



Lexington United Methodist Church

Household of Faith

Living God's Word~Sharing God's Love



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INSIDE THIS ISSUE



FROM OUR
PASTOR

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY DOING?

What do you enjoy doing? Singing, dancing, crunching numbers, filing, sharing time with children, cheering people on, organizing spaces, managing others, teaching ...

Do you realize that all of those gifts, and more, are needed within Christ's church? Scripture tells us that when we meet Jesus, we are all given at least one spiritual gift (1 Corinthians 12:7). Spiritual gifts, as you probably already know, are specific ways that the work of the Holy Spirit is manifested in our lives. These gifts - even on top of our interests, abilities, hobbies, likes, and dislikes - join together to form who we are and how we participate in the work God is doing all around us.

As you probably also know ... these spiritual gifts are not given to us--only for our own personal benefit! We are not made to be servants of Jesus Christ simply in order to serve ourselves (1 Peter 4:10)! After all, there are some things that we "absolutely love to do", which will never necessarily "serve the world" around us! But on the flipside, there are so many more things that we love to do, which simultaneously serve to bless others. That's the awesome thing about our Creator God - God takes who God made and matches up our gifts with the needs of others!

So what do you enjoy doing ... that you can also do for others?

Every single one of us needs a thousand things every day. Each one of us has both big needs and small needs. And everyone around us does too! Sometimes, the people around us recognize our needs even before we do--and they choose to serve us!

On the other hand, if we are open to the moving of the Holy Spirit within us, we too are consistently given the opportunity to identify, and meet the needs of those around us. The real treasure, of course, is when we act on what we see! A good measure of our spiritual health is our depth of concern for other people. As we practice putting others' needs above our own, our hearts eventually become so in tune with what Jesus is doing around us, that "serving others" becomes an automatic response in us!

Serving others - sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ - is, of course, enacted through the local church all across the world. The church is US - people who love Jesus and who love serving others. Serving in the local church is a vehicle to discover how we are made and how God can use us. Serving provides us the opportunity to discover more about how we are created - our likes and dislikes, what we can do well, and what we need to improve! God, of course, completes this picture ... we discover more about ourselves and how God is growing us while God uses us to meet the needs of others. After all, we learn best by doing!

What do you enjoy doing ... that is in direct response to what God is calling you to do?

The discovery process of how God can take our unique selves and join with the work God is doing will last our entire lives! As we grow, as stages of life change, as we meet new people, and as we participate in new activities, additional ways to serve others inevitably become clear to us. But in the midst of life stages and life changes, "the desire to serve others" remains, only if our heart posture stays the same - that posture which asks, what can I do to serve other people?

As we move into the close of another calendar year, prepare for our annual United Methodist Charge Conference, and make plans for a new beginning of service and celebration at Lexington UMC, we continue to be given multiple opportunities to practice putting our attention *LESS* on ourselves, and more on others.

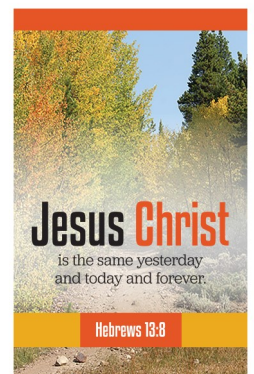
Are there new ways of service to which you feel God is calling you? Are there new passions arising within you which you know are the words of Jesus saying directly to you - *FOLLOW ME*? There are so many ways you can respond to God's call at Lexington UMC— you are encouraged to check out the multiplicity of service opportunities listed on our website, or better yet, give me a call and ask how you can serve our church in new ways! I would love for you to share your gifts and passions ... and I'd love to offer you the opportunity to share your gifts and passions in service to our community and our world!

Please consider exploring new options of service ... please consider serving in new and different ways ... please consider risking it all, for the cause of Jesus Christ!

What do you enjoy doing ... and how can you do it in service ?

Pastor Kim

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- Chicken dinner meal (see below)
- The Youth will offer a bag lunch for \$5.00
- Don't miss the bake sale, lots of yummy home baked goods will be available.

Would you like to bake goodies for the bake sale? Please let Cindy Vance: vancecindy@aol.com or Karen Waterfield karen.bennettwaterfield@gmail.com know.

