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ATTENDANCE REGISTERS

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Please sign and pass the attendance register down your row and back. If you're visiting, please share your contact information.

CHARGE CONFERENCE

LUMC's Charge Conference will be on Sunday, Nov. 6 at 12:30pm in the Sanctuary. All Church Council members are expected to attend and vote. All church members are invited but without voting privileges.

FOUND!

An earring, necklace, and ring were found at the church. If you have lost a piece of jewelry, please call the church to describe and claim it.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

New to LUMC? Or been here awhile but not involved in Sunday School yet? A new adult Sunday School class is being formed and we would love for you to be a part of it. We will gather in the church parlor TODAY at 10:00 a.m. to discuss plans and decide on a study topic. We hope to see you there!

Sew Faithful Ministry

Our sewing ministry is ready to get back to work and we would love to have you join us. Our first meeting will be Monday, August 29, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (meeting in rooms 154/155). In addition to continuing to make sanitary pads and dresses and shorts for young girls and boys, we will work on crafts to be sold at the Holiday Market. You don't have to know how to sew to be able to help.

FROM THE TRUSTEES

Please be mindful of turning off lights and adjusting the air conditioning when you leave the area of the church that you are in. Our electric bill was a little over \$3700 this month. Please help us to reduce this expense and to be good stewards of our property. Thank you!

ALPACA SHOEBOX

For the month of August, we are requesting donations 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, fishing kits, flash light & batteries. Thank you again for your participation in our expanded efforts to fill shoeboxes this year. Many children will be blessed by your generosity!!

EPWORTH ANNUAL WORKDAY OFFERING SUNDAY, SEPT. 11 EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Where do

children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? Epworth is currently serving 354 children and families through their Residential and Independent Living programs, statewide Foster Care program, the Epworth Center for Counseling, the Early Intervention Center, and prevention services. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 126 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 11th, to benefit the children who are served by Epworth. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on social media.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME IS BACK!

We have been enjoying great fellowship at Sunday morning Coffee Time! Join us in the Connector area at 9:30am. Please remember that the Sunday School hour begins promptly at 9:45 am. Out of respect for the class meeting in Asbury Hall, we need to quiet down our conversations or move out of the area at that time. If you or your group would like to contribute to the refreshments, there will be a sign-up sheet near the refreshment table. Homemade goodies or other breakfast items would be great!!—but we're keeping them 'light'; a huge spread is not needed! Monetary donations in the donation jar are always welcomed. Thanks from the Hospitality Team!!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY, SEPT. 12 FROM 2-7PM ASBURY HALL

WE NEED BLOOD! Donors will get a free limited edition t-shirt! Donors can sign up online at <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc," or directly at this link: <u>https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-</u> <u>results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc</u>.

Please make your appointment today! Walk-ins are welcome as well.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Beginning in September we will be collecting candy and teal pumpkin prizes for **Trunk or Treat** PLUS signups for hosting a Trunk. Get those ideas flowing...you could win the next Trunk or Treat trophy!

Sunday, October 9th during the Sunday school hour we will being practicing for our **Christmas program,** WOW!

Trunk or Treat - Oct. 23rd at 5pm

KIDSWAY & BREAKOUT

Looking ahead to September, we are looking to resume KidzWay and Breakout meetings from 6:15-7:15pm on Wednesday nights. This would run from 9/14 to 11/16. I am looking for 4 or more people willing to volunteer their time for this ministry and am also excited to announce that Music with Ms. Lessie will return during this time! Signups coming soon, but you can let me know now if you can help! heather@lexumcsc.com