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*LUMC4Life—We're downtown and all around!
"The mission of LUMC is to make disciples who live transformed lives, and influence their generation and the next with God's love!"*



Ministries

► JOIN US FOR CHILDREN'S HANDBELL RING & SING!

Handbell Ring & Sing will be offered throughout the year to provide an opportunity for children to play handbells in a single-session setting. No experience is necessary. Handbell leaders and current performers will assist in teaching you everything you need to know. Join us on Sunday, February 26th from 11:00-11:30 am in the Red Room of the Education Wing. All children in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome. Come, ring, and have fun playing the bells!

► JAM (JESUS AND ME) CHILDREN'S CHOIR

LUMC Kids have voices that are music to our ears! The next session of Children's Choir will begin on Sunday, March 4th at a new time. Kindergartners through 5th graders will be JAMming up in the choir room from 11:00 to 11:30. Children learn basic choir skills while being introduced to both traditional hymns and contemporary worship music. Join in for the music... for the fun... for the joy. For more information, contact Mrs. Tallamy @ cltallamy@gmail.com

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▶ MINI JAM (JESUS AND ME) PRESCHOOL CHOIR

The Children’s Team is excited to announce that beginning Sunday, March 4th, we will offer choir for children in Preschool aged 3-5! The Mini JAM choir will meet in the Green Room of the preschool wing from 11:00-11:30 am. For more information, contact Laura van Leliveld at Laura@leesburgumc.org.

▶ SOFTBALL SIGNUP

Spring is near! If you are interested in playing Softball for Leesburg UMC, please sign-up in on the Bulletin board near the church office. Also, please make a copy of your Driver License and place in the folder underneath the sign-up sheet. For question please contact Steve Miller (703) 669-0609 or csmiller94@verizon.net.

▶ SUNDAY SCHOOL: FAITH FOR THOUGHT

Mark 6:6b-13: What did Jesus want the disciples to do? Did the disciples travel alone?

▶ THE JOHN WESLEY EXPERIENCE

Wanted: Ten* Courageous Christians to participate in “The John Wesley Experience” during the month of March. 1) Spend 30 minutes per day with God in prayer. 2) Meet weekly with others. 3) Give 1-hour* a week in serving Christ. 4) Give 10% of my income to God’s work. 5) Tell others what God has done/is doing in my life. Questions? Contact Kim Domin, Wayne Reynolds, or Pastor Wishmyer. (* at least!)

▶ CHILDREN’S SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

The upcoming session of the School of Christian Living (SCL) is scheduled to begin February 26 and run on Sunday evenings through the month of March. For those of you that are not familiar with SCL, this is an opportunity for people of ALL ages to attend classes at the church and then, if you would like to, stay for dinner and enjoy some fellowship time. The SCL will run from 4:30 – 6:00pm. The information below tells you about all the fun stuff available for the kids.

Nursery – Child care will be available for those under the age of 3.

Preschool – Boz the Bear makes a triumphant return to entertain the preschoolers with exploration of God’s

world. Kindergarten – 3rd Grade The Nature of God; Great Lakes Discoveries. In this class, kids will discover the incredible creativity, colorful artistry, and intricate designs that make up God’s creation. Join us as we explore: Great Lakes Discoveries. Your visit in Great Lakes Discoveries takes you to the unique majesty of Lake Huron, wetland habitat, and the largest ecosystem in the world, as well as hardwood and conifer forests. With vivid imagery and exciting teaching, kids will discover the incredible creativity, colorful artistry, and intricate designs that make up God’s creation.

4th-5th Grade –Club 45 — Our junior youth group for 4th and 5th graders offers a unique opportunity for fellowship, learning and fun!

If you are interested in signing your family up, you can sign-up here: <http://leesburgumc.org/ministries/SCLSpring2012>; please be sure to list all children attending. We are asking for a one-time donation of \$25 per family, which will help defray the cost of materials and meals.

▶ SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

LUMC’s School of Christian Living for Lent begins Sunday, February 26.

