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### **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

**Palm Sunday (April 2)-**all services; children will do a palm processional. Holy Communion in the traditional services only. 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!

### 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.

# INFORMATIONAL MEETING WITH DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT, REV. FRAN ELROD

Save the date! June 21 @ 7:15pm in Wesley Hall. Rev. Fran Elrod will meet with us about the disaffiliation process as it related to the Annual Conference that will be held June 4-8.

### **ALPACA SHOEBOX**

For the month of April, please consider donating the following: Plastic Cups/Water Bottles with Tops, Bandanas/Lightweight Scarves, Hair Accessories, Sunglasses, Compact Mirrors. 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.

# 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!

https://lexumcsc.shelbynextchms.com/external/form/df404eaf-0dda-4912-a826-3109cd25d5e8

# WELCOME REV. KRISTEN RICHARDSON-FRICK

Today we welcome Rev. Kristen Richardson-Frick as a substitute pastor in the ANew service.

### PRIME TIMERS LUNCH

You are invited to join Prime Timers on WEDNESDAY, April 5 for lunch at Oak Grove Fish House at 309 Oak Drive in Lexington. Please contact Sammie Brown at 803-351-0784 or <a href="mailto:sbrown8885@sc.rr.com">sbrown8885@sc.rr.com</a> to make your reservations.

# UMW FESTIVAL OF TABLES MAY 6 @ 11:00AM

Save the Date: UMW Festival of Tables will be held Saturday, May 6, at 11:00 a.m. Ticket Sales will begin after Easter. If you are interested in decorating a table for this year's event, please contact Mary Alice Bechtler at 803-315-8185 or mabechtler@hotmail.com

#### THANK YOU!

A big thank you to those of you who donated funds for the preschool bibles! We were able to purchase a bible for every 4 yr. old graduating!

## 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.



# **CHILDREN'S CORNER**

-Following 11am worship **TODAY**, April 2nd is our Easter Egg Hunt. There will be a hunt for: Crawlers/Early Walkers, Preschoolers, and K-5th grade students. Plus, everyone gets a prize!

-Our end of the school year **ice cream sundae celebration** will be Wednesday, May 17th from 6-7pm. More details to come!

-Acolytes are needed please Sign up here.

-Sign-ups for **Summer Camps** have begun! <u>Check out what's available here and sign up today!</u>

This includes our rising 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade Creation Care Camp. This year's theme is Mind, Body, Spirit, GO! And our 1st-3<sup>rd</sup> grade Let's Move Camp. Can't do day camps? Check out July's Water, Water, Everywhere evening event, it's going to be a SPLASH!

-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.