

Dear LUMC Family of Faith -

Part of my job as Senior Pastor is to help us all grow in our Christian faith. For me, it's all about sharing the Good News and celebrating what God is consistently doing (and encouraging us to do!) in our lives and in the lives of others. As you know, that "call" comes through loud and clear in our weekly worship celebrations, and it's how I want to be remembered after I leave here. I want people to say ... "that Pastor Kim, she was consistently preaching to us and teaching us about the abundant life Jesus called us to live and to share". Perhaps you'd like to be remembered that way too!

In talking with many of you personally over the past two years, one thing I know that none of us wants is to be mediocre. None of us enjoys supporting a sports team who just wins half their games. None of us wants our children and/or our grandchildren to be satisfied with only making "C's" in school. And none of us wants to stand before our Creator and confess that we were content to live like a Christian "only half the time". Just think about it ... when we go to God in prayer, we want to be assured that we can count on God's all sufficient and completely amazing grace, ALL the time. And I believe God wants us to do our best for the Kingdom, to the best of our ability, ALL the time as well.

God has blessed our LUMC family of faith with many gifts. I can't help but think about all of the dedicated volunteers I see walking through our church doors on any day of any given week! We have volunteers who make house calls on our shut-ins; serve as a transportation resource for those members who can't drive; answer phones and stuff envelopes in the church office; provide resources to feed and help the hungry in our community; clean up and set up our worship spaces for our Sunday morning celebrations. Our LUMC church family paid our Conference Apportionments in full; sent two staff members off on new endeavors with gracious monetary gifts; and made a huge dent in our year-end financial deficit. We helped area families with Holiday meals; we gave Christmas gifts to children who have unstable home lives; we provided eyeglasses for those in foreign countries who have none; and we sent monetary gifts to families devastated by storms.

Changing people's lives is what Jesus meant by calling people to follow him AND share the Good News of his love and mercy with ALL who would hear it. So it worries me when we spend our time obsessing over things that are NOT worth our time, and/or which are negative and unproductive. Indeed, it concerns me that sometimes we are too easily tempted to focus on what we don't have and/or what we aren't doing. I don't know about you, but I do not want LUMC to be known for offering God's "somewhat" amazing grace only "sometimes".

So as we move through this brand new year together, let's dedicate ourselves to turning up the joy, the enthusiasm, and the appreciation of WHO we are and WHAT we are doing in the name of Christ Jesus! Let's make it more than obvious to all with whom we come in contact that we are a church that wants to do GOOD things for God ALL the time! Everything that I do as a pastor ... from checking my email, to preparing sermons, to praying for you, to sharing in conversation together, is done for the purpose of serving others in unity as the Body of Christ. And every event and activity we plan is fueled by a passion to reach seekers and to help everyone GROW as disciples of Jesus Christ.

My hope is that God's grace will continue to propel us into a future which God has outlined for us, and I pray that we are able to make a renewed commitment to moving forward, together. For we are indeed ... better together.

