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BLESSING BOX UPDATE

We are low on food for our Blessing Box. Please donate any of these items: Canned meats, canned fruits or vegetables, instant oatmeal or grits, cheese or saltine crackers, individually packed cereal, Pop-Tarts, cereal bars and Ramen noodles. Bring the food to church and leave in the donation carts in the foyer of the Ministry Center. We have numerous families that depend on our food on a daily basis. We thank you for your support of this vital Ministry.

HERE FOR YOU

We don't have to look very far either in the news headlines we read on our computer screens and/or the news reports we hear over our television speakers, to become aware of the drastic toll the ongoing coronavirus pandemic is taking on the mental and emotional health of so many individuals.

Remote learning, social isolation, constant anxiety over health issues, boredom, lack of hope - all of these issues and so many more are valid reasons for people to feel depressed, discouraged, and possibly even in total despair!

Do you need to talk? Please know that, as your pastor, I am easily available to you and I am very willing to listen. And while I may not be a "licensed" therapist, I do have a seminary degree in pastoral care and counseling (my Master's Thesis was in this very arena).

So if you are looking for someone who is open to listening; if you are in need of a spiritual guide to offer a word of hope and promise; and/or if you simply need to "vent" to someone else beyond the circle of your closest friends and family members, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I am here for you. I am available to you. And I can offer a confidential setting for us to talk. Please feel free to call me and we'll make time to talk. Pastor Kim - 843/685-3659.

SMALL GROUPS

A Shake Up of Your Lenten Season on **Mondays** beginning **February 22nd**.

A Lenten Study of Jesus' Last Words on **Thursdays**, beginning **February 18th**.

Both of these 6 week studies are led by Pastor Kim. Due to continued safety and health concerns amidst the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, these studies will be made available virtually only. Each week's lessons will be posted every Monday, beginning February

22nd, and every Thursday, beginning February 18th and will be available for you to view at your leisure throughout the entire Lenten season. For inquiries or further questions, please contact Pastor Kim.

Starting on **Ash Wednesday February 17th**, Pastor Jim will be leading a small group Lenten study on the Apostles' Creed. This will be a six week virtual Zoom study from 10 to 11am every Wednesday morning.

Pastor Elizabeth will be teaching a 5-week Lenten study on **Monday** nights at **7pm** from **February 22nd** until **March 29th** (no class March 8th). This will be a contemplative study guided by the book, **Walking in the Wilderness** by Beth Richardson. Purchase of the book is not mandatory, but it can complement the study as a daily companion.

KIDZWAY (PREK - 3RD)

Volunteers are needed to help with assembling our Lent/Holy Week at-home materials. We're hoping to get them assembled this week. If you are willing and able to help, please come this Wednesday, Feb. 10th between 10am and 1pm. For more info, contact Heather Connor at 803-359-6838 ext. 103 or heather@lexumcsc.com

Saturday, February 27th from 10am-11:30am we will have our KidzWay Playdate on the LUMC Preschool playground.

Our weekly YouTube videos will continue on Sunday mornings; offering a short lesson that is also the lesson we are doing in-person in children's church at 9am. I hope you can join us! We are doing some fun and exciting things!

BREAKOUT (4TH/5TH GRADE)

Our next Breakout Zoom meeting is **Wednesday, February 10th at 6:30pm**. We will NOT have a zoom meeting on February 17th, Ash Wednesday, as we hope you will participate in either the drive thru imposition of ashes or the service at 6:30pm in Wesley Hall.

Topic: Breakout Zoom
Time: February 10, 2021 6:30pm
<https://zoom.us/j/91869246149?pwd=eTc2Z2VlQ3JuZHp2Mkt0b05wRE9XZz09>
Meeting ID: 918 6924 6149
Passcode: pXT31p

Friday, February 26th from 3:45-5pm we will have our Breakout Meet Up at the church, outside, near the preschool playground. Remember to bring your filled snowman back for Arc of the Midlands!

Our YouTube videos are for you too! Take time to do the wondering questions together with your family. Read the scripture that goes with the story and take time to grow with God in 2021.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth group resumes **tonight, February 7th**, and will meet every Sunday afternoon from **4:30-6pm** outside by the playground. Bring a tailgate chair, your mask, and your bible!

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Today, February 7th, the youth will be standing at the entrance at the 9a service to collect money and food for Souper Bowl of Caring. Through this mission, young people learn to make a positive difference in the world as they collect food, raise money and serve at hunger-relief charities and show caring and compassion in local communities across the country. Share in God's love for our neighbors in need and give generously today on Super Bowl Sunday. 100% of every dollar or food item collected will go directly to benefit our Snack Sack Ministry.

SNACK SACK UPDATE

Snack Sack continues to be fluid. In-school classes vary from week to week. We are currently feeding over 500 students in 8 schools. We thank you for your continued support of our Snack Sack Ministry.