Bring to church on Friday, October 8.

- There will be 30+ vendors-including jewelry, books, pocketbooks, wood work, ladies and children clothes, Christmas ornaments, food items, and more.

Don't miss this opportunity to do some of your holiday shopping !



Holiday Market BBQ Chicken Plate Fundraiser

"Not Your Ordinary Chicken Dinner!"

Saturday, October 9, 2021

11-1pm Pickup Times (at Church)

Pre-Orders with payment required by October 2

\$10 Per Plate (to go or stay and eat while you shop)

What Are We Serving?

Slow cooked BBQ chicken quarters (fresh off the grill!)

Handmade Marinated Cole Slaw (it's so yummy!)

4 Bean Baked Beans (you are going to love these!)

Old Fashioned Cheese Drop Biscuits (what a treat!)

All proceeds support the LUMC Debt Reduction Fund

Name _____

of Plates _____ Total \$ included _____

Meat (Check) White _____ Dark _____

Note- if ordering multiples of each note how many of each type meat

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Mission
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Canned Soup
Jelly
Green Beans

Apple Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Beans
Canned Corn

Peanut Butter
Rice
Grits
Spaghetti

Pasta Sauce
Canned Chicken
Cereal
Canned Tuna

*Yellow Items = Most Needed

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HOURS OF OPERATION

FOOD PANTRY: MONDAY - FRIDAY 10:00AM - 2:45PM
DONATION CENTER: MONDAY - SATURDAY 9:00AM - 2:45PM
THRIFT STORE: MONDAY - SATURDAY 9:00AM - 3:00PM
(DOORS CLOSE AT 2:45 PM TO NEW SHOPPERS.)



HELP FEED YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

\$10 GIFT CARD FOR TURKEY OR HAM
CANNED SWEET POTATOES
CANNED COLLARDS/TURNIPS
CANNED GREEN BEANS
STUFFING MIX
CRANBERRY SAUCE
CORNBREAD MIX
GRAVY MIX OR JAR
BROWNIE MIX

Drop off begins September 7th
Mon-Fri 9am-3pm
216 Harmon Street
*Drop off at our Donation Door
Questions? Email
sherry@missionlexingtonsc.org

During November and December, ML offers pre-packed holiday food bags to those they serve. Families may pick up a bag beginning Nov. 1st which includes the essentials for a festive holiday dinner. Last year Mission Lexington gave out 1,636 holiday food bags. Please consider helping us out with this blessing for those they serve.



BIG BAND DANCE NIGHT benefiting Mission Lexington

Monday, October 25, 6:30—9:30pm Wesley Hall

Join in the fun as **Charlie Gatch's Big Band** plays music from the 40's and 50's big band era; as well as songs from the 60's, 70's and 80's for your listening pleasure. Also, a Swing Set Band will play a mix of "up-to-date" music and classic rock and roll.

The evening's schedule—

6:30-7:00pm - Ballroom dancing demonstration and shag lessons led by Tracy Steele
7:00-8:00pm - Dancing and Big Band music by the Charlie Gatch Big Band
8:00-8:30pm - Additional dance demonstrations and lessons led by Tracy Steele
8:30-9:30pm - Dancing and Swing music by the Swing Set Band

Desserts, coffee, and water will be available throughout the evening.

Seating will be provided around tables of 8, with a dance floor in the middle of the seating area. Dressy casual attire is suggested.

Tickets are \$10 a person and will be sold through Mission Lexington.

All proceeds from this event will benefit Mission Lexington.

Fellow LUMC members who generally perform with these bands include: Jerry Gatch, Mike Gatch, Mary Clare Gatch, Charles Gatch, Charlie Polk, and Will Graybill.

We hope you will join us! Get your tickets TODAY!!!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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September 18, 2021

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Needed Weekly \$20,622
Receipts to date: 582,569
Expenses to date: \$656,932
Over/Under
(revenue vs. expenses)
-\$74.363



Due to the safety protocols required amidst the Covid-19 pandemic, we are only celebrating Communion in worship every other month. However, if you would like to participate in Communion in the sanctuary once a month, it will be offered at both 8:00am and 10:00am on the following Sundays: (these times are pre-Service times and in between services) – **Oct.10, Nov.14, and Dec.12**. Pre-packaged elements will be used. The full Communion liturgy will be shared.



is October 3. The Lord's Supper will be served during the worship services.



