

Lexington UMC Household of Faith



Living God's Word~
Sharing God's Love

January 2020

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I enjoy watching *The Chronicles of Narnia* and recently I again enjoyed seeing *Prince Caspian*. The land of Narnia is in turmoil and Aslan's help is needed. Aslan, the lion, is the Christ figure of this story. The four heroes who stand for righteousness and faith are Peter, Susan, Lucy, and Edmund. As the strife in Narnia unfolds Aslan's presence is needed.

Yet, only Susan has seen him. The others wonder why Aslan isn't present. Susan declares that he is and has seen him. And she lives with hope while facing difficult moments while the others struggle minus their hope. At one point Susan even reaches a point where the lack of hope in the others begins to impact her own hope. She begins to lose faith that Aslan is present. When she does have a meeting with Aslan face to face he poses the question, "Why did you let others talk you out of what you know to be true?"

Such it is with the journey of faith. We know the presence of God is with us yet, we often allow circumstances and situations to "talk us out of what we know to be true." We know we are never alone because Jesus promised to never leave us nor forsake us. We know our prayers are heard because the Scriptures teach us that God "inclines his ear to us." We know we are people of hope because of what Christ did for us on the cross. So, why is it that we act as though hope is fleeting?

Perhaps it is due to our "stating" our beliefs rather than "living" our beliefs. It is one thing to say "I love God" and a different thing to live out "loving God." The Bible speaks of the Kingdom of God and compares it to a "pearl of great price." When found the individual goes and sells all that he has in order to purchase the field and gain the pearl of great price. To gain requires sacrifice.

When we see the Kingdom what do we do in order to gain it? The Body of Christ invites all to come and worship God and strengthen their faith through worship and study and fellowship. In a busy world, it has gotten to the place that we "sacrifice" other things to "strengthen our faith." Please consider those scheduled matters you can sacrifice and come to church on Sundays. My friend, The Reverend Dr. Regi Thackston, says that we "enlarge faith by decreasing allegiances." In other words, when it comes to what we cut out, it needs to be things other than the church. If we have any expectation to grow as disciples we must decide what the cost will be. We must also decide that being a disciple is something worthy of our time and energy. Being a disciple is costly because grace is not cheap. Our example is the cross of Jesus. Faith without the cross is not faith.

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How very
good and pleasant
it is when
kindred live
together in unity!

Psalms 133:1, NRSV



In January, we will do some specific things that help us focus on faith and discipleship.

January 12, we will “remember our baptism and give thanks.” The Lord’s Baptism is an important moment in the New Testament and we will remember His baptism and ours as we come forth to touch the water in the Baptismal Font at the conclusion of each service.

The Finance Committee meets on **January 13** at 5:30 p.m.

January 19, we will share Holy Communion. We will gather to worship and at the appropriate moment come to partake of the “means of grace.” Through the years I have had people to deny themselves communion because they said “we are not good enough.” Communion is for all and no one is worthy of it. It is also for children. We respect parental choices about children taking communion, but the church has no prohibition against children communing.


The Church Council meets **January 20** at 6:30 p.m.

January 26, our youth will be away at Revolution which is a time specifically for youth as they express and learn more about their faith.

In the year **2020** it is my hope that we will grow through learning how to create and utilize small groups throughout the church and especially in our neighborhoods. It is my further hope that we will continue to do the work of a church family in caring for one another. It is also my hope that we all will seek a deeper commitment to Christ and a daily walk with him. Last but not least...if there are resolutions confess them now. Hopefully, they will last more than a few weeks.

Ken Timmerman

COFFEE TIME 2020

ALL I NEED
TODAY IS A LITTLE
BIT OF
 Coffee
AND A WHOLE LOT OF
Jesus!

Groups are needed to provide **light snacks** during Coffee Time in 2020. Adult Sunday School classes, small groups, and others are invited to choose Sundays that you can provide snacks and make the coffee. Your group is welcome to sign up for a month or several weeks.