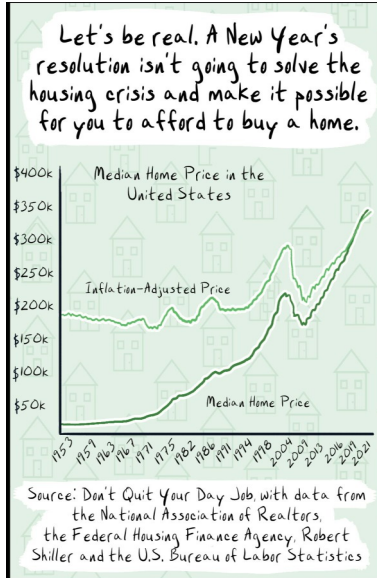
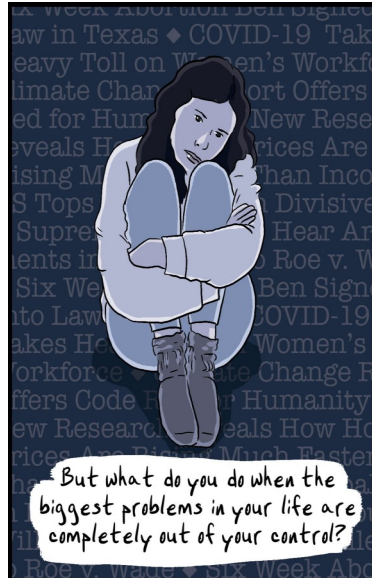
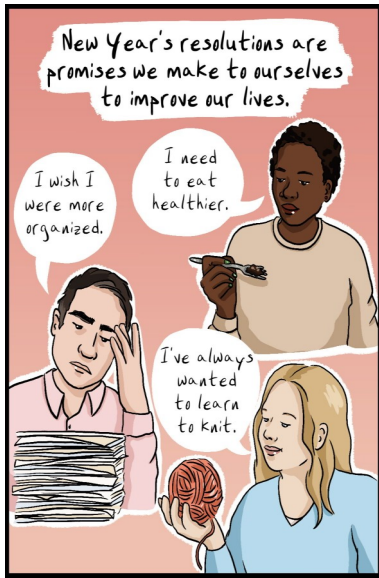
In mutual service— Pastor Kim

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# The New Year's Resolution to Make When Everything Feels Out of Your Control

By Aubrey Hirsch TIME, DECEMBER 20, 2021

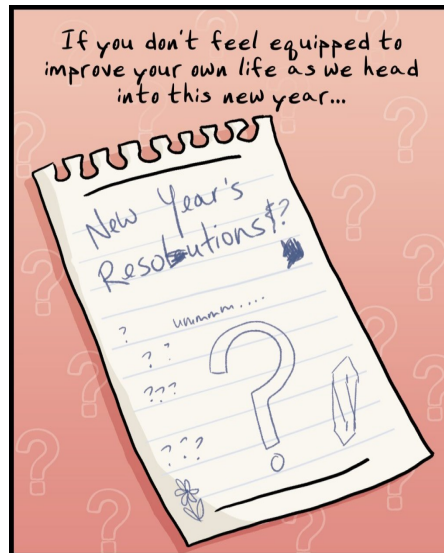


It won't shield you from the attacks on women's rights that are constant and demoralizing.

Texas Calls Its Abortion Ban Unreviewable

Oklahoma Woman Jailed for Miscarriage Shows Rise in Prosecutions of Pregnancy

No Prison Time for Man Who Pleaded Guilty to Rape and Sexual Assault of Four Girls



The end of the year is traditionally a time for reflecting on lessons learned from the past 12 months and looking to the future with optimism. New Year's resolutions offer us a chance to identify specific ways we can improve our lives and make concrete changes for the better. But for many of us, 2021 had more lowlights than highlights. It's hard to lay down a path toward a better future when so much of what's wrong with your present is out of your control. But perhaps we can find some motivation in helping to improve the lives of others, while working toward bigger changes where and when we can.



## Does simply thinking about chocolate bring a smile to your face?

Try thinking about this—hanging out at a café with friends while enjoying your favorite hot beverage, nibbling on a brownie or bit of chocolate pie, laughing, talking, and relaxing together—it's a perfect gathering! *Café Chocolat* is a relaxing chocolate-themed retreat the women of our church are doing together. It includes worship, Bible study, and time for laughter as well as time for quiet reflection. And while the name of our gathering sounds indulgent, we'll actually be using chocolate as a metaphor for God's extravagant grace.

We'll begin with dinner on Friday evening, **April 22**, and will finish by noon on Sunday, **April 24**. Our retreat will be held at Asbury Hills Camp & Conference Center in the beautiful South Carolina mountains. The cost is \$180 - \$210 per person (depending on room). This covers five delicious meals, comfortable lodging (with all linens), retreat materials and fun and relaxing activities.



