



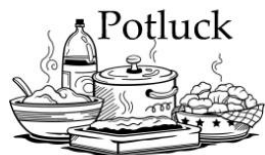
**April 2018**

# Lakeview United Methodist Church

*Proclaiming the Love of Christ*  
**230 Capitol Beach Blvd.**  
**Lincoln, NE 68528**

## Iglesia Hispana Lakeview

Our Hispanic ministry continues to see first time visitors and it is our belief that this ministry will continue growing. We have applied for a “New Start” grant which, if we receive it, would help us with significant advertising and special events for this service. As mentioned last month, there are some 81,000 Spanish speaking persons in Lincoln and we are the only United Methodist Church offering a service in Spanish. Pastor Norris is always present and offers some words of welcome. However, the Perez family provides the music and Nestor brings the message.



### Potluck

Due to graduation and Memorial weekend we will not have our fourth Sunday potluck in May.

**Our next community meal will be May 31. Everyone is welcome whether you could use a great home cooked meal or some great fellowship or some of both. If you would like to help, or provide something please talk to Bev or any member of the Outreach Committee.**



Your children will love Deep Blue, a one room Sunday School model. Crafts, games, Bible lessons and more. Children enjoy their own worship under the leadership of Alicia Pasho and Dierdre Smith.



**LUNCH BUNCH**  
**May 8 - NOON**  
**Hacienda Real**  
**South Point**

# CLASS OF 2018

*CONRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES:*

**HUNTER ARPAN**  
**XOCHITL PEREZ**  
**ANTONIO WALKER**

**We will honor our 2018 High School graduates during morning worship on May 27<sup>th</sup>. Come and help us celebrate.**



**Help us remember that all gave some and some gave all. We'll have a special celebration on May 27 during worship.**



We have heard back from the Non-Profit Organization Coordinator for Pinnacle Bank Arena about the possibility of having one or two teams from Lakeview work in a concession booth during basketball games and other events that do not sell alcohol. We have nine persons express an interest in helping. If we could get 5 or 6 more volunteers nobody would have to work an excessive amount. This can be a great fundraiser for our church, especially since we will not have the Younkers fundraiser in the future.

This could allow us to do some improvements to our church, send some children to camp and much more. Talk to Pastor Ray if you are interested. Each person will need a Food Handler's permit which is available online for \$20.



**Do you know your numbers? High blood pressure is often a silent killer. Marilyn Jackson offers screening the third Sunday of each month following worship. Get your's checked.**



**Join Pastor Ray on his 8<sup>th</sup> journey to the Holy Land, March 19-28, 2019. Sail on Galilee, renew your Baptism in the Jordan River, visit**

**the empty tomb, see the place of Jesus' birth and more. Plus, with travel protection you have nothing to risk. Brochures are available at the Church or by contacting Pastor Ray at [ray.norris@neb.rr.com](mailto:ray.norris@neb.rr.com)**



You have probably noticed that the colors on the altar and pulpit change throughout the year. There is white, purple, green and red. Every season in the liturgical year is significant. The colors mark Jesus birth, his suffering, his resurrection and the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost. I love all the seasons, but I have to confess that Pentecost is one of my favorites. The Christian holiday of Pentecost, is celebrated on the seventh Sunday after Easter and marks the descent of the Holy Spirit on Apostles and other disciples.

When the Holy Spirit came upon these persons they began to speak in a strange tongue (language) but people from all languages heard them in their own tongue. How can this be? It is because God's language is a universal language of love, forgiveness, healing and purpose of mission. When the Spirit came some thought the disciples were drunk, but they were, in fact, "drunk" as you will on the love and grace of God through Jesus Christ.

You may have heard of those who "speak in tongues." Some say it is not legitimate, but scripture says it is. Of course, we are also told that there must be someone to interpret. I believe in a universal language that not everyone understands. That language is the language of love, peace and forgiveness. In writing to the Corinthians the Apostle Paul said it best, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. Dusty Springfield once sang, "What the world needs now is love, sweet love. Not just for some, but for everyone." It starts with you and I.

*Pastor Ray*

