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Lexington United Methodist Church

Household of Faith

Living God's Word, Sharing God's Love

August
2022

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Water Fun and Fellowship

Church-wide Kayak Trip

Saturday August 27, 10am

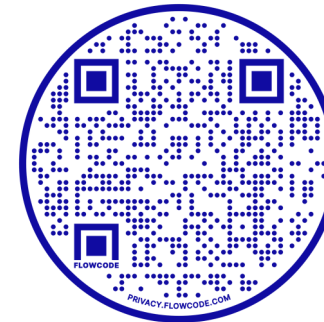
We will paddle a beautiful section of the Saluda river with *Canoeing for Kids*.*

114 Riverchase Ct, Lexington, SC 29072 ·
(803) 791-1727 canoeingforkids.org

The trip begins at their boathouse and will last 2-3 hours. Your trip includes land transportation, canoe or kayak, life jacket, safety instruction and any needed coaching.

The cost is \$40/person.

. [Sign up here](#) or use QR code:



*CFK raises funds to work with disadvantaged children across South Carolina. 100% your fee will help provide trips for children who cannot pay for this opportunity in the outdoors.

Kayaking Down the River

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Compassion Camp Continues—
 Compassion Camp is meant to be
intergenerational to reflect the body of Christ.
 Folks are on the move this summer with activities, so,
 we are trying something different:

Compassion Camp is on **Sunday & Wednesday**.

On the Sundays, listed at right, the Worship Services will have a Youth Bible story skit during the children's video moment and we will have a lovingkindness practice.

At **10am**, on Sunday, during Sunday School hour, those who want to join in will come together for a **Compassion in Action** project in the “connector” space—between Asbury and Wesley.

On **Wednesday, at 6:30pm in Wesley Hall**, there will be a *Bible story skit; movement*—physical engagement to connect our minds, bodies, and spirits with God; and a *lovingkindness practice*: This practice will help you develop your talents to practice compassion.

- ☺ Even if you can't come every time, activities are spaced enough that you can still be a part of the family and fun.
- ☺ You can get connected by sharing lovingkindness together as the body of Christ.
- ☺ This is an opportunity to invite friends and neighbors!

No sign-up needed! Just Come!

On August 7, during Compassion Camp, we are going to learn about and support Sole Stepping, a Batesburg, SC mission. One of the ways we are supporting this important mission is by accepting their summer challenge of **donating \$5 per person** to help buy shoes for local school children. Or sponsor a child, **\$25 per child**, which purchases socks and shoes. Will you accept this challenge by giving \$5 per family member, or \$25? If you cannot, please give what you can.

During Compassion Camp we are making *Notes of Encouragement*, penning a short note to encourage the children who receive the shoes. This is a note which is given to each child on Distribution Day.



Read more here:
[Ministry - Sole Stepping](#)

SUNDAY, JULY 31ST
TO THE NEIGHBOR

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3RD

WITH THE WORLD

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7TH
ALL ALONG THE WAY

SOLE Stepping is a certified 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides new shoes and socks to elementary school students in Lexington County, South Carolina. Shoes are often the most visible sign of poverty. With 1 in 5 children living in poverty, that's a reality that impacts every school district in America. The simple gift of a new pair of shoes can positively change a child's world. That's why we never distribute previously-owned shoes to our children in our sponsored schools.

Since 2016, we have provided more than 6,000 pairs of shoes to elementary school children in the Midlands of South Carolina.



Blessings to you, brothers and sisters in Christ at Lexington United Methodist Church! You are a community of great faith and hope, and I am very excited to be with you all! God has blessed your church in many ways, including a vibrant congregation, willing volunteers, great outreach programs, wonderful work with children and youth, and generous hearts for Jesus and all of God's people. I have seen so much being accomplished by you all in just the first several weeks that I've been with you. Along with many other events, you have had a wonderful movie night, a well attended paddleboarding event, a lake party for your young people, and the kickoff of Compassion Camp. A lot of work has been done by both your volunteers and your staff to keep things lively and mission-focused for God's people in the summer.