Registration forms can be found outside the Sanctuary and Wesley Hall and near the front desk at the church. Space is limited this year to 28 attendees, so get your registration and deposit in early to save your spot. Call any member of the Retreat Planning Committee for more information. Take time to relax, to make new friends, to worship, and to draw closer to God.

Robin Andrews, Katy Handell, Trudy Huffstetler, Terrie Morrison, Sari Ness and Lynn Silvey—UMW Planning Committee

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Ladies, please join the United Methodist Women  
for the  
**Winter Tea**  
**Sunday, February 27, 3 to 5 pm**  
Asbury Hall

*A Time of Remembering and Celebrating our Blessings*

We will remember UMW women we lost in 2020-21; celebrate our new members as well as our new officers.


Annie Laurie George Circle will provide the delicious desserts and tea

We will celebrate a "proper" English tea with some friends from England

Program—Mrs. Mary Hazleton, Katie Bell Fox Circle

Mission Spotlights: Nancy K Perry Children's Shelter,

Epworth Foster Care

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>February, 2022</b></p> <p>Find the church calendar on church web site here:</p> <p><a href="#">Calendar   Lexington United Methodist Church (lexumcsc.com)</a></p>		<p><b>1</b></p> <p>10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Staff Meeting                      11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Prime Timers Lunch                      5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Al-Anon                      7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Boyscout Troop 507</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>6:30 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Weds. AM Group                      9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Shepherd's Center Mailing                      10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Exercise Class                      6:15 PM - 7:15 PM Family Fellowship Night                      7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Line Dancing</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Centering Prayer                      10:00 AM - 11:30 AM The Chosen-Small Group Study                      10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Exercise Class                      6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Worship Band Practice</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>
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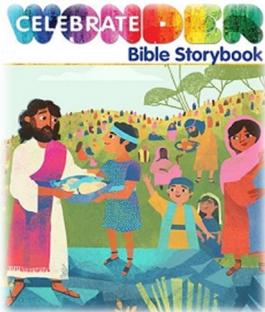


**Children's Ministry**  
**Lexington**  
United Methodist Church

At LUMC we promise to surround our children with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. Our intention is to minister to the needs of all children and provide them with a caring community where all may be nurtured in a dignified and loving manner.

## Children are gathering again in Sunday School!

Children 3k (toilet proficient) through 5th grade are invited to Sunday School 9:45-10:45am. A one room format is in use for all children's classes. Sunday School meets in the **Rainbow Room** in the Rhoten Building (children's wing). Masks are required for children and volunteers in LUMC Children's Ministry.



**Volunteers are needed!** We would love to get back to at least two classes (3yrs to 2nd grade and 3rd to 5th grade) with the hopes to return to 3 classes in the Spring. But we need volunteers for that to happen: [Heather@lexumcsc.com](mailto:Heather@lexumcsc.com) Heather is happy to chat with anyone who is interested in getting details of volunteering. Anyone volunteering in Children's Ministry must complete Safe Sanctuary training, she is happy to get that started for you!

Children are using the **Celebrate Wonder** curriculum: *Honor the spiritual life of children—their natural sense of awe, wonder, imagination, and curiosity—and help shape their growing faith with Celebrate Wonder. Leaders will guide children through engaging experiences, spiritual practices, and opportunities for reflection, giving them a safe space to ask big questions and helping them claim their spiritual identity as children of God.*

## Family Fellowship Times:



### Don't Hope in Groundhogs!

The Beatitudes and finding  
strength in God alone!  
Family Fellowship  
Wed., February 2, 2022

6:15 pm, Wesley Hall



### "Do a Grouch a Favor Day"

A day of spreading kindness—because we all get a little grouchy from time to time

#### Family Fellowship

Wed., February 16, 6:15 pm

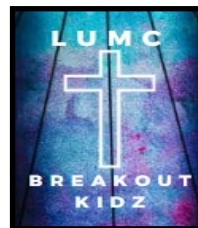
Wesley Hall

#DoaGrouchaFavorDay

[#NationalDoaGrouchaFavorDay](https://www.facebook.com/DoaGrouchaFavorDay/)



Sign up  
to **Acolyte**



(4th/5th  
graders)

(Adult volun-  
teers needed!)