Just one class will be offered for adults, which will begin at 4:30 pm with worship in our sanctuary and a brief “Sermon Follow-Up” by our pastor.

We’ll then split up into small groups throughout the church to further dig into the bible passages and discuss their relevance/application for our lives today. Each group will also spend time praying for each other’s concerns and for our world.

Our focus for Lent in worship, and in our School of Christian Living will be on “The Final Week in the Life and Ministry of Jesus”. A theme woven throughout the Gospels is that Jesus is King; albeit, a different kind of King. Jesus’ preaching and teaching focused on the good news of the Kingdom of God. He told his hearers and his followers that the Kingdom of God was: present, near, within them, and at hand. They struggled to understand, and sometimes, so do we. So three key questions throughout Lent will be: 1) What kind of king is this Jesus? 2) What kind of kingdom did he present and represent? And, 3) What does it



Order online @ www.leesburgumc.org/youth/tshirts \$10 each

T-shirts are black with white printing
Or complete below and return to the “Youth Forms Box” in the office hallway by March 4

Name _____

E-mail _____ # of shirts: _____

Shirt One Size:	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL
Shirt Two Size:	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL
Shirt Three Size:	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL
Shirt Four Size:	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL
Shirt Five Size:	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL
Shirt Six Size:	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	AXXL

mean to be a follower of this king and to live in the kingdom today?

Our prayer and hope as we journey through Lent toward Easter is that we will all be inspired and better informed about this king, even as we learn how to respond faithfully to his invitation to follow him as our King.

Now, our need is threefold: 1) for all to pray for our church and for those we will invited to come during this Lenten journey; 2) for all who are willing, to decide make the time to participate in the five sessions of the SCL (February 26 – March 25); and **3) for several persons who are willing to serve as small group facilitators* and to attend orientation/training with Pastor Wishmyer on Sunday afternoon, February 19, 4:30-5:30pm, OR Tuesday, February 21, 7:00-8:00pm.**

(* Please contact Wayne Reynolds or Pastor Jim if you are interested.)

► **HOMEBOUNDED COMMUNION**

There will be an orientation for all interested in this ministry to our homebound members. Saturday, February 28, from 3:00 - 4:00 pm. Contact Judy Craun or the church office.

► **PANCAKE SUPPER, FEB.21**

**Shrove Tuesday/Mardi Gras Pancake Supper
Tuesday, February 21
Available 5 pm - 7 pm in Asbury Hall**

Tickets: \$5 adults, \$3 kids 10 & under,
Or \$15 per family

Served: Pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee
All proceeds benefit Youth Mission Trip.

Missions

► **GRAB AND GO LUNCH, FEBRUARY 26**

Go up to Asbury Hall after all three services next Sunday to get a delicious lunch or dinner to bring home. The United Methodist Women will be distributing Brunswick Stew, chili and corn muffins. A free will offering will be collected.

All proceeds benefit local and world-wide missions

► **CHILDREN’S MISSION UPDATE**

Thank you to all who donated school supplies and toiletries for the children’s Sunday School collection for Haiti. Our mission-focused lesson about this country and it’s people has motivated our children to help others in need. On Sunday, February 3rd, the children were given the opportunity to use their Bible Bucks reward money to purchase food items for Loudoun Interfaith. In total, \$239 was raised!

► **2ND ANNUAL RUN ME HOME**

When: Saturday, April 28, 2012, 7:30am
Distance: 5K, 10K, and Kids Fun Run
Register at www.RunMeHome.com
Discounted registration through Feb. 29.

► **OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE - HOME DELIVERED MEALS**

Deliver a few smiles within a few miles! Drivers are needed to deliver noontime meals to homebound seniors in the Leesburg Area . It only takes 1 hour once a week or even once a month .

This is a terrific opportunity to bring a hot, nutritious meal to a homebound senior and the gift of friendship. No cooking required either!

