

### MAY 2015

SUNDAY
9:30 am
Sunday School
10:45 am

Worship Service 6:00 pm Youth Group 3rd Sundays Carry-in

**Fellowship Meal** 

MONDAY

Noon Prayer Group

1:00 pm

Quilting for Homeless

WEDNESDAY
6:00 pm Choir
7:00 pm Bible Study
(adults & youth)

FRIDAY
9:30 am
Stay Strong Exercise

SATURDAY

10:00 am Al-Anon



# Lexington United Methodist Church SEEK ~ SERVE ~ SHARE

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It is good to be back! I did not realize how much I needed some time off to rejuvenate myself body, soul and spirit. This past 11 months have been extremely difficult for me personally as Leslie and I have dealt with a separation and now a divorce that will be final sometime in May. It is something that I never believed would ever happen but it has. I often think back to the number of couples and families I have counseled with over issues such as this and saw their struggles and heartache. I have always had empathy and sympathy but never the firsthand knowledge of how difficult it was for them. Now, for better or worse, I do have that experience of tremendous loss and indecision about the future. I want to say thank you to everyone who has prayed on our behalf that I have not even known about as well as for those who have personally prayed with me. Through all of my struggles I have continued to do the best job I could and it has been a joy to do so! I love Christ with all of my heart and could not be happier with our two churches which I have come to love dearly! I think our best years are still in front of us! We have seen growth in attendance in both church and Sunday school for both churches this past year in spite of numerous funerals. We all have personal stories of how Christ brought us through the valleys of life that cause pain and also to experience mountain top experiences of joy and happiness. I have come to believe that we need both experiences to keep us well balanced and thankful.

We will soon be traveling to Annual Conference. The Grace/ Lexington Charge representatives this year are myself and Annie Yates. Rowdy Yates will also be attending as a District representative. Marilyn Gibbs attended the 2014 Conference as the Charge representative, and will be attending this year as a guest. If you have any questions about this year's events feel free to speak with any one of us and we will do our best to answer them!

Grace and peace, Terry

The Discoverer's Class have just started a new study, "Stupid Things Parents Do To Mess Up Their Kids." We'd welcome any and all who could use some assistance on this topic. The class begins at 9:30 on Sundays in the Discovers room. Come join us!!!



Tuesday, May 5th, Pastor Cook is starting a new study called, "The Circle Maker," by Mark Batterson. This class practically lays out what prayer looks like and the powerful results that come from a bold prayer life. This is about a 4-5 week study,

at noon on Tuesdays, in the Seekers classroom. This is key for finding God inside each of us. Come join us for this enlightening study!!!!

#### READY FOR SOME BASEBALL!!!

United Methodist Family Night at the Kansas City T-Bones game is Saturday, May 23rd at 7:00 pm. The tickets are \$10.00 each. If you're interested in going with us please pay Patty in the office by May 6th . We'll meet at the Church and carpool. Let's have some fun!!!

#### Wednesday Night for Youth

Every day, students are bombarded with hundreds of messages about sex: at school, on TV, the internet... sex is everywhere they look. They are learning about sex from the culture around them. It's hard to know what messages are true. For the next 4 Wednesdays, starting April 29th, Annie and Rowdy Yates will be leading a youth study called "The Truth About Sex". It offers honest, biblical truths about sex, boundaries, and what it means to be a Christian teen in such a sexually charged world. If you would like to look at the material we are teaching from, or help with the class, please contact Annie at 660-232-2340. Please pray for the youth, and the leaders as we approach this sensitive subject.

The Women of the
Church
will meet for a
carry-in luncheon at
noon on Friday, May 8





April 27, 2015—The <u>General Board of Global Ministries</u> of <u>The United Methodist Church</u>, through its disaster-relief arm and in conjunction with longtime local and international partners and Nepal-based Global Ministries missionaries, is responding to the devastating earthquake that rocked Nepal April 25.

Today, the <u>United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)</u>, Global Ministries' relief and development unit, approved a grant of \$90,000 for international partner <u>GlobalMedic</u> to bring sorely needed clean water to survivors through provision of household and public water-filtration units.

**How you can help:** As events and needs continue to unfold in Nepal in the aftermath of the earthquake, you can help.

- Pray for all who have been impacted by this emergency: for the people of Nepal, for Global Ministries and UMCOR partners at work on the ground there, and for Global Ministries' five missionaries and their families assigned to serve there.
- **Do not self-deploy** to the disaster area. The situation in Nepal remains one of search and rescue and not a time for volunteers.
- Give to <u>UMCOR International Disaster Response</u>, <u>Advance #982450</u>.
   Your gifts to UMCOR International Disaster Response make it possible for UMCOR to respond quickly to emergency situations through our local and international partners.
- Stay informed. Visit <a href="www.umcor.org">www.umcor.org</a> and <a href="www.umcor.org">www.umcor.org</a> and <a href="www.umcor.org">www.umcor.org</a> for updates and developments regarding Global Ministries' and UMCOR's response to and accompaniment of survivors.

Lexington United Methodist Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non -invasive and painless health screenings on 6/8/2015. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call <u>1-888-653-6441</u> or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitypartners.