## NATIONAL PIZZA DAY



**BREAKOUT MEETUP**  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH 6:15PM  
ENJOY NICKY'S PIZZERIA PIZZA + A  
DEVOTIONAL IN WESLEY HALL

**NURSERY WORKERS, SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH HELPERS NEEDED!** If you are interested in helping with Sunday school please [sign up here](#), children's church [sign up here](#), and to help with nursery, [sign up here](#).


## Epiphany Celebration January 2022



## Birthday Boxes for Mission Lexington



For over 30 years, the Souper Bowl of Caring movement has been inspiring people across the nation to tackle hunger in their local communities. Each year, around the excitement of the Big Game we support the Souper Bowl of Caring campaign, and become part of the nationwide wave to make a difference!

On February 13, after our 3 services, the Youth will collect donations for  Mission Lexington. Please come prepared to donate!

**Mission Lexington**

#tacklehunger

<https://tacklehunger.org/>

**YOUTH Lexington**  
 United Methodist Church  
 February Youth Group Schedule  
 All Times 5 to 6:30 pm  
 (No Youth Group February 13)  
 February 6  
 February 20  
 February 27

**LUMC Confirmation Classes**

Begin **Early February** For students **8th grade and up**



Contact Todd if Interested





**shepherd's center**  
OF LEXINGTON

After a long covid hiatus there will be a Spring Session at the Shepherd's Center of Lexington! The session will run March 3—April 7. Sessions begin at 10 am. Look for a brochure, either in the mail; or around the church, if you are not on the Shepherd's Center mailing list. You need to be sure to register for the session in order to attend. Brochures were mailed in early February.



## Lay Ministry

Lay Ministry is the work of mission or ministry to which each believer is called. As Christians we are all called to this ministry or priesthood – not just clergy. Each of us has a responsibility to proclaim the Good News and reach out to others in love.

\*indicates serving on Church Council

**Church Council Chair:** Angie Cunningham \*

**Lay Leader:** Ed Richardson\*

**Recording Secretary:** Valerie Knight\*

**Church Treasurer:** Linda Gladden \*

**Nurture Team Chair:** Susan Mitton \*

Sunday School Secretary: Connie Cooper

Youth Ministry Coordinator:

College Age Ministry Coordinator: Wendi Walsh

Caring Connections Coordinator: Sandra Brabham

Senior Adult Ministry Coordinator: Frank & Mary Edwards

Stephen Ministry: Bob Graham, Nancy Caulder

Labyrinth Ministry: NEED A VOLUNTEER

**Outreach Team Chairs:** Mike & Terrie Morrison\*

Earth Advocacy Coordinator: Lynn Silvey

Epworth Children's Home Coordinator: Lori Torbett

Neighborhood Response and ERT Team Coordinator: Russ Cammann

Mission Lexington Coordinator: Sammie Brown

Native American Coordinator: NEED A VOLUNTEER

Snack Sack Coordinator: Rick Cunningham

**Witness Team Chair:** Vicki Boylston\*

Church & Society Team Coordinator: Lauren Robbins

Evangelism Team Coordinator: Dickie Gardner

Hospitality Team Coordinator: Krista Stillwell

Boy Scout Representative: Jim Gregory

Cub Scout Representative: John Collum

Girl Scout Representative: Lisa Gaherty

**Lay Members to Annual Conference** (need 7): Lynn Silvey, Cindy Graham, Bob Graham, Sidney Gatch, Mike Morrison, Terrie Morrison, Emily Montgomery (\*all on council)

