

**LAKESIDE  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**  
**NOVEMBER, 2024**

**SERVICES ARE  
ONSITE AND ONLINE**

**Sunday Worship Service**  
9:00 a.m. Contemporary

**Sunday Worship Service**  
10:30 a.m. Traditional

**Thanksgiving-Eve 11/27**  
5:00 PM Service

**OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday - Thursday**  
8:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

**Friday**  
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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**THE  
MESSENGER**  
*Joyfully inspiring more  
and stronger disciples.*



Lakeside's public prayer, like that at most Lutheran churches, is intercessions for our members and experiencing tragedy, sorrow, sickness or pain. Prayers of gratitude for our people in their moments of joy, however, is not so noticeable or common.

Lakeside is not completely negligent in this regard. We do typically include intercessions for those just married and for babies being Baptism. Occasionally we pray for those who have been released from the hospital or have successfully undergone surgery. But we don't go much beyond those particular events. While not unheard of, it has not normally been our practice to thank God to celebrate other moments of good news.



This could change. Our life together should certainly include bearing one another's intercessions for the sorrowful, but it is also important to celebrate together. St. Paul admonishes us to "rejoice with those who rejoice" even as we also "weep with those who weep" (Rom. 12:15). We do not dismiss the need for sympathy. Rather, we say that, along with sympathy, happy relationships also need rejoicing.



Lakeside could easily increase rejoicing in the Prayers of the Church, without taking anything away from the sympathy and prayers offered for those who are hurting. We challenge people to join us in this joyous prayer supplication. Email the church, or speak with Pastor or your Elder. Let us know your prayers of Joy and Thanksgiving. This might increase the

bonds of friendship and love among all of us. Whether they do or do not, they would certainly be a fuller embodiment of St. Paul's admonition.

In everything, by prayer and supplication, **with thanksgiving** let your requests be made known to God. (Phil. 4:6)



I have brought You glory on earth by finishing the work You gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in Your presence with the glory I had with You before the world began. I have revealed You to those whom You gave me out of the world. They were Yours; You gave them to me and they have obeyed Your word. Now they know that everything You have given me comes from You. For I gave them the words You gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from You, and they believed that You sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those You have given me, for they are Yours. (John 17:4-9 NIV)

What main work did Jesus say He had completed when He prayed to the Father in John 17?

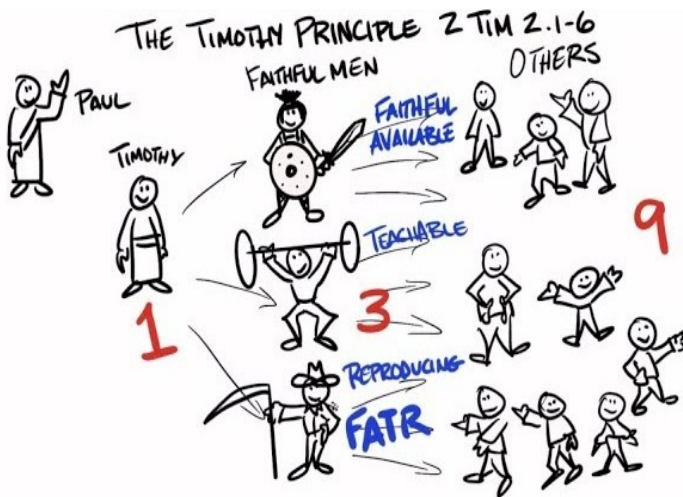
Jesus made the twelve people (and many more) into mature disciples. How can you know when your work with someone you are discipling is complete? A good answer maybe when they are making disciples that make disciples, but perhaps when they are called to heaven is the best answer.

God designed it that a message needs a messenger. Some might question the need for disciples who can disciple others. Disciples are made when the Spirit of God, the Word of God and the people of God join and come together. How beautiful are those feet?

*How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? (Romans 10:14 NIV)*



How important is the messenger? The church was not designed to be a group of spectators who attend weekly lectures; it was designed to be a trained army with a powerful message. All believers are the messengers who bring the message to others and then continue the process of discipling to those who believe. What a great plan. A plan to be lived out by people who are daily immersed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which saved us and sends us in joyful inspiration.