So, I say thank you for the wonderful welcome you have extended to me and my family amid all that you are doing. I look forward to working alongside you as we fulfill your mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Your church has developed a wonderful vision to fulfill your mission. That vision is rooted in the acronym “SEE” which has three parts: stewardship, engagement, and education. You have worded it this way: **“We will generously and lovingly share our fiscal and physical gifts (Stewardship); We will come together to joyfully serve God, inspire, and accompany one another in our spiritual journey (Engagement); We will intentionally study scripture and communicate effectively to lead others to Christ (Education).”**

That vision statement, which you have developed over the years, is probably one of the best worded ones I know of for any church I've been involved with. It incorporates so many of the attributes that Jesus developed in the disciples. The early church that we read of in the book of Acts certainly prioritized so much of what you say is important to your vision in accomplishing your mission within this community. One of the most important ways I have witnessed you living out your vision is in a growing volunteer effort. Your church has a **very good reputation as being laity strong**, rather than pastor-centered. I think this is visible in the way your church has remained well-focused even during multiple

changes in staff, including several pastoral changes at different levels.

You, as a living body of Jesus' followers, haven't allowed yourselves to be distracted by changes and outside events, which is quite remarkable. I think that is a very good indicator of a blessed future for your mission and vision as ministers of Christ. Many of you have openly approached me with ideas of how your church can continue in your strong tradition as the hands and feet of Jesus, and I welcome that. Not everyone has the same exact idea on what is important in mission and ministry, but you have been patient with each other, the staff, and with me also. Thank you for that patience. Key elements in the growth of your church will continue to be **volunteers to continue ministry, and regular tithing to fund your missions.** Please continue to generously give you time and tithes to your church to continue the work of Jesus in your community.

God bless you all,
Mack McDowell

Children's Ministry is putting together an illustrated through photos story. We'd love to use images from the congregation to bring a book to life. Below are some of the types of photos we are looking for. Please email your photos to heather@lexumcsc.com and also share a list of some of your gifts/talents in life. We can't wait to see this story brought to life with the faces of ALL AGES AND STAGES of LUMC. EVERYONE is welcome and invited to share photos. Deadline for pictures is Monday, AUGUST 8.

Sunbeam on face(s)

playful

brave

looking in the mirror

up-close skin or face

goofy grin

spinning or wiggling

morning hair/hair with a "mind of its own"

up-close wide eyes

up-close mouth and/or nose

elbows

striking a pose

belly

hands and/or feet tapping to a beat



any body in action (bike riding, climbing, etc.)

artwork

being silly

being creative

being kind

being messy

laughing

getting dirty

group hugs/family candid

wild flowers and/or wilderness

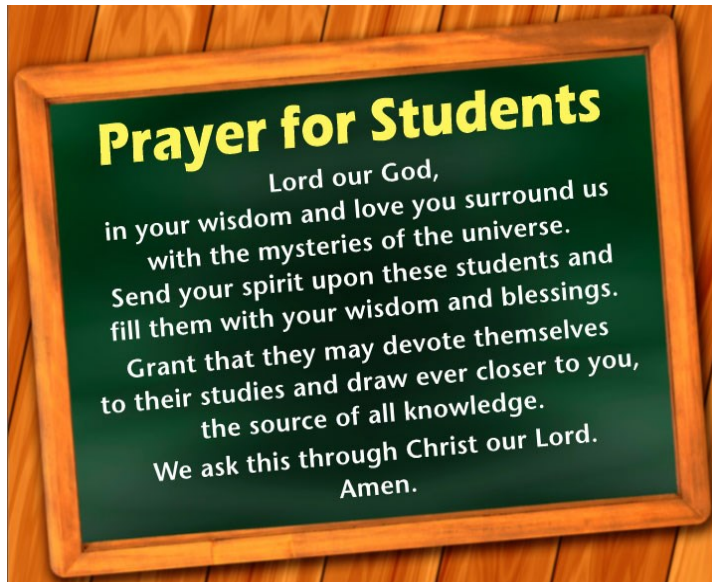
smiles

crying

helping



College News
Lexington
United Methodist Church



These students are off to college this Fall. Please keep them in your prayers for a successful year and for them to stay rooted in their faith.

If we have missed anyone, please let the church office know so we can be sure to recognize all of our college kids.