If you would like first dibs on a Sunday in 2020 to provide for this hospitality ministry, please contact **Krista Stillwell** at

chicka9375@gmail.com or 803-429-5823



**Sunday Morning
Adult Study**

Please join us for a new adult Sunday School class. This class is open to single, divorced, married, with kids, no kids, etc. who are seeking to build community and grow deep Biblical knowledge with a thought-provoking class where people are being challenged and fed.

For the first eight weeks of class we are studying the book of Matthew. Join us for light refreshments at 9:45, starting on Sunday, January 12th in room MCOO4 (craft room downstairs).

Women's Winter Tea

Ladies, please join us for the Winter Tea to begin the New Year January 12, 2 pm



Mary Hazelton share her new year thoughts

A L George Circle will be serving tea and goodies

The missions spotlights are Nancy K Perry Children's Shelter & Epworth Children's Home

UMW officers will be installed and we will

remember the women we have lost this past year.

Please wear your finest hat and if you don't have one, there will be plenty to choose from at the event.

Please come and share this special day.

If there are any questions, please call Trudy Huffstetler at 920-4999.

United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose **purpose** is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church



A Stephen Ministry training class for new Stephen Ministers will begin Wednesday, January 29.

The class will be 6:15—8:30 pm

The class will meet in MC106, the room off of Wesley Hall.

If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, or would like more information, please contact Nancy Caulder nfcusc@gmail.com or Bob Graham oldbarnbob@aol.com

Here's what Stephen Ministers frequently say about their training:

- Stephen Minister training teaches principles and skills that equip you to provide high-quality, Christ-centered emotional and spiritual care to others.
- You gain insight into the thoughts, feelings, and actions of people who are hurting.
- You develop relational and caring skills you can apply to all aspects of your life.
- You deepen your faith as the Holy Spirit fashions you into a Christ-centered caregiver.
- You feel a special bond with those in your class—experiencing real Christian community.
- Stephen Minister training is a lot of fun!



When it was time for the Angel Tree gifts for children of prisoners to be delivered, the Wednesday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast stepped up and help deliver the gifts to the families.

Thanks to Chuck and Candy Brennen who organized this ministry.



Opportunity for giving locally:



Our church support of the Snack Sack Ministry is very strong—giving your time packing the meals; unloading the delivery trucks; and delivering the meals to our schools.

Your donations allow the purchase of the food that we deliver, the materials that we use to carry the food to each school and the bags that each child uses to carry the food home. Without each of you, Snack Sack would not be successful.

We always need funding. Please help.

Rick Cunningham

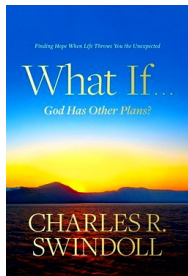


We'd like to thank each and every person and organization for participating in our holiday drives. Your generosity has put many, many smiles on the faces that we serve. It's such a blessing to see the pleasure provided by the gifts that you have so generously given!

So far, we have given out 991 holiday baskets to the families that we serve and will continue to hand out baskets through the end of next week- that's 1,880 mouths fed! We also helped 334 families shop for 924 children- what an incredible blessing!

Again, we can only bless our neighbors because of the generosity of our community. Thank you for the gift of giving! We hope that you and your family had a wonderful holiday season!

Blessings, Robin Bowers



What If . . . God Has Other Plans?: Finding Hope When Life Throws You the Unexpected

by Charles Swindoll

What if? What if God's plans are different than ours? Charles Swindoll poses these questions in his newest book, "What If?" I plan for us to consider this and other questions on Wednesday nights.

January 15: What If...God Chooses to do something great? (Part One)

January 22: What If...God Chooses to do something great? (Part Two)

January 2: What If...You Lose Everything?

February 5: What if...A longtime friend betrays you?

February 12: What if...you need to confront Someone?

February 19: What If...someone kicks you when you are down?

February 26: No Class. Ash Wednesday service in Sanctuary at 6:30 p.m.

