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Lexington United Methodist Church

Where We Seek, Serve and Share Christ

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Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.

Pastor's Post

What a great summer we are having! It has been a joy to see both of our churches involved and active throughout this time. At Grace we celebrated another successful Vacation Bible School and Lexington was host to the community VBS this year and also held a very successful adult Vacation Bible School! All three events were the result of intentional planning and hours of volunteers sharing their gifts of time and talents.

I am also encouraged and excited about the sermon series we are currently doing. The Missouri Conference has given every church the outlines of a 7-week series around the theme of New Places for New People. I have enjoyed watching the videos of what other United Methodist Churches in Missouri have been doing to intentionally create spaces and activities for new people! My intention is that as we finish this series we will have an opportunity to discern what new ministries God has been laying upon our hearts to become involved in that would reach new people in our communities.

Changing gears just a little bit I am also encouraged by our attendance this summer. We always experience a dip in attendance this time of year as we go on vacations and visit the lake, etc. but this summer we have kind of held steady. It won't be but a few weeks and school will be back in session. With that in mind the Lexington church has asked for folks who would be willing to sort and hand out school supplies at the National Night Out event held uptown on August 6th . It is a really fun event and we will have over \$1500.00 of supplies to distribute that evening.

Here is just another idea to consider! With the children going back to school maybe it is time for us parents to become in a time of study as well! We would love to start more Sunday school classes and small group studies! Just a thought!

See you all in church!

Terry



Hi Church Family,

Our summer schedule is beginning to slow as we begin to think about school and fall!

We had a wonderful VBS for our kids and a great Adult VBS. The youth group has been on a mission trip and to Silver Dollar City and are at Miracle Hills Ranch for their church camp experience! How blessed we are to have the opportunities to serve in so many ways and to share our faith with others.!! As I look forward to Fall we are considering new possibilities so listen for the opportunities to share and serve as we enter a new season.

I also want to thank all who helped and participated in the VBS and AVBS. Giving of your time and talents is invaluable and you are truly a blessing! It is an honor to work with you all.

God Bless, Mary

P.S. We will be giving out school supplies on National Night Out so if you would like to help please sign up or contact the church!

Peace, Faith & Love

Tanya Vernon

"Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minded people discuss people," is a quote often attributed to former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt.

As Christians we are called to rise above gossip, drama and backstabbing. James 1:26 advises "Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves and their religion is worthless." In today's society, especially with social media and texting so prevalent, falsehoods can consume like a tinderbox.

But as followers of Christ we are called to be kinder, gentler. Let us not stoop to the crass middle school mentality of celebrities, politicians and those difficult people we may personally know. God's grace covers a multitude of sins and we must strive for peace, love, forgiveness, empathy and generosity. Let us look for more ways to build each other up instead of tearing each other down.



- 2 Cheryl Cooley
- 4 Kaye Worthington
- 4 Rebecca Meierer
- 5 Zoe Goddard
- 6 Marilyn Grafton
- 7 Dillan Grafton
- 7 Dalton Grafton
- 10 Molly Chandra
- 10 Jeff Simpson
- 14 Joey Mizell
- 15 Christine Sudbrock
- 19 Chloe Heisler
- 20 Cooper Davis
- 20 Tanya Vernon
- 22 Kennedy Lynn
- 28 Randy Craft
- 28 Jessica Backs
- 31 Patty Skelton
- 31 Ava Herbst

Members in Care Centers & Homebound

Tootie Mason, John Knox Village, Lee's Summit Dawn Meierer, Carrollton Care Center Beth Simnitt, Lexington Care Center Mary Stephenson, Lexington Care Center



Sophia Kay Stephenson was baptized on July 21, 2019. Jacob Anthony Gladbach was baptized on July 28, 2019.



for at least a month after their broadcast. Don't have internet or a computer? DVD's are available on the table in the church entryway.



Congratulations to Lauren Foster & Tony Negrete on the birth of Emalie Renee Negrete. on 7/3/19 at 2:11 pm. She weighed 8 lbs 3 ounces and is 19.5 inches long and has a head full of hair!

You're invited to Lexington's 4th Annual

National Night Out

Join us for an evening at Main Street Park (Main St & 12th) so we can connect as neighbors. You bring your lawn chairs or blankets and we will bring the food and drinks (free of charge). You can meet with Lexington's city leaders as well as representatives from our local public service agencies. We will have Police, Fire and EMS vehicles on display while we get to know one another better and talk about what's happening in our neighborhoods. It's our community and it's up to us to unite to make changes for the better.





Free School Supplies Face Painting

Bounce House

Lafayette County Health Department will be doing the required back-to-school immunizations for students going into 8th and 12th grade. Please bring shot records and insurance card. Vaccines available for students without insurance.

Come Join the FUN!!!! Tuesday August 6, 2019 from 6-8 PM Main Street Park

For more information: letagrom@yahoo.com



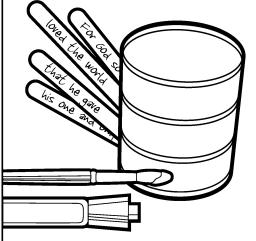
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sundays: 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship			September 2019 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 <	1	2	3 10:00 am Al-Anon
4	5 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise Noon Prayer Team 1:00 pm Quilt Group	6 6:00 pm National Night Out Downtown 6:30 pm Boy Scout Dist Mtgs	7 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise 6:30 pm Youth	8 10:00 Women of the Church 6:30 pm Boy Scout Dist Mtgs	9	10 10:00 am Al-Anon
11	12 HARVESTERS 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise Noon Prayer Team 1:00 pm Quilt Group	13 Noon HCC in Conf Rm 6:00 pm Men's Group	14 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise 6:30 pm Youth	15	16	17 10:00 am Al-Anon District Square Dance in FLC
18 District Square Dancers in FLC	19 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise Noon Prayer Team 1:00 pm Quilt Group	20	21 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise 6:30 pm Youth	22	23	24 9:00 am Baby Grace Distribu- tion Day 10:00 am Al-Anon 2-4:00 Baby Shower
25 6:00 pm River City Squares Square Dance	26 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise Noon Prayer Team 1:00 pm Quilt Group	27 6:00 pm Men's Group	28 9:00 am Stay Strong Exercise 6:30 pm Youth	29	30	31 10:00 am Al-Anon



Play this memory game to start each day in God's Word.



What you need:

- Paint and paint brushes
- Stickers
- An empty, clean tin can
- Permanent marker
- Bible
- Wooden craft sticks

What you do:

- 1. Paint and decorate the outside of the can.
- 2. With marker, write a Bible verse on several sticks (only two or three words per stick).
- 3. Put the sticks in the can, and set it in a spot you'll see daily. As you eat or brush your teeth, practice unscrambling the verse and placing sticks in the correct order.
- 4. When you've memorized the verse, repeat with a new one.



Answer: teeth, tie, sun, cereal, oatmeal, pray, breakfast, stretch, juice, iron, eggs; his compassions