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COFFEE TIME

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

TUESDAY EVENING SERVICE

This week's Tuesday Evening Service is CANCELLED due to the Pastor's Set Up Meeting that will be held at LUMC. Please join us NEXT Tuesday evening (8/20) 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.

LUMC CHILDREN RECEIVING BIBLES

Camp Carter Hunter Hook Hollis Chittam (8/18)

Today, during the Worship Services, these children (2nd grade) will receive their very own copy of the CEB Children's Bible. We rejoice with these children as they continue their journey of wondering and growing in God with this milestone. The children are encouraged to bring their Bibles every Sunday and to read and wonder in the Word.

MINISTRIES FAIR SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 9:30-10:00AM IN WESLEY HALL

Come check out the LUMC Ministry Fair during Coffee Time! This is a great opportunity to explore the various ministries our church offers while finding ways to get involved and serve within our church community. Interested in helping organize the Ministry Fair? Contact Heather Connor.

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

This week's Zoom Bible Study is CANCELLED due to the Pastor's Set Up Meeting that will be held at LUMC. Please join Pastor Mack on Zoom NEXT Tuesday evening (8/20) 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.

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!

BLESSING BOX/ **OUTREACH PROJECT**

We are so grateful for all your support! LUMC Kids are taking ACTION on thirst and are so thankful for the support of the congregation. Contact Heather Connor for any questions or to volunteer to check our cooler on a Saturday. ADDITIONALLY, two things the kids have been thinking about: 1) pet food and 2) baby/toddler foods. We've been taking large pet food bags and making smaller baggies for folks to take, if this is something you'd like to do as well, please join us! And it was noticed on Sunday that we don't have many items for the blessing box. These kids are on a roll caring for our community and sharing the love and compassion of Jesus...won't you join them by bringing in non-perishable food items, personal hygiene items, etc.?

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.

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, dcrosby@lexumcsc.com, or Heather, heather@lexumcsc.com. All persons must meet safe sanctuary requirements and complete safe sanctuary training.

AUGUST SHOEBOX NEEDS:

For the month of August please consider donating: pencil sharpeners, erasers, pens, rulers, playing cards, toy cars/trucks, small puzzles, stuffed animals. The donation cart is in the hallway outside of Pastor Mack's office. Questions? Contact Sandi Knight 703-901-4664.

PRESCHOOL

Our preschool begins Aug. 26! We still have spots available in the preschool for 4 yr. olds. If you know of anyone looking for a preschool for their 4 yr. old student, please have them call our Preschool Director, Sunshine Tucker, at 803-359-6838.

L.R.E.-LEXINGTON REACHING **EVERYONE GROUP**

The L.R.E. Group usually meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month but for this month only, we will meet this Tuesday, Aug. 13. Please mark your calendars! L.R.E. is a group that contacts our visitors and goes to see them. They also visit our members who can't get to church. If you'ld like to join L.R.E. or get more information, contact Donna Dunnagan-803-479-9290.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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

-THIS SUNDAY, Aug 11th Back to School SPLASH 2-4 pm: Children, youth, and their grownups are invited to join us at Golden Hills Pool this Sunday from 2-4 pm as we SPLASH back into the school year.

-Sunday, August 18th Final Summer in the Park @ Corely Street Park 5-6:30 pm: Join us for a short story/lesson, playtime, and fellowship for the whole family. Bring a picnic and invite your friends for some summer fun. There is a splash zone so bring a towel!