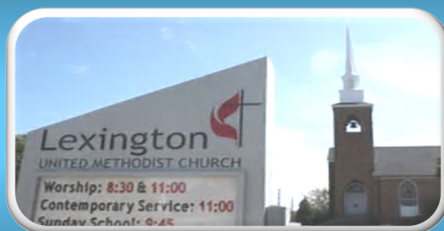




Lexington UMC
Household of Faith



Living God's Word~
Sharing God's Love



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FROM OUR
PASTOR

AN ENDLESS REMINDER OF UNLIMITED LOVE!

Some of you are aware that back in January of this year, I lost my little canine companion of 15 years to old age and an expired heart. While I miss her daily, I am extremely grateful for the 15 years, 4 months and 7 days of life, love and adventure we shared (but who's counting, right?)!

Interestingly enough, at the beginning of this year, I also started a new devotional resource entitled, "Paws to Reflect - 365 Devotions for the Animal Lover's Soul". While I most certainly have a partiality to dogs, this devotional resource has many beautiful stories about all kinds of animals - dogs, cats, birds, deer, fish, lizards, and roosters ... yes, even roosters!

A recent selection I enjoyed from that book contained a story from the author about a certain rooster - a rooster who had "no sense of time". The storyteller shared that that rooster would crow "whenever for whatever reason" - morning, noon, or night!

By the time you will be reading this article, we will have already heard a story, during our Maundy Thursday worship service, about a rooster - a rooster in fact, who had a very good sense of timing! If you recall from the account recorded in John's Gospel of the discussion between disciple Peter and the Lord, Peter had already promised Jesus that he would always love him and stand by him ... no matter what!

But Jesus knew better, of course, and thus Jesus told Peter that before all hell broke loose and all heaven broke in, Peter would deny him three times ... before the rooster crowed. And sure enough, that's exactly how the whole scene in the courtyard unfolded. Following Jesus' arrest in the garden, after all of the disciples had fled for safety and Jesus had been taken away to be tried by crooked accusers, Peter went to the courtyard outside the place where Jesus was being held, in order to get a better view of all that was happening to his Lord. When Peter was asked by one of the onlookers ... "weren't you one of his disciples?"... Peter responded "no" three times. And that infamous screeching cry of the rooster immediately filled the night sky as it simultaneously pierced Peter's heart.

In the upcoming season of Eastertide which we are fast approaching, we will reconnect with those multiple stories of Jesus' post-resurrection appearances. If you recall from those Scripture accounts, over that 40 days which Jesus spent reappearing to Peter and the others after his resurrection, Jesus was not in the form of a ghost; nor was Jesus simply a "memory"; nor was Jesus "merely a dream". Rather, Jesus walked around, in eternal life, here on earth! And while he was walking around visiting with old friends, Jesus also gave Peter another chance to keep that original promise Peter had made to Jesus. For the same amount of times (3) Peter had said "no" to his affiliation with Jesus, Peter then got to say "yes" to Jesus after the resurrection! "Yes, Lord, I love you" ... was the exact phrase, which Peter repeated three times over ... and this time ... he meant it from the heart!

You know, each and every one of us makes mistakes ... many times over and way more than three! Some of us have made mistakes in the past that seem absolutely unimaginable now, and there is no way we can "undo" them. But God can! Because, as we know from the resurrection, God makes all things new! When we let God tell God's version of our story, it always has a "resurrection plot". And that storyline alone - that affirmation of endless and unlimited love - is all the assurance we need to continue committing our lives, and our love, to our glorious Savior!

In love and service

- Pastor Kim

Willing to Listen...

Need a listening ear? Need a place to "vent"? Need a shoulder to cry on? The "past year of pandemic" has been extremely tough on everyone - physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually! Remote learning, social isolation, constant anxiety over health concerns, boredom, lack of hope - all of these issues are valid reasons for folks to feel depressed, discouraged, and in deep despair. If you are in need of someone who is willing to listen; if you are in need of spiritual guidance and/or a word of encouragement; if you simply need to "vent" to someone "outside" of the circle of your closest friends and family members, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am here to serve you. And I can promise to offer you a confidential setting in which to share. My cell number is: 843/685-3659. You are invited to call anytime. - Pastor Kim

CONTINUING TO STAY CONNECTED

As the vaccinations become more abundant and as the "infection rate" decreases, I want to extend an invitation to anyone and everyone in the LUMC family of faith to contact me to schedule some fellowship/sharing time together!

