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CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

The church offices will be closed on Monday, February 17 in observance of President's Day. Have a safe and happy holiday!

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Start your day off right and join the men of the church each Wednesday morning from 7:00am-8:00am in Asbury Hall for a time of prayer while enjoying a continental style breakfast. Contact Tim Chandler with any questions-803-360-6226.

EMMAUS REUNION GROUP

The Emmaus Reunion Group will meet on Sunday, Feb. 23 @ 3:00pm in the Prayer Room (upstairs by the elevator). Interested in Emmaus? Contact Susan Matthews or Cherie Bowers at 803-609-3314 or 803-920-6650.

L.R.E. GROUP-LEXINGTON REACHING EVERYONE

L.R.E. group will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 2:00pm in room 149. They meet every 3rd Tuesday of the month. The LRE group contacts the visitors of the church and makes calls to members and visitors. If you'ld like to know more about the L.R.E. Group, contact Donna Dunnagan at dunnagans@yahoo.com

G.A.L.S.

God's Amazing Love Sustains widow's support group will meet on Tues., Feb. 18 at 11:30am at Veneziano's on Augusta Hwy. Contact Linda Gladden to make your reservation-803-359-6263.

VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED!

We need more volunteer receptionists! Light duties include answering phones and greeting people at the main entrance. Hours are usually 11:45am-1:30pm. Contact Mary Jane Teague if you are interested-803-530-3556.

COFFEE TIME REFRESHMENTS

Coffee time before the Sunday School hour is a great time for fellowship and fosters community within our church. Thank you to the True Believers and Disciples Sunday School class for providing refreshments in February! If your class or group would like to help in another month, please contact Wendi Walsh at 803-622-7053.

BLESSING BOX

High-need items: instant oatmeal, canned tuna or chicken, snack items, fruit cups, toothpaste, toothbrushes, period care items, cooking oil [small bottles], basic seasonings, and pet food. Contact Heather Connor for any questions or to volunteer to check our cooler on a Saturday. These kids are on a roll caring for our community and sharing the love and compassion of Jesus...won't you join them?

SHOEBOX

Throughout the year we collect items to fill Alpaca Shoeboxes for **Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child mission**. For the month of February, please consider donating any of the following items: Soap & Soap Dishes, Hand Wash Cloths & Towels, and Toothbrushes w/Covers. Please place items on the collection cart outside Pastor Mack's office. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Knight at sfknight58@hotmail.com.

HISTORICAL BOOK SUBMISSIONS

In preparation for LUMC's 175th Anniversary Celebration on Sept. 7, 2025, the planning committee invites all members to submit stories, recollections, and photos from milestones, special events, and individual accomplishments or memories over the past 25 years to be compiled into a history booklet. This booklet will build onto the history booklet that celebrates LUMC's history from 1850-2000 that was developed for our 150th anniversary celebration. Please send your submission to Vicky Jackson by Easter Day (April 20) at 803-356-6429 or VickyGatchJackson@gmail.com

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The South Carolina United Methodist Advocate is accepting applications for one \$1,000 scholarship, which will go to a United Methodist student enrolled at one of the four United Methodist colleges in South Carolina: Claflin University, Columbia College, Spartanburg Methodist College or Wofford College. Applications are now being accepted for the 2025-2026 academic year. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2025. To apply, fill out the scholarship application found at https://advocatesc.org/scholarships.

SAM & ANNIE LAURIE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP

The Sam and Annie Laurie George Scholarship is given annually to a deserving student who attends Columbia College, Wofford College, or Spartanburg Methodist College. He/She must be a member or relative of a member of Lexington United Methodist Church. If interested, complete the application form found outside of Wesley Hall, outside of Pastor Meegian's office, or attached to this email. Return it to the church office by **Thursday, March 20.** Interviews will take place in April.

LUNCH & LEARN

Shiloh UMC invites you to a Lunch & Learn event on Thurs., March 6 from 12:00pm-1:00pm featuring Gilbert's Town Mayor, John Reeder. Mr. Reeder will be talking about "The Future of Gilbert". Lunch is \$15. Contact Donna by March 3 to reserve your seat. 803-206-3400.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

- **-TONIGHT, Feb. 16th** we will explore "World Whale Day: Peace with Creation" Join us 5-6:30 pm, drop off on the preschool playground, and pick up in the purple awning room on the children's hall.
- -The children will be singing in the traditional worship on February 23rd in the 11 am worship. We will also record the song for our Anew service the Sunday prior. Be sure to join us for Sunday school where we begin with music each week and will be practicing.

WE NEED YOU!







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