



# LEXINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## THE HOUSEHOLD *of Faith*

JUNE 2025

## A WORD FROM PASTOR MACK

Blessings to you, sisters and brothers in Christ at Lexington United Methodist Church! Father's Day is just around the corner! We will recognize fathers on June 15, 2025. Father's Day became an official U.S. holiday in 1972. Just as two Methodist women are credited with creating the Mother's Day holiday in the U.S., the inspiration for Father's Day also came from a Methodist woman, Grace Golden Clayton. Isn't it interesting to know that Methodist women initiated both Mother's Day and Father's Day?

The month of June is also a month when, in the past, we have sent teams of youth and adults to Salkehatchie Summer Service for a week to repair homes for homeowners who need help. This year though, the Salkehatchie camp that several LUMC members were prepared to support has been canceled. Baker Creek Salkehatchie Camp often enrolled up to 60 youth and adults, but this year the entire camp only had 12 registrations. I was sad to be notified that the camp was canceled, but also grateful for the assistance offered by Matt Larion and Thomas Varner, who were both willing to help with the camp. We are very blessed to have so many willing volunteers in our church. The time has come though, to recognize that our young people are so very busy throughout the summer that an entire week is too much time for most of them to be away. Therefore, I will not be pursuing Salkehatchie anymore with our LUMC members.

We have a lot of wonderful things continuing to happen at LUMC. Among them, I am looking forward to the Roswell Presbyterian Church 96:ONE Youth Choir giving us a free concert on Friday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m. in our LUMC sanctuary. We also have LUMC representatives attending our Annual Conference in Greenville from June 8-11. I appreciate what you all do in LUMC, as you too labor to spread the life-giving message of the Gospel. May God continue to bless our church and our efforts for Jesus!

God bless you all,

*Rev. Mack McDowell*

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# Church News

## Join Us in Celebrating Heather Connor

In May, LUMC's Director of Children's Ministry, **Heather Connor**, graduated with a Masters of Divinity from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. She will be leaving LUMC to become the **Minister of Formation & Outreach at the United Methodist Church of Geneva** located in Geneva, Illinois. Heather's last day with us will be **Sunday, June 8, 2025**.

To show our love and appreciation, a congregational Love Offering and personal notes and cards will be collected from now through Tuesday, June 3, 2025. Donations can be made online under the fund 'Special Collection' and checks should be made to LUMC, with the memo 'Love Offering.' (Please note: according to IRS guidelines, donations given to specific person(s) are not tax-deductible.) Cards can be dropped by Diane Crosby's office or mailed to her attention. You may also leave Heather a note in or sign the Bible gifted to her by LUMC, located on the table outside Pastor Meegian's office.



**The cards and love offering will be presented to Heather during coffee time after the 8:30 service on Sunday, June 8, 2025.** We invite everyone to join us in saying goodbye to Heather and the Connor family during this time as she will leave immediately after for Annual Conference in Greenville where she will be ordained as a Provisional Deacon.



## Coffee Time Helpers Needed for June!

With the exception of June 8th for Heather's send off, we do not have anyone to host coffee time and refreshments in June. If no one steps up to serve, then there will be no coffee time the other 4 Sundays in June. Prayerfully consider volunteering your Sunday School class, circle, or friend group if you enjoy this time of fellowship and would like to see it continue. If you are able to help, please contact **Wendi Walsh** at 803-622-7053.



## 96:ONE Youth Choir FREE Concert Friday, June 6th, 7 PM | LUMC Sanctuary

The Roswell Presbyterian Church 96:ONE Youth Choir will give a free concert on **Friday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Lexington UMC sanctuary. All are welcome to attend! The choir's name comes from Psalm 96:1 - "O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth," and the theme of their concert is Dwelling in the Spirit. We hope you will come join us!



## Lexington Blowfish Baseball Game

Friday, June 20th, 7 PM | Ticket Sales Close June 13th

Take me out to the ball game! The entire congregation is invited for an evening of baseball as the Lexington Blowfish take on the Florence Flamingos, followed by fireworks at the end of the night. Choose between a standard ticket for \$8.50 or a ticket with all-you-can-eat buffet for \$15.99. Buffet includes burgers, chicken sandwiches, chips, brownies, and more! Gates open at 6 PM; parking is \$3 per car (cash only). [Click here](#) or scan the QR code to purchase your ticket by June 13th.