Have you been around on Wednesday Nights recently? 6
Each Wednesday night offers a different spiritual and worship experience. It is strongly recommended that you bring your mask. All activities are social distanced.



1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15pm, Wesley Hall - Interactive Family Worship Experience with Heather. Families of all ages and stages are invited to come and hear a Bible story, and share games and crafts. (see p. 8)

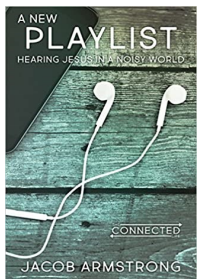
1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm, Parlor - Fresh Expressions. In-Person Study with Pastor Kim. Please join us for Scriptural direction, discussion, and the sharing of ideas around how we people of faith who are active in the church can reach out to the "nones and dones" in our community with the Good News of Jesus Christ! Our next meetup will be Wednesday, October 6!

2nd Wednesdays of the month, 6:30-7:00pm, Sanctuary, Vespers Service. This worship experience is a reflective time of liturgy, Scripture reading, song, and intercessory prayer. Our next Vespers gathering is October 13!

4th Wednesdays of the month, 6:30-7:00pm, Wesley Hall, Prayer and Praise Service. Experience liturgical readings, brief multi-media messages, Scripture readings, prayer, and contemporary Christian song selections; all to re-focus on the purpose for our living - to glorify God. Our next gathering is October 27.

EVERY WEDNESDAY evening Pastor Jim will lead his **Zoom Study** entitled - A New Playlist. In this study by author and pastor Jacob Armstrong, we'll discover how to cut through the distractions and fears of life to hear God more clearly -most specifically through Jesus' lessons from the Sermon on the Mount! This EVERY WEEK Zoom study begins at 6pm - so please plan to join us! Contact Pastor Jim directly for a Zoom link to this insightful study for all!

Whether we know it or not, we are living with a playlist. Caused by schedule overload and multiple distractions, the playlist sounds like this: You have to do everything. You have to say "yes" to everything. You are supposed to be in all places at all times.



Jesus gives us a different playlist. It says: You are supposed to do two things: love God and love your neighbor. Saying no is often the best yes. You can only be one place at a time. This book addresses the anxiety, distraction addiction, and schedule overload that result from listening to the world's playlist and gives us permission to hear and live by Jesus' words.



A NEW STUDY THAT INVITES YOUR FEEDBACK

Fresh Expressions is not a laundry detergent. Neither is it a breath freshener. And neither is it a last ditch effort to save the institutional church. Rather, it's a Study about a movement ... a movement of the *Holy Spirit* for the purposes of introducing and offering new expressions of Christianity outside the pattern of traditional church practice.

Along with studying a multiplicity of passages from the New Testament, we will also share in discussions around vital reflection questions that the Church of Jesus Christ desperately needs to be addressing in this increasingly multi-religious and non-religious 21st century.

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lindsey@lexumcsc.com (click)
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online link or you can place your order with
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Delivery is scheduled for the week before Thanksgiving.



The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi commemorates the life of St. Francis. St. Francis was born in the 12th century, lived in Italy, and founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, and the Third Order of Saint Francis for men and women not able to live the lives of itinerant preachers. Francis is one of the most venerated religious figures in history. Francis is remembered for his generosity to the poor, his willingness to minister to the lepers, AND for his love for **ANIMALS** and nature. Saint Francis is the Catholic Church's patron saint of animals and the environment.

Many people bring their pets to the church to be blessed on St. Francis' feast day because of Francis' love for animals as expressed in his Canticle of Creatures. A verbal blessing and a laying on of hands is usually offered during a typical Blessing of the Animals celebration.

The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, 2021, is on Monday, October 4th. In celebration of The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and his love for all animals and creation, you are invited to join us for a **Blessing of the Animals** on **Sunday, October 10th at 6:15pm in the playground parking lot.**

Please bring your pet leashed or crated and we will share in a brief praise and prayer service together. And most certainly, if you have more than one pet, bring them all! Every one of God's little creatures deserves a blessing!