Call Debra Bressler at 703-777-0505 or email debra.bressler@loudoun.gov

► **FIVE TALENT FOLLOWERS**

Take the “Five-Talent Follower For Five Weeks” challenge! Sunday, January 15, after reading and reflecting on Jesus’ “Parable of the Talents” in Matthew 25, many accepted the challenge to receive “five talents” in the form of a \$5 bill, with the assignment to 1) take that \$5 and put it to use for God’s purpose, and 2) write a short “report” of what was done and the result, and send/email the report to the church office by the first Sunday of Lent, February 26. The reports/ testimonies will be compiled into one volume to be shared and celebrated as we give thanks and praise to God.

Every single envelope containing a \$5 bill and a sheet of creative ideas was taken! If you missed out on this opportunity because you were not in worship, and you would like to take on the challenge of multiplying your talents and creativity for God’s purpose – and

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multiplying a gift of \$5 - please contact Pastor Jim or the church office asap. **Everyone**, whether you are participating or not, **please pray** for what God to unleash the creative potential and the genuine compassion for others present within our congregation, that the name of Jesus may be lifted up and the love of Jesus be shared.

Miscellaneous

► THANK YOU

Many thanks to Joanne Dennison, and the fellowship team, for our "Heart-to-Heart" Sunday! You helped us to say "hello" to more folks, and even learn some new names!

► DOUBLE-STROLLER WANTED

Sarah Corle is looking for a double stroller. If you have one you'd like to sell, please contact her at 703-777-5936

► JOBS

If you are looking for work, or your company is hiring, please let the church office know and we would be glad to post any—and only—information you wish to share. "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." -Galatians 6:2

► JOB WANTED

Kurt Rosenkranz is looking for a new job. He has experience in the telecom industry (9 years at Cisco Systems and 4 years at 3Com / US Robotics) and experience in the consulting and publishing industries. His main roles have been Project Management, technical writing, and web development. Please contact him for more information: kurt@rosenkranz.us

Administration

► UNITED METHODISTS AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The VA General Assembly is considering over 2000 bills during this year's 60 day session which will end March . On the bulletin board in Wesley Hall are summaries of 14 bills that the Faith Communities, including us, are supporting. Please look them over and contact your legislator. For updated information go to richmondsunlight.com.

5-Talent Follower Updates

February 1, 2012

Dear Pastor Jim,

We have been delighted to attend services with you beginning last Christmas eve. We appreciate the spirit of the congregation and of your ministry. In that vein we are happy to accept your challenge to the congregation to multiply the \$5 bill in each of our envelopes.

We have used the LUMC "starter fund" to grow a \$100 gift to one of our favorite charities, Heifer International. We were pleased to find out that Heifer is a designated charity of the church, so you know already of its wonderful "pass on the gift" multiplier feature. Recipients of the farm animals made available to folks in poverty around the world (and in the U.S.) are required to pass on offspring of the initial gift to others.

Thanks for the challenge and for all that you do.

Martha and Steve Robin (11:00)

February 1, 2012

Drew [Snyder] – We will be out of town on Souper Bowl Sunday, but want to support this effort by our youth of raising \$1,019 [Drew's birthday]. We have taken the \$5, matched it, and then added \$5 for each of the 5 Sundays for this challenge. We wish you success in your mission.

Blessings,

Nancy & Steve Wolford (11:00; 8:15; 9:45)

[**Note:** the youth raised over \$2400 for Loudoun Interfaith on Souper Bowl Sunday]

February 10, 2012

I used my "5 Talents" money, multiplied it fivefold, and used the funds to purchase items for the Youth Haiti project. I delivered the items this week. What a wonderful idea this has been and I welcomed the opportunity to help the youth along their spiritual path.

Dodie Fritz (11:00)

February 10, 2012

For my 5 talents, I chose to combine it with a gift to the youth mission trip (SPY). I raised three children in the United Methodist Church in NC and they participated each summer in the Appalachian Service Project. They gained an understanding of poverty and humility and a better appreciation of what religious

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Leesburg United Methodist Church School of Christian Living

This spring's school will be conducted during each Sunday of Lent.

