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# 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 Faithful Way Forward process as it related to the Annual Conference that will be held June 4-8. Child care will be available.

#### SALKEHATCHIE

Registration is open for Lake Murray Salkehatchie, which is happening from 15-22 July. Volunteers to help work on homes in the area must be 14 years or older. Both youth and adult volunteers are welcomed to join Pastor Mack McDowell for a week restoring quality housing to those in need. Please register at Salkehatchie Summer Service - South Carolina UMC (umcsc.org) The cost per volunteer is \$250. This money helps provide the materials to repair the houses we will work on. A generous and caring member of the church has offered to pay the \$250 registration fee for anyone who would like to attend but is experiencing financial hardship. Volunteers must pass a background check and have proof of health insurance.

## **ALPACA SHOEBOX**

For the month of **June**, please consider donating the following: drawstring backpacks, small purses/bags, flashlights and extra batteries, caps/hats/visors. 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!!

#### **PLAYGROUND**

The LUMC Preschool has raised enough funds to be able to put \$20k away towards a new playground! This is an outstanding accomplishment! Estimates for a new playground have come in from \$30k-\$60k depending on the equipment chosen. If you'd like to donate to the Playground fund, an option under the Give Now tab on our website has been added for you to do so. You may also donate on Sunday with your check earmarked "Playground". Thank you for supporting LUMC's Preschool!



# LUMC IS GOING TO THE BALLPARK!

Join us for another churchwide outing to Segra Park to watch the Fireflies play: Sunday, June 25th, first pitch at 5:05pm. Scan the QR attached or click here to purchase your tickets. Meet us there or take the bus! Contact Susan Mitton to ride the church bus to the game: swmitton@gmail.com Deadline to buy tickets is midnight on Friday, June 23rd.

# **PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR CHANGE**

We are very thankful and extremely blessed to have had Lindsey Warner leading our LUMC Preschool over the last few years. Under Lindsey's leadership, and with the support of church staff, leadership, and the Preschool Board, we have balanced the budget, established new safety protocols, and raised funds towards improvement of the playground and preschool wing. It is with heavy hearts to inform you that Lindsey will be leaving the preschool to take a position working with special education students at the school where her children will attend. We wish Lindsey the best on her new journey. She will always be a member of the LUMC family. We are very fortunate to have found Lindsey's replacement, Mrs. Sunshine Tucker! Mrs. Tucker is ready and eager to assume the Preschool Director position. She comes to us from Pleasant Hill Elementary School AlphaBEST Education where she will continue to hold her position as Site Director in the afternoons. Please join us in welcoming Sunshine to the LUMC Preschool!

#### **TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE**

Join us June 13 and June 20 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary for a traditional worship service! Associate Pastor, Rev. Laurie Brandes will preach and lead the service. You are invited to attend especially is you missed Sunday worship! Dress is casual.

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

- -Please sign up here to help teach Children's Sunday school. All June dates (11th, 18th, and 25th) are still needing teachers.
- -Acolytes are needed! Please Sign up here. Is your child interested in acolyting? Let Heather know so we can get them trained: Heather@lexumcsc.com
- -Is your child a rising 2<sup>nd</sup> grader? If so an important milestone in their church life is coming in August! They will receive their very own Bible with their name on it. Please email your child's name as you would like it to appear on their Bible to heather@lexumcsc.com by July 1st.
- -Summer Camps sign-ups are open with spots left for our Creation Care Camp: Mind, Body, Spirit, GO! (rising 4th to 6th graders)(no more t-shirts available) and our July drop-off event: Water, Water, Everywhere! (3k-5<sup>th</sup> grade) If you'd like to volunteer, please let me know: heather@lexumcsc.com, 4 volunteers needed.