"Blessed are You, Lord God, Maker of all living creatures.
You call forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land.
You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters.
So we ask You to bless our pets.
By the power of Your love, enable our pets to live according to Your plan.
May we always praise You for all Your beauty in creation.
Blessed are You, Lord our God, in all Your creatures! Amen."



Candy/treat donations accepted in the bins by the church office and in front of Wesley Hall or donate via our [Amazon Wish List](#). 8

Trunk or Treat will be in the Fort Street "main" parking lot!



Epworth Ice Cream is going to be there selling their pints for 1=\$7, 2=\$13, 3=\$18. The flavors are Swirl with little PB cups, PB, and vanilla. 100% of the sales go directly to Epworth Children's Home programs.



Trunks are needed!

Contact:

Heather@lexumcsc.com

and sign up to host a trunk



Youth Hot Dog Fundraiser will be happening outside under the breezeway area by the office.



November 7 -Haunted Lexington Tour on All Saints Sunday

Take a guided walking tour, with your family, of downtown Lexington and learn about Lexington's past through the tall tales that make up our history. This tour is specifically being done for LUMC by the Lex. Co. Museum, and not open to outside public.

5-7 pm Cost is \$2 kids, \$5 youth and adults
Be on the lookout for registration on website.



What's Up on Wednesday Nights?

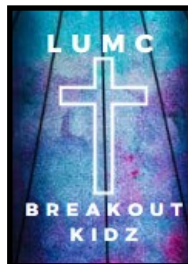
The families of children (KidsWay and Breakout) and youth are invited from 6:15-7:15pm the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** to participate in an Interactive Worship Experience. This is an opportunity for all ages to share in a Bible lesson, games, and more:

October 6: The Baby in the Basket

October 20: Moses & Pharaoh

November 3: Moses & Miriam Celebrate

November 17: The Ten Commandments (Breakout & Middle Youth Special Event)



3K - 5th Sunday School: September - November

Children's Sunday School (in a one room Sunday School format) will be during the Children's Church time at the 11am worship services. Children 3k (toilet trained) - 5th grade are invited to come following the in-service children's moment. We will follow this format for the Fall quarter (September through November). We will continue to monitor with hopes to resume 10am Sunday school times beginning in December.

Volunteers and children will continue to be required to wear a mask since the children in this age group cannot yet be vaccinated.

Allowing our children to wonder and experience God is so valuable. I hope that if you are comfortable attending in-person worship, your children will be able to attend. I know that many are not yet comfortable with in-person attendance, which I understand and respect. That is why I'd like to offer to send families who are interested a short video clip from the Celebrate Wonder curriculum plus the weekly story and an activity sheet via email each week. Please email me at heather@lexumcsc.com if you are interested in receiving these resources each week. The lessons can take as little as 10 minutes but will help keep your child engaged with God and help them remember that their church & God loves them!



We will be creating our own scarecrows that will be displayed through Trunk or Treat and then you can take them home to enjoy with your family. Please register so we are sure to have enough supplies for your scarecrow.

register [here](#)

LUMC YOUTH PRESENTS:

Youth Sunday School Open House!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 3RD, 2021

10:00 AM--OPEN HOUSE IN THE YOUTH ROOM - PARENTS WELCOME, REFRESHMENTS SERVED!

10:15 AM- PARENTS DISMISSED AND YOUTH LESSON BEGINS

10:45 AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL DISMISSAL, STUDENTS MEET UP WITH YOUR PARENTS.

COME TO ONE OF OUR 11:00 AM SERVICES AND WORSHIP WITH US! WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL CONTINUE EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:00 AM IN THE YOUTH ROOM. THEN, THE VARIOUS AGE GROUPS WILL BREAK UP INTO SMALL GROUPS TO COMPLETE THEIR LESSONS

Youth Sunday School is back!

Parents and youth, come to the open house on Oct. 3 to meet and greet your student's teachers; enjoy some refreshments and then move on to your own Sunday School time.