Suppose someone challenges the belief that our first priority is to make disciples as a Christian. How do we respond to that? Unless we are immersed in the Gospel we will be perplexed. But consider that you live in the truth of God's Word. You have the breastplate of righteousness. You are wearing the shoes of readiness given by the gospel of peace. Consider that you have the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one. Know that you have the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit. Yes, you are the equipped messenger in your very Baptism. Live strong as you joyfully inspire more and stronger disciples.


You got this. Try some disciple making with table fellowship.

Pastor Dahlke




### JUST JESUS - just wonderful!

One City Won Christ sponsored the event at Venice Performing Arts Center, Sept. 28th. It was hosted by Michelle (from KJOY) with music by a lively and beautiful praise band and singers. There was a guest speaker, Nik Wallender- the famous tight rope walker and a true believer in Jesus! The event was a fund raiser for Agape Flights. Lakeside Lutheran was out in strong numbers, 40 plus people to support this worthy cause. Afterwards our group enjoyed table fellowship at a local restaurant!



*Welcome Back*  
**WORLD RENEW Potluck**



Bring a dish to share with others!

**NOVEMBER 12**  
**6:00 PM**

*Sign-up in the Narthex*

**COME ONE, COME ALL!  
TABLE FELLOWSHIP  
OPPORTUNITY**

### Thankful Potluck Dinner

*Written in the VENICE Lifestyles Magazine:*

Join Lakeside Lutheran Church for a community potluck dinner. Celebrate with World Renew volunteers, honor Veterans, and give thanks for the safe return of associate members. Those new to the area are warmly welcomed. RSVPs can be made by contacting the church office at (941) 493-5102 or lakesidelutheran.net

If you would like to attend this dinner, please sign up on the clipboard in the narthex.



# Anniversaries and Birthdays

## Anniversaries

Andy and Terry Jacobs Nov 10

Jay and Joyce Ohlsen Nov 26

## Birthdays

Frank Friberg Nov 2

Sherry Klopfer Nov 11

Robert Thompson Nov 17

Dorothy Gray Nov 2

Gail McGrath Nov 11

Laura Tenteronamo Nov 18

Susan Holzman Nov 2

John Zachau Jr. Nov 11

Judith Perrier Nov 19

Carrie Brooks Nov 3

Jerry Mulvaney Nov 12

Amy Dahlke Nov 21

Cindy Melcher Nov 3

Lillian Ursel Nov 12

Logan Smith Nov 23

James Freeman Nov 4

Kathy Englehardt Nov 13

Mackenzie Settles Nov 25

Jeff Torkelson Nov 5

Alice Johnson Nov 13

Joseph Szkola Nov 25

Gale Bakalik Nov 7

Nicholas Kalish Nov 15

Craig MacDonald Nov 27

Barb Castleberry Nov 8

Colleen Umphrey Nov 15

Tim Gerken Nov 28

Barbara Reiche Nov 9

John Brooks Nov 17

John Hammond Nov 29

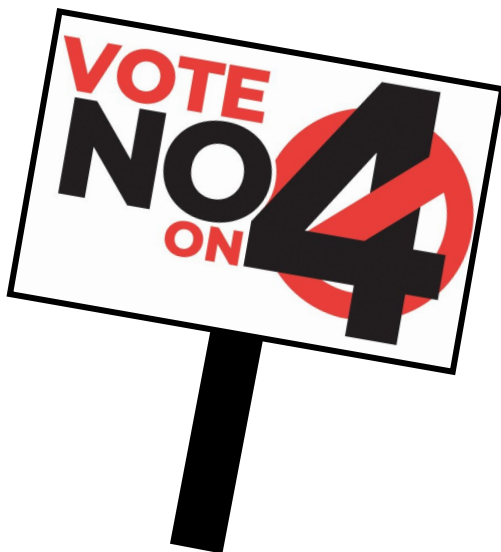
# WARNING!