## Accepting Submissions for Artist Showcase

Submissions Due Aug. 17th | Showcased at 175th Anniversary Celebration, Sept. 7th



**Calling all Artists, Writers, Musicians, & Craftsmen:** The committee planning the 175th Anniversary Celebration of LUMC invites artists, writers, musicians and craftsmen from the church to express memories, thoughts, prayers, or appreciations for LUMC through original artwork, stories, poems, songs or crafts. We know that we have many talented members, and we would like to showcase these talents in conjunction with our 175th Anniversary Celebration on September 7th. Items may be submitted to **Ann Cimburke** ([cimburkes@aol.com](mailto:cimburkes@aol.com)), **Miyoung Paik** ([miyoungpaik2018@gmail.com](mailto:miyoungpaik2018@gmail.com)), or **Lynn Brewer** ([bmlynn75@gmail.com](mailto:bmlynn75@gmail.com)) by Aug. 16th.

## Now Hiring Nursery Workers

Do you enjoy sharing God's love with little ones?

We are looking to hire two adult (21+) nursery workers for Sunday mornings (9:45 – noon; not every Sunday unless desired) and occasional other opportunities. If you are interested in applying, please email either Diane, [dcrosby@lexumcsc.com](mailto:dcrosby@lexumcsc.com), or Heather, [heather@lexumcsc.com](mailto:heather@lexumcsc.com). All persons must meet Safe Sanctuary requirements and complete Safe Sanctuary training, if not already current on their training.



## THE HOUSEHOLD of Faith

**Do you have content you would like included in the Household of Faith?**

Please contact Kaitlyn Handell at [obrien.kaitlynm@gmail.com](mailto:obrien.kaitlynm@gmail.com) or 864-752-5627 by June 19th with any information you wish to be included in the next issue of the Household of Faith.



# Children's Ministry

LUMC promises to surround our children with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. Our intention is to minister to the needs of all children and provide them with a caring community where they may be nurtured in a dignified and loving manner. For all the latest info regarding upcoming events, visit [lexumcsc.com/childrens-ministry](http://lexumcsc.com/childrens-ministry).



## Nursery (infant - 2k)

Nursery services are offered for infants and toddlers during the Sunday School period (beginning at 9:45 AM) through the end of the 11AM services. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Connor.

## Sunday School (3k - 5th)

Children can gather at the purple awning room at 9:45 for music time with Ms. Lessie followed by a Bible lesson and other activities. The Bible lesson will follow the United Methodist lectionary using Illustrated Ministries curriculum. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Connor.

## Summer Movie Night with S'mores

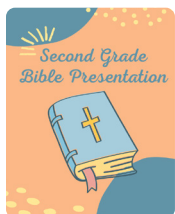
Sunday, June 1st – 5 to 6:30PM | Asbury Hall



Kids are invited to Asbury Hall for a movie night and s'mores to celebrate the start of summer! We will be watching the Pixar movie, Luca. Please arrive a few minutes early as we will start right at 5 to watch the 1.5 hour movie.

## 2nd Grade Bible Presentation

Sunday, August 10th – All Services



Save the date for this special milestone as rising 2nd graders receive their very own Bible! If you have a rising 2nd grader, please email [heather@lexumcsc.com](mailto:heather@lexumcsc.com) with your student's name how you'd like it to appear on their Bible and which service you will be attending (8:30 or 11 AM Traditional; 11 AM Contemporary).

## VOLUNTEER CORNER

Volunteers are needed to help support our Children's Ministry programs. Click the titles or scan the QR codes to sign up.

**Sunday Morning Programming**  
Adults with Safe Sanctuary Training



**Sunday Evening Programming**  
Adults with Safe Sanctuary Training



**Acolytes**  
for Traditional Services







The Youth Ministry at Lexington United Methodist Church seeks to serve all students in grades 6th through 12th grade. For all the latest info regarding upcoming events, scan the QR code to view the [monthly youth newsletter](#) or visit [lexumcsc.com/student-ministry](https://www.lexumcsc.com/student-ministry).



## Brewers' Lake Day

Sunday, June 1st – 4:00 to 7:00 PM | [Brewers' Lake House](#)

The youth are invited to the Brewers' Lake House for some fun at the lake! Take a ride on a tube or just enjoy some swimming! Dinner will be served. Please RSVP at the link in the [youth newsletter](#).



## Sunday Funday

Sunday, June 22nd – 12:00PM to 5:00 PM | [Drop Off & Pick Up at LUMC](#)

Join us for our first "Sunday Funday" of the summer! Meet us at church after the 11AM worship service as we enjoy lunch and then head to Frankie's Fun Park for the afternoon. We will return to the church by 5pm. Cost is \$25 per person. Register at the link in the [youth newsletter](#).

## Welcome to Our Confirmands

On Sunday, May 4th, at our 10 AM combined traditional service we welcomed the 2025 confirmands as the newest members of Lexington United Methodist Church. We are proud of the commitment these confirmands (*pictured at right*) made to serve Christ as members of LUMC.