Starting Sunday February 26th at 4:30 until 6pm. Dinner will be provided for those who want to participate.

Everyone will meet in the Sanctuary at 4:30 for a brief worship and guidelines for study. The topic will be the same for all classes, groups and based on the Pastors message on that Sunday morning services. Facilitators will be guiding each group. If you are in an existing group you can meet together in that group. Other groups will be formed and meet together for the next 4 Sundays.

This is something new, so come out and dig deeper into the message, enjoy fellowship, and dinner. Please fill out the form below so we know how to prepare.

Please drop in box in Wesley or Asbury Hall

Name _____

How many if family? _____

Will stay for dinner? _____

*** THIS WEEK AT LEESBURG UMC ***

Sunday 2/19/12

- 8:15 AM Traditional Worship
- 9:00 AM Children's choir (choir rm)
- 9:45 AM Gallery (AG2)
- 9:45 AM Praise Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School (Asb, EdBldg)
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship
- 12:30 PM Angel Ringers (Sanc)
- 4:30 PM Small group leader orientation (Wes)
- 7:00 PM LLO Merry Widow (Asb)

Monday 2/20/12

- President's Day; Office Closed**
- 7:00 PM Susanna Wesley circle (Wes)
- 7:00 PM Troop 998 (Asb, 3 clsm)

Tuesday 2/21/12

- 9:00 AM Women's study (Teal rm)
- 10:00 AM LUMC staff meeting (Libr)
- 12:30 PM LUMP Chapel (Sanc)
- 5:00 PM Shrove Tuesday Pancakes (Asb)
- 6:30 PM ESL (3rd floor)
- 6:30 PM FPU (AG)
- 7:00 PM Heavenly ringers (Sanc)
- 7:00 PM AA Literature meeting (Wes)
- 7:00 PM LLO Merry Widow (Asb)

Wednesday 2/22/12

- Ash Wednesday**
- 6:00 AM Lenten Prayer- any time, 6 to 7 am (Sanc)
- 9:00 AM FPU (AG)
- 10:00 AM LUMP music (Asb)
- 10:30 AM LUMP Chapel (Sanc)
- 6:00 PM ensemble rehearsal (AG2)
- 7:00 PM Chancel choir (choir, Sanc)
- 7:30 PM Ash Wednesday worship (Snac)

Thursday 2/23/12


- 10:00 AM LUMP music (Asb)
- 10:30 AM LUMP Chapel (Sanc)
- 12:00 PM Prayer group (Sanc)
- 12:15 PM LUMP music (Asb)
- 6:30 PM ESL (3rd floor)
- 7:00 PM SPRC (parl)
- 7:00 PM Trustees (Wes)
- 7:30 PM Chorus Old Dominion (Asb)
- 7:30 PM Praise Team (Sanc)

Friday 2/24/12

- 11:00 AM Overeaters Anon (Parl)
- 6:30 PM Fife & Drum (Asb, classroom)

Our Prayers

Healing: Harry & Anna Hough, Dick Hammond, John Laycock, Clayton Mallery, Jim Tiffany, Charlie Luna, Betty Potterfield, Kim Hardman, Lou Legard, Connie Collis, Frank Hinkle, Chris Larkins, Christy Talamy, Ginny Moore



The altar flowers are given in honor of the Birthdays of son and daughter-in-law Bryan and Megan, by Ruth Jacoby

Saturday 2/25/12

- 9:00 AM OA (Parl)
- 10:00 AM SLA 12-step group (Parl)

Sunday 2/26/12

- 8:15 AM Traditional Worship
- 9:00 AM Handbell Sunday (red rm)
- 9:45 AM Sunday School (Asb, EdBldg)
- 9:45 AM Praise Worship
- 9:45 AM Youth Gallery (AG2)
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship
- 11:00 AM SH band rehearsal (AG2)
- 12:30 PM Angel Ringers (Sanc)
- 4:30 PM School of Christian Living
- 4:30 PM Confirmation (AG)
- 4:30 PM MS youth group (AG)
- 6:00 PM Youth dinner (Asb)
- 6:30 PM MS band (AG)
- 6:30 PM SH youth group (AG)
- 7:00 PM LLO Merry Widow (Asb)

CHECK THE CALENDAR!

