### **MEET OUR CHURCH STAFF:**

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The flowers on the altar in both the traditional and contemporary services have been given in honor and appreciation of Pastor Kim Eanes by the Graham and Boylston families and arranged by Stephanie Thain.

### FAREWELL PASTOR KIM

As we know, the time has come for us to say "farewell" to Pastor Kim Eanes, as she moves into her retirement from congregational ministry. Join us **TODAY**, as we celebrate her retirement at a farewell reception in Asbury Hall immediately following the 9:00am service. This event is sponsored by the United Women in Faith.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY, JULY 11 FROM 2-7PM ASBURY HALL

WE NEED BLOOD!

Donors will get a free Red Cross tote bag!

Donors can sign up online at <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc," or directly at this link: <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc">https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc</a>.

Our goal for donations is 35 units, so we hope to sign up at least 40 donors. Please make your appointment today!

## SAVE THE DATE! KAYAKING

There will be a church wide kayaking trip on Saturday, August 27 at 10am on the Saluda River! Join us as we paddle the beautiful section of the Saluda River with Canoeing for Kids! The trip begins at their boathouse and will last for 2-3 hours. The cost is \$40/person. Registration link is coming soon! See Pastor Laurie if you have any questions!

# SAVE THE DATE! BINGO & BBQ

Get ready for Bingo & BBQ on Saturday, Aug. 6! Tickets will go on sale on July 3. \$10/adult and \$5 children 12 and under. Mark your calendars and don't miss out!!!

# MEET/GREET PASTOR MCDOWELL SUNDAY, JULY 3 ASBURY HALL

Join us in Asbury Hall next Sunday, July 3 immediately following the 8:30am service for a welcome reception for our new pastor, Rev. Mack McDowell. This event is sponsored by the United Women in Faith.

#### **BLESSING BOX**

We need help keeping enough food on hand to fill the Blessing Box each week. Currently, the box is filled on Tuesday and Thursday. Some items are: bottled water, any kind of canned beans, corn, string beans or peas (with pop tops). Also needed are boxes of mac and cheese, canned meats, Vienna sausages, chicken or ham. Canned fruits, applesauce, peaches, etc. Individual packs of grits, oatmeal or cereal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars or fruit bars. Food donations for the Blessing Box are needed daily to feed our needy families in Lexington. Monetary donations are also accepted. Thank you! Rick Cunningham

### **SNACK SACK**

Thank you for your support of the Snack Sack Program this school year. We need \$15,000.00 to pay our May invoice for Harvest Hope. Please consider donating additional money to help pay off this debt. We will start the next school year's program in late September. Contact me with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Rick Cunningham, Snack Sack Coordinator

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### **ALPACA SHOEBOX**

THANK YOU, LUMC, for your generous donations of school supplies for our new Alpaca Shoebox project! For the month of June, we are requesting donations of NEW socks and underwear for children. All types and sizes are needed—for boys and girls. Thank you again for your participation in our expanded efforts to fill shoeboxes this year. Many children will be blessed by your generosity!!

# CHURCHWIDE STANDUP PADDLE BOARDING SUNDAY, JULY 17 4-6PM

Join in with our church family for an afternoon of paddle boarding! \$15/paddleboarder. Children 7 yrs. and younger share a board with an adult for free. Join us at California Republic SUP 3072 Hwy #378 Leesville, SC 29070. Sign up by scanning the QR code below:



#### CHILDREN'S CORNER

All Ages & Stages: Compassion Camp - changing the world with lovingkindness. July 27th, 28th, 29th in Wesley Hall from 6:30-8pm. Additional details here. A whole family, whole congregation experience. No cost unless you'd like to purchase a t-shirt!

<u>Can you help?</u> We need volunteers for many things including the following stations:

- Compassion in Action station
- Create & Play station
- Yoga/Movement station
- Recreation station