Facilitator: Rev. Ken Timmerman, ktimmerman@lexumcsc.com

Begins: January 15, 2020, 16 weeks

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:15 pm

Where: MC 007

Cost: Book is \$16.99 at Amazon, Books-a-Million has copies as well, if you want a copy

March 4: What if...you need a second chance? (Part One)

March 11: What if...you need a second chance? (Part Two)

March 18: What If...You struggle with a disability?

March 25: What if...a person is an Unrepentant Troublemaker?

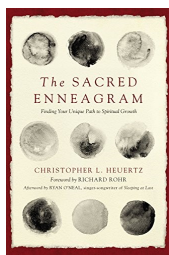
April 1: What if...your boss is unfair and disrespectful?

April 8: No class. Holy Week.

April 15: What If...You're being stalked? (Part One)

April 22: What If...You're being stalked? (Part Two)

April 29: What if...you were to die tonight?



The Sacred Enneagram: Finding Your Unique Path to Spiritual Growth

by Chris Heuertz, 2017.

Most of us try to figure out who we are and how we relate to others and God. The Enneagram is here to help. More than a personality test, the Enneagram's nine profile types provide a map to gain greater insight of ourselves and others. The Enneagram helps us see the ways we get lost, as well as ways we can find our way home to our true self and to God. Group is limited to 8 people to facilitate discussion. Before class go to

<https://www.eclecticenergies.com/enneagram/dotest> and take test two.

Facilitator: Tim Rogers

Begins: January 15, 2020, 6 weeks

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:15 pm

Where: Prayer Room

Cost: Books available at Amazon and ChristianBooks.com, around \$12.50 (**Make sure to get the book**; the companion workbook is optional for this study group). Kindle version available, \$9



The Wednesday morning study group is currently studying the book of Romans. Romans take you right into the heart of the Apostle Paul as he struggles to unite the Jewish and Gentile believers in Rome. As the reader progress through this letter the reader is expose the gross sinfulness of man that necessitated a salvation that is totally disconnected from law-based, performance-based merit. Learn about the amazing meaning of justification by faith alone, into the sheer perfection of the salvation we have in Christ Jesus.

Facilitator: Rev. Ken Timmerman kitmmerman@lexumcsc.com

Begins: January 15, 2020, continuing year around

When: Wednesday mornings, 9:30 am

Where: MC106

Cost: No cost, be sure to bring your Bible



A Divorce Care group is coming to LUMC. "DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Don't go through separation or divorce alone." (divorcecare.org).

We will be meeting on Wednesday evenings from 6:15-7:15. This is open to anyone who is affected by separation and divorce, any age, any stage, even if you just want to support someone going through

this. If you or someone you know is interested in this ministry at LUMC, please complete the Google Form by scanning the QR Code :



For any questions or concerns, please contact Kim Dunbar at 803-457-4834 (call/text) or krrichardson14@yahoo.com

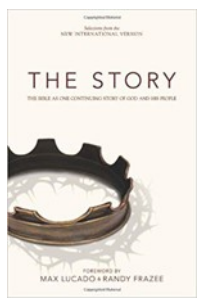
Facilitator: Kim Richardson

Begins: January 15, 2020

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:15 pm

Where: TBD

Cost: no cost



The Story

The Story, is an abridged, chronological Bible that reads like a novel. There are no verse references, and Scripture segments are seamlessly woven together with transition text into a single grand narrative. For those intimidated or overwhelmed by the unabridged Bible, *The Story* helps people understand God's Word more fully and engage with it more easily.

Condensed into 31 accessible chapters, *The Story Bible* is one continuing story of God and His People, telling "the grandest, most compelling story of all time: the story of a true God who loves his children who established for them a way of salvation and provided a route to eternity. Using DVD lessons and commentary prepared by Max Lucado and Randy Frazee,

this study will take participants through the events, characters and teachings of the Bible arranged chronologically, from Genesis to Revelation.

Facilitator: Terrie Morrison tmmorrison@windstream.net (please email to sign up)

Begins: January 15, 2020 , 31 weeks, this will begin in January, break for summer and continuing in the fall

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:15 pm

Where: MC009

Cost: cost of a copy of *The Story*, available at Amazon—\$14, \$9 Kindle, and currently on sale at [Christian Books.com](http://ChristianBooks.com); and local bookstores.



