MEET OUR CHURCH STAFF:

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Watch livestreaming @ www.lexumcsc.com A Nursery is available for children ages 4 and under during Sunday School and the 11:00am services.

SUBMISSIONS FOR ARTIST SHOWCASE-DEADLINE IS AUG. 16

planning committee The for the 175th Anniversary Celebration of LUMC would like to invite 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 celebration on September 7. Items may be submitted to Ann Cimburke (cimburkes@aol.com), Miyoung Paik (miyoungpaik2018@gmail.com), or Lynn Brewer (bmlynn75@gmail.com) by August 16.

UNITED METHODIST CLASS

Please join us for a class about how the United Methodist Church came into existence beginning with John Wesley. The class will then come through the church's history and doctrine over the last 300 years. The first class will be held on Thursday, July 31st from 6:00pm to 7:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you on the 31st! Please call Mo Reese at 803-240-4593 with any questions.

EMMAUS REUNION GROUP

The Emmaus Reunion Group will meet TODAY at 3:00pm in the parlor. Emmaus members, please plan to attend to help finalize plans for the Gathering in August.

PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR & TEACHER NEEDED

The LUMC Preschool is in search of a Director and teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. If interested, contact Rev. Meegian Gossard at magossard@umcsc.org

EPWORTH BACK PACK MISSION DEADLINE IS AUG. 1

LUMC Church Family, we are continuing our Give "Backpack" Mission providing backpacks to the kids/teens at Epworth Children's Home. We are raising money to purchase a total of 50 backpacks. We need \$225 more to reach our goal of \$3000! Please consider contributing to this wonderful mission. Please label your check Epworth or Backpack. If you have any questions please contact Lori Torbett at 803-629-7126 or <u>Idtorbett@gmail.com</u>. Thank you!!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MONDAY, JULY 28th 2-7pm in Asbury Hall

We need blood! Monday, July 28th from 2pm-7pm in Asbury Hall. Donors can sign up online at <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc,"



175TH ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS

Show your support for the 175th Anniversary of LUMC Celebration (Sept. 7) by purchasing a **commemorative Tshirt!** Only \$20 and we have all sizes!! Order yours today with the QR code below!



BBQ & BINGO

Saturday, August 9th – 5:30 to 7:30 PM Adults: \$15 | Children (12 & Under): \$10 Dinner, a bake sale, and the most fun evening playing Bingo! Plus, the silent auction returns this year! Dinner includes pulled pork provided by Love Handells BBQ and all the fixins! Bingo is free for all ages. All proceeds will benefit local missions supported by the Lexington United Methodist Women. Tickets are on sale during coffee time or after 11am service; or scan the QR code to purchase your tickets for this familyfriendly event!



175th Anniversary Celebration!! Sunday, Sept. 7

What began with 5 members in a shutterless, doorless, hewn log cabin facing Fort St. has persevered for 175 years, and we look forward to celebrating our legacy. On Sunday, Sept. 7, we will worship together as ONE at a **10:00am combined service in Wesley Hall**. We will have music and messages from former pastors, Rev. Ken Owens & Rev. Miyoung Paik. A catered lunch from Hudson's Smokehouse will be served following the service! Mark your calendars now and plan to be a part of this exciting day!! Tickets go on sale TODAY!

LUMC LEGACY FUND

In honor of our 175th anniversary, we started a legacy fund to help the future of our church. The legacy of the church is the people! Please consider giving a gift to this fund that is over and above your normal giving. Whether it is \$175 (\$1 for each year of the church), \$1750 (\$10 for each year), \$17,500 (\$100 for each year), or anything in-between, your gift will improve the life of the church and this community for the next 175 years. 65% of the funds will go to facilities and ground refurbishments and a new directory; 25% of the funds will go to the missions of the church; and 10% of the funds will go to a reserve fund to continue the legacy. So far, we have raised \$36,975!!!!

STEPHEN MINISTRIES 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SATURDAY, OCT. 4

On Saturday, October 4, from 8:00am-4:30pm First Baptist Church in Fort Mill is hosting an all-day Stephen Ministries 50th Anniversary Celebration. The keynote speaker is the founder of Stephen Ministries. Lunch is included. If you would like to go, please sign up on the list outside of Pastor Meegian's office.