



# The Lakeview Beacon

*we're so glad you're here!*

## STAGES OF FAITH

### GENESIS 18:1-15

#### Reflective



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Lead Pastor

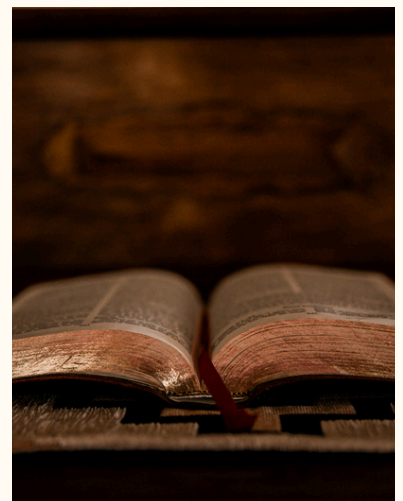
Genesis 18:1-15 presents the remarkable story of divine visitation where God appears to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre accompanied by two companions. Written by Moses as part of the patriarchal narratives, this passage showcases both extraordinary hospitality and the reaffirmation of God's impossible promise. Abraham was well acquainted with the LORD and would have instantly recognized Him, because the Lord had spoken and/or appeared to him many times before during their covenant relationship.

When Abraham sees the three visitors, he immediately runs to offer them hospitality, personally preparing an elaborate meal with Sarah's help. Though Abraham and Sarah hurried to prepare this meal for their visitors, it still took considerable time to make and serve the food. The sense is that Abraham and Sarah themselves did this work, instead of commanding servants to do it for them.

## Genesis 18:1-15, Commentary

We love the story of Mary, but the story of Sarah is more like the story of our lives. On this second Sunday of Ordinary Time, as we begin the journey of everyday life with the God who has done great things for us, let's reflect on this experience so many of us have had—when the promises of God's salvation are so out of touch with the reality of your life that all you can do is laugh.

[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 - *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* - #152
- Prayer Concerns, Silent Prayer
- Prayer Song - *Into My Heart* - #2160
- Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer
- Special Music - *The Lakeview Choir*
- Scripture Reading - *Genesis 18:1-15* - Toni Steitz
- Offering
- Hymn - *Breathe on Me, Breathe of God* - #420
- Message
- Closing Hymn - *Blest Be The Ties That Bind* - #557
- Announcements
- Benediction & Response - *Into My Heart* - #2160
- Postlude



## We lift up the following in prayer this week;

*Natalie Ball, Debbie Barcus, Sarah Butcher, Linda De Atley, Jeremy Fetch, Dennis & Sandy Keaney, Clarron Koon, John McConaghy, Valerie Pacini, Fran Schmidt*

## 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](#)

## Escape to Paradise – Hawaiian Night is Here!

Aloha and get ready for a tropical getaway right here at church! **Thursday, September 18th** promises to be an unforgettable evening as we transform our space into a Hawaiian paradise. The talented Sun City Ukulele Club will serenade us with beautiful "mele" (songs) that will transport you straight to the islands. Dust off your brightest Hawaiian shirt, grab your favorite lei, and join us for this delightful celebration of island culture and community. Dinner begins at 5:00 PM, followed by the enchanting free concert at 6:30 PM. Don't wait – reserve your spot for this tropical TNT dinner adventure by September 16th. It's going to be one "ono" (delicious) evening you won't want to miss!



## Join Our Rummage Sale Team – We Need You!

Get ready to roll up your sleeves for one of our most exciting community events! Our upcoming rummage sale needs enthusiastic volunteers to help make it a tremendous success. Whether you're a setup superstar or a breakdown champion, we have the perfect volunteer opportunity waiting for you. From arranging tables to creating an inviting shopping atmosphere, every helping hand makes a difference in supporting our church's mission while connecting with fellow members of our community. Ready to jump in? Head over to Smoot Hall where you'll find our sign-up sheet waiting for your name. Your energy and enthusiasm will help create an amazing experience for everyone involved!