Cameron Beckum - Wofford
Ben Brandes- MUSC
Dillon Brandes- U^{of} SC
Sam Brandes- Clemson
Paxton Brooks – U of Tennessee
Anne Huntly Crouch—U^{of}SC
William Crouch - Wofford
Michael Keisler - U^{of}SC
Olivia Koss-Appalachian State
Jack Hornsby – College of Charleston
Adam Graybill - U^{of}SC
Emily Montgomery—Lander
Lauren “Ash” Loadholt— U of Rhode Island
William Osborne- Clemson
Cole Stillwell—Clemson
Ella Stillwell—Trident Tech
Brooks Torbett—U^{of}SC
James Walsh—U^{of}SC Aiken
Molly Wilson--Winthrop



Children's Ministry
Lexington
 United Methodist Church

Congratulations to these
 2nd graders
 who are receiving Bibles
 on **August 14**
 during Worship Services:

William Pinkney Miller
Eliza Starling
Bradley Dargan Gore
Maeve Frances Larion
Mack Thomas Blume
Braddock Stephen Watts



LUMC BACK TO SCHOOL

POOL
PARTY

AUGUST 13TH, 3-5 PM
GOLDEN HILLS POOL

LUMC children
through 5th grade
are invited to
SPLASH in the
new school year!

Children's Church will resume with a new format in August.

We ARE still having Sunday School—that means we **need volunteers!**

If you are able in helping with Sunday School please [sign up here](#). All lesson materials are set in the rooms for you; and you receive the lesson early in the week so you have time to prepare. To comply with Safe Sanctuary guidelines we need 2 adults in classroom with the children.

Nursery volunteers are urgently needed: To help with nursery, [click here](#).

August 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Back to School

August 16!



Blessing of the Bookbags

August 14

Students—at all levels, teachers and school staff—bring your bookbag to Worship and receive a special blessing to start your school year!



For Fall Snack Sack we are moving back to food donations from our members. We need your help to once again stock our Snack Sack pantry: Generic brands of full sized canned pasta with meat, ramen noodles, boxed mac and cheese, individual packs of grits or oatmeal and individual packages of fruit. A sample sack is located on the credenza outside of Asbury Hall.



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

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.

Mission
Lexington

The
Beach
Ball

Mission
Lexington

Shag & Beach Music Party
Saturday, Sept 10th
Icehouse Pavilion - Lexington, SC



The Beach Ball is a shagging dance event, featuring Shag DJ Hall of Famer, John Smith. Don't know how to shag? No problem! Free beginner lessons taught by Shag National Champion, Garrett Humphries at 6 PM. All proceeds from this fundraising event benefit Mission Lexington, to help Lexington County families and individuals in need.

[Purchase tickets here](#)

Evening's Schedule:

6:00 PM – Shagging Lessons Begin

6:00 – 8:00 – Buffet by Hudson's Classic Catering, Bar open, Chance Auction opens

7:00 – 10:00 PM – Dancing to DJ John Smith

General admission tickets are \$40



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Throughout the month of August please bring OPERATION SHOE BOX – Older Girls Craft Kits, Sewing kits, Art supplies, Pencil cases, Solar calculators, Jewelry, Sunglasses, Small purses/wallets, Small backpacks, Insulated Cups/straws, Pocket crosses, Stuffed Animals, Clothesline cord, Clothes pins, Flip Flops, Bandanas

All supplies collected will be used to fill shoeboxes in November.

Look for the collection box in the hallway.

To learn more about Operation Christmas Child, [click here](#)

For more information, please contact Trudy Huffstetler (thuffstetler@aol.com) or Vicki Boylston (vboylston@aol.com)





Youth Sunday, August 14, both traditional worship services.

Our Youth will share their mission trip experiences

A New service will join the traditional service at 11am to celebrate our children and Youth.

A Youth Tradition—our seniors will “pass the torch” to the new Youth members.

John’s address:

115 Hermitage Rd.



A scavenger hunt unlike any other! Race around Lexington to find clues that will lead you to the house of the Blue Gnu!



WERE HIRING!

Do you love working with kids?
Lexington United Methodist Preschool is currently looking for a 2-year-old teacher.

Please contact Lindsey at
803-359-6838 ext 107 or by
email at

lindsey@lexumcsc.com



It's time to bring back Wednesday nights!

We are in the planning stages to begin small group studies. Do you have an idea for a study you would like to participate in? Would you like to facilitate a small group study? **KidsWay** and **BreakOut Kids** are planning to begin as well. And looking into suppers. Details coming soon!

