

“Making disciples for the transformation of the World”

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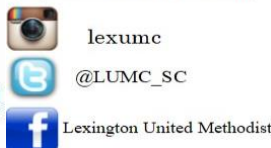
October 11, 2020

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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**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

11:00AM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING SONG** Open the Eyes of My Heart

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively)

RESPONSIVE READING Isaiah 63:15-64:9

***PRAISE SONG** Relentless

A READING FROM THE PSALMS Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN Rachael Samford

GOSPEL LESSON #1 Matthew 5:1-8

***GOSPEL LESSON #2** Mark 13:24-37

WITNESS TO THE WORD: Watch, Wait and See
Rev. Jim Rogers

SONG OF PRAISE Beautiful Things

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881** The Apostles’ Creed

OFFERTORY AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD’S PRAYER

CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE Flawless

***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

Tonight, October 11th, the youth will meet outside at LUMC from **4:30-6p** to smash pumpkins and play mafia. MS and HS will be split up for this, but all will be outside on LUMC property. See you there!

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)

The Butter Braid Fundraiser begins next Sunday, October 18th and ends Tuesday, November 3rd. You can order and pay online by going to the Church website at www.lexumcsc.com and click on outreach and then preschool. Thank you for supporting this important ministry of the church.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As we move forward in providing more 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 now 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 cards 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.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, November 9th 2-7pm in Asbury Hall. To schedule your appointment, visit www.redcrossblood.org. (Code: lexingtonumc) or please call: 1-800-RED CROSS. You may also walk-in. Thank you for your donation!

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 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)	73
11:00am (Contemporary)	21
Viewed live online (Traditional)	33
Viewed live online (Contemporary)	7
Views (Traditional)	205
Views (Contemporary)	39
Vespers	<u>12</u>
Total:	390

Our Gifts as of Oct. 4, 2020:

Received:	\$19,267
Needed Weekly	\$20,616
Budget Goal to date	\$804,024
Expenses to date	\$668,756
Receipts to date	\$680,076
Over/Under (revenue vs. expenses)	\$11,320

Our Service

Ushers: John Cooper, Rick & Stephanie Thain

OUR CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

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

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

3:00pm The Gospel According to Luke (MC106)

6:30pm Worship Band Practice (Wesley Hall)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

11:00am Asbury Hall

3:00pm Small Group Study-Acts (MC106)

5:30pm Al-Anon (MC106)

6:30pm Finance Meeting (Asbury Hall)

7:00pm Boyscout Meetings (MC downstairs)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

6:30pm Vespers Service (Wesley Hall)

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

10:30am Small Group Study-Acts (Asbury Hall)

6:30pm Church Council (Asbury Hall)

6:30pm Cub Scouts Fall Pack Meeting (Wesley Hall)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:00am Centering Prayer (MC106)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

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

10:00am Preschool Butter Braid Fundraiser (Wesley)

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

4:30pm Youth Group (Outside LUMC)

A.L. George Circle Annual Pecan Sale

We are selling at a designated drive-thru and also online. Unfortunately, we're having 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. Thank you for supporting the LUMC Women.

F.A.I.T.H. CIRCLE 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's back in session and we are feeding 500+ students again this year. Harvest Hope has delivered our first inventory of food for October. The food comes 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.