Beware of the extreme, deceptive, and dangerous abortion until birth Amendment 4 on the November ballot!



## AMENDMENT 4 IS DELIBERATELY DECEPTIVE!

It is not what it seems! It will allow abortion until birth as a right in Florida's constitution for virtually any reason. The misleading language hides this reality. This would eliminate laws regulating clinic safety and cleanliness, ultrasound requirements, informed consent, and the 24-hour waiting period. There are DELIBERATE UNDEFINED terms such as viability, health, and healthcare provider. This will create massive legal confusion leaving FL Representatives powerless. It allows abortions until birth for any "health" reason at the discretion of an undefined "healthcare provider." The word "health" is not defined, which could justify late-term abortions to include headaches, nausea, cramping, discomfort and emotional like stress or anxiety. The term "healthcare provider" includes a host of non-medical people such as acupuncturists, nurses, pharmacists and physical therapists. This means non medical doctor employees of abortion clinics could prescribe and perform late-term abortions. Finally, the amendment fails to mention parental consent laws would be gutted, allowing minor girls to obtain even late-term abortions, without their parents' consent!



***"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you." Jeremiah 1:5***



## WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN US AT THE MOVIE THEATER?

### Bonhoeffer: Pastor. Spy. Assassin. PG-13

Dietrich Bonhoeffer joins a deadly plot to assassinate Hitler and save millions of Jews.



Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a German Lutheran Pastor, theologian, and anti-Nazi dissident. His writings on Christianity's role in the secular world have become widely influential; his 1937 book *The Cost of Discipleship* is described as a modern classic. Apart from his theological writings, Bonhoeffer was known for his staunch resistance to the Nazi dictatorship, including vocal opposition to Adolf Hitler's euthanasia program and genocidal persecution of the Jews. The theater production of Bonhoeffer will be released in Venice in December. If you would like to join us at the theater, please watch for a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Tickets will cost about \$14 each. The date and time will be determined upon release to our Venice theater (sometime in December).

## LAKESIDE BAND-of-BROTHERS

Striving to know the Joy of Christ better through the study of His word, loving and serving our Lord as He first loved and served us, the Band of Brothers is committed to becoming the men that GOD has called us to be.

The Band-of-Brothers meets each Saturday morning at 8:30-10:00 am in Meyer Hall (except the first Saturday of the month, then we meet at Skillet's Restaurant at 8:00).

All men welcome – bring a friend!

Kudos to those people that showed up after Hurricane Milton for Cleanup. In case you missed it - Lakeside members gathered to clean up the church campus. Peter Gardner organized the tasks to be tackled. Some tasks were easier than others, so we needed all skill levels and abilities. It was a good idea to have brought work gloves, rakes, small saws, a chain saw, and some boots (some of the field were still wet). Most important was the Christian spirit and a determination to serve. My mother told me: "Many hands make light work". We got it done in short order.

The Band of Brothers meet each week to discuss and join together to find ways that we – as Christian Men – can better serve our Lord and our faith in our efforts and outreach. In this crazy world we cannot hope to change the culture back to Christ – that is for the Holy Spirit – but we can reach out and offer a hand to those falling into despondency so they can truly be known by the heart of God. There are so many out there that need that Peace that only knowing Christ can bring – although sometimes they do not show it.

**Men, come join us: coffee and donuts included !**

**As we band together as brothers-in-Christ we become unstoppable for our faith and His glory.**



## - NOVEMBER CLASSES -

### Monday Evening - Women's Study (On Site)

Led by Amy Dahlke  
**The Study of the Gospel of Matthew**  
 6:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

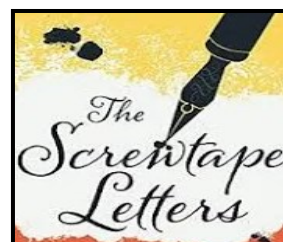
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### Tuesday - Living Water In - Home Study Group

Led by Mike Lange  
**The Screwtape Letters** by C.S. Lewis  
 (Off Campus)

