

“Making disciples for the transformation of the World”

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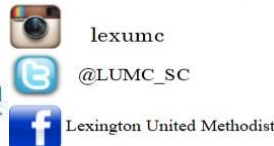
October 25, 2020

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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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00AM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING SONG** Freedom is Here

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively):

L: If it had not been God who was on our side...
P: THE TROUBLES OF OUR WORLD WOULD HAVE SWALLOWED US WHOLE.
L: If it had not been God who was on our side...
P: THE SORROWS OF OUR TIMES WOULD HAVE SWEEPED US AWAY.
L: Are any among us suffering?
P: COME AND PRAY.
L: Are any among us cheerful?
P: COME SING SONGS OF PRAISE.
L: Are any among us sick?
P: COME AND ASK FOR HEALING.
L: Our help is in our God...
P: THE ONE WHO MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH.
L: Let us call upon God, our Creator and our Rescuer...
P: BECAUSE GOD IS ALWAYS ON OUR SIDE.

***PRAISE SONG** Whom Shall I Fear (Angel Armies)

*A PRAYER LITANY (responsively):

L: God of love and power, hear our prayers as we raise our thoughts and our voices to you.
P: WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER AND ARE SICK.
L: We pray for those who struggle with temptation and sin...
P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, HEAR OUR PRAYER.
L: We pray for those who lead and guide others on the journey of faith...
P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

L: We pray for those who serve and share in ministry around the world...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

L: We pray for the world and its' leaders...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

L: We give thanks for those who are cheerful and who bring joy to our lives...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, WE GIVE YOU PRAISE.

L: We give thanks for those who are loving and kind...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, WE GIVE YOU PRAISE.

L: We give thanks for those who serve and lead us in our journeys of faith...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, WE GIVE YOU PRAISE.

L: We give thanks for this earth and its' bounty...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, WE GIVE YOU PRAISE.

L: We give thanks for Christ's grace in our lives, and for the presence of God in our world...

P: GOD OF LOVE AND POWER, WE GIVE YOU PRAISE.

L: God of love and power, continue to hear our prayers each day as we raise our thoughts and our voices to you.

P: AMEN.

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

Rachael Samford

A MOMENT OF PERSONAL WITNESS

Jenny Bumgarner

"The Power of Prayer in My Life"

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

WITNESS TO THE WORD:

Rev. Kim Eanes

SONG OF PRAISE

I Have This Hope

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE

It Is Well

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

*Please stand as you are able

WORSHIP SERIES FOR NOVEMBER

Do you remember the vows you took when you became a United Methodist? Depending upon what year it was, you took vows promising to give your prayers, your presence, your gifts, and your service to the United Methodist Church. And if you took those vows in more recent years, you also promised to give your "witness" to the UMC. Beginning on Sunday, October 25th, and continuing on throughout the month of November, we will be re-examining those membership vows we took - not only in regard to what they mean personally TO us and FOR others, but also in conjunction with what those vows mean in regard to our STEWARDSHIP. Please join us for this enlightening worship series as we study the Word, listen to personal witnesses by fellow members, celebrate our vows through song, and re-commit our lives through prayer.

VESPERS

Vespers is a sunset evening prayer service. We gather every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm in the Ministry Center. Casual attire is encouraged. Face coverings are required. And social distancing is practiced. Each service lasts about 30 minutes and includes opportunities for song, Scripture, prayer, and quiet reflection. Please join us!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

In this morning's worship (Oct. 25th) we will announce the winners of our Pumpkin Painting Contest. There will be one youth winner and one children's winner! The winner will receive their choice of a \$10 Menchie's or Starbucks gift card!

TRUNK OR TREAT is tonight, from 5pm-6pm in the back parking lot of the church! Make sure you wear your costume and receive a treat from each decorated trunk! If you would like to provide a "trunk", please email Rachael at rachael@lexumcsc.com. A huge thanks to all of those who have already signed up to host! **We would like to have 8 more volunteers to make it a full event!** Trunk hosts are asked to provide your own candy and then pass the candy out individually to each "treater"! This way we can practice the "safest" party possible! Also, there will be supplemental candy available and blue pumpkin items. If you would still like to donate candy, please drop it off in the bins by the gym entrance or the front office entrance. Thank you!

LUMC PRESCHOOL NEWS

The **Butter Braid Fundraiser began last Sun., Oct. 18th and ends this Tues., Nov. 3rd.** You can order and pay online by going to the church website at www.lexumcsc.com. Click on the words "outreach" and then "preschool".