I would very much enjoy meeting with you in your home or at the church office! Of course, these visits must be on your comfortability level and on your schedule, so please contact me at your convenience to set up a time for visiting and conversation. As a reminder, for the safety of all members of our family of faith, mask wearing is required for all gatherings at the church. As well, I am quite happy to "mask up" if you would prefer to visit together in your home. I appreciate fresh air and beautiful views so if you'd like to share a conversation on your front porch or back deck, that's a wonderful plan as well!

I look forward to getting to know you better! My cell number is 843/685-3659. Please call me anytime and if I don't answer, please leave your name and number so that I can return your call! Hope to hear from you - and see you, soon!

- Pastor Kim

SOUND BOOTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

As we transition back into our three service Worship schedule, we continue to be in need of additional volunteers to be trained and serve on our Sound Board Team. We would like to offer all Sound Board volunteers a rotational schedule for their service, but we can't do that without more volunteers! We are in need of at least one volunteer for the 8:30am Worship service, to run lights and microphones. And we need at least two new volunteers for the 10am and 11:15am Worship services, to run lights, video, microphones and live stream. If you are interested in being trained to serve as a Sound Board volunteer, please contact Pastor Kim, Tanya Gardner, Ronnie Gibson, or Craig Ness.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

THANK YOU SO MUCH TO OUR "COVID DISINFECTION TEAM" WHO SERVES OUR LUMC FAMILY EVERY SUNDAY BY SPRAYING DOWN ALL OF THE SURFACES IN OUR MINISTRY CENTER IN ORDER THAT WE MAY STAY SAFE, HEALTHY, AND COVID FREE!

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO CONTINUE TO STOCK AND RE-STOCK OUR BLESSING BOX SO THAT OUR LEXINGTON COMMUNITY KNOWS THAT "WE CARE"! WE APPRECIATE THE COMMITMENT AND THE CONSISTENCY OF YOUR SERVICE!

THANK YOU TO OUR ALTAR DISPLAY COMMITTEE WHO CONTINUES TO BEAUTIFY OUR ALTAR WEEKLY WITH SYMBOLS OF FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE! THANK YOU FOR MAKING SURE WE ARE "SETTING OUR EYES ON ALL THINGS HOLY" AS WE WORSHIP TOGETHER!

THANK YOU TO OUR TRADITIONAL MUSIC TEAM WHO WILLINGLY LEADS US IN OUR BELOVED HYMNS EVERY SUNDAY, AS WELL AS BLESSING US WITH BEAUTIFUL ANTHEMS EACH WEEK! WE APPRECIATE YOU AND THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR GIFTS!

THANK YOU TO OUR SANCTUARY STEWARDS WHO "SHOW UP" DILIGENTLY EVERY TIME YOU ARE CALLED UPON TO MAKE SURE THE TASKS AND DUTIES OF OUR SPECIAL WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS ARE FULFILLED REVERENTLY AND ON SCHEDULE!

THANK YOU TO OUR SOUND BOARD TEAM WHO SHARES THEIR TIME, ENERGY, AND SKILLS EVERY WEEK IN BRINGING US A DIGITAL WORSHIP EXPERIENCE THAT IS CUTTING EDGE AND TROUBLE FREE! WE APPRECIATE YOUR EXPERTISE AND YOUR COMMITMENT!

THANK YOU TO OUR GRACE STATION MUSIC TEAM WHO PRESENTS A SPIRITED AND INSPIRED PRAISE AND WORSHIP EXPERIENCE EVERY SUNDAY MORNING! WE LOVE YOU AND WE ARE UPLIFTED BY THE TALENTS YOU SHARE!

WE THANK ALL OF THESE VOLUNTEERS AS WELL AS THE MANY OTHER "BEHIND THE SCENES" SERVANTS WHO GIVE OF THEIR TIME AND ENERGY AND SPIRIT TO KEEP OUR LUMC MINISTRY GOING STRONG!

WELL DONE ... GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANTS!