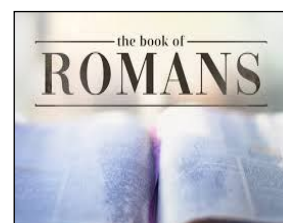
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### Wednesday Morning - Adult Bible Study (Online Zoom)

Join Pastor Dahlke  
**The Book of Romans (along with some Catechism)**  
 9:00 a.m. Wednesday's (Online - Zoom)

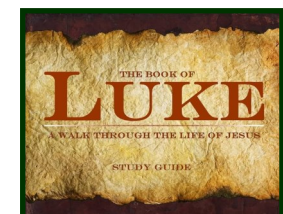
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### Wednesday Morning - Adult Bible Study (On Site)

Join Pastor Dahlke  
**The Study of Luke**  
 10:30 a.m. Wednesday's (Meyer Hall)

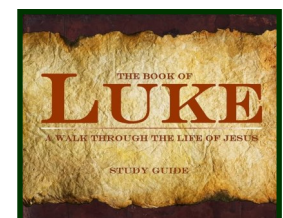
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### Wednesday Evening - Adult Bible Study (Online Zoom)

Join Pastor Dahlke  
**The Study of Luke**  
 7:00 p.m. Wednesday's (Online - Zoom)

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### Saturday Morning - Men's Group Study (On Site)

Join the men  
**Study: I Corinthians, One in Christ**  
 8:30 a.m. Saturday (Meyer Hall)  
*(Note: the 1st Saturday of the month is at 8:00 at Skillet's Restaurant)*

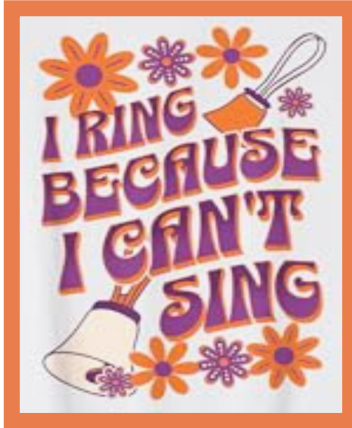


Contact Pastor (PastorDavid@LakesideLutheran.Net) or the church office  
 (LLC@LakesideLutheran.Net) to sign-up for a class.

## HANDBELL PRACTICE - BEGINS IN NOVEMBER

*The Handbell Group is a fun small group to join to make joyful music.*

Starting in November, the Lakeside Handbell Choir will begin practicing for Advent and Epiphany Services. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Kathryn Gerken at [gerkentk@hotmail.com](mailto:gerkentk@hotmail.com)



There is no experience necessary (however it is prefer if you can read music). This is a short-term commitment. We will practice once per week for approximately one hour. The day of the practice will be determined by the group.



*Come and try it out!*

If you'd like to try the handbells prior to November, please let me know and we can discuss a beginner's session.



## TREEHOUSE PRESCHOOL

The Treehouse Preschool continues to follow their Wednesday morning routine (when not interrupted by Helene and Milton). Every Wednesday morning is filled with JOY for all - especially the Lakeside volunteers - to see about 40 little children praying, singing and enjoying a Bible story. Please stop by any Wednesday morning at 9:45AM and fill your heart with JOY!

In the next few months, part of the preschool building will be used for a homeschooling "co-op". It will be a few days a week for children K-6. Elizabeth Randol, director, has been busy reorganizing the building to prepare for this new venture. If you would like to help at the preschool (the days and hours are up to you) contact Sharon Ladigoski (941) 460-6959.

Elizabeth and her husband Neal, along with their 5 children, put the metal storm shutters up on all the preschool windows and secured all items in the playground area. They were back again on Saturday to take them all down. We're blessed to be in a partnership with the Treehouse Academy Preschool.





## OCTOBER LWML MEETING

Pictures are from the October LWML meeting. The silent purple auction was a tremendous success raising money for missions. Everyone enjoyed a lovely tropical lunch.



## LWML FALL RALLY

Punta Gorda, Nov 16th. Sign-up in the Narthex to ride-share.