**Reserve Lay Members to AC:** David Huffstetler, Jack Walsh, Tommy Brabham

**Christian Education Coordinator:** Cindy Graham\*

**Equipping Ministry Team Coordinator:** David Marshall\*

**Shepherd's Center Liaison:** Susan Mitton (also on SC board)\*

**UMW President:** Trudy Huffstetler\*

**UMYF Representative:** Emily Montgomery\*

**Staff-Parish Relations Committee:** Tim Chandler, chair \*

2022 Class	2023 Class	2024 Class
Stephanie Thain	Rachel Buchanan	Rex Boylston
Heather Ford	Julia Johnson	Brenda Dunn
Tim Chandler	Dargan Gore	Bill Dunnagan
Lay Leader: Ed Richardson    Lay Member to Ann. Conf. Emily Montgomery		

**Trustee Committee:** Connie Cooper, chair\* (elected by Trustee committee)

2022 Class	2023 Class	2024 Class
Connie Cooper	Matt Maxwell	Tripp Miller
David Huffstetler	Chris Register	Sam Owens
Justin Craig	John Stewart	
	Daisy Hicks (6th yr.)	

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## 2022 Church Leadership Cont:

### Finance Committee: Andy Farmer, chair \*

2022 Class	2023 Class	2024 Class
Andy Farmer	Stuart Ford	Michael Slapnik
Katie Coleman	Danny Young	John Bowman

### Members by virtue of positions on Council:

Angie Cunningham, Council Chair; Ed Richardson, Lay Leader  
Lynn Silvey, Lay member to AC; Connie Cooper, Trustee Chair; Tim Chandler, SPRC chair; Linda Gladden, Church treasurer; Diane Crosby, Church administrator—ex officio

### Lay Leadership/Nominations Committee: Rev. Kim Eanes, chair

2022 Class	2023 Class	2024 Class
Bob Graham	Katie Vitters	Connie Brock
Craig Ness	Jamie Bumgarner	Ed Ulmer
Cherie Bowers	Jennifer Cammann	Mike Mitton
Ed Richardson, Lay Leader		

### Safe Sanctuary Committee: (chair elected by committee)

Terrie Morrison	Reggie Corley	Joe West
Jim Caulder	Shannon Osborne	Katy Handell

### Child Development Board: Julie Robinson, Chair\* (chair chosen by Church Council)

Vice-Chair, Connie Cooper; Lindsey Warner, Director; Nancy Azzara, Teacher Representative; Heather Conner, Parent Representative; Kimberly Rauch, Recording Secretary; Diane Crosby, LUMC Administrator; Associate Pastor

### Multi-Media Team:

Craig Ness, Ronnie Gibson, Tanya Gardner, Dickie Gardner, Ella Stillwell, Emily Montgomery, Jacob Selzer, Tamara Selzer

### Voting Pastors Church Council:

Rev. Kim Eanes, Sr. Pastor  
Associate Pastor

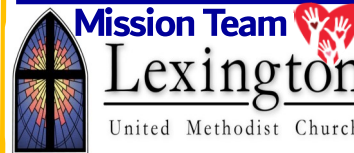
### Voting Pastors for the Charge Conference only:

Rev. Patricia Mayfield (retired)  
Rev. Diane Mosley (retired)  
Rev. Lara Caulder Byrd (LCDR, CHC,USN)



Many things have changed in the last two years because of the pandemic. One thing that should not change, however, is our outreach to those who are home bound, in assisted living, and those serving in the military. The Caring Connections Team has provided this outreach for many years.

If you have a loved one or know anyone who could use a smile, please email Sandra Brabham at [sbrabham@icloud.com](mailto:sbrabham@icloud.com) or call her at 803-359-1093.



Have a heart for hands-on missions? Want to be a part of a team planning new mission project opportunities for LUMC members; or supporting the current LUMC mission projects? Then

the LUMC Missions Team is the place for you! The new committee will brainstorm ideas and help plan projects.