As most of you know, Bill Bodie was seriously ill with Guillain Barre' Syndrome in September and October. He survived! His recovery was very slow in the beginning, but for the last 2 months he has seen rapid improvement, and is now walking 2 miles a day and is allowed to drive. He says he feels he is about 95% recovered. We thank God for Bill's healing, and we thank you at LUMC for all the concern and support for us during these past few months. The gifts, cards, calls, prayer shawl, porch visits, and especially your prayers have been a blessing for us.

We sincerely thank you!

Bill and Barbara Bodie

Thanks for all the cards and especially the prayers during my recent surgery.

Brenda Manus



Dear LUMC family,

Thank you for all of your heartfelt condolences and support after the death of my Mother, Carol Burner. We felt comforted by all the kindness and shared by everyone; we are very grateful.

With love and thanks,

Tom and Celeste
Burner

I want to thank my church family for all your prayers and love in the death of my husband, Frank Macaulay. I deeply appreciate your contributions to Lexington United Methodist memorial fund for Frank also.

May God bless you all!

Deryl Macaulay

COMMUNICATION IS KEY!

A ministry resource all clergy of the Columbia District of the UMC were required to read in preparation for our February District Clergy gathering was entitled: "The Post Quarantine Church" by author Thom S. Rainer.

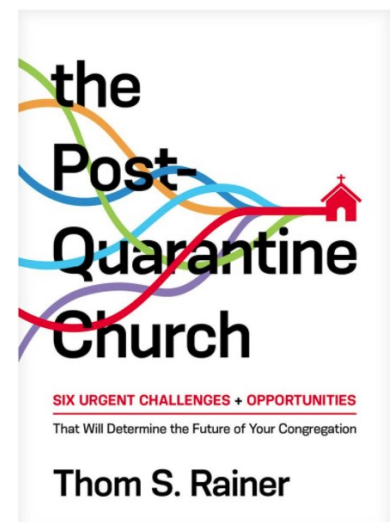
In a chapter of that book entitled "Make Lasting Changes That Will Make A Difference", Rainier talks about the importance of communication. The author writes: "Communication is vital in any period of change ... but the church is entering a new era, a time that can be both confusing and intimidating. There is greater uncertainty now about the future of local congregations ... Every church needs to update its' approach. Every church needs assurance that the changes underway are for the better. Every church needs to know the direction they are headed. Communication must come from the pulpit; from the church's website; from social media; from newsletters; from informal conversations; from meetings. Repeat. And repeat again. Simply stated, there is no such thing as over communication in changing times. Good communication is one of the primary traits needed ... this trait will be invaluable in the post-quarantine church".

In thinking about Rainer's words, I am reflecting upon the efforts we have made over the past several months to provide the "best communication possible" throughout the LUMC community. At LUMC, we publicize our activities through weekly bulletin announcements, website posts, social media blurbs, congregational email blasts, as well as monthly newsletter articles. In addition to these, we hope to begin a new community phone chain communication system very soon!

So we need your input and feedback! If you feel that you are "missing out" on some of the communication we are sharing throughout the LUMC community; if you feel that there is too much or too little communication; and/or if you have suggestions you would like to make for even "better" communication among our family of faith, please share it! You are invited to email or call Pastor Kim with your feedback/input!

I look forward to communicating with you soon!

- Pastor Kim



IN PERSON SMALL GROUP STUDY

Three women named Mary - most of us have met them before. All three have had life changing, personal encounters with Jesus.

Mary of Bethany prepared the way for the Lord's burial when she anointed his feet and filled the air with her perfume.

Jesus' mother, Mary of Nazareth remained by her Son's side from His first breath to His last, her loyalty unwavering.

And Mary Magdalene, delivered from seven demons, bravely supported the Teacher through His darkest hours, before proclaiming to everyone who would hear, the glorious news of His resurrection!

You are invited to come and get re-acquainted with this astounding trio of female witnesses, as we examine their individual interactions with the Lord ... experiences which not only strengthened their faith, but also inspired them to become Good News followers of Jesus Christ!

Women of Easter Small Group Study will be led by Pastor Kim. We will begin on Wednesday, April 7th at 10:30am and meet weekly. This is an in-person Study so mask wearing is required. Our Study location will be announced prior to our first class! Hope to see you there!