What does this mean for you? Lots of volunteers are needed to make our Wednesday nights happen. Where will you fit in? Where is your place in our Wednesday night fellowship? Let the Pastors know your thoughts and where you might help.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Middle School Mission Trip 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30pm - 7:30pm Caring Connections	2 Middle School Mission Trip 10:00am - 1:00pm Cards R Us card making 10:00am - 11:00am Staff Meeting 5:30pm - 6:30pm Al-Anon	3 Middle School Mission Trip 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30pm - 7:30pm Compassion Camp 7:00pm - 8:00pm Chancel Choir Practice	4 Middle School Mission Trip 10:00am - 11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:30pm Prime Timers Cards	5 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30pm - 8:30pm Worship Band Practice	6 5:00pm - 7:00pm UMW Bingo & BBQ 
7 8:30am - 9:30am Traditional Worship Service 9:45am - 10:45am Adult Sunday School 10:00am - 10:45am Compassion in Action Project 10:00am - 10:45am Youth Sunday School 11:00am - 12:00pm Contemporary Worship Service-with Communion 11:00am - 12:00pm Traditional Worship Service-5:00pm - 7:00pm Youth-Passing of the Torch-Stewart	8 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class	9 10:00am - 11:00am Staff Meeting 5:30pm - 6:30pm Al-Anon	10 6:30am - 7:30am Men's Weds. AM Group 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class	11 8:00am - 4:00pm Mission Lexington- Sister Care Meeting 10:00am - 11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:30pm Prime Timers Cards 5:30pm - 6:30pm Pack 507-Ice Cream Social	12 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30pm - 8:30pm Worship Band Practice	13 3:00pm - 5:00pm Back to School Pool Bash 
14 8:30am - 9:30am Traditional Worship Service 9:45am - 10:45am Adult Sunday School 10:00am - 10:45am Youth Sunday School 11:00am - 12:00pm Traditional Worship Service No ANew Service 4:30pm - 5:30pm Pack 507 Cub Scouts Ice Cream Social 5:00pm - 8:00pm Youth-Hunt for the Blue Gnu	15 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class	16 10:00am - 11:00am Staff Meeting 5:30pm - 6:30pm Al-Anon	17 6:30am - 7:30am Men's Weds. AM Group 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class	18 10:00am - 11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:30pm Prime Timers Cards 6:30pm - 7:30pm Pack 507-Den Meetings	19 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30pm - 8:30pm Worship Band Practice	20
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August BIRTHDAYS

8/1	Ella-Kate Oswald	8/12	Danny Goist
	Rosemary Riles		Joanne Schirato
8/2	Sean Spence		Crichton Buchanan
8/3	Mary Clare Gatch		Nancy Poston
	Emily Conrad		Pete Edwards
8/4	Sally Meise	8/13	Payson Decell
	Colt Britner		Malcolm Jackson
8/5	Joshua Walsh		Fred Kelly
	Karen Sullivan		Chris Sayers
	Carlye Wiggins	8/14	Lauren Loadholt
	Thomas Akers	8/15	Dave Teague
	Katie Moats		Matt Goudelock
	Jim Caulder Jr.	8/16	Marie Mallard
	Jack Baker Jr.		Lauren Johnson
	Rowan Elizabeth Chandler		Jacob Rogers
8/6	Jeff Anderson	8/17	Earline Davis
	Sammy Basnett		Tyler Wiggins
	Brittany Farence		Julia Collum
	Chase Crouch III		Chip Robbins
	Andi Gore	8/18	John Bumgarner Jr.
8/7	Wendy Culley		John Armstrong
	Stephanie Teague		Brent Yarborough
8/8	Jared Davison		Robin Ciarcia
	Joe Hayes		Andy Farmer
	Leigh Cheatham Lowery		Daria Myers
8/9	Wendy Hahne		Ben Moore
	Mack McDowell		Cindy Vance
8/10	Bobby Roberts	8/20	Bill Roberts
	Justine Wilson		Sophia Spence
	Carly Coleman		Lesley Yeh
8/11	Katie Gatch		Jessie Armstrong
	Gresham Betcher	8/21	Dawn Felder
	Sarah Trezoglou		Mary Brooks
			Annetta Graybill
		8/22	Jacob Selzer
			Linda Franklin
		8/23	Henry Starling