A new giving opportunity is available to you, online through the giving tab on the website, or in person. The money donated to this Missions fund will go to projects that don't currently fit in one of our mission giving categories. The Mission team will help determine where these funds go.



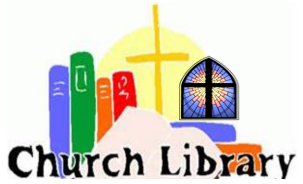
Love the kitchen? Want to have some fun, and maybe learn a little, too? Todd and Heather will be leading a new study beginning March 9—  
Baking with the Bible.

A Signup Genius is available now. Participants will need to bring a large bowl & dish towel with them each week.

For more information, contact Todd or Heather.



## Church Library-Media Center—Something for Everyone!



**Have you visited our Media Center? If not, why not?** There are so many great resources available for everyone—in the children’s section you’ll find great stories from the Bible; great stories to communicate everyday lessons; and some fun DVD stories. There are also books for adult studies—where you’ll find things to help you with Bible and other studies; lessons for our Spiritual seasons; inspirational books, and books to help you with everyday life. The UMW reading list books are in here and the fiction section has some fun Christian fiction reads.

A new Christian fiction series that has been donated is the Secret of Mary’s Bookshop: *Mary Fisher has found the perfect place to retire: She’s moving back to Cape Cod to open Mary’s Bookshop in Ivy Bay. It’s the perfect place to relax with a good book on a summer day. But Mary soon discovers that this small town is full of secrets. Escape to a charming seaside town, get to know the lively characters who call this community home, and discover the mysteries in Mary’s Bookshop!* This is a delightful mystery series.



Visit soon to find answers to your questions, some great information, or just find something fun to read.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1ST

# PANCAKE SUPPER

Love Offering to be Collected!

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Eat In Wesley Hall or  
Take It to Go

### Shrove Tuesday is March 1—So What Is Shrove Tuesday?

Shrove Tuesday is the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which is the first day of Lent. It's a day of penitence, to clean the soul, and a day of celebration as the last chance to feast before Lent begins. But there's more to Shrove Tuesday than pigging out on pancakes or taking part in a public pancake race. The pancakes themselves are part of an ancient custom with deeply religious roots.

Shrove Tuesday is the last chance to indulge yourself, and to use up the foods that may be given up during Lent. **Giving up foods: but not wasting them:** In the old days there were many foods that observant Christians would not eat during Lent: foods such as meat and fish, fats, eggs, and milky foods. So that no food was wasted, families would have a feast on the shricing Tuesday, and eat up all the foods that wouldn't last the forty days of Lent.

The need to eat up the fats gave rise to the French name Mardi Gras; meaning fat Tuesday. Pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday as they were a dish that could use up all the eggs, fats and milk in the house with just the addition of flour.

The ingredients for pancakes can be seen to symbolize four points of significance at this time of year: Eggs ~ Creation; Flour ~ The staff of life; Salt ~ Wholesomeness; Milk ~ Purity

**Please plan to join the Youth who are cooking the pancakes for the LUMC Pancake Supper.**

**Donations to the Youth program will be accepted.**

**There will also be Mardi Gras themed crafts and coloring available for the young and young at heart.**

## LENT BEGINS MARCH 2

ASH WEDNESDAY

We will "usher in" the season of Lent with two opportunities for you to participate in an Ash Wednesday *Imposition of Ashes* service. In response to Covid 19 concerns last year, we introduced a **Drive Through Imposition of Ashes** opportunity in our LUMC front parking lot. We are pleased to be able to offer that opportunity once again! That's right ... on **Wednesday, March 2, from 5pm-6pm** you are invited to come to the front parking lot at Lexington UMC, park in a space provided, and wait in your car for one of our LUMC Staff people to share with you in a brief Imposition of Ashes ritual. This service will be ongoing from 5pm - 6pm, so you are invited to come at any time which is convenient for you.