LUMC facilities get a lot more use than you may be aware of. If you want to have an unscheduled meeting – especially in Wesley or Asbury halls – please check the weekly calendar posted by the office door before you get started.

To schedule a room, please call or email Linda Stoutenburgh in the church office. 703-777-2056, office@leesburgumc.org

fellowship is. I believe it helped prepare them for adulthood and Christian service far better than I as a parent could. I have never forgotten their stories of the experiences they shared with the people they met and worked with during their travels with ASP. I hope that the youth of Leesburg United Methodist can also benefit from those experiences.

Katherine Sloan (11:00)

February 12, 2012

I spent my five dollars by giving it to the very nice man at the service station. He always meets my kids with lollipops, talks to them, and adds service with a smile. And he has a hard job, but yet he's always nice, helpful and kind. I thought he could use a smile himself!

Anon

February 12, 2012

Pastor Jim,

Colin, Kyle and I decided to take our five dollars from the Five Talent Sunday, plus our Christmas change envelop money we started before Christmas (from one of your sermon's) and added it all together and donated everything to the Souper Sunday on February 5th to support Loudoun Interfaith. It was such a blessing that we were able to do this together.

God is Good!

Steve, Colin and Kyle Miller (8:15)

February 12, 2012

Dear Jim,

I inherited some stock from Mother, the dividends of which still come directly to me. I took the dividend total for 2011, divided it by 52 weeks, then multiplied that amount by 5 for the 5 weeks. If you have a special purpose for these monies, I will add the current cost of one share of stock to this sum.

This has generated a lot of conversation and action. Blessings,

Janice (11:00; 8:15)

February 15, 2012

It was certainly interesting to receive an envelope containing \$5.00 for the Five Week-Five Talent – Challenge. I could immediately think of quite a few ways that it could be spent (paid forward). At the Sunshine Circle meeting I decided to contribute that \$5.00, along with others in the group who were sharing their \$5.00, as a donation for the Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter. Then I learned from Elsie Letendre that she was

planning to hold a bake sale on Feb.12th along with her daughter, Nikki Haase, with the profits going for a mission outreach. So – surely, I could put in another \$5.00 to buy ingredients and make “goodies” for the sale. I know now that the profit will also be given to LAWS. In the Adult S.S. class it was decided that members who wanted to participate, would pool their \$5.00 (adding an extra \$5.00 if possible) with the total collected going to Mark Denicore's Haiti project. Wayne and I will add our “talents” to that endeavor. What a joy to be able to share with others. We have been truly blessed.

Carolyn Reynolds (8:15)

February 15, 2012

Recently, I had the responsibility of delivering a donation of several cans of food to Loudoun Interfaith Relief. This provided an idea for the use of the 5 Talents. I took the \$5 and added a sum of money and gave it to LIR as a cash gift to supplement the food.

Anon

February 16, 2012

Jim: I wanted to pass on a story of five talents. Members of the adult Sunday School class combined their talents (\$5 x 12), adding some initial interest, to attain a sum of \$225 to provide to "Changing Latitudes" for use as one or more micro-loans in Haiti. Mark Denicore has agreed to provide us copies of any agreements and photos of recipients so we can pray specifically for them. We have already prayed for this endeavor and will continue to do so as we trust God to reap the harvest and achieve the real compounding of the interest!

Coram Deo!

Kim (11:00)

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(YOUR STORY HERE)

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The evening of Sunday, January 15 (the day we distributed the \$5), Janice Webb sent me this email: “On the way to Relief UMC today I passed a church with this on the marquee: ***‘An investment in Jesus never loses interest’***. Blessings, Janice”
Coincidence? No – grace!