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU FROM LAKE JUNALUSKA MINISTRIES

You are invited to Lake Junaluska's Festival of Wisdom And Grace - A Conference for Finding Purpose and Renewal in the Second Half of Life.

The theme of this Conference, to be held August 2-5, 2021 is: Living Abundantly in the Second Half of Life!
The Conference will be held on the grounds of Lake Junaluska.

So ... how do we flourish as we age? How do we navigate transitions, live into our talents and passions, cultivate our relationship with Christ, engage topics that matter with courage and conviction, and care for our loved ones struggling with memory loss? At this Conference, world class speakers and national leaders will address these topics, along with offering strategies for how to live abundantly in the second half of life.

"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" - John 10:10.

For registration, lodging, and meal questions, contact:
reservations@lakejunaluska.com or 800/222-4930

For Program questions, contact:
Tammy McDowell
tmcdowell@lakejunaluska.com or 828/454-6681.

Book now!!!

April 2021

April Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4 Holy Week Bingo! Holy Week Chalk Mural 7:00 AM Easter Sunday-Sunrise Service 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM Traditional Worship Service 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM Youth Group Meeting</p>	<p>5 Pastor Kim's Virtual Lenten Study-Easter Earthquake Spring Break-No Preschool No Preschool</p>	<p>6 Spring Break-No Preschool 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Al-Anon 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Boy Scout Meetings</p>	<p>7 Spring Break-No Preschool 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Women of Easter Study-in person 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Traditional Music Team Planning 6:30 PM - 7:15 PM Vespers Service</p>	<p>8 Jesus' Last Words Virtual Study Hosted by Pastor Kim-online Spring Break-No Preschool 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Line Dancing 6:15 PM - 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 2207-Lisa Gabhery 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 1688-Amy Durso</p>	<p>9 Spring Break-No Preschool 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Centering Prayer 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Invitation to the Old Testament 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Worship Band Practice</p>	<p>10 Holy Saturday Holy Week Bingo! Holy Week Chalk Mural Self Service Stations of the Cross Mural Self Service Stations of the Cross 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM BreakOut Kidz Resurrection Garder Project</p>
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Lexington United Methodist Preschool

**SUMMER CAMPS 2021**

Dates: June 7th- 10th (Zoo Animals)
June 14th-17th (Beach)
July 12th – 15th (Camping)
July 26th – 29th (Sports)

Cost: \$85.00 per week

Time: 9:00am – 12 Noon

Ages: 1year old and walking – 5 years old

Place: Lexington United Methodist Preschool
309 E. Main Street, Lexington, SC 29072

Temperature will be checked at the drop off. Masks are not required for students.

*Online Enrollment:
Use QR Code for registration*



Or on our website: <https://www.lexumcsc.com/lumc-preschool/>
Space is limited, being enrolled in the preschool is not a requirement to come.



A big thank you for the church members that participated in the Cookie Dough Fundraiser!
The preschool sold over \$5,500 worth!! Congratulations to our highest seller **Celeste Brown!**

Also thank you for those that donated plastic Easter eggs for the preschool. Our students had a blast at our egg hunt! Each student went home with a goodie bag and book titled Wake up - It's Easter. Jesus has Risen!

We are always in need of disinfecting wipes, baby wipes, copy paper, fruit snacks, goldfish, and cheese crackers if you would like to drop them by the office! Or you can donate something to us off our [Amazon Wish List!](#)

We have limited spots left for the 2021-2022 school year!

All LUMC members receive a 10% discount on tuition!

Classes are filling up fast so be sure to sign up!

Tours are available by emailing Lindsey at

lindsey@lexumcsc.com or calling the preschool office at

803-359-6839 ext. 107.

[Click here to register](#) online.

Monthly Tuition Fees 2021-2021:

2 day 1's: Mon/Wed or Tue/Thur \$125/month (must be 1 & walking by 9/1/21)

4 day 1's: Mon-Thur \$175/month (must be 1 & walking by 9/1/21)

2 day 2's and 2 ½'s: Mon/Wed or Tue/Thur \$125/month (must be 2 by 9/1/21)

4 day 2's and 2 ½'s: Mon-Thur \$175/month (must be 2 by 9/1/21)

3's classes are full

4 day 4's: Mon-Thur \$175/month (must be 4 by 9/1/21)

5 day 4's: Mon-Fri \$200/month (must be 4 by 9/1/21)

LUMC Children's Ministry

Join us in person during the 10am & 11:15am worship service for children's church.

