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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 (2/22) is: Baked Pork Chop, Collards, Black Eyed Peas, Cream Style Corn, 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.

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.

THANK YOU!

The Youth give you a huge thank you to our congregation for bringing in over \$600 on "Souper Bowl" Sunday collection! That money will benefit our Snack Sack Ministry so we appreciate your contributions to this cause!

COMMUNION

Communion for the traditional services will take place on Feb. 26 instead of March 5. **Communion** in the ANew service will still take place in March 5.

LEXINGTON UMW

Women of the church are invited to the Spring Meeting of Lexington UMW. The program on prayer will be held on Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 3pm in Asbury Hall. Our mission spotlights are Wallace Family Life and Killingsworth. Join us!

G.A.L.S.-GOD'S AMAZING LOVE **SUSTAINS WIDOW'S SUPPORT** GROUP

G.A.L.S. will meet for lunch on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 11:30am at Libby's in Lexington. Contact Linda Gladden to make your reservation-359-6263.

ALPACA SHOEBOX

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.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Our intergenerational, All Ages and Stages Lenten Study Returns! Join us starting Wednesday March 1st meeting every Wednesday until April 6! "Just Eat and Serve" will be a time where we learn about what it means to live in our "Neighborhood" and serve our neighbors. There will be a baking element just like last vear too! Everyone is welcome to join us! Sign up here and make sure you check each date that you are planning to attend. Each week the lessons are independent of each other. So even if you can't attend all 6 weeks, sign up to join us when you are available.

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.

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!