Basics of Christianity and Methodism

Do you ever feel like maybe you want (or need) to know more about Christianity, Methodism, about where we come from, who went ahead of us, what our history is? Pastor Weston will be leading a study on just that: the basics and history of Christianity and Methodism. This study is for anyone from high school ages or older! Even folks who are familiar with our Christian heritage will benefit from this study, and the other participants will benefit from their presence. Open minds, loving hearts, and fun spirits required. Intergenerational study.

Facilitator: Rev. Weston Pendergrass

Begins: January 15

When: Wednesday evenings, 6:15 pm

Where: MC013



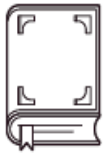
JANUARY 12 AND 19 Youth Group

4:30-6:00p on Sundays

Sunday nights are our main time of fellowship, and teaching. We will gather in the youth room for games and snacks, hear a message, and participate in a small group. Please DROP OFF, PICK UP, and PARK in the back of the

ministry center

NO SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH JANUARY 26



Wednesday Nights

Jan 15-Apr 26, 2020

5:30pm Dinner, 6:15-7:15 Studies

Middle: Guiding students through a variety of Bible stories and help them see its relevance in daily life.

Meet in main youth room.

High: Join Pastor Weston for a lesson each week exploring the foundations of our faith. Meet in MC013

+ REVOLUTION

Revolution 2020 is **January 24-26**

at the historic Township Auditorium.

Revolution 2020 is a weekend full of opportunities for youth to have an encounter with Jesus, renew their relationship with Christ and respond to God's call on their lives.



Children's Ministry
Lexington
United Methodist Church

At LUMC we promise to surround our children with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

KidsWay & Breakout!

Wednesday Night activities start back

January 15, 6:15-7:15.

KidsWay is for children who are "potty proficient" through the 3rd grade. Activities include: Playground, Bible lessons, crafts, games, and singing with Mrs. Lessie.

BreakOut is for children in the 4th and 5th grades. They will meet in room 209/210, above the choir rooms. Students will dig deeper into the Bible using curriculum based on the popular Action Bible.



The Winter Session of Shepherd's Center begins January 23. If you are a senior adult and did not get a brochure in the mail, please pick one up outside Wesley or Asbury Hall. There are a wonderful variety of classes available, from Bible study (led by Rev. Ken); physics for fun; chair yoga; line dancing, abstract painting, bridge, state parks, free apps, civil war, chess, creating cards, 2020 elections and many other great classes. Register soon to be sure to get your class choices!



Will You be Spiritually Present?

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As the new year arrives, it's a natural time to start thinking of practices that will help us improve our lives. Our first inclination is to start with how we can improve our bodies, so we make resolutions regarding our diets and good intentions to exercise. We also realize that we need to nurture our minds, so we observe the practice of reading a new book or taking a class. But, it's much harder to identify ways to attend to our spirituality.

First, it is important to begin with understanding what spirituality is to you. I believe spirituality is our desire to find a closer connection to God. The process of developing our spirituality means first agreeing that we won't know everything. This is the nature of faith: opening ourselves to questions we may never fully answer.

The spirit is something we can't see, and yet it's something we believe in. Everybody has a spirit. When one dies, we look at the corporeal body, and we know what has left it is the spirit. It's not something we can see until it is gone. It is the spirit's absence, then, that defines its presence.

Putting our spirituality to work in concrete ways that we can practice can be done. Here are my top five suggestions on how to be more Spiritual in the new year:

Pray.

Prayer is the first step toward developing your spirituality and practicing your faith. Be **courageous** in asking for what your heart longs for, and be **patient** enough to listen for the answer. Christians understand that when Jesus taught the disciples to pray, "Our Father, who art in heaven," that Jesus was teaching the prayer that summarizes all human need. Say it to God as often as you can. Pray by yourself, and offer these petitions and questions to God. And then wait. Listen. Understand that God will hear your prayers. Becoming more spiritual means becoming okay with the waiting, finding ways to listen, understanding that listening requires patience, and accepting that sometimes the answer to our prayers is "no," or "not yet."