Family playdate at Virginia Hylton Park on **Saturday, April 17th from 1-3pm!** Come enjoy some family time at the park with other LUMC families. PLUS, pick up your coloring booklet in celebration of Earth Day on April 22nd!

Breakout (4th/5th)

Be on the lookout for an email with your Psalm devotional information for Maundy Thursday, Holy Friday and Easter Morning!

Our Resurrection Garden Project is this Saturday, April 3rd at 2:30pm, outside, near the preschool playground. Sign up [here](#). The last day to sign up is April 1st!



There will be no Zoom meeting on April 6th, the week of spring break or Tuesday, April 20th. We will resume our zooms with a game night on April 13th at 6:30pm and a brief lesson on April 27th.

Breakout and Middle School youth will do a community cleanup project in small groups on April 24th at 1pm to celebrate Earth Day. Watch your email for details!

Check out these adorable pictures from our Palm Sunday Egg Hunt!



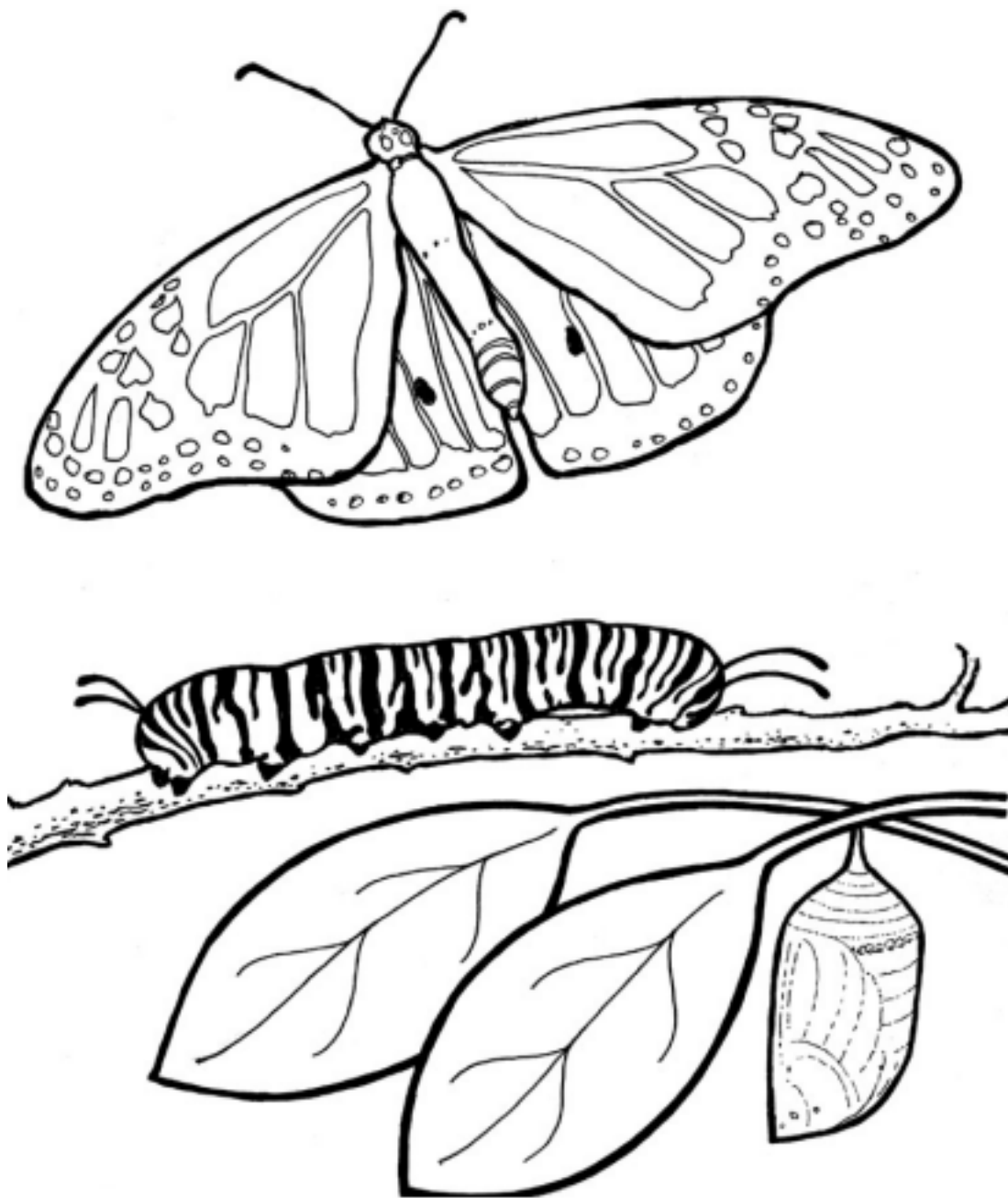


God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made.

Believe

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made...

(Romans 1:20)



God's beauty is revealed to us in the things God created.

Thanks to our youth group for packing 500 bags for our Wesley Foundation students across South Carolina. There are 9 colleges in South Carolina that have a Methodist campus ministry presence. On Sunday, March 21st, our kids got to learn about what it means to be involved in campus ministry in college (thanks, Thomas Walsh!) and to send a little love around.

We hope the college kids at USC, Clemson, Lander, College of Charleston/Citadel, Coastal Carolina, Winthrop, Claflin/State, Furman, and Francis Marion feel loved!!!! ♥



After spring break, the youth will focus more on fellowship and devotion time together after a successful Lenten study.

Be on the lookout for specifics from Elizabeth for the afternoons of April 18th, 25th, May 2nd, and 16th. There will be no youth on Sunday, May 9th in observance of Mother's Day.

May 16th will be our last spring activity until the summer!!

Blessings During Covid

This has been a difficult year for so many of our congregational family and their extended families. The Lord provides blessings even during difficult times. Sometimes circumstances will not allow things to be as they were planned or persons are unable to do what they had intended. When those times occur, the Lord provides a way. There is a wonderful and recognizable blessing in that alone...The Lord provides a way...The Lord is with us.

