## MEET OUR CHURCH STAFF:

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The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today in honor of Fred Kelly's birthday today. Happy birthday Dad, I love you! Megan Quattlebaum

#### **TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE**

Join us each Tuesday evening at 6:30pm in the sanctuary for a traditional worship service! Senior Pastor, Rev. Mack McDowell, will preach and lead the service. You are invited to attend especially if you missed Sunday worship! Dress is casual.

#### Town Hall Meetings

The Church Council invites you to attend a Town Hall meeting to learn more about the Local Church Discernment Process, "A Faithful Step Forward." The meeting will be held on Thursday, August 17th, at 6:30 in Wesley Hall. A nursery will be provided.

Topics will include a review of the UMC structure and doctrinal standards, how some churches have arrived at a point of separation from the UMC, and an explanation of the Discernment Process provided by Bishop Holston.

The Town Hall meeting will be repeated on Wednesday, August 30th, at 6:30 in Wesley Hall. For more information, visit the SCUMC website: <a href="https://www.umcsc.org/discern/">https://www.umcsc.org/discern/</a>

A 15 minute video entitled, "Methodism 101" is recommended for congregational members to learn more about UMC structure and doctrinal standards: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v="https://www

## **ALPACA SHOEBOX**

For the month of **August**, please consider donating the following: markers/highlighters, lined notebook paper, folders, journals, rulers, pencil sharpeners, erasers, construction paper, stickers, children's scissors, solar calculators. Items NOT needed are pencils, crayons, spiral notebooks. 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!!

#### **EMMAUS REUNION GROUP**

The Emmaus Reunion Group will meet on TODAY Aug. 13 from 3:00pm-4:00pm in the parlor. Anyone is welcome to join us.

## G.A.L.S.

G.A.L.S. support group will meet on Tues., Aug. 15 at Bellis House of Pizza. Contact Linda Gladden to make your reservation-803-359-6263.

## SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING

There will be 1 more under an hour Safe Sanctuary Training: Sunday, August 13 at 2:00pm in Wesley Hall. If you are working with Children, Youth, or Vulnerable Adults and haven't updated your training in the past 3 years or if you would like to work with these groups and have never been trained, please join Sari Ness for these mandatory trainings. If you are not sure when your last training took place contact Sari at <a href="mailto:nessmooth">nessmooth nessmooth nessmooth

# RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY, SEPT. 11 2:00PM-7:00PM

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be on Monday, Sept. 11 from 2-7pm in Asbury Hall. Donors can sign up online at <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc," or directly at this link: <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc">https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc</a>. Please give blood!



## You're Invited!!

On Sept. 10 there will be ONLY ONE worship service at 10:00am in Wesley Hall. This will be a COMBINED service. No 8:30am service. Afterward, join us for a potluck brunch and SCAVENGER HUNT. The church will provide a cereal bar and you are asked to bring a dish to share! Please RSVP at the QR code above or call Todd or Heather!

#### CHILDREN'S CORNER



Children and Youth are invited **Sunday**, **August 20th from 2-4 pm** to Golden Hills Pool for our back-to-school pool party.





Acolyting

Please sign up at the QR to help teach Children's Sunday school. Teachers are needed on July 30<sup>th</sup> and all August Sundays are open.

**Acolytes** are needed, please sign up at the QR code. Is your child interested in acolyting? Let me know so we can get them trained: Heather@lexumcsc.com

Our **Sing! Play! Summer! Challenge** is winding down. Be sure to get in those last-minute photos (and feel free to include any weeks you missed, or send them all at once!) Our pelican snoball coins will be given out to those who completed each week on Sundays during the month of August.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm will be our Annual Trunk or Treat. Be on the lookout for additional info, trunk signups, and candy donation options soon!