Show Up.

We can practice our spirituality by the discipline of **showing up**. **Presence** is the way in which we indicate our priority to give our attention to something or someone.

For Christians, our dominant practice of spirituality typically means church-going for an hour a week on Sunday mornings. This is a beautiful practice, and it's a way to engage the mind, body, and spirit all at once in a communal setting. This is a way to gather with other people, who, instead of asking, "How are you?" ask, "How is it with your soul?" When joys and concerns are prayed in church, you'll hear what never gets said in a casual conversation: "I'm worried about my job." "I'm concerned for my mother's health." "My marriage is struggling, and we need your support." There is something about the practice of church-going, even in an ancient and ritualized form that connects us to one another as spiritual beings, and to God as the giver of all spirit.

Reading scripture is an opportunity for us to listen attentively to people who have shared their own experience of faith and how God engages the world. Scripture is meant to tell a true story of how God engages us. When my church gives Bibles to children, my wisdom to them is this: This is a story about how much God loves you. God would not stay distant, but God chose to come to the world in the most humble of ways, so that we might not experience anything that God hasn't experienced, too. So, for us to read the stories in the Bible is also to read about how God decided to become present with us, through the person of Jesus.

Be generous with your time and talents.

The gift-giving season of Christmas reminds us of the powerful experience of how it feels to be generous. What if you continued this practice in the new year in other ways? Think of the gifts that you have to give – not just your money – but your talents. The world is longing for our gifts to be shared.

Take stock of the things you're good at doing, the things that bring you joy. Find reasons to do them more, not only for your own well-being, but because they might be a blessing to others. You never know how your gifts might be a blessing to others; don't hesitate to share them with the world.

Find ways to serve others.

Our faith tells us that the most important commandments are: **Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your mind. Love your neighbor as yourself.** Loving your neighbor can take on many forms, but it begins with seeing others as they are – as people with the same hopes for their lives as you.

If you've ever taken time to volunteer in a way that directly connects you with someone in need, then you know how powerful it is to offer yourself in service to others. This is a humbling experience, and many will say that they went in expecting to bless others, and left feeling blessed themselves.

You can talk to your local church, or research the needs of your particular community.

Tell Somebody!

Be a spokesperson for your practice. Tell others about your choice to strengthen what is invisible to most. You will begin to have conversations and interactions that will help you in your journey to becoming more spiritual. **Imagine telling someone that you're committing yourself in the next year to asking the question: "Who is God, and how am I to know God?"**

May these practices bring you closer to God in the new year, that your mind, body, and spirit will be renewed for all of the hard work life can bring.

—Rev. Mandy Sloan McDow is a native of Knoxville, TN, serving at First United Methodist Church of Los Angeles. from UMC.org

Gifts in memory of:

Pat Bickel

Dr. Albert & Helen Thomas
Jim & Shirley Gregory

Robert Scoggins

Dr. Albert & Helen Thomas
Linda Gladden

Rock Gladden

Linda Gladden

Regina Riley Pound

Bill & Barbara Bodie

Donna Lesperance

George & Luanne Renwick
Bill & Barbara Bodie
Terrie & Mike Morrison
Wade & Alice Jackson
Woody & Brenda Manus
Linda Gladden
Terry & Daisy Hicks
Ginny Kurtz

Gifts in honor of:

Ms. Julie's 3 yr. old class

Brenda Manus & Caide

**Delo Corderman Fellowship
Class Teachers**

Delos Corderman Fellowship Class

My girls & son-in-law

Linda Gladden

Mr. & Mrs. Barney Matthews

Mike and Terrie Morrison

Rev. Ken Timmerman

Bobby & Cherie Bowers

Rev. Weston Pendergrass

Bobby & Cherie Bowers

Rev. Elizabeth Murray

Bobby & Cherie Bowers



Thank you to everyone for their prayers, cards, calls, & meals for my recent surgery. My church family is very dear to me.