We are blessed with those who serve when others cannot. We are blessed to have a staff and leadership that makes the best of our worship times under necessary restrictions. We are thankful for our Trustees and other leaders who work to keep our church worship possible under restricted guidelines. We are thankful for our pastor, Rev. Kim, who works to make our worship times as familiar as possible for those who normally worship in the Sanctuary as well as in Anew.

During our Lenten Season and especially during Holy Week, Rev. Kim wanted to provide another opportunity for Anew Stewards and Sanctuary Stewards to work together in making preparations. We are blessed to have Celeste Burner who has done a wonderful job preparing the Anew altar table over these months to a year. Celeste was given guidance by Susan Mitton who has health issues and has not been able to perform her usual and worshipful preparations for the altar table. Normally our Sanctuary Stewards perform weekly duties in preparing the Sanctuary for worship. They work in teams of 2 for a month at a time. Reverend Kim is sensitive to this and wanted to include some of our Sanctuary Stewards because they are still needed even though not in the same capacity.

There are currently 18 Sanctuary Stewards, 4 alternates and 2 Communion Stewards. Some of our Stewards have health concerns and are not able to currently participate, but others have volunteered to assist with the Holy Week services:

- *Julia Johnson took the responsibility of placing the palms for Palm Sunday.
- * Sanctuary Communion Steward, Loretta Jackson, is always faithful in following her mother who served in this capacity many years ago. Loretta volunteered to assist with Holy Thursday Communion.
- * Vicki Boylston and Susan Matthews agreed to assist with the stripping of the altar table items as part of the Good Friday service.
- *Daisy Hicks and Susan Matthews volunteered to remove the stamens from the Easter Lilies and work with Celeste in the placement of those for the Easter Service.
- *Although Jim and Shirley Gregory are not part of our Sanctuary Stewards, they are honored for their service. As always they made a cross available for Easter Sunday flower placements. Worshipers bring flowers to place on the cross to shout the beauty of our Lord Jesus Christ's Resurrection. This year being different with Covid requirements, the cross for attaching the flowers was placed on the porch of the Ministry Center instead of using the outside cross off Hwy. 1.

