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A Nursery is available for children ages 4 and under during Sunday School and the 11:00am services.

Wednesday Night Supper

Wedneday Night Suppers will resume after the holidays!

Leadership Training

There will be a Columbia District **church leadership training held on Saturday, January 9, 10:00am – noon, and again on Sunday, January 17, 3:00pm – 5:00pm.** This training is for administrative committee members, as well as Church Council and Leadership Team chairpersons. If you are a voting member of the Church Council, you are asked to attend one of these sessions. We will meet in Wesley Hall and then breakout into groups. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

Blessing Box

Our blessing box is supplied by generous donations from people just like you! Please help us keep our community fed. The items from the Amazon Wish list will be delivered directly to our cart, but we appreciate any other donations of nonperishable (pop top) products. Please place your items in the bin in the main hallway. We have volunteers that come in each day to fill the blessing box. Thank you for your donations and consideration!! To order from our Wish List, please use the QR code below:

Angel Tree

We still have a few tags remaining on the tree in the connector room! Please open your hearts this holiday season. As you take an Angel Tag, **please add your name & phone # in the Gift Notebook beside the tree beside the Tag # of the Angel you selected (Tag # is on the Angel's wing).** Please attach the Angel tag to the **wrapped gift** and bring the gift to the church by **Sunday, December 6th.** We are also looking for Driver Angels who are willing to deliver the remaining gifts the week of December 13th. December 6 is right around the corner!

Epworth Angel Wish

It's beginning to look alot like Christmas's Epworth Children's Home Angel Wish Mission!! If you would like a "wish", please email Lori Torbett at ldtorbett@gmail.com or text her at 803-629-7126. When you commit to a "wish" you are asked to purchase that specific item as these are the only few times a year the kids can pick their gifts, the brand, the color, etc.. You can also donate money to the church (please designate it for "Angel Wish") and we will shop for you! **Do NOT wrap your gifts** and turn them into the church no later than **December 13th**. Thank you! Lori Torbett

Pecans

Pecans are in! They will be at the church in Asbury Hall and can be picked up Sunday between Sunday school and the 10am church service.

Baby Shower for Roman

Please join us as we celebrate Sophie (Cabral) & Matthew and the upcoming arrival of their baby boy on Saturday, Dec. 12 from 2-4pm in Asbury Hall. Your presence and prayers are the greatest gift of all but if you'd like to bring a gift, scan the QR code for the Baby Registry. Please RSVP to jenny@jennlynn1.com

Snack Sack

Snack Sack needs your help collecting jars of peanut butter and jelly for Christmas. Along with our friends at Faith United Methodist, we are working to collect as many sets as possible to send home with Snack Sack students for the Christmas break. There is a collection bin in the office hallway. Plastic jars only, please! THANK YOU for your kindness!

Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, Dec. 7 from 1-6pm in Asbury Hall. Please give blood! Donors can sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org with Sponsor Code "lexingtonumc," or directly at this link: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=lexingtonumc.

Pop Up Talents Sale

On Sunday, December 6th there will be a pop-up artisan and craft sale in Asbury Hall at 11am. These are lovingly and beautifully created items that were made for the Magic event. All proceeds will go to the Magic event fundraiser. Come and shop for a special present!

Magic on Church Street Recap

It is a year in the books for the Magic on Church Street Festival! We have heard very positive feedback from attendees, volunteers and vendors (even asking about another year!) This past weekend could not have happened without all the volunteers (both Church members and non Church members) many, many hours of their time and energy given over the last year. Amy Reeves from Mission Lexington kicked off our event so wonderfully. Also, a huge thank you to all the sponsors who helped fund the event/sponsorships and donations! The music and performers were phenomenal. The LUMC church service, choir, and ANew praise band did an amazing job with many of our congregation and public showing up in the drizzling rain to hear the message. Pastor Mack, Pastor Meegian, Laura Henrickson, and Katie Meche stayed the duration and welcomed the public with open arms (what a wonderful way to give exposure to LUMC and the "Word"). Final funds collected are being tabulated and will be announced once finalized but it is looking promising!

A New Chapter in Ministry

With great joy and a grateful heart, that Mrs. Laura is excited to share that she will be ordained as a pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) on **Monday, December 7, 2026 at 6:30pm**, at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. This journey has been filled with faith, unexpected turns, wonderful people, and more than a few reminders to trust where God is leading. Laura is incredibly grateful for everyone who has encouraged, supported, and walked alongside her along the way. Friends, family, and church members are warmly invited to attend in person! For those unable to attend in person, St. Stephen's plans to livestream the service through its YouTube channel. As Mrs. Laura prepares to answer this call, she will carry your prayers, friendships, and experiences with her. She can't wait to see what God has in store for this next chapter! God's grace and blessings,
Laura Henrickson