## LWML Mission Giving Challenge Results

Lakeside, you have a big loving heart for missions! The results of the Men vs. Women LWML Mission Giving Challenge are in. It was extremely close - the women won by \$49. (\$387 for the women & \$338 for the men) In total we received \$725 to support local missions! Thanks so much for your generosity.

## LWML Angel Tree set-up

Ladies - Please come on Saturday, November 30th at 10 AM to help decorate the LWML Christmas tree in Meyer Hall and the Angel Tree in the Narthex. Many hands make light work and it's a fun way to get into the Christmas spirit!



## Help package Hope Seeds and November LWML Meeting

LWML will be hosting "Hope Seeds" on **Thursday, November 7th at 10 AM**. Hope Seeds is a Christian, charitable ministry that seeks to bring the love of Christ and improve the nutrition of the poorest in the world by providing quality garden seed, agricultural education and the Message of Hope through Christian missionaries and organizations. All (male and female!) and friends are invited to help with filling the seed packets and stay for a salad lunch afterwards. The LWML meeting will be held after lunch. Please let us know if you can join us by signing up on the sheet in the narthex. We'd love to see a large turnout to support this very worthwhile mission! See you there!

## LWML Mite Sunday

The 1st Sunday of each month is LWML Mite Sunday. Lakeside LWML supports the Florida-Georgia LWML with our mites. Your mites support Dominican Republic Disability Ministry for Good Shepherd Lutheran Home to care and provide advocacy for children with disabilities. Please bring your mite box on the 1st Sunday and put it on the purple table in the narthex - and take a new box! Also, EVERYONE is welcome to add their spare change to the Mighty Mites Bucket! Thank you for your generosity and support.



## Prayer Chain

Please feel free to make a prayer request. You can fill out a request card at church, or call the office, or send an email. When making a prayer request, please include a brief description of what we are praying for.

Please include your name, address, and phone number if you would like to be contacted or desire a visit.



## Helping Hands

We have a group of people who are ready and willing help with small tasks! If you need help please contact the church office and we will try to find someone who can assist you.

We are always looking for members who are willing to assist. Please let the office know if you can be a helper.

## Altar Flowers

Flowers make excellent gifts for any occasion. For just \$35 you can purchase a bouquet of flowers for the Altar. Your flowers can be picked up after the 10:30 service. Call or email the church office to place your order for flowers. Flowers that are not picked up will be used to brighten someone else's day.



## Hospitality Committee

Please join us for "Coffee Fellowship" and enjoy a cup of coffee and/or a cookie. We're glad to see many of our seasonal friends returning - be sure to stop by and say "HELLO". The November dates for "coffee and cookies" will be the 3rd and 17th... and is available between services and after the late service. Your continued support in the mission basket is much appreciated.

## Joy Walkers for Jesus

If you haven't picked up your Joy Walkers for Jesus packet - it is still available in the narthex on the small card table. A packet was specially created for each Lakeside household - so please pick yours up. Our goal is for everyone to pray for 10 of their neighbors (through the end of November). It has been amazing to hear how God has impacted this ministry - especially in light of the two hurricanes that we have had over the last month! Please send a note to the office with any testimony you would like to share. Thanks for your prayers for our neighborhoods!



## ENCOURAGEMENT

Have you noticed recently with all the news and screaming about war, and politics, and my way vs. your way (reminds me of an old song by Buffalo Springfield For What It's Worth) - - that there seems to be more TV ads about faith, finding peace, and the joy of being a help to others that need lifting up (especially with the hurricanes we have seen and experienced lately) - For this Christian, I feel a sense of uplifting and trust that God has this mess in hand! I have always believed that but it wipes away some of the discouragement when I see tangible efforts by the good that still is in our hearts and shows the world that we have a great God and He loves us and is worthy of our praise and trust.

Please join me in opening our hearts to the Holy Spirit and renewing the faith we have in God and be ready to walk in His ways.

**Psalm 51:10** *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

- Anonymous -

## HELPERS CLEAN THE CHURCH PROPERTY

Thanks for all the volunteers that have helped with the repairs and downed branches.