Don't have a Sunday School home? Join in one of the classes that are currently meeting—007, 009, 003; or talk to the Pastors to create a new class.

Adults and Youth, make Sunday School a new habit every Sunday to refresh your soul and your mind!

Masks are strongly recommended for everyone until covid dies down.

Children's Sunday School meets at 11—see page 9.

LUMC YOUTH

FALL SCHEDULE

Meet 4:30—6 pm @ LUMC unless otherwise noted

Sunday— 10/3 Praying for Our Teachers

Sunday-10/10 Prayer Stations with Rev. Angela Marshall

Saturday-10/16 —8th grade up—Mission Opportunity Roofing with Homeworks, 7 am (Lunch, tools provided) Contact Robert Harrelson RHarrelson@unum.com for more information

Sunday— 10/17 Praying for Ourselves

Sunday—10/24 Trunk or Treat (5-7 pm) (youth hot dog supper)

Sunday—10/31 no youth !

**Sunday—11/7 Lexington Ghost Tour 5:30pm
(meet @ Amphitheater, \$5 pp, \$2 kids)**

**Sunday—11/14 Bonfire + S'mores 6—7:30pm
(Thain's House)**

**Sunday—11/21 Youth @ MSN Wesley Foundation, USC
6—7:30 pm, dinner included**

Wearing a Mask as a Form of Christian Love in Action By Jessica Brodie

I don't like masks. They're uncomfortable, they're hot, and they make it a pain to unlock my iPhone because they interfere with its facial recognition security. In crowded stores, they've made me feel a bit claustrophobic. They make it hard for me to understand what people are saying between the way they muffle sound and the fact that I can't read someone's lips (I've learned since COVID that I apparently do this far more than I thought).

Oh, yeah—and they smear my lipgloss and sometimes clash with my outfit.

All petty reasons, but all valid.

Still, I wear my mask.

Thanks to the grueling research, God-given intelligence and discoveries of doctors, scientists and others who've learned so much since late 2019 about the way COVID-19 and its variants spread, we know masks are a critical way to protect us against getting the coronavirus or spreading it. Bonus: They've also largely helped keep us from getting the flu, common colds and other infections.

This summer, we got a reprieve for a while. The vaccine became widely available for most people in the United States, COVID-19 numbers plummeted and places began to reopen. Mask mandates ended, and life started to go back to relative normal.

But the reality is that as much as we'd like everything to be normal again, we're still in a pandemic. People are still contracting the virus—and dying. Kids. Moms. Friends. Neighbors.

I'm vaccinated, and so is my family. We've all had COVID-19, too, around Thanksgiving. Today, I don't wear a mask to protect myself against the disease.

I wear a mask to help others around me.

I've come to see wearing a mask as a form of Christian love in action. Yes, it makes me uncomfortable. I don't feel like I personally "need" to wear it. But I know it helps slow the spread of COVID-19 and its variants. I know it helps make me less contagious if I do happen to be carrying around some germs, which makes me better equipped to help others if needed.

For instance: I've been in circumstances when I've had to help a stranger with physical impairment load groceries in her car. I've found myself talking with a random person in line at a store when we've suddenly ended up hugging and praying. I've even encountered someone, while hiking in the woods, who needed CPR.

While those in my inner circle are vaccinated, who's to say someone else, whom I happen to encounter in the world, is? My mask-wearing protects them and the people in their circle.

COVID-19 isn't "just like the flu," as I've heard some say. We aren't making a huge fuss over nothing. It's a real problem, even if it hasn't yet impacted us personally.

As we go about our lives, I encourage all people to not only get vaccinated but wear a mask, whether or not we are in a place where masks are required.

It really does help. And it is one way we can play a role in helping reduce the impact of a deadly disease in our communities, our region and our world.

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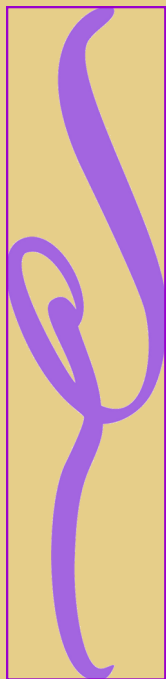
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