## Congratulations Class of 2025

On Sunday, May 18th, we celebrated the class of 2025 graduates (*left*) with a churchwide brunch followed by a combined 11 AM worship service. Both graduates were recognized during the service and given a Bible, devotion book, and a towel embroidered with the LUMC logo to remind graduates they always have a home at LUMC and they are called to be Christ-like servants. We lift up our graduates in prayer as they continue on their journey in the mission field.



# Adult Ministries

## Prime Timers Lunch

Tuesday, June 3rd – 11 AM | Mediterranean Cafe, 326 W. Main Street



Prime Timers is a ministry at Lexington United Methodist Church for persons 50 years of age and older as well as for others who enjoy participating in these activities. The group will gather for lunch and a time of fellowship at Mediterranean Cafe in Lexington on Tuesday, June 3rd. Please contact **Sammie Brown** at 803-351-0784 or [sbrown8885@gmail.com](mailto:sbrown8885@gmail.com) to reserve your spot.

## Craft-a-Card Ministry

Tuesday, June 10th – 1:30 to 3:30 PM | MC004 (downstairs craft room)

The Craft-a-Card Ministry gathers the second Tuesday of each month to create homemade greeting cards. These cards can go a long way in comforting those who are sick or grieving, celebrating a joyous occasion, or simply sharing God's love with our church family. For questions or additional information, contact **Donna Dunnagan** at [dunnagans@yahoo.com](mailto:dunnagans@yahoo.com) or 803-479-9290.



## G.A.L.S. Widows' Support Group Lunch

Tuesday, June 17th – 11:30 AM | Nick's House of Pizza, 1082 Sunset Blvd.

God's Amazing Love Sustains (G.A.L.S.) is a support group for widows. The support group meets the third Tuesday of every month at a local restaurant for lunch and a time of fellowship. For May, the group will gather at Nick's House of Pizza. For questions or to RSVP, contact **Linda Gladden** at 803-920-0114.

## Festival of Tables Raises \$1300 for Missions

Lexington UMW hosted the annual Festival of Tables on Saturday, May 10th in Wesley Hall. Everyone in attendance had a fabulous time participating in a scavenger hunt, selecting tables for "Superlatives," and partaking in a multitude of desserts. Over \$1300 was raised to benefit mission organizations supported by LUMW!





## Epworth Foster Parent Appreciation Baskets

Epworth



Thank you LUMC family for your generous donations to the Foster Family Gift Baskets for Epworth. We were able to prepare three gift baskets – a Picnic Day basket, a Beach Day basket, and a Spa Night basket – filled with goodies and gift cards. As always, thank you for your support of Epworth!

*The mission of Epworth is to serve children, youth and families through caring, safe, Christian communities where hurts are healed, hope is nurtured, and faith in God, self, and others is developed. Epworth, located in Columbia, SC, was established in 1985 by the Methodist people of South Carolina. To this day, the South Carolina United Methodist Conference remains dedicated to the mission of Epworth.*

## Love God, Love People with Blessing Box



There are many people in our community who benefit from items placed in the Blessing Box – those experiencing homelessness or food insecurities of many kinds. The **LUMC Children's Ministry** needs your help keeping it filled so we can continue to bless all God's children. Consider adding a few items to your cart on your next trip to the grocery store!

### HIGH NEED ITEMS:

- Instant Oatmeal
- Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Snack Items
- Fruit Cups
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Feminine Care Items
- Cooking Oil, small bottles
- Basic Seasonings
- Pet Food

## Mission Lexington



**Our Mission:**  
"Glorifying God by serving  
our neighbors in crisis."  
*In the Spirit of Matthew 25:40*

Mission Lexington, one of many local organizations the LUMC congregation supports, was established in 1978 and serves as the hub of care for those in crisis in Lexington County. They assist families and individuals with life essentials (food, clothing, shelter), resources, and guidance. Mission Lexington offers a thriving thrift store, food pantry, mobile food pantry, donation center, social services, and administration offices.

To learn more about the many services Mission Lexington offers and to find ways you can support their mission, visit them online at [missionlexingtonsc.org](http://missionlexingtonsc.org) or at their offices at 216 Harmon Street in downtown Lexington.



# Memorials, Honorariums & Birthdays

## MEMORIALS

### Jim & Sue Jackson

James & Cynthia Jackson

## HONORARIUMS

### Susan Matthews

Terry & Daisy Hicks

### Cherie Bowers

Connie Cooper and Ella,  
Reagan, & Claire Oswald

## BAPTISMS

### Tristan Hayden Fender

## NEW MEMBERS

### Justin & Ashley Powell with children Ella & Gus

508 Carola Lane  
Lexington, SC 29072

### 2025 Confirmands

Kaylie Behr  
Sadie Curtis  
Tristan Fender  
Mary Scott Handell  
Adelyn Larion  
Sam Merrell  
Ben Moore  
Jake Moore  
Cameron Register