Linda Corley

The family of Pat Bickel is very grateful for, and deeply touched by, the love, prayers, and heartfelt sympathy given to us throughout this painful period. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers. We would like to thank our church and friends for all they have done for us before, during, and since Mom left to be with God.



Patricia Bickel
December 12, 2019

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 4:5



Congratulations

Marti and Kirk Porth

who wed

December 7, 2019

Love...

*Always protects
Always trusts,
Always hopes,
Always perseveres
1 Corinthians 13:6,7*



Red Cross
Blood Drive
Asbury Hall, Mon-
day, Jan. 13, 2-7pm

To schedule your
donation time, please
visit

redcrossblood.org
and enter sponsor
code: lexing-
tonumc

or please call 1-800-
RED CROSS.



The Taizé Service is the
2nd Tuesday of the
month, January 14 at
12:10 pm.

This meditative service of
song, scripture and prayer
last 30 minutes. Come
and find some quiet time
with God.



**Tuesday
evening
worship**



Remember, if you
can't make it on Sun-
day mornings, there is
the Tuesday Evening
Service at 6:30 pm.



Wednesday
mornings at
6:31 AM
Asbury Hall

1/1 Mark Edmonds Larry Hayes Julia Johnson Chris Stanford Tracy Steele	1/10 Ava Blume Brent Hawkins Korie Woodard Edith Worthy Brooks Yeh	1/17 Tennyson Ames Llora Miller Reta Richardson	1/25 Linda Gladden Jim Kruger Luke Reckord
1/2 Jim Gregory Shelley Lyles Gaines Roberts Tamara Selzer	1/11 Amy Cook Brynn Hahne Adam Howard DeSean Logan	1/18 Ashley Culley Brooke Graham Dan Osborne Wanda Pettus	1/26 Traywick Duffie Doris Frye Brian Hahne Richard Hendrick Mike Johnson Becky McCormack
1/4 Jerry Gatch Mike Gatch Beth Keith Swapna Kumar	1/12 Todd Carroll Brian Dunbar Jake Mesaros Taylor Young	1/20 Kristi Fogle Thomas Leonard Margaret Oswald	1/27 Betsy DeLeon Maree Gilliam Sadie Quell
1/5 Elizabeth Denson Bradley Gore Amit Kumar Berniece Phillips Judi Powell Jennifer Stevenson	1/13 Laurie McNicholas David Morris Caroline Taylor Dana Tucker Pat Weitzel Jonathan Wojtylak	1/21 Lurene Carlson Alice Hott Mary Merrell Josh Millwood Jennifer Stanford	1/28 Robert Butler David Davison Laura Rish
1/6 Eli McCollum	1/14 Spencer Brooks Scott Hendrix Ashley Thompkins	1/22 Barbara Booth Lilly Groves Lori Torbett	1/29 Helen Givens Tracy Roughton
1/7 Campbell Fatzinger Ken Fentress Odalys Ramirez Barney Williams	1/15 Linda Hyde Troy Rivers	1/23 Beth Altenberg Cora Field Jessica Gore Wyatt Rogers Margie Spence Michael Wessinger	1/30 Dan Brailsford Erin Cogswell Tobi Harmon Bette McKenney Jaimee O'Neal Olivia Robinson Sara Stone Ken Timmerman
1/8 Pam Hayes Zackery Moats	1/16 Harley Britner Katie Collins Maeve Larion Molly Laurence Doris Shadrick	1/24 Celeste Burner Robyne Gross	1/31 Russell Cammann Tom Inabinet Elliott Roberts Kathy Severson Victoria Wahl
1/9 Adam Backman Matt Cooper Chuck Crouch, Jr. Brooks Torbett			

FOR THOSE WHO SEEK THE
COMMUNITY WE ARE DESIGNED FOR

*Connect at
Krafty Draft*

AUTHENTIC. RESPECTFUL CONVERSATIONS

THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM
1/30, 3/5, 3/26, 4/23

“Connect at Krafty Draft”

For those who long to have respectful theological discussions with others, for those who might feel like they're on the fringe, for those who yearn to connect with others in a more meaningful way, you're invited.

