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WEDS. NIGHT SUPPER

Join us for supper at 5:30pm! Cost is \$7 adults, \$3 children under 12, family max is \$22. This week's menu (2/15) is: Grilled Marinated Chicken, Noodles Au Tim, Vegetable Blend, Baked Pineapple, Salad Bar, Dessert, & Drink.



PANCAKE SUPPER TUES. FEB 21ST, 5:30 TO 7 PM

Make sure to join us for our annual youth ministry fundraiser Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday! A love offering donation will be taken to raise money for our youth summer missions. Enjoy pancakes, sausage and fruit here at the church or pack up a to-go box and take it home! Contact Todd if you have any questions.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING TODAY

TODAY, after all three worship services will be the opportunity to contribute to the "Souper Bowl of Caring" annual event. People will be positioned at the exits of the services with pots to collect money for this nationwide fundraiser. All money collected at LUMC will go towards our Snack Sack Ministry, so please come prepared to donate! Thank you for your support

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration is OPEN! Registration is online and all information can be found on the church website under the preschool tab or you can just click this link to go directly there: <u>https://lexumcsc.com/lumc-preschool/</u>

MISSION OPPORTUNITY

LUMC volunteers will spend the week of March 5-10 repairing and rebuilding homes in Lumberton NC damaged or destroyed by Hurricane Florence. Cost for the week is \$100, which covers housing and meals. Contact Mike (803-727-7360) or Terrie (803-727-7256) Morrison for more information.

LEXINGTON UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S RETREAT

See the flyers around the church for this year's Women's Retreat to be held March 24-26 in the beautiful hills of South Carolina at Asbury Hills Camp & Conference Center. Our theme this year will be **Beautiful Feet**. Make plans to join us as we learn to follow what the Lord is calling our feet to do as we look at ourselves and our circumstances, apply God's Word to our life and spread it to others.

ALPACA SHOEBOX

We had such a great year of donations for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes in 2022. Thanks to your generosity, we exceeded our goal of 100 shoeboxes--and filled 150!! Now, it's time to begin our monthly donation requests for 2023. For the month of February, please consider donating the following: Washcloths/Small Hand Towels; Bar Soap and Plastic Soap Holders; **Toothbrushes and Plastic Toothbrush** Holders/Covers (no toothpaste!!); Combs; Brushes and Nail Clippers. The collection cart is in the main hallway (look for the cute Alpacas!) Let's make 2023 another great year for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes--as we share the Love of Christ with children around the world!! If you have questions, contact Trudy Huffstetler or Vicki Boylston.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

We are going to resume our meetings on Wednesday February 15 at 6:30 pm at the Church. If you can, please join us for the weekly Wednesday night supper which starts at 5:15 pm. If you are planning to eat with us but you can't arrive until after 6:00 pm let us know so we can save you a plate. Adult meals are \$7.00. RSVP please if you plan to eat! Contact Ed Richardson, Danny Young or to b2dyoung@gmail.com. If you can't attend this meeting but you would like to participate, please send your name, address, and best way to contact to b2dyoung@gmail.com



GIRL SCOUT COOKIES FOR SALE! TODAY

Girl Scout Troop 2375 will be in Asbury Hall selling cookies between services and after the 11am service. Cookies are \$5 box and we will accept cash, check or credit. Thank you for supporting our Girl Scout troop!

CHILDREN'S CORNER

-Acolytes are needed please Sign up here.

-Children's Sunday school teachers are needed; please help fill up the winter/spring calendar. There are 2 children's Sunday school classes, 3k-2nd grade, and 3rd -5th grade; we sing from 10-10:15 am with Ms. Lessie then go to our classes. Please sign up here to teach/assist with Sunday school; teachers are especially needed on Feb. 19th, March 19th & 26th.

-Have you noticed? You may have noticed a change in the way we offer fidget items and activities during the worship services. You will find baskets at the end of each pew in the traditional service featuring crayons, fidget toys, children's Bibles, and an interactive sheet to follow along in worship. The "In Wonder..." side of the sheet can be turned in on the children's bulletin board if you or your child would like to share your service wonderings. In the Anew service, there is a basket of fidget toys to select from when you enter as well as an interactive sheet to follow along and wonder. We hope this allows the children to better participate in worship along with us!