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ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

There will be NO ZOOM BIBLE STUDY ON APRIL 30 due to Pastor Mack taking a much-needed and well-deserved vacation. Bible study will resume on May 7.

BLESSING BOX

The Blessing Box is always in need of donations! All are appreciated, especially Vienna sausages, tuna packets, canned spaghetti, and any easy-to-eat and to-go proteins. Thank you for your donations!

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY-MAY 5

Join us next Sunday, May 5th at 10 am in the Sanctuary as we all join together as one for Confirmation Sunday! We will welcome the newest members to Lexington United Methodist Church! There will be only 1 service that day at 10:00 am. Sunday School classes may meet at 9:00 am if they wish.

EPWORTH MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING-MAY 12

Most of the children served by Epworth Children's Home will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their birth mothers. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff and foster parents who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. On Sunday, May 12, we will participate in the Annual Mother's Day Offering to benefit Epworth's Children's Home. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who call Epworth home.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 2 AT 5:30PM

There will be a meeting of the Church Council on May 2 at 5:30 pm in Asbury Hall. This will be a regular meeting. All Council members are asked to attend.

PRESCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!

The LUMC preschool is in need of 2 teachers for the 2024/2025 school year to help out in the one's or two's classes. If you are interested, contact Sunshine Tucker, Preschool Director, at sunshine@lexumcsc.com

PRIME TIMERS LUNCH

You are invited to join Prime Timers for lunch on Tuesday, May 7, at Red Lobster on Knox Abbot Drive. We will meet there at 11:30 am. Please contact Sammie Brown at 803-351-0784 or sbrown8885@sc.rr.com to make your reservation.

CHURCHWIDE GRADUATE BRUNCH On Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, we will host a Churchwide Graduate brunch to celebrate LUMC high school and college graduates @ 10 am in Wesley Hall! At 11 am, there will be a combined worship service in Wesley Hall where we will recognize our graduates! The breakfast is FREE but a donation will be collected to help offset some of the cost. Join us for breakfast casseroles, pastries, fruit, and more! Please help us plan for food by scanning the QR below to RSVP. Do you have a family member who is graduating? Please include your graduate's information on the RSVP form. Contact Todd Handell with questions at todd@lexumcsc.com



COFFEE TIME

Thank you to the Frances Major Circle for providing refreshments for Coffee Time before Sunday School in April! **The Wesleyan Disciples Sunday School Class** will host in **May**. Please note that, due to adjusted worship schedules, we will NOT have Coffee Time on May 5 (Confirmation Sunday) and May 19 (Graduate Sunday). If your class or group would like to help with Coffee Time in upcoming months, please contact Vicki Boylston at 803-546-9238.

G.A.L.S.-GOD'S AMAZING LOVE SUSTAINS WIDOWS GROUP

G.A.L.S. will meet on Tuesday, May 21 at 11:30 am at the Old Mill Brew Pub. Contact Linda Gladden to make your reservation-359-6263.

ALPACA SHOEBOX

This churchwide project supports the **Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child ministry.** For the month of April, please consider donation of the following: plastic cups w/ tops; bandanas/light weight scarves; hair accessories; sunglasses; small mirrors. The collection cart is in the hallway outside of Pastor Mack's office.



FESTIVAL OF TABLES

The 2024 Festival of Tables is May 11th in Wesley Hall. Doors will open at 2:00 pm for a delightful afternoon. The dessert bar will open at 2:30 pm to offer some delectable desserts. Tickets: \$10 and are on sale now! Put this fun event on your calendar! See YOU there!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY, MAY 20; 2-7PM

We need YOU on May 20 in Asbury Hall to give blood! Donors can sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc," or directly at this link: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc.

TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE

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