



United Methodists vow to faithfully participate in the church's ministries by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness.

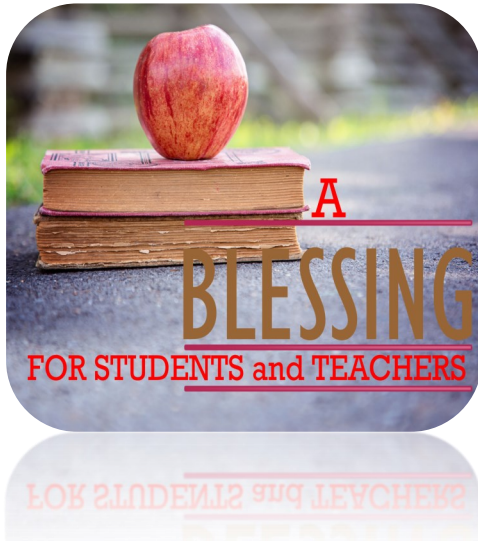
Lexington United Methodist Church

Household of Faith

Living God's Word, Sharing God's Love

August
2023

Inside this month:



Aug 6- 8:30am traditional worship service
11:00am **combined** worship service in Wesley Hall;
No 11am traditional

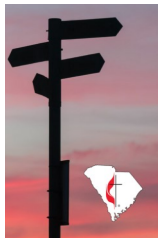
✠ *Youth Sunday with Communion*

✠ *2nd graders receive their Bibles—*

- ♥ Benjamin Robert Backenson
- ♥ Davis Henry Cammann
- ♥ Samuel Hood Connor
- ♥ Henry James Cullop
- ♥ Adeline Paige Fender
- ♥ Briggs Matthew Johnson
- ♥ Benjamin Michael Masters

✠ *Blessing of the Bookbags*

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A Faithful Way Forward

A Communications Team was established by the Church Council in April. That group met throughout May and June to refine a presentation that encompasses the organization of the church; the history of the current issues before the UM church; and the paths that can be followed.

This presentation was given before the Church Council in July for their approval.

This presentation will be given to the congregation on **August 17 at 6:30pm**. This will be in Wesley Hall. After the presentation there will be time for questions.

If you cannot attend on the 17th, the presentation will be repeated on **August 30, 6:30pm**. You are encouraged to attend one of these sessions and learn.

A great video--*Methodism 101*--was created by Advent UMC in Simpsonville, SC— can be found here: [Methodism 101 | Church Structure and the Book of Discipline - YouTube](#)

This brief video will help you understand Church Structure; The Book of Discipline; and what the Trust Clause is. You are encouraged to take the time to watch this video.



Blessings to you, sisters and brothers in faith of Lexington United Methodist Church! Among the many blessings this church of yours enjoys is the ability to share with believers in your community through ministries and programs like Snack Sack, The Shepherd's Center, Mission Lexington, Shoebox/Samaritan's Purse, and many others. Below is a beautiful bit of writing from Clotile Sanford-Hunt, who is affectionately known by many as "Cookie." Cookie joins us regularly in our church through The Shepherd's Center, and has shared with me some of her writings, which are quite remarkable works. I thought you would enjoy this monologue Cookie wrote about St. Simons Church. God Bless you, Mack



St. Simons Church, Peak, SC

(A monologue by Clotile Sanford-Hunt)

Welcome to St. Simons Church. I was organized in 1889 but I wasn't built until 1900. In the early 1900s I was a school for black students. I was last an active church in the 1920s.

The reason I am here today is to tell you about the real me, not just the building. I am not just a building made of wood and stone, I am a symbol of strength and hope. Yes, I was a place where people of color could freely come to worship, but I was and still am much more. I provided a shelter in the times of despair and sorrow. People came to me to pray when they needed healing of their soul. They came to me to give thanks for the many blessing that were bestowed on them. They came to me when their loved one passed away and beseeched God to accept them into Heaven. They came to me to celebrate births and wedding and baptisms. As the years passed, fewer people came, but I still stand ready to provided

their needs. My boards may be rotted and the trees and vines nearly hid me, but my foundation is solid. My purpose for being has not diminished. I still reverberate electrifying faith to all who come near. The same faith that each Sunday replenished the souls of those who entered. Filling them with strength to shield themselves from the challenges of the world. Even today if you stand and listen, you can hear whispers of "halleluiah," thank you Lord,". You can feel the silent prayers of the despair and gratitude. Although I might become a pile of crumbled lumber, my spirit is eternal. I will always stand ready to provided for their needs.

