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The flowers on the altar in the traditional service are given to the glory of God and in honor of Loretta & Malcolm Jackson's 5th wedding anniversary.

WELCOME KEN PRUITT & DAVID O'SHIELDS

Today, at the 8:30am service, the anthem will be "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" played by Ken Pruitt, cello. Welcome Ken! We also welcome David O'Shields as our guest pianist in both traditional services!

SERVICE SCHEDULE CHANGE SUNDAY, AUG. 4

On Sunday, Aug. 4, we will have our regular 8:30am traditional service and 9:45am Sunday School, but our 11:00am services will be combined in Wesley Hall. It will also be Youth Sunday! The youth will be taking over both worship services as well as sharing stories and pictures from their mission trip to Rocky Mount, VA. We will also have the blessing of the backpacks! All students, teachers, & school employees are invited to bring their backpacks for a special blessing! We hope to see you there!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY, JULY 29; 2-7PM

We need YOU on July 29 in Asbury Hall to give blood! Donors can sign up online at <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc," or directly at this link: <u>https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/driveresults?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc</u>.

PRIME TIMERS

You are invited to join Prime Timers for lunch at 11:30 AM on Tuesday August 6 at El Jimador Mexican Restaurante at 5343 Sunset Blvd (near Top Spin and across from Hobby Lobby). Please contact Sammie Brown at 803-351-0784 or <u>sbrown8886@sc.rr.com</u> to make your reservation.

UMW PRESENTS DINNER & BINGO-AUG. 10 5-7:30PM IN WESLEY HALL

Join us in Wesley Hall for a pulled pork dinner & fixin's by Love Handell's BBQ! There will also be a bake sale! Bingo is free for all ages to play! Cost is \$12 adult/ \$8 children under 12. Proceeds benefit UMW missions. Sign up at this QR code:



TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE

Join us each Tuesday evening at 6:30pm 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.

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

Please join Pastor Mack on Zoom each Tuesday evening at 7:00pm for his weekly Zoom Bible Study! Each study is based on the previous Sunday's traditional service! Please be on the lookout for the Zoom link in the Tuesday church emails or call the church office to have the link sent to you.

OUTREACH PROJECT

LUMC Kids know how important water is, especially on a hot summer day. They have taken on the project of providing bottled water for the hot SC summer, in a cooler, out by the blessing box. Now they need your help! Check out their posters around the halls and please consider donating a case of water to help the community this summer. Contact Heather Connor for any questions.

EPWORTH BACKPACK MISSION

School begins early August so this is the last week for donations and we are still in need of donations as we have not yet met our goal. The backpacks are approximately \$60 so our goal is to raise a total of \$7,200. 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

175th Anniversary Homecoming Planning

Join us on Tues., Aug. 13 @ 5pm in Asbury Hall to help plan our Homecoming and Anniversary Celebration which will take place on Sept. 7, 2025. All are invited to attend! God bless your helpfulness and leadership in our sweet church!

SNACK SACK

We start the new school year with 660 students to feed each week of the school year. These 660 students are in 10 schools that are spread across Lexington Districts One, Two and Three. Monetary donations are needed now to be ready for the start of school. Snack Sack has approximately \$16k to start the new school year. We will continue to receive food donations of ramen noodles from Palmetto Gourmet Foods in Saluda, SC. Volunteers from last school year will be asked to return to help again. Please help by contributing to this important ministry! Thank you all-Rick Cunningham.

COFFEE TIME

If you or your group are willing to host Coffee Time, please contact Wendi Walsh-803-622-7053.

NURSERY WORKER NEEDED!

We need 1 adult (over 21) nursery worker, particularly for the 9:45-Noon time frame on Sunday mornings but occasionally for additional dates when available. So, if you enjoy spending time with little ones sharing God's love through play and are interested in applying, please email either Diane, <u>dcrosby@lexumcsc.com</u>, or Heather, <u>heather@lexumcsc.com</u>. All persons must meet safe sanctuary requirements and complete safe sanctuary training.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

-Children's Sunday School teachers are needed for the Summer Months! Sign up via the QR code on the back of the bulletin or reach out to Heather Connor.