8/24	John Cooper
	Frank Edwards
	Craig Ness
	Joel Kumar
	Ronald Rudd
8/26	Daisy Hicks
	Ben Hipp
	Jenny Bumgarner
	Jameson Chandler
	Madeline Connor
	Brianna Wojtylak
	Laura Clayton
8/27	Connie Cooper
	Pat Murphy Sr.
	Everette Johnson
	Justin Merrell
8/28	Carly Kirkpatrick
	Zachary Knight
	Liam Miller
8/31	Jennifer Cammann
	Rylee Nates



Give an LUMC welcome to:

Robert "Mack" & Cheryl McManus
320 Wessinger Dr.
Lexington, SC 29082



In MEMORY OF:

Jim Corley

Wayne & Julie Robinson
George & Luanne Renwick
Barr-Price Funeral Homes
Nancy Meinel
Hugh & Patsy Caldwell
Mike & Gail Seely
Cynthia Satcher
Jessie & Linda McCormick
Will Lucius
Terry & Daisy Hicks
Wade & Alice Jackson

Danny Goldin

Wade & Alice Jackson



Welcome
Archer Flynn &
Rowan Quinn DeLeon
sons of
Josh & Betsy Gibson DeLeon
born on
June 26, 2022

Grands:
Alice & Ronnie Gibson

LEXINGTON COUNTY RESIDENT ONLY HHW DROP-OFF

Household Hazardous Waste Events * Summer 2022 Q3



Friday • AUGUST 12 • 9AM- 3 PM

@Ecoflo Inc. Collection Center •1741 Calks Ferry Road• Lexington

Saturday • AUGUST 13 • 9AM- 3 PM

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Friday • SEPTEMBER 9 • 9AM- 3 PM

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Saturday • SEPTEMBER 10 • 9AM- 3 PM

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Accepted Materials Include:

- | | |
|--|--|
| • Acids | • Paint, liquid (limit 8 gal) |
| • Brake fluid | • Paint related materials (ex. thinner) |
| • Bug spray | • Pesticides, insecticides, fungicides, herbicides |
| • Carburetor cleaner | • Polish with solvents |
| • Degreasers | • Pool chemicals |
| • Electronics (Limit 5) | • Roach and ant poison |
| • Fertilizer w/ weed killer | • Rodent bait |
| • Fire extinguishers | • Spot remover |
| • Furniture stripper | • Spray paint |
| • Glue with solvents | • Stain, varnish and lacquer |
| • Insect killer | • Turpentine |
| • Lighter fluid | • Weed killer |
| • Lithium Ion Batteries | • Wood preservatives |
| • Mercury including thermometers, thermostats and debris | |
| • Mothballs | |

***Electronics ARE now accepted at these events (limit 5)**

*Contact Us: 803-785-3325 EXT 6

Email: lhunt@lex-co.com



• Call (803) 785-3325 EXT #6 with questions

• Residents are limited to 8 total gallons of paint for disposal at HHW collection events. Paint should be wet and uncontaminated. If drying process has started, continue to mix with cat litter and expose to air until completely dried. Once COMPLETELY dry, container can be placed in household garbage.

• Reminder that any lithium ion or rechargeable batteries (including button batteries), need to be brought to a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) event to be properly disposed of. Batteries placed in household trash containers cause fires if the elements contact any metal. When in doubt, bring it to a HHW collection event.

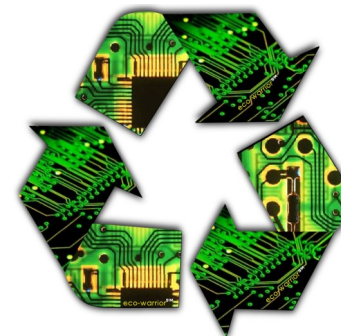
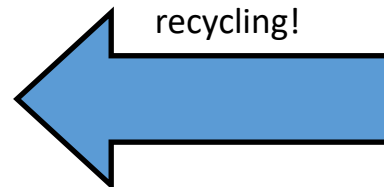
• Pick up your Lexington County Compost bin for only \$65.00!

• Get a free thermometer and kitchen compost mini bin (*with purchase while supplies last, one per household*) when you watch our video and take our online backyard composting quiz.

• Video Link: <http://bit.ly/LEXCOSCBCV>

• Quiz Link: <http://bit.ly/LEXCOSCBYCQ>

Note the electronics recycling!



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Return Service Requested



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