Thank you for giving this opportunity to speak to you.
Remember, faith is everlasting.



August 12, 5—7:30pm

Dinner, BINGO, Bake Sale, **Live** Auction

BINGO! is free for all ages to play!

Dinner: Pulled Pork by Love Handells BBQ and fixin's



Cost: \$12 for adults, \$6 for children

BBQ by the quart for sale after dinner

Tickets on sale during Sunday coffee time, after 11am services

Or find a Faith Circle member

All proceeds from the dinner, bake sale, and auction will benefit these UMW supported missions: Bethlehem Center, Mission Lexington, Epworth Foster Care, Killingsworth Home, Wallace Family Life, Epworth Children's Home, LaVie Pregnancy Care Center, Nancy K. Perry Children's Shelter



It's that wonderful time again to kick off our summer Epworth Children's Home Give "Backpack" Mission!! Epworth served approximately 52 girls and 40 boys this year, so our goal is to raise money to purchase a total of 92 large backpacks for this summer. The

backpacks are approximately \$60 so our goal is to raise a total of \$5,520. Please donate by turning in your donation in your church offering or directly to the church office by labeling your donation and checks to "Epworth" or

"Backpack mission". We will then purchase the backpacks and deliver them to Epworth by the beginning of school. If you have any questions, please contact me at ldtorbett@gmail.com or by phone or text to 803-629-7126. Thank you LUMC...you always come through for the kids at Epworth! God Bless and I hope to see you all soon!
Lori Torbett



We need your help to furnish food for the LUMC Blessing Box. The Box is empty or has a very limited food supply most days.

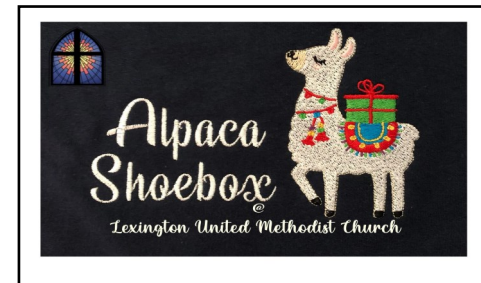
**Please bring:
canned vegetables/fruits
canned meats**

**individual servings of grits/oatmeal/pop tarts
any non-perishable food item**

**Toothpaste
bath soap
mouth wash**

**personal hygiene products
pets supplies/food**

Please put your food directly in the Blessing Box or use the cart inside the church near the church offices.



Requested items for August are:

SCHOOL SUPPLIES:

- Markers/Colored Pencils/Highlighters
- Lined Notebook Paper
- Folders
- Journals
- Rulers. Pencil Sharpeners
- Erasers (pencil-top & blocks)
- Construction Paper. Stickers
- Childrens Scissors
- Solar Calculators

*** Not Needed: Pencils, Crayons, Spiral Notebooks**





CHILDREN WINTER COATS NEEDED

Help families in need with new or used cloth

 216 Harmon St., Lexington, SC 29072

www.missionlexingtonsc.org

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS



Donation Center is Open

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm

Rice

Instant Potatoes

Canned Soup

Cereal/Oatmeal/Grits

Peanut Butter/Jelly

Canned Fruit

THANK YOU!

www.missionlexingtonsc.com

Find Your Calling

Needs abound in our community. And that creates a wide variety of ways to fulfill our drive to serve. From volunteer shifts to household goods donations to financial gifts, Mission Lexington is engineered to coordinate and maximize every kind of contribution. Most importantly, we're equipped to match one neighbor's need with another's generosity at a moment's notice. That's why we've built an army of groups and individuals who share a servant's heart and readiness to be called upon.

