

“Making disciples for the transformation of the World”

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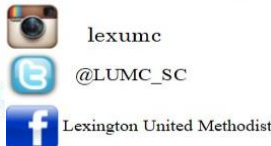
November 8, 2020

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 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00AM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

US Armed Services Medley
Mary Hazelton

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively):

L: Once upon a time, a wise man offered a challenge:

What is the greatest commandment?

**P: THE CALENDARS ON OUR DESKS SHARE A VISION OF GREATNESS;
BILLS TO PAY, PHONE CALLS TO RETURN, APPOINTMENTS TO
KEEP...**

L: But the "servant answer" is: Love the Lord your God.

**P: THE CAMERAS OF OUR MEMORIES SHARE WHAT COMMANDS US;
CHILDREN TO BATHE AND PARTNERS TO HELP;
PARENTS TO CALL AND GRANDCHILDREN IN NEED...**

L: But the "servant answer" is: Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your mind.

**P: STILL THE SPIRIT LURES US TO NEW PRIORITIES;
OPEN SPACES TO EXPERIENCE WONDER;
STRANGERS BECOMING FRIENDS;
DEVOTION TO ALL THAT IS HOLY...**

L: So the "servant answer" is: Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all
your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself.

P: AND SO WE OFFER THIS ANSWER ... TO SERVE! AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE #2243** We All Are One in Mission

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:

Galatians 6:2-10

PERSONAL WITNESS ABOUT STEWARDSHIP (Service)

Terrie Morrison

ANTHEM Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Young

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

Lori Meyers

***GOSPEL LESSON** Matthew 22:34-40

***GLORIA PATRI #70**

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER
AND TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY
GHOST;
AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW,
AND EVER SHALL BE,
WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN. AMEN.

WITNESS TO THE WORD:

In the Interest of Others
Rev. Kim Eanes

***SONG OF PRAISE #530** Are Ye Able

OFFERTORY Christ Beside Me
Gaelic Melody

***THE DOXOLOGY #95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below; praise
Him above, ye Heavenly Host; praise Father,
Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER,
THE LORD'S PRAYER #895
CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE #670**

Go Forth for God

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE** I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me
African American Spiritual

*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. We began on Sunday, October 25th, and will continue 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 Sanctuary. Casual attire is encouraged. Face coverings are required & social distancing is practiced. Each service lasts about 30 minutes & includes opportunities for

song, Scripture, prayer, and quiet reflection. Please join us!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Mark your calendars! The Bibles are in, and we are so excited to pass them out to your children on Sunday, **Nov. 29th** for the 2nd grade Bible ceremony.

For the month of November, the youth group will meet at the church from 4:30pm till 6pm outside. Please bring a tailgate chair. Each week we will focus on a different mission opportunity! There will be no youth on Sunday, **November 29th** in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday!

LUMC PRESCHOOL NEWS

The Butter Braids are here! If you participated in the Preschool's Butter Braid Fundraiser, we thank you! Please pick up your bread **today** after the 9a service in Wesley Hall.

If you are a parent of a one year old and are interested in starting your child in Preschool, we have good news for you! We are starting this class in January 2021! The one year old students will attend on Mondays and Wednesdays of each week. The monthly tuition is \$120 & there's a one-time registration fee of \$125. All church members get a 10% discount on tuition. This class is open to church members and all others in our community, so share this with your friends. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Jenny Kennedy, the Preschool Director: 803-359-6838 ext. 107 or jenny@lexumcsc.com.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross Blood Drive is **tomorrow, November 9th** from **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!

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 **this Tuesday, November 10th!** Thank you!

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.

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!

SAFETY FIRST!

Friendly Reminder! Please continue to wear a mask (covering your nose and mouth) during all activities held at the church. Let's help to keep our congregation safe!

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:

<u>Our Presence</u>	
9:00am (Traditional)	65
11:00am (Contemporary)	21
Viewed live online (Traditional)	35
Viewed live online (Contemporary)	9
Views (Traditional)	207
Views (Contemporary)	77
Vespers	<u>12</u>
Total:	426

Our Gifts as of Nov. 1, 2020:

Received:	\$24,766
Needed Weekly	\$20,616
Budget Goal to date	\$886,488
Expenses to date	\$738,557
Receipts to date	\$744,156
Over/Under (revenue vs. expenses)	\$5,599

Our Service

Ushers:
Rick & Stephanie Thain

John Cooper,

OUR CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

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

10:00am Preschool Butter Braid Pickup (Wesley Hall)

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

4:30pm Youth Group (outside by the playground)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

2:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive (Asbury Hall)

6:30pm Worship Band Practice (Wesley Hall)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

11:00am Staff Meeting (Asbury Hall)

5:30pm Al-Anon (MC106)

7:00pm Boy Scout Meetings (MC downstairs)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

6:30pm Vespers Service (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

6:15pm Girl Scout Troop 2207-Lisa Gaherty(Rm 209)

6:30pm Girl Scout Troop1688-Amy Durso (Rm 204)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

7:00am Centering Prayer (MC106)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

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

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

2:00pm Charge Conference (Wesley Hall)

4:30pm Youth Group (outside by the playground)

Make Christmas Merry!

There are at least **3 opportunities** for our members to brighten the Christmas season for children who are less fortunate.

The **Angel Wish** Mission is a chance to provide a gift to children who have an incarcerated parent. Rachel and Matt Buchanan are coordinating the Angel Tree Mission for LUMC. Be on the lookout for information on how you can participate in the Angel Tree Mission.

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Samaritan's Purse **Shoebox** Mission is coming to a close soon! Shoeboxes can still be picked up at the church and filled with items for a child of a specific age and then returned to church - but the deadline is **this Tuesday, November 10th**. So please get your Mission gifts in soon! Thank you!

Please participate in one, two, or all three of these opportunities.

Snack Sack

School is now in full swing and we are feeding 500+ students again this year. Harvest Hope has delivered our inventory of food for the month of

November. 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.