## BIRTHDAYS

6/1

Alex Gatch  
Brooke Inabinet  
Bo Sis  
Gary Stinecipher  
Tim Rogers  
Aria Stewart

6/2

Jessica Cooper  
Shirley Gregory  
Rachel Gaines Williams  
Ben Brandes  
Randy Locklier  
Collin Conrad  
Addy Fender  
Jake Carroll

6/3

Sandy Groves  
Nick Cook  
Lucy Young  
Darlene Cogswell  
Heather Corley  
Clara Meyers  
Nick Doub

6/4

Ann Baugh  
Korene Smith  
Scott O'Neal

6/5

Carlene Bozard  
Emily Reynolds  
Rachel Buchanan  
Sally Edwards

6/6

Kim Baugh  
Larisa Daly  
Jamie Spillers

6/7

Dylan Roberts  
Kathryn Spence  
Dee Hucks  
Jace Craig  
Emma Segui

6/8

Vivian Rivers  
James Walsh  
Shannon Osborne

6/9

Andrew Reynolds  
Diane Crosby  
Ben Masters

6/10

Scott Cogswell  
Jack Goldsmith  
Angie Scoates  
Mary Scott O'Neal

6/11

Jessica Moore  
Ashley Sansone

6/12

Judy Wolfe

6/13

Suedella Rhoten  
Sidney Gatch  
Tom Hucks  
Joseph Ness

6/14

Michael Cunningham  
Dee Eskridge  
Grace Harrell  
Angela Melton  
Sydney Pruitt  
Mary Patterson

6/15

Jordan Edwards  
Jay Martin Jr.  
Greg Ropp Sr.  
Natalie-Ann Melton

6/16

Anna Gatch  
Mark Kelly  
Connie Martin  
Angie Kicklighter  
Joseph Templin  
Ina Deeds

6/17

Jackson Elliott  
Leann Swearingen  
Thomas Reynolds  
Todd Creekmore

6/18

Megan Quattlebaum  
Ed Richardson  
T.J. Roland Jr.  
Evie Willis  
Isabelle Borduas

6/19

Audrey Gonzalez  
Olivia Koss  
Bryson Thain  
Greg Smith  
Katie Brasche

6/20

Jody Jackson  
Ryan Bussell

6/21

Jason Dunnagan  
Melody Brown  
Harold Taylor

6/22

Kimberly Lightle  
Alicia Keisler  
Rick Masters

6/23

Sally Taylor  
Delaney Schilling  
Kalyn Cogswell  
Adelyn Larion

6/24

LuAnne Renwick  
Cooper Johnson  
Adam Templin  
Jack Gurgigno  
Ken Wahl  
Michael Blackwell

6/25

Nathan Leonard

6/26

Sandi Owens  
Camryn Cagney  
Mary Edwards  
Pam Curtis

6/27

Cori Fouch-Doub

6/28

Dan Parker Sr.  
Keelyn Davis

6/29

Mark Fleming  
Ann Kelly  
Emily Leaphart  
Chase Collum  
Sarah Elvington  
Lily Armstrong

6/30

David Marshall Sr.  
Jared Rish  
Shirley Jordan





# June Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
<b>1</b> 8:30am -9:30am Traditional Worship Svc 9:30am -9:45am Coffee Fellowship Time 9:45am -10:45am Sunday School for All Ages 11:00am -12:00pm Contemporary Worship Svc 11:00am -12:00pm Traditional Worship Svc 2:00pm -3:00pm SPRC Meeting 4:00pm -7:00pm Youth Group-Lake Day @ The Brewer's Home 5:00pm -6:30pm KidzWay-Summer Movie Nt.	<b>2</b> 10:30am -11:30am Exercise Class 7:00pm -8:00pm AA Meeting	<b>3</b> 10:00am -11:00am Staff Meeting 11:30am -12:30pm Prime Timers Luncheon 5:30pm -6:30pm Al-Anon 6:30pm -7:30pm Tuesday Evening Svc 7:00pm -8:00pm Zoom Bible Study	<b>4</b> 7:00am -8:00am Men's Weds. AM Group 10:30am -11:30am Exercise Class 5:00pm -6:00pm 175th Anniversary Planning Mtg. 6:00pm -7:00pm Handbell Practice 7:00pm -8:00pm Chancel Choir Practice	<b>5</b> 10:00am -11:30am Line Dancing 2:00pm -4:30pm Prime Timers Cards	<b>6</b> 10:30am -11:30am Exercise Class 5:00pm -6:30pm Roswell Presbyterian Church Youth Choir Meal 6:30pm -8:00pm Worship Band Practice 7:00pm -8:00pm Roswell Presbyterian Church Youth Choir Performance	<b>7</b> 7:00pm -8:00pm AA Meeting
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**Romans 8: 14-17** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.