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Did you know that LUMC has a Prayer Shawl Ministry! Today, Oct. 25th, we will be "blessing" 75 new prayer shawls which have been made over the past several months. These prayer shawls are available for distribution to ANYONE in need - friends, neighbors, family - they do NOT have to be

LUMC members to receive a prayer shawl! Prayer shawls are located in the parlor, and you are invited to choose one, and then "record your selection" on the clipboard provided. Please be sure to record your selection as our Prayer Shawl Committee likes to "track" where and to whom each prayer shawl has been delivered! Let's take advantage of this beautiful ministry geared to "wrap up in love" those who are in need!

MISSION LEXINGTON

HOLIDAY MEALS

Mission Lexington is collecting for our neighbors in crisis for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Donations will be accepted now through **Dec. 7th**. You will find donation barrels outside of Wesley Hall and the main office. Feel free to add a personal note or prayer for the family. 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. Questions? Please contact Sammie Brown at 803-351-0784 or sbrown8885@sc.rr.com.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, Nov. 9th 2-7pm in Asbury Hall. Visit www.redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment, (Code: lexingtonumc) or please

call: 1-800-RED CROSS. You may also walk-in. Thank you for your donation!

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your assistance! We are in need of a few ushers for both our 9am and 11am worship services. The more ushers we have, the better "rotational schedule" we can practice! Ushers duties include: a verbal greeting to worshipers as they arrive; monitoring mask usage and distributing masks when needed; receiving the Sunday offering by taking the baskets to seated worshipers. Additionally, we are in need of Multi-media volunteers for both the 9am and the 11am worship services. Multi-media volunteers will be trained by current multi-media team members. And again, the more volunteers we have, the better rotational schedule we can practice! Please let Pastor Kim know if you can serve in one or both of these vital roles!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are available outside of Wesley Hall and the Main Office. This seasonal ministry is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse and provides an opportunity to "live God's Word and share God's love" with children in need around the world. Sending an Operation Christmas Child shoebox is as easy as packing a shoebox with small gifts that will delight children and bring them a message of hope. And with the coronavirus pandemic, children need to feel love and hope more than ever. The label necessary for each box can be found inside the individual boxes, and should be

attached to the outside of the box upon completion. Additionally, a \$9 check "for shipping" should be included in the box. Please return your box(es) to the church by **Tuesday, November 10th!** Thank you!

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.

Ushers: John Cooper, Rick & Stephanie Thain

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

7:00am Centering Prayer (MC106)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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

10:00am Preschool Butter Braid Fundraiser (Wesley)

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

2:00pm Charge Conference (Wesley Hall)

Most Recent Stewardship Figures:

Our Presence

9:00am (Traditional)	68
11:00am (Contemporary)	25
Viewed live online (Traditional)	40
Viewed live online (Contemporary)	13
Views (Traditional)	177
Views (Contemporary)	34
Vespers	<u>12</u>
Total:	369

Our Gifts as of Oct. 18, 2020:

Received:	\$14,581
Needed Weekly	\$20,616
Budget Goal to date	\$845,256
Expenses to date	\$709,547
Receipts to date	\$705,685
Over/Under (revenue vs. expenses)	-\$3,862

Our Service

OUR CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

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

10:00am Preschool Butter Braid Fundraiser (Wesley)

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

5:00pm Trunk or Treat (Playground Parking Lot)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

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

6:30pm Worship Band Practice (Wesley Hall)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

9:30am Preschool Fall Festival (Wesley Hall)

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

5:30pm Al-Anon (MC106)

7:00pm Boyscout Meetings (MC downstairs)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

9:30am Preschool Fall Festival (Wesley Hall)

6:30pm Vespers Service (Wesley Hall)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

A.L. George Circle Annual Pecan Sale

This year’s sale will look a little “different” – we will be selling online, as well as through several designated drive-thru opportunities! There is a slight increase in cost this year - \$11.00 per bag. Please remember, however, that all sales go toward supporting our various UMW Mission causes. Thank you for supporting our LUMC UMW, and please consult the church calendar for “sales times”.

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.

Angel Tree - Outreach

The LUMC Outreach Committee is looking for an individual to coordinate our Angel Tree Seasonal Mission Opportunity. The LUMC Angel Tree Mission provides gifts for children with an incarcerated parent. LUMC has been sponsoring this vital ministry for many years. If you would be interested in serving as Coordinator, please contact Lynn Brewer at: brewer_lynn@hotmail.com or 803/422-8217. Lynn will provide all of the details to guide you through the planning and implementation process of this beautiful ministry/outreach opportunity.