We are so thankful for those who provide service in whatever manner they are called. Since our Sanctuary Steward list will need expansion when we return to the Sanctuary due to continued health concerns, please be attune to God's calling. Maybe you are one of those the Lord will call to give this service. A lot of those currently serving as Sanctuary Stewards are of the older age bracket. We always need to continue service with those who are younger and can give continued life to this ministry. You can contact Connie Brock Co-Ordinator/Communicator 803 359-9172 or cibrock@windstream.net or cibrock@charter.net.

At the end of March, all Snack Sack invoices were paid. But, we will need to raise additional funds to cover the purchase of food for April and May. With our Snack Sack Ministry, we are currently feeding 350 to 400 students. In January, we restarted our High School program feeding students through the Athletic Departments of both Pelion and White Knoll High Schools. Currently, we're feeding 1500 to 2000 students per week with in-person learning.



Individual	Individual
Apple Sauce	Instant Oatmeal
Cereal Bars	Individual Grits
Bottled Water (8oz.)	Individual Cereal Boxes
Fruit Cups	Raisins
Juice Boxes	Pudding Cups
Ravioli (Canned Meat)	Peanut Butter Crackers
Ramen Noodles	Snack Crackers
\$\$\$	Granola Bars

Our Blessing Boxes are on Fort Street on the wall of the church kitchen and in front of White Knoll High School at the Athletic Field entrance. The Blessing Boxes have been subsidized by the Snack Sack Funds during Covid-19. We spend approximately \$100.00 per box per week to load the boxes twice each week. **WE NOW NEED TO LOAD BOTH BOXES THREE TIMES EACH WEEK TO MATCH THE NEEDS.**

We will need approximately \$25,000 to purchase necessary food to complete this school year. Please continue to donate to these two great Ministries. Questions? Contact Rick Cunningham at 803-414-2940.

Mission Lexington

Help Us Meet Our #Eracehunger Goal!

Even though this year's event isn't being held "in person", our goal is still the same: To raise awareness and funds for food insecurity in Lexington County. We currently have a goal of 400 registrants. YOU can help by signing up and asking others to do so as well! ***If we can each encourage one additional participant, think of the IMPACT we can make!***

\$12 for individuals; \$10 for groups of 4 or more - that, right there is worth the t-shirt! Speaking of t-shirts...registrants will still receive one of our SNAZZY long sleeve t-shirts in their race packet along with sponsor materials.

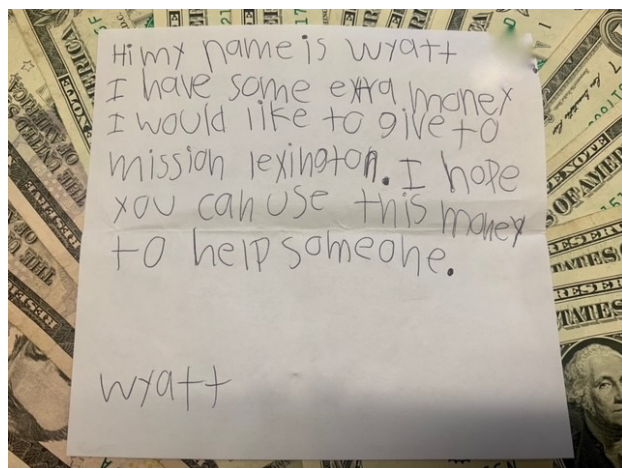
If you've already registered, thank you for making a difference!

For more information or to register, go to lrah.org. Sponsorships are still available.

GOAL: 400 PARTICIPANTS



April 15-18, 2021
Your Race, Your Way!
 Join Us to #Eracehunger
lrah.org

We received the absolute sweetest gift earlier this week from a young man who wanted to give us a portion of his allowance. It's a great reminder that we all have something to share! If you find it in your heart to utilize some of your stimulus money as a donation to Mission Lexington, we'd be forever grateful. So many neighbors (as we prefer calling our clients) in Lexington County have needs that go beyond what their stimulus check can cover. We have helped with job loss, rent and mortgage payments, funeral expenses, victims of domestic violence and so much more with what we have been given over the past year. We appreciate your consideration!

