

“Making disciples for the transformation of the World”

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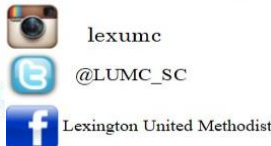
**October 4, 2020**

**Weekly Worship Opportunities:**  
9am – Traditional Sunday Service  
(Wesley Hall)  
11am – Contemporary Sunday Service  
(Wesley Hall)  
6:30pm – Wednesday Vespers  
(Wesley Hall)

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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**11:00AM**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020**

**GATHERING**

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*OPENING SONG** Death Was Arrested

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively)

L: Welcome to this place ...  
P: **WHERE CHILDREN AND SEASONED CITIZENS SIT SIDE BY SIDE.**  
L: This is a place where heaven and earth embrace in peace ...  
P: **WHERE GOD HAS BEEN ... WHERE GOD IS ... AND WHERE GOD ALWAYS WILL BE.**  
L: Welcome to this place, as we gather with all of God's children ...  
P: **WHERE WE FIND LOVE ...**  
L: Where we hear the tender voice of Jesus ...  
P: **AND WHERE THE SPIRIT TEACHES US NEW SONGS.**  
L: Welcome to this place, where all is made ready by our God ...  
P: **WHERE WE BRING OUR HUNGER ... AND FIND FOOD ...**  
L: Where we bring our brokenness ... and find healing ...  
P: **WHERE WE BRING OUR VERY SELVES ... AND FIND ACCEPTANCE.**

**\*PRAISE SONG** Who You Are to Me

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS** Psalm 33

**A WORD TO THE CHILDREN** Lori Meyers

**\*GOSPEL LESSON #1** Mark 2:13-17

**\*GOSPEL LESSON #2** Matthew 5:1-7

**WITNESS TO THE WORD:** An Open Invitation

Rev. Kim Eanes

**SONG OF PRAISE**

O Come to the Altar

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD #882**

The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version

**PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER**

**A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II**

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INVITATION  
CONFESSION AND PARDON  
OFFERTORY  
\*THE DOXOLOGY  
\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING  
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING  
THE LORD'S PRAYER  
BREAKING THE BREAD  
GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

**CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE**

Resurrecting

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

\*Please stand as you are able

**THE BLESSINGS CONTINUE THROUGH OCTOBER**

Throughout the month of October, LUMC will continue our worship series on Matthew 5 - The Beatitudes. In addition to learning about Jesus' lessons on living within the Kingdom of God rather than the kingdoms of this world, we will celebrate the following: Oct. 4 - World Communion Sunday; Oct. 11th - Pastor Jim brings our message on purity of heart; Oct. 18th we'll be challenged to live our lives as peacemakers; and on Oct. 25th we'll enjoy a Blessing of our Prayer Shawls. Please join us either in person or livestream!

**VESPERS**

Vespers is a sunset evening prayer service in the Orthodox, Roman Catholic, and Eastern Catholic, Anglican, & Lutheran liturgies of the canonical hours. The word comes from the Greek, hespera, & the Latin, vesper, meaning "evening". It is also referred to in the Anglican tradition as evening prayer or evensong. The term, used to describe evening services, is also used in some Protestant denominations. We gather for Vespers every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm in the Ministry Center. Casual attire is encouraged. Face coverings are required. And social distancing is practiced. There is no limit on participants since we are gathering in the Ministry Center. Each Wednesday service lasts about 30 minutes and includes opportunities for song,

Scripture, prayer and quiet reflection. Please join us!

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

The youth will meet tonight, **October 4th** at Stephanie and Rick Thain's house from **5-6:30pm**, which will include dinner. The address will be sent out via the Remind app. Wear a mask! We hope to see you then!

**There has been an update to the Halloween festivities on October 25th.** Instead of a Fall Festival, we will have a virtual Halloween Scavenger Hunt. This is something you will be able to do with your family in regards to your own level of precaution. You can look around your town for specific items that will be listed on the scavenger list, take pictures of the items, and send them in that night to rachael@lexumcsc.com. I will send out the list the week of the hunt.

We will still have a Trunk or Treat from **5-6pm** at the church on **Sunday Oct. 25th**. If you would like to participate by offering your trunk, please let me know so we can plan accordingly.

We will also have a paint your pumpkin contest!! You must have a painted pumpkin and turn them in by **Wednesday, October 21st** to be eligible to enter the contest. The winner will be shown and announced on **Sunday, October 25th** and will receive their choice of a \$10 Starbucks gift card or a \$10 Chick-fil-A gift card.

**LUMC PRESCHOOL NEWS**

With this being an unusual year, your help is still greatly needed and appreciated. You can help by providing any of the following items:

- Clorox Wipes
- Kleenex Tissues
- Paper Towels
- Copier Paper
- Construction Paper
- Large Hand Sanitizer
- Snacks such as Goldfish, Pretzels, Golden Oreo Cookies, Gummy Bears
- Financial Donation (church website select Preschool from the drop down)

Thank you Julie Robinson for your faithful monthly donation of \$200.00. With this donation, and others, we can continue to be the face of Jesus to the students, their families, and our community.

### **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

As we move forward in providing more Sunday worship opportunities at LUMC, we need your help!