Pastor Dahlke  
Wayne Schuchart  
Terry Warner  
Pete and Janet Gardner  
Dan Ladigoski  
Tim and Kathryn Gerken  
Nancy Lavdis  
Robbie Adams  
Don Tallman  
Jeff and Allison Reaume  
Don Stone  
Tim Matheny  
Mike Lange  
Jerry Mulvany  
Leon Kirchoff  
Craig and Linda MacDonald  
Ken and Brenda Gustafson



**THANK YOU ALL!**

**Disaster Fund:** Lakeside does have a disaster fund. It can be used both for Lakeside and the community. The campus received about \$2,500 in shingle damage and another \$2,500 in soffit and fascia damage (our insurance deductible is \$10,000).

*Add a sprinkle, pinch, dash, or drop*  
**AND JOIN US AT A**  
**COOKIE EXCHANGE PARTY**

**Place:** Lakeside Lutheran Church - LWML\*  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 11th  
**\*Time:** Following the Advent Service  
**RSVP:** Colleen Umphrey (by Sunday 12/18/24)

*Please bring 2-3 dozen of your favorite cookies, a container for cookies, and a copy of the recipe.*



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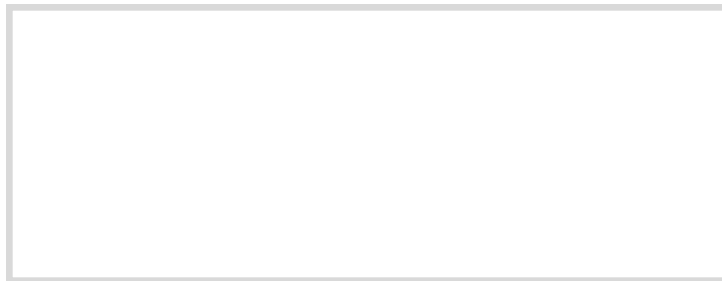
WISHING YOU A  
HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
& BLESSED ADVENT SEASON!

**11/27/24 THANKSGIVING-EVE SERVICE at 5:00 PM**  
**ADVENT SERVICES:** December 4th, 11th, and 18th at 5:00 PM



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*Joyfully inspiring more and stronger disciples.*

# Fall Back

Set your clocks  
back one  
hour before  
bed on  
Sunday.



**TIME CHANGE!**  
**NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**

## “The Third Terrific Thanksgiving Treat”

Terrific Thanksgiving Treat meal is set for noon, on Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. You can sign-up in the narthex on the sheet with the dancing turkey, or email the church office. If you would like to donate food for the meal, that would be great too. It will be table fellowship in Jesus’ name.

Be sure to plant some Jesus in your Thanksgiving celebration wherever that takes you.



*November 13th*

# VOTERS MEETING

*Meeting  
at 5:00*

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*Dinner  
at 6:00*



## **POSITIONS UP FOR ELECTION AT LAKESIDE FOR 2025.**

Vice President, Treasurer and Member-at-Large - (2) year terms starting January, 2025

Below are the responsibilities for each position:

### **VICE-PRESIDENT** (*currently held by Timothy Gerken*)

- The Vice President shall fulfill the duties of the office of President in his absence.
- Assume the office of President, for the remainder of the term, should a vacancy occur in that office.
- Work closely with the financial affairs of the congregation and serve on any teams affiliated with finance.

### **TREASURER** (*currently held by Larry Sheldrake*)

- The Treasurer shall pay all authorized bills.
- Keep accurate records of receipts and disbursements of the congregation in books which shall be kept and remain the property of the congregation.
- Submit a report at each Membership and Council meeting, showing a comparison between actual receipts and disbursements and budgeted amounts.
- Provide for an annual audit by an Auditing Committee, composed of two members of the congregation appointed by the Council, with a report of said audit submitted to the Council.
- Provide for all books and records to be audited annually by the Auditing Committee with a report of such audit to be submitted to the Council.

### **MEMBER AT LARGE** (*currently held by Susan Tenteromano*)

- The Member at Large represents the interests of the Congregation.
- The Member at Large shall be willing to chair specific task force or committees as needed via appointment of the church Council.