Join us by indicating below how you'd like to help:

[ANSWER THE CALL | Mission Lexington \(missionlexingtonsc.org\)](http://www.missionlexingtonsc.org)



**Children's
 Ministry
 Volunteers**

Please sign up [here](#) to help teach Children's Sunday school.
 Children sing with Ms. Lessie and then separate into two classrooms.

Safe Sanctuary states there needs to be two adults in the classroom. Won't you be one of those adults?

August dates still need teachers. If reading paper copy, contact Heather.

Is your child interested in being an acolyte?

Let Heather know so that she can get them trained!

Acolytes are needed,
 please [Sign up here.](#)
 or talk to Heather



LUMC BACK TO SCHOOL
POOL PARTY
AUGUST 20TH, 2-4 PM
GOLDEN HILLS POOL
ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH ARE INVITED
BRING A FRIEND!

LUMC Children's Ministry
 KidzWay & Breakout

LAUNCHING
FALL
2023

Sunday Evenings
 5-6:30pm
 Additional information coming soon

Donut Party

Sunday, Aug 6
In the youth room during
the Sunday School Hour

All parents, youth and children are invited to hang out in the youth room during the SS Hour for Donuts and to learn more about Sunday School Opportunities!



Paddleboarding Fun—July 9



Sutton Betcher, Ben Connor, Maddie Connor, Wells Carter, Braelyn Davis, Keelyn Davis, Sara Ford, Hannah Vitters, Heather Connor, Todd Handall headed to Charleston on July 23 to participate in community mission work. They worked in a nursing home playing bingo and other games with residents. As well as chatting with them during lunch, hosting a tea party, and all around just building relationships with them while hanging out together.

The Youth will share their experiences on August 6 during both services.

Jesus said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as



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YOUTH SUNDAY



Sunday
August
6

8:30
& 11 am
services

PASSING OF THE TORCH



Sunday,
August 6 @ 5-7 pm
John Stewart's
House



Sunday, August 13

4:45 to 7:15 pm

999 Hendrix Street
Lexington, SC 29072



Join us as we volunteer to help out at this Soccer League for Individuals with Disabilities

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POOL PARTY

AUGUST 20TH, 2-4 PM

GOLDEN HILLS POOL

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Leaves are falling,
and the 6th annual
Holiday Market
is calling--

October 21, 2023 9am—2 pm

**Bake Sale sponsored by
United Methodist Women**

Hamburgers & Hot Dogs available

**Proceeds will be used for Operation Christmas Child
Shoebox Ministry, Lexington Snack Sack Ministry, and**


2023 Vendor List

- BECKY PARKER PBJ CREATIONS - Upcycled jewelry
- TERRI GRUBBS SIMPLY DIMPLE ART –mixed media, coasters, kitchen items
- HEIDI BLACK FAITHFUL FOODS – SC made foods
- GLENDA’S GLASSWORKS – stained glass
- PENNY’S QUILTS & GIFTS – rope bowls, quilted kitchen pot holders
- RC CREATIONS – Wood carved Santa/ ornaments
- DECELL’S TOBACWOODS CREATIONS – rustic home décor
- JASON WILLIAMS LIMITLESS METAL – metal art
- HALEY BEE BOUTIQUE – apparel and gifts
- JBI RESIN ART – hand poured epoxy serving trays charcuterie boards
- JAMES MILLER – wood turned items
- AMY GRAHAM PARKLANE JEWELRY – jewelry
- CINDY GRAHAM – antiques
- NANCY TUTEN ART – prints, note cards handmade
- CAROL LEE CAROLINASWEETLEE – wreaths
- MARIE MULLENDER THE MAILROOM – college apparel
- ERICA RODGERS WHO ARE YOU DESIGNS – gift items
- LORI YARBOROUGH GENERAL STORE – handmade wooden reindeer, soy candles, soaps
- UMW – decorative items
- MAGNOLIAS PLUS BOUTIQUE – woman’s clothes, Lipsense
- JENNIFER SMITH HAND TAYLORED – handmade jewelry
- VALERIE DELLER – wood painted door décor
- THIRTY-ONE – totes, canvas bags
- LISA WEST LJW DESIGNS – recycled items and holiday items
- MIMS RUST ARTISTS FOR AFRICA – hand made beads from paper
- SANDRA SUAREZ SC WILDFLOURS – handmade children’s clothes
- A BUSHEL & A PECK – oyster shell napkin rings, trinket dishes, etc.