If you are interested in serving as an usher/greeter for the 9am Traditional Worship Service or the 11AM Contemporary Worship Service, please let Pastor Kim know! Ushers duties would include: greeting people verbally upon arrival, making sure masks are worn and/or provided upon entry to the Ministry Center, and receiving the offering by passing around the basket (touched only by the usher) to seated worshippers.

If you are interested in serving as a Multi-media volunteer for the 9AM Traditional Worship service or the 11AM Contemporary Worship Service please let Pastor Kim know! Multi-media volunteers would be trained by our current multi-media team, and then serve on a rotational basis for the Sunday service you select (i.e. 1st and 3rd Sundays at 9AM). If you are interested in being a part of this vital ministry team, please let Pastor Kim know a.s.a.p.

### **MISSION LEXINGTON**

### **HOLIDAY MEALS FOR NEIGHBORS**

It's hard to believe that 2020 is nearing its end and the holidays are right around the corner. Long before you begin roasting your turkey or hanging ornaments on the tree, Mission Lexington is starting to serve our neighbors in crisis for Thanksgiving and Christmas. It is very important to start gathering all the essentials to provide our neighbors with everything they need for a fantastic holiday meal. Our church hopes you or your small group will help to provide holiday meals for our neighbors. Donations will be accepted October 1st and will run through December 7th. You may prepack a holiday food bag or simply donate items needed. Feel free to add a personal note or prayer for the family.

You will see on the meal wish list that Mission Lexington is asking for \$10 gift certificates for turkeys and hams this year. The wish list includes: \$10 gift card for turkey or ham, canned sweet potatoes, canned collards or turnips, canned green beans, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, cornbread mix, gravy mix or jar and brownie mix. If you need additional information or have suggestions, please contact Sammie Brown at 803-351-0784 or [sbrown8885@sc.rr.com](mailto:sbrown8885@sc.rr.com).

### **Church Email**

LUMC sends out church-wide emails almost daily. It's the way the church notifies members of the congregation about events, links to worship services and to the HOF, general announcements, and notices about hospitalizations and health issues of our members. Email is not perfect and occasionally, some members of the congregation stop receiving them from

LUMC. It's a random thing and we don't know why this happens. If you don't receive any email from the church for several days or a week, please notify David Marshall at [David@Marshallgenealogy.org](mailto:David@Marshallgenealogy.org) and we'll see about fixing the problem. Remember to check your SPAM and JUNK email folders, our messages may be there.

### **Most Recent Stewardship Figures:**

#### **Our Presence**

9:00am (Traditional)	68
11:00am (Contemporary)	95
Viewed live online (Traditional)	26
Viewed live online (Contemporary)	8
Views (Traditional)	194
Views (Contemporary)	92
Vespers	<u>12</u>
Total:	495

#### **Our Gifts as of Sept. 27, 2020:**

Received:	\$11,485
Needed Weekly	\$20,616
Budget Goal to date	\$783,408
Expenses to date	\$647,888
Receipts to date	\$660,809
Over/Under (revenue vs. expenses)	\$12,921

#### **Our Service**

**Ushers:** John Cooper, Rick & Stephanie Thain

### **OUR CALENDAR**

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4**

World Communion Sunday  
9:00am Traditional Worship Svc. (Wesley Hall)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship Svc. (Wesley Hall)  
4:00pm Blessing of the Animals

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 5**

3:00pm The Gospel According to Luke (MC106)  
6:30pm Worship Band Practice (Wesley Hall)

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6**

5:30pm Al-Anon (MC106)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7**

6:30pm Vespers Service (Wesley Hall)

7:00pm United Methodists Social Principles  
(Via Zoom)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9**

7:00am Centering Prayer (MC106)

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11**

9:00am Traditional Worship Svc. (Wesley Hall)

11:00am Contemporary Worship Svc.  
(Wesley Hall)

**A.L. George Circle Annual Pecan Sale**

We are selling at a designated drive-thru and also online. Unfortunately, we're going to have to go up to \$11.00 a bag this year. We have not had an increase in over 5 years, so we are forced to do it this year to make any money for our missions. Stay tuned & thank you for supporting the Lexington United Methodist Women.

**F.A.I.T.H. CIRCLE  
HOSTING A VIRTUAL RUN!**

Get off your Zoom call, lace up your shoes, throw on your favorite LUMC shirt, and join us for a virtual 5k to get moving! We will come "together" in spirit... in our homes, neighborhoods, or parks to run or walk a 5k.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lumc-umw-move-together-for-missions-virtual-5k-tickets-121048139243>

During the week of **October 18th - 25th**, you can walk a little every day in your neighborhood or run the whole thing on your favorite trail, whatever you choose....just get moving! As you complete your run or walk,

please let us know by posting a picture to our community Facebook page.

Your paid Eventbrite registration, a suggested donation of \$25 per household, will go towards UMW missions and also make you eligible for a chance to win some fun prizes! We hope you can join us!

**Snack Sack**

School is back in session and we are gearing up for feeding 500+ students again this year. Harvest Hope has delivered our first inventory of food for October. Our food from Harvest Hope is prepackaged when delivered. This speeds up and limits the handling of food items. But this change also brings an increased cost! We now pay \$6 per student per week for the Harvest Hope food. We expect 32 weeks of feeding, starting with 500 students for an approximate cost of \$96,000. These numbers will change based on student counts. We thank you for your continued support of our Snack Sack Ministry.