Bill Foster, Webmaster

<https://lakeviewcommunitychurch.net>



## LITURGICAL DANCE

By Maggie Baker

Christmas Eve 2024 Worship Service



**Thank you, Maggie, for your dance in honor of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ!**



## **HELLO 2025...**

### **JANUARY AND FEBRUARY Upcoming Events:**

- January 01 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 02 – Outreach Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 05 – Installation & Ordination of New Consistory Members during 10 AM Worship Service
- January 08 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 08 – Praise Band Rehearsal at 5:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 08 – Choir Rehearsal at 6:00 PM at 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 09 – Suburban Rochester Art Group, 1:00-3:30 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 09 – Grandview Heights Assn. Meeting, 7:00-9:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 12 – Communion offered during the 10 AM Worship Service
- January 13 – Finance Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room
- January 15 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 15 – Praise Band Rehearsal, 5:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 15 – Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 18 – Secret Prayer Pal Breakfast, 9:00 AM, Fellowship Hall
- January 20 – Consistory Meeting, 7:00 PM, Founders' Room
- January 21 – Lakeview Ladies Group Meeting, 10:00 AM, Founders' Room
- January 22 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 22 – Praise Band Rehearsal at 5:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 22 – Choir Rehearsal at 6:00 PM at 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 29 – AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- January 29 – Praise Band Rehearsal at 5:00 PM, Sanctuary
- January 29 – Choir Rehearsal at 6:00 PM at 6:00 PM, Sanctuary
- February 08 – Red Cross Blood Drive at Lakeview, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Fellowship Hall
- February 12 - AA Group Meeting, 5:00-6:45 PM, Fellowship Hall
- February 12 – Praise Band Rehearsal at 5:00 PM, Sanctuary
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# Ladies' Christmas Tea held at Lakeview on December 8, 2024





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*Join Us in January & February on...*

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