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|------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 8/1 | Ella-Kate Oswald | Joanne Schirato |
| | Rosemary Riles | Crighton Buchanan |
| 8/2 | Sean Spence | Nancy Poston |
| 8/3 | Mary Clare Gatch | Pete Edwards |
| | Emily Conrad | Payson Decell |
| 8/4 | Sally Meise | Malcolm Jackson |
| | Colt Burton Britner | 8/13 Fred Kelly |
| | Johnsie Smith | Chris Sayers |
| 8/5 | Joshua Walsh | 8/14 Lauren Loadholt |
| | Karen Sullivan | 8/15 Dave Teague |
| | Carlye Wiggins | Matt Goudelock |
| | Thomas Akers | 8/16 Marie Mallard |
| | Katie Moats | Trey Watts III |
| | Jim Caulder Jr. | Lauren Johnson |
| | Jack Baker Jr. | Jacob Rogers |
| | Matt Moser | 8/17 Tyler Wiggins |
| | Rowan Chandler | Julia Collum |
| 8/6 | Jeff Anderson | Chip Robbins |
| | Sammy Basnett | Sunshine Tucker |
| | Brittany Farence | 8/18 John Bumgarner Jr. |
| | Chase Crouch III | John Armstrong |
| | Andi Gore | 8/19 Brent Yarborough |
| 8/7 | Wendy Culley | Robin Ciarcia |
| | Stephanie Teague | Andy Farmer |
| 8/8 | Jared Davison | Daria Myers |
| | Joe Hayes | Ben Moore |
| | Leigh Lowery | Cindy Vance |
| 8/9 | Wendy Hahne | 8/20 Bill Roberts |
| | Mack McDowell | Sophia Spence |
| 8/10 | Bobby Roberts | Lesley Yeh |
| | Justine Wilson | Jessie Armstrong |
| 8/11 | Katie Gatch | 8/21 Dawn Felder |
| | Gresham Betcher | Mary Brooks |
| | Sarah Trezoglou | Annetta Graybill |
| 8/12 | Danny Goist | 8/22 Jacob Selzer |

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| | Linda Franklin |
| 8/23 | Henry Starling |
| 8/24 | John Cooper |
| | Craig Ness |
| | Joel Kumar |
| | Ronald Rudd |
| 8/26 | Daisy Hicks |
| | Ben Hipp |
| | Jameson Chandler |
| | Madeline Connor |
| | Brianna Wojtylak |
| | Laura Clayton |
| 8/27 | Connie Cooper |
| | Pat Murphy Sr. |
| | Everette Johnson |
| | Justin Merrell |
| 8/28 | Carly Kirkpatrick |
| | Zachary Knight |
| | Liam Miller |
| 8/31 | Benjy Rikard |
| | Jennifer Cammann |
| | Rylee Nates |



Rick and Angie Cunningham wish to thank our church family for the many levels of support provided following the death of Rick's sister, Kathy Peters, and following Angie's surgery. Each act of kindness is truly treasured.



- Kathy Peters**
James & Eletha Crabtree
Barry & Earline Davis
Buddy & Lynn Brewer
Mike & Terrie Morrison
Carolyn Campbell
Frank & Kathy Seeby
Helen Thomas

- Frank Edwards**
Linda Gladden
Cherie Bowers
Nelle Matthews
Marcia Mincey
Ginny Kurtz
Delos Corderman Fellowship Class
John & Joyce Bumgarner
Jim & Connie Brock
Buddy & Lynn Brewer
Terry & Daisy Hicks
Carolyn Campbell
Mike & Terrie Morrison
Wade & Alice Jackson
Helen Thomas
Bob & Cindy Graham

- Ernest Stines**
Line Dancing Class
Cherie Bowers
Jim & Nancy Caulder
Carolyn Campbell
Terry & Daisy Hicks
George & Luanne Renwick
Mike & Terrie Morrison
Buddy & Lynn Brewer
Helen Thomas
Bob and Cindy Graham
A L George Circle