“Connect at Krafty Draft” will be an opportunity to engage with both friends and strangers. In a world where we are so siloed, come build the community for which we were created. No agenda; no question too big. Enjoy dinner, or more.

Regardless of who you are, what you have been through, what you believe, you are welcome.

6:30pm at Krafty Draft (269 Charter Oak Road) on Thursday **January 30th, March 5th, March 26th, and April 23rd.**

Contact Rev. Elizabeth Murray at elizabeth@lexumcsc.com with your questions!



Have you up
graded your
LCD TV to a

Smarter TV, or just a bigger screen size? Does your old TV need a new home? If so, we have rooms at church where we would like to add newer TVs, preferably 40" or larger

We **do not** want
old TVs that look
like this:



Just flat panel models that can be mounted to the wall.

Please email
swmitton@gmail.com if you have one to give. Thank you

I take caring for the environment so seriously my friends say I “recycle” to a fault. I was very surprised to learn that I was recycling wrong! Lexington County Recycling Coordinator, Traude Sander set me straight by explaining the automated sorting process at Sunoco, where most of our recyclables are sent.

Once a mix of recyclables hit the conveyor belt, flat items are sorted as paper/cardboard. Then a powerful magnet attracts the metal. A hug fan pushes the lighter aluminum and plastics upward while the heavier glass falls onto a conveyor belt and is crushed. The glass breaks and falls thru small holes into a separate bin. Meanwhile a spinning drum creates an induction field that repels the aluminum and the plastics continue down the conveyor belt.

Here is a video if you would like to learn a little more: https://youtu.be/K6XaJrTye_Q



- ✦ Always empty and rinse all containers before recycling. Food contaminates the product.
- ✦ Discard flat plastic lids so they don't contaminate the paper/cardboard.
- ✦ Remove and discard pop-off lids from plastic bottles. Leave screw-on lids attached. Do not flatten plastic.
- ✦ Discard-- do Not recycle padded envelopes!
- ✦ Aluminum pans are Not recyclable in Lexington County because of the varied quality of brands requiring expensive hand sorting...not economically feasible
- ✦ Anything that will fit thru a hole the size of a paper towel roll will contaminate the glass. Glass is no longer accepted in the town of Lexington recycling because of this contamination issue. You can take clear, brown or green glass to a Lexington County collection and recycling center.
- ✦ Junk Mail and more: Mixed Paper includes clean, flattened peaked beverage containers, plastic tops removed, newspapers, magazines, soft bound books, junk mail (no padded envelopes).

Did You Know?

The average person generates over 4 pounds of trash every day and about 1.5 tons of solid waste per year.

The EPA estimates that 75% of American waste is recyclable, but we only recycle about 30% of it.



What to do with items you can't put in the recycle bins:

PLASTIC BAGS– Never put plastic bags/wraps with recyclables. Take plastic bags to Mission Lexington or grocery stores.

PILL BOTTLES & PILLS– Take empty pill bottles and unused medications to most local pharmacies. Some veterinarian's use empty pill bottles (remove label). Lexington County Sheriff's Department accepts unused pills.

BATTERIES - Take household/single-use batteries to Batteries Plus in Irmo.

INK CARTRIDGES– Take ink cartridges to Office Depot

STYROFOAM– Take to Publix

ELECTRONICS– Take to Best Buy

Tentative 2020 Lexington County Recycling Drop-Off Event Schedule



Saturday 2/29 Riverbanks Zoo 9a-1p

Saturday 4/25 White Knoll High School 9a-1p

Saturday 8/29 Batesburg-Leesville High School 9a-1p

Saturday 10/3 Irmo High School 8a-12 n

Join the Earth Advocacy Team, contact Lynn Silvey lynnsilvey@gmail.com

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"Therefore, since we are born unto present realities, but reborn unto the ones to come, let us not be given over to goods lasting but a time. Rather, let us be intent on eternal ones. And in order that we may more closely gaze upon our hope, in the very sacrament of the Lord's birth let us consider what divine grace has conferred on our nature."

St. Leo the Great,
Homily 72



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