As well, we will also offer an in-person **Ash Wednesday Worship** service with Imposition of Ashes at **6:30 pm on Wednesday, March 2, in the LUMC sanctuary**. Responsive readings, prayers, hymns, and a brief message will all be a part of this hour-long worship opportunity.

Please plan to join us on Wednesday, March 2 for one of these worship experiences as we usher in the season of Lent together!



Will you be our **Valentine** and get us something **sweet** off our Amazon wish list? We would certainly **LOVE** it!

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/4XL48PDA7XF?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/4XL48PDA7XF?ref=wl_share)



2022-2023  
Preschool  
Registration  
is Open!

Classes for ages 1-4,  
starting at \$125 a  
month!

For details check out:  
<https://lexumcsc.com/lumc-preschool/>

Wooden Spoon Cookie Dough is coming back! Orders will be taken **February 20 until March 8**. Order forms will be available on the table by Wesley Hall and the Church Office. Please place order forms and payment in the envelope provided, and drop it in the payment box outside Diane's office.



**Pick up will be March 23** from 9-12 at the church. Orders not picked up on March 23 will be labeled and placed in the church freezer.



# FEBRUARY 2022 BIRTHDAYS

2/1	Elizabeth Rogers Carter Yeh	2/12	Julian Stanford Marti Stilwell Whitney Starling		Bailey Kicklighter Grant Goldsmith Alex Carter III Mary Miller Scott Riles
2/2	Sandra Anderson Amy Trezise	2/14	Patrick Dunbar Earle Mayfield		
2/3	Eddy Huckabee Patrick Stewart John Felder Melissa Masters	2/15	Foxanne Scruggs Andrew Chandler Jason Spillers	2/24	Dan Backman Marcia Mincey Elizabeth Reynolds Sydney Torbett Cori Britner
2/4	Cynthia Satcher Jill Slapnik	2/16	Sue Gahm Spencer Miller David Matthew Daly	2/25	Randi Cogswell Logan Miller
2/5	Sam Cheatham Rebecca-Ann Melton	2/17	Tommy Brabham Chip Betcher IV	2/26	Charles Gatch Jr. Earl Haynes Bill Neely Daniel Maltz Marshall Johnson Greg Roberts Hayden Trezoglou
2/6	Kellie Johns Billy Fuller Jr.	2/18	Scott Wiggins Cathy Hanson Michael Lawrence		
2/7	Alex Hanson Bob Johnson	2/19	Tracy Powell Wanda Branch Joe West Bebe Street	2/27	Vivian Smith Clint Carter
2/8	Barbara Fleming Pam Leonard Josh Gaines	2/20	Ann Decell	2/28	Perry Rainey Joyce Bumgarner Laura Cato Janet Hawkins
2/9	Kyle Johnson	2/21	Paxton Brooks		
2/10	Thomas Mincey Gina McCuen Danny Young Kristen DeAnn Logan	2/22	Lynn Brewer Eric Peake Edwin Rikard Mark Cook Dianne Butler Mary Pinckney Starling	2/29	Noah Miller
2/11	Justin Cooper Rick Cullop Henry Jibaja	2/23	Trip Rainey		



**In HONOR OF:**  
**Linda Gladden**  
Meg Eliatamby & family

**Michael Hook family**  
Andrea Hook Nichols

**In MEMORY OF:**  
**Rock Gladden**  
Meg Eliatamby & family

**Jewell Hook**  
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You.**

Lexington UMC,  
Thank you all for your  
endless support for Epworth  
Children's Home. We are  
truly blessed to have you all  
share the magic of Christmas  
with our children.  
Blessings to you all,  
Beth C. Robinson

Thank you for all of the cards,  
calls, visits, food, and especial-  
ly prayers from my recent  
surgery. It means so much to  
me. Please pray for continued  
healing.  
Thank you,  
Marcia Mincey

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