- Bernice Mitton**
Terry & Daisy Hicks


- Vincette Hubbard**
Buddy & Lynn Brewer

- Maurice Lee**
Helen Thomas

In HONOR OF:

- Susan Matthews**
A.L. George Circle
Linda Franklin
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Cherie Bowers
A.L. George Circle
Judy Hayes
A.L. George Circle

Dear LUMC family,
I am so grateful for the sweet cards, gifts and financial gift you gave me on my last Sunday. The love offering was a welcome blessing between the wedding and our annual trip to Disney. My family enjoyed the extra pixie dust !
I have a small parlor attached to my new office, but I had nothing to put in there to decorate it. It is now filled with all the cards, plaques and other thoughtful items you gave me! Whenever I am missing you I can literally sit in there and soak up our love and friendship.
I am thrilled to be pastoring Rehoboth UMC -Columbia. It is both an honor and great responsibility to minister in my own backyard. Meeting my congregation, attending VBS and serving in our food pantry have been such blessings. I am very happy to be close to home, to renew my partnership with Epworth, and reconnect with my former staff and co-workers.
I am forever thankful for the love and grace you showered on me in our short time together. Much love. Pastor Laurie


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<p>1</p> <p>10:00-10:30am Staff Meeting 11:30am - 1:30pm Prime Timers Luncheon off site 2:00pm - 3:00pm LRE-Lexington Reaching Everyone 5:30pm - 6:30pm AI-Anon 6:30pm - 7:30pm Tuesday Evening Service 7:30pm - 8:30pm Zoom with Pastor</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:15am - 10:00am Chair Yoga 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00am - 11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:30pm Prime Timers Cards</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 5:30pm - 11:59pm Girl Scouts Lock In 6:30pm - 8:30pm Worship Band Practice</p>	<p>5</p> <p>12:01am - 11:00am Girl Scouts Lock In</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Blessing of the Backpacks Youth Sunday 8:30am - Traditional Worship Service 9:30am - 9:45am Coffee Fellowship Time 9:45am - 10:45am Sunday School for All Ages 10:00am - 11:00am Safe Sanctuary Training 11:00am – ONE Worship Service-Wesley Hall 4:30pm - 5:30pm Pack 507 Ice Cream Social</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00am - 1:00pm Cards R Us card making 10:00am - 10:30am Staff Meeting 5:30pm - 6:30pm AI-Anon 6:30pm - 7:30pm Tuesday Evening Service</p>	<p>9</p> <p>6:30am - 7:30am Men's Weds. AM Group 9:15-10:00am Chair Yoga 10:30-11:30am Exercise Class</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00-11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:30pm Prime Timers Cards</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:30- 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30- 8:30pm Worship Band Practice</p>	<p>12</p> <p>5:00pm - 7:00pm BBQ & Bingo Night</p>
<p>13</p> <p>8:30am - Traditional Worship Service 9:30am - 9:45am Coffee Fellowship Time 9:45am - 10:45am Sunday School for All Ages 11:00am - Contemporary Worship Service, Wesley Hall 11:00am- Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary 2:00pm - 3:00pm Safe Sanctuary Training 5:00pm - 7:00pm Youth-Sundae Serve at Soccer Superheroes</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class</p>	<p>15</p> <p>10:00am - 12:00pm Shepherd's Center Presentation, Asbury 10:00am - 10:30am Staff Meeting 2:00pm - 3:00pm LRE-Lexington Reaching Everyone 5:30pm - 6:30pm AI-Anon 6:30pm - 7:30pm Tuesday Evening Service 7:30pm - 8:30pm Zoom with Pastor</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30am - 7:30am Men's Weds. AM Group 9:15am - 10:00am Chair Yoga 10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10:00am - 11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm - 4:30pm Prime Timers Cards 6:30pm—8:00pm—Faithful Way Forward presentation—Wesley Hall</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:30am - 11:30am Exercise Class 6:30pm - 8:30pm Worship Band Practice</p>	<p>19</p>
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