### Members in Care Centers & Homebound

Bob Backs (KU Med) Bonnie Best (Care Center) Virginia Fetter (home)

Pat Fisher 9833 Overbrook Ct., Leawood, KS 66206. Geneva Hamilton (nursing home in California) James Lauderdale (Bristol Manor)

Tootie Mason (John Knox Village, Lee's Summit)
Mary Stephenson (Care Center)

Ruth Wainscott (Colorado Springs, CO) Alice Wiley (Meyer Care, Higginsville)

Roberta Wyatt (Care Center)



Check In at Lexington
United Methodist Church
on Facebook, Do Good!
According to Nielsen, 92%
of consumers trust recom-

mendations from friends over all other forms of media. Who better to spread the word? If everyone from the L.U.M.C. that is on Facebook checks in, don't you think it will generate a buzz in our community? Plus, in March, Check-In Angels were making donations to the North West Haiti Christian Mission. In April, every check-in donated money to the Stop Hunger Now program!

### **May Birthdays**

- 12 Nadine Burleson
- 12 Madelyn Stephenson
- 15 Teri James
- 16 Sharol McMullin
- 16 Dakota Yates
- 17 Pat Fisher
- 17 Terry Cook
- 17 Clayton Yates
- 20 Jaime Laddusaw
- 20 Brian Hoeppner
- 23 Carter Jenkins
- 24 Ryan Heisler
- 25 Dee Weisbach
- 25 E J Guevel
- 25 Kinsley Worthington
- 29 Shirley Guevel

If you need a ride to Worship, please call the church office and arrangements will be made  $\sim 259-2483$ 

In the case of severe weather while you're at the church:

If you have a key to the outside doors, that key also opens the basement door (THE WELL)! If you are in the building, someone has a key! If you are that person, it is your responsibility to see that the basement is accessible, if needed.

# Our Worship Service is now available on line!

Thanks to the tireless efforts of David Cooley over the past year, our new A/V System is up and running! This was possible through generous donations of time and money including Dorothy Bryant Memorial Funds, and a Grant from the Missouri United Methodist Foundation.

You can now watch our services on line live or recorded at <a href="https://www.reachingforyou.org">www.reachingforyou.org</a> under "Media".

We are not done yet, there are still some kinks to work out. David and Annie are learning our new software, and not all the monitors are in sync yet—but we're getting there! (The monitor in back of the sanctuary for the choir will be easier to read—just have some patience.) We have monitors available in the Narthex, the nursery and the kitchen.

A Representative from the UM Foundation will be joining us on May 17 to present our grant check. We hope all those who have helped with this process (from planning to donating to painting) will join us for this joyous day.

In conjunction with this change, several months ago we began writing our joys and concerns on cards for Pastor Terry to share during morning worship. This is even more important now, as anything shared from the congregation now converts as dead air on line. Please jot down your joys and concerns on the cards provided in the rear of the sanctuary and place in the basket there. Pastor Terry will pick them up during the greeting time during the service.





## Lexington United Methodist Church "Where We Seek, Serve, and Share Christ"

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sundays 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship 6:00 pm Youth					1 5:30 Workout 9:30 am Strong Women Exercise 10-2 Baby Grace Diapers/Wipes Pickup 5:30 pm Workout	2 10:00 am Al-Anon 8:00 pm LHS Prom in FLC
3:00 pm Community Band Practice	5:30 am Workout Noon Prayer Group 1:00 pm Quilting for the Homeless 5:30 pm Workout	5 5:30 Workout Noon Prayer Study 5:30 pm Workout 6:30 pm Boy Scout Commissioners 7:00 pm Ministerial Alliance @ First Baptist 7:30 BS Roundtable	6 5:30 am Workout 6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Workout 7:00 p Bible Study	7 PRAY for our NATION 5:30 am Workout Noon HOH 5:30 pm Workout 7:30 Boy Scout Dist Committee	8 5:30 am Workout 9:30 am Strong Women Exercise Noon Women of the Church Lunch 5:30 pm Workout	9 10:00 am Al-Anon Youth to volunteer at Synergy in KC
10 Happy Mother's Day!	11 5:30 am Workout Noon Prayer Group 1:00 pm Quilting for the Homeless 5:30 pm Workout 6:30 pm Cub Pack 440 Committee	12 5:30 am Workout Noon Prayer Study 5:30 pm Workout	13 5:30 am Workout 6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Workout 7:00 p Bible Study 7:00 pm LHS Baccalaureate	14 5:30 Workout Noon HOH 5:30 pm Workout 5:30 pm Migrant Farmworkers Graduation Party in FLC 6:00 pm Fierce Warriors Cancer Support Group	15 5:30 am Workout 9:30 am Strong 10-2 Baby Grace Diaper Pickup 5:30 pm Workout 8:00 pm 8th Grade Party in FLC	16 10:00 am Al-Anon
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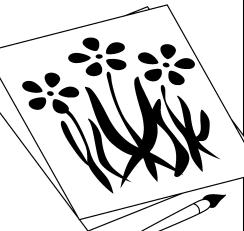


## ring has sprung God created all the seasons, and each brings unique visuals that remind us of him. Directions: Unscramble each phrase to complete Song of Solomon 2:12, NIV. Use the pictures as hints. earth the **Flowers** on appear (3) singing come the has season the <del>િ</del> ૧૧૧ heard the land cooing doves our the ≥क्टि SONG OF SOLOMON 2:12, NIV

Answers: "Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land."

# SPRING

Make this beautiful craft to remind you of God's gift of new life at springtime.



### What you need:

- White 11" x 17" paper
- Acrylic paint (various spring colors, including green)
- Paintbrush
- Empty two-liter plastic bottle
- Paper plates
- Paper towels

### What you do:

- 1. With the paper placed vertically, paint stems and leaves with green paint.
- 2. Pour a different color of paint onto a paper plate. Then place the bottom of the bottle into the paint.
- 3. Using the bottle as a stamp, press it onto the paper to create a flower atop a green stem.
- 4. Repeat with different colors on different plates, cleaning the bottle each time, to create a beautiful spring bouquet.