## THIS WEEK AT LAKEVIEW

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

*Lakeview Wrappers - 8:00 a.m. - Smoot Hall*

*Crafters in Action - 9:30 a.m. - Fellowship Hall*

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

*Finance Committee - 1:00 p.m. - Conference Room*

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

*Amazing Gray's Summer Lunch - 11:30 a.m. - Smoot Hall*

*Games - 12:30 p.m. - Smoot Hall*

*GriefShare Group - 12:30 p.m. - Conference Room*

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

*Thursday Bible Study - 3:30 p.m. - Conference Room*

*Choir Rehearsal - 4:00 p.m. - Music Room*

*TNT Dinner - 5:00 p.m. - Smoot Hall*

*Hawaiian Night with Ukulele Club - Smoot Hall*

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

*No Events Scheduled*

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

*No Events Scheduled*

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

*Worship Service - 8:00 a.m. - Chapel / Online*

*Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. - Worship Center / Online*

*Fellowship Hour - 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. - Smoot Hall*

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LAKEVIEW



## AMAZING GRAYS LUNCHEON MENU

Wednesday, September 17th – Pastor Stuart & Team. SURPRISE Entrée, Salad, Dessert. Sign up online, between services or call the Church office before 4:00 PM on September 15th.

[MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS HERE](#)

## THURSDAY NIGHT TOGETHER DINNER MENU

Thursday, September 18 – Kalua Pork, Pineapple Rice, Cabbage, Rolls, Salad Bar, Dessert. Sign up online, between services or call the Church office before 4:00 PM on September 16<sup>th</sup>

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# Double Your Impact for Habitat for Humanity!

Here's an incredible opportunity to make your donation go twice as far! The Lakeview United Methodist Men, longtime supporters of Habitat for Humanity, have exciting news to share. Through September 30, 2025, every dollar you contribute will be matched 100% – meaning your gift will have double the impact in helping families build strength, stability, and independence through affordable homeownership. Ready to join this amazing initiative? Simply make your check payable to "Lakeview United Methodist Men" and write "Habitat for Humanity" in the reference line. Together, we can help more families achieve their dream of homeownership while building stronger communities for everyone!



## Celebrate Your Feathered & Four-Legged Family Members!

Calling all pet parents! **Saturday, October 4th at 1:00 PM** marks a heartwarming tradition as we gather to celebrate and bless our beloved animal companions. Whether your faithful friend has fur, feathers, fins, or scales, this special ceremony welcomes pets of all shapes and sizes as we give thanks for the joy, comfort, and unconditional love they bring to our lives. It's a beautiful opportunity to acknowledge the special bond between humans and animals while asking for continued health and happiness for these treasured members of our families. Don't miss this touching celebration – RSVP at the sign-up sheet in Smoot Hall or give the church office a call to reserve your spot for this memorable blessing ceremony!



### The Lakeview Cookbook

#### APPLE DUMPLINGS

At the top of our fall desserts: Apple Dumplings! This is Grandma's recipe (really!): we adapt her famous fall favorite for your home kitchen. Tender, cozy-spiced apples are baked up in a flaky pasty crust.

[Get the recipe here](#)



### The "Ask it Basket"

**Submit Your Questions: Then join Us for Answers:** at 10:45am each Sunday our pastors will gather for authentic conversation addressing your submitted questions during a live-streamed Fireside Chat

[Submit Your Question Now](#)

# An Evening with John Feeley

## World-Class Classical Guitar Performance

**Wednesday, September 24th | 6:30 PM | Worship Center**

We are thrilled to host an extraordinary musical evening featuring John Feeley, one of the world's most celebrated classical guitarists. This internationally acclaimed artist has graced concert halls across the globe, and now he's coming to our very own Worship Center!

### About John Feeley

Renowned for his masterful technique and passionate performances, John Feeley has captivated audiences worldwide with his interpretations of classical and contemporary guitar repertoire. This rare opportunity to experience world-class artistry in our intimate setting promises to be an unforgettable evening.

[Hear some of his music here](#)

### Event Details

**Date:** Wednesday, September 24th

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Worship Center

**Tickets:** \$16.00

### Get Your Tickets

Limited seating available! Purchase tickets at the church office during regular hours. Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime musical experience right here in our community.

***This is the kind of exceptional cultural event that makes our church a vibrant center for the arts. Invite your friends and neighbors – it's sure to be a magical evening!***



## Generosity: Our Response to Grace

Your gifts matter. When you give to Lakeview, you're not just supporting a ministry—you're joining God's transformative work in our community and beyond.

### Why Generosity Matters

Our giving reflects our hearts. As recipients of God's boundless generosity, we're invited to participate in His kingdom work through our own generous giving. Every gift—whether large or small—becomes part of something greater than ourselves.

### Simple Ways to Give

We've made giving convenient with seamless online options that allow you to participate in ministry impact anytime, anywhere.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." — 2 Corinthians 9:7

Join us in experiencing the joy that comes from stewarding God's resources with open hands and grateful hearts.

[Make a donation here](#)