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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 (3/22) is: Panko Baked Chicken Breast, Rice, Green Beans, Stewed Tomatoes, Salad Bar, Dessert, & Drink.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday (April 2)-all services; children will do a palm processional. Holy Communion. Egg hunt after the 11:00am services!

Maundy Thursday (April 6)-service with communion in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

Good Friday (April 7)-service in the sanctuary at 6:30pm.

Easter Sunday (April 9)-sunrise service at 7:00am at the cross. Breakfast afterwards! No Sunday School. Traditional Easter service at 9:00am in the sanctuary and ANew Easter service at 11:00am in Wesley Hall. Butterfly release after the 11:00am service!

CONFIRMATION & LUMW RETREATS-MARCH 24-26

Please pray for those who will be going on the Confirmation Retreat to The Hinton Center in N.C. and also for the LUMW Retreat attendees in upper S.C. Pray for a safe, spiritual, & fun experience for all.

LABYRINTH WALK APRIL 3-7

Join us in Wesley Hall and walk the labyrinth! A labyrinth is simply a place to walk and pray to be able to focus your mind on God. The labyrinth will be available for walking on Mon., April 3 & Tues., April 4 from 9:00am-5:00pm and then on Weds., April 5-Fri., April 7 from 9:00am-6:00pm. Please enter through the Wesley Hall doors.

ATTENDANCE PADS

Please remember to sign the attendance pads each Sunday. Please put all family members, phone, email, which service attending and date the page and check member, attend regularly or visitor it would help a lot when recording attendance! Thank you to everyone so much!

SAM & ANNIE LAURIE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP

The Sam and Annie Laurie George Scholarship is given annually to a deserving student who attends Columbia College, Wofford College, or Spartanburg Methodist College. He/She must be a member or relative of a member of Lexington United Methodist Church. If interested, complete the application form found outside of Wesley Hall, outside of Pastor Laurie's office, or attached to this email. Return it to the church office by **Thursday**, **March 30**. Interviews will take place in April.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MON., MARCH 20, 2-7PM ASBURY HALL

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

ALPACA SHOEBOX

For the month of March, please consider donating the following: Underwear for boys & girls (ages 2-14), Socks (ages 2-14), Shorts & Shirts for boys, Dresses for girls, Flip Flops for all. 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.

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

God's Amazing Love Sustains widow's support group will meet on Tuesday, March 21 at 11:30am the Country Club of Lexington. Contact Linda Gladden to make your reservation-803-359-6263.

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING SUN.. MAY 7 @2PM-WESLEY HALL

LUMC will be hosting the Columbia District Pastors as well as church/conference leaders for a Safe Sanctuary Training. All churches are required to be retrained and update their Safe Sanctuary Policies this year. Our church committee leaders and Safe Sanctuary Committee are asked to attend as well. The presentation will last about one and a half to two hours, then we will have leaders available to answer questions on an individual basis. Thank you for your investment in keeping our children, youth, volunteers and staff safe in our church ministries. If you have any questions see Pastor Laurie.

LUMC YOUTH FUNDRAISER -DINNER AND DESSERT AUCTION WED. APRIL 26 5:30 TO 7 PM

Tickets on sale TODAY! Buy online or at the main entrance desk after the worship services! \$10 per adult, \$5 per child (10 and under). Enjoy a spaghetti dinner followed by a live auction for homemade desserts! Are you a baker? Donate a dessert to the cause!

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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, $3k-2^{nd}$ grade, and $3rd-5^{th}$ 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.

Save the Date! **Our Palm Sunday Egg Hunt** will be Sunday, April 2nd following the 11am services.