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| 4/1 Laura Beck
Ian Rish
Chris Thain
Alice Gibson | 4/8 Ali Hornsby
Kathy DeBerry
Tyler Reynolds | 4/16 Dan Smith
Ashley Beck
Abigail Beck
Olivia Leaphart | 4/23 Braddock Watts
Lauren Blackwell
Chuck Brennan |
| 4/2 Rachel Blume
Al Borsum | 4/9 Clay Roberts
Bruce Gahm
Steven McDonald | 4/17 Maddy Akers
Brenda Dunn | 4/24 Jeremy Young
Corey Workman |
| 4/3 Rebecca Hawkins
Hunter Hook
Hazel Moser | Kathy Harrison
Alex Dunbar
Sally Herpst | 4/18 Stacey Martin | 4/25 Robin Rivers
Fred Kicklighter III
Cole Stilwell |
| 4/4 Janice Hipp
Gigi Huckabee
Boyd Jackson
Michelle Welch | 4/10 Margaret Rhoten
Rilan Cunningham
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Jayne Hammett
David Howard
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Evie Cullop
Jennifer Montgomery
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John Collum
Paul Harrell |
| 4/6 Cody Hawkins
Addison Rankin
Ryan Hucks
Connie Reynolds
Alisha Millwood
Elliott Schilling
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Warren Scoggins
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Alex Chavis
Madilyn Templin | 4/21 Isabelle Farmer
Rusty Koss
Aaron Lawrence | 4/27 Amber Marshall
Wade Jackson
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Ollie Williams |
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Michael Hook
Ben Yarborough
Blake Atwood | 4/13 Russell Chandler II
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James Felder
Hannah Vitters
Becky Goudelock | 4/28 Danny Backman
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Sari Ness
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Kristen Kirby | 4/23 Lee Huber
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Jeremy Slapnik |
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Janice Eskridge
Erin Blume | | 4/30 Brian Groves
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Anne Huntley Crouch |
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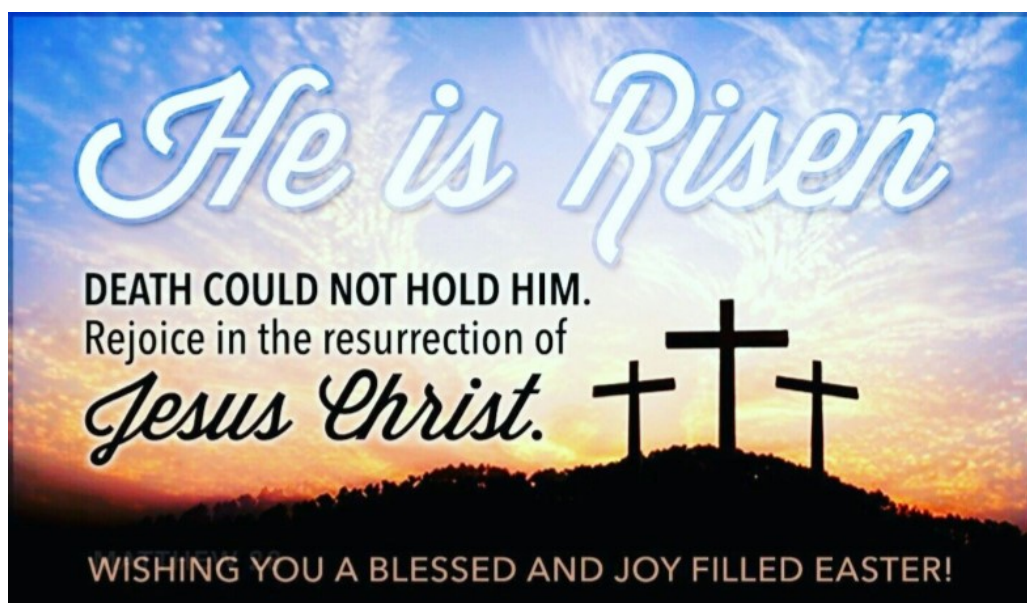
Frank Macaulay
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Tithes & Offerings

							
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	Date:	3/21/2021					
	Received:	\$30,639.00					
	Need Wkly:	\$20,622.00					
	Need to date:	\$247,464.00					
	Rec. to date:	\$180,242.00					
	Exp. to date:	\$208,810.00					
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