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TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE & ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Evening service and Zoom Bible Study will be cancelled throughout December and will resume on Jan. 9. Pastor Mack is taking a much needed break!

EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME ANGEL WISH MISSION

Epworth Children's Home Angel Wish Mission. To sign up for a "wish" please email Lori Torbett at <u>ldtorbett@gmail.com</u> or text/call her at 803-629-7126. You can donate to the church and we will shop for you! Please label your donation to "Epworth" or "Angel Wish". Please <u>do NOT</u> <u>wrap your item</u> and turn it into the church no later than **TODAY**. Thank you for your continued generosity and providing the kids at Epworth with a wonderful Christmas!

ANGEL TREE MINISTRY

The response to the Angel Tree ministry this year has been tremendous. Many thanks to those who took an Angel and provided a gift to a child whose parent is incarcerated. We will be providing gifts to over 25 families, 60 children. The deadline for returning the gifts is **today**, December 10th. If you have not returned your gift(s), please contact Sandy Knight (703-901-4664) or Wanda Pettus (803-447-8945) as soon as possible. If you are delivering the gifts you purchased, please let Sandy or Wanda know. Over the next 2 weeks, we will be delivering the gifts to the children.

DECEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Dec. 10-9am Sunday School

10am ONE worship service (Gym) 6:30pm Moravian Love Feast (Sanct.)

- Dec. 17-Christmas Choir Cantata 9am Sunday School 10am ONE worship service (Sanctuary) Dec. 21-5:30pm-7:30pm Advent Spiral Walk in the gym
- Dec. 24-Christmas Eve 9am Sunday School 10am ONE worship service (Sanctuary) 4:30pm candlelight service (Sanctuary) 7:00pm candlelight service (Sanctuary) Dec. 31-9am Sunday School

10am ONE worship service (Gym)

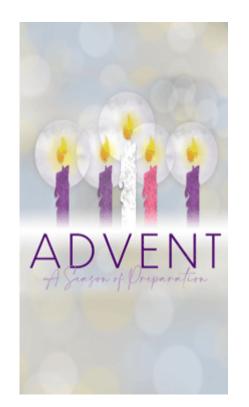


HOMECOMING!

Sept. 7, 2025: LUMC's 175th anniversary will be here before we know it! We will celebrate with a homecoming! Mark your calendars so that you don't miss it!

CHURCHWIDE BABY SHOWER FOR MARY!! TODAY!

Taking place at 11 am following worship, this is a churchwide event sponsored by Children's Ministry. We will have light snacks and some activities to do as we are reminded in a very practical way that Advent is a season of preparation...join us to prepare for Baby Jesus' birth by bringing a gift for Samaritan's Well (diapers, wipes, hygiene products, etc.), enjoying some snacks, and celebrating Mary's Baby Shower as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.



New Associate Pastor

As the Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) chair, I wanted to take a pass along some great news to the congregation. As many of you are aware, the SPRC has been searching unsuccessfully for several months for an assistant to help Pastor Mack in ministering to our congregation. Our District Superintendent (DS), Fran Elrod, was aware of our difficulty in finding the right person for our church. The DS requested to meet with the SPRC via Zoom last Wednesday evening. During the meeting, the DS informed the SPRC that an Associate Pastor, Rev. Meegian Gossard, would be available for appointment starting in January. Pastor Gossard is an ordained elder and is currently serving as an Associate Pastor at Trinity United Methodist Church in Blythewood, SC. The SPRC is very excited to bring you this news. What a great Christmas present for our congregation! We hope that everyone will extend a big LUMC welcome when Pastor Gossard joins our church staff in January.

Thank you for being such a warm and loving congregation!

Bill Dunnagan LUMC SPRC Chair

