



Lexington United Methodist
Household of Faith

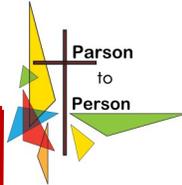


Living God's Word~
Sharing God's Love

June 2019

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Charles Allen served as a United Methodist Pastor for a number of years most notably at Grace UMC in Atlanta, Georgia and then at First UMC in Houston, Texas. He was a great preacher and became an author. He wrote *God's Psychiatry* which was a pastor's look at Psalm 23. Listen to some of what he wrote:

Our modern word "psychiatry" comes from the two Greek words "psyche" and "itrea." The word "psyche" really means the person, and is variously translated as "breath," "soul," "mind," "reason," and the like. The word "itrea" means "treatment," "healing," "restoring," and the like.

So, put together the two words and we have "the healing of the mind" or as David might have said, "The restoring of the soul." The word can mean medical treatment, or the treatment by a physician, but that is only one of its meanings. Often the minister is a psychiatrist, because the minister deals not only with the minds of people but also with their souls. Beyond our bodies and minds are our souls. And only God can heal the soul. So, the first and most important psychiatry must be God's psychiatry.

These words that come from the Introduction to his book, *God's Psychiatry*, explain in part why Charles Allen was known to prescribe the 23rd Psalm to souls that were hurting. He prescribed its reading as the first choice of the day, then after breakfast, then after lunch, and the last thing before going to bed. It was to be read carefully, meditatively, and prayerfully. It was not to be a quick, hurried reading. Doing this would make things very different for one's soul.

Too many times I believe the world conducts its business as though we are sheep without a shepherd. To connect our souls and minds to the Good Shepherd is to change the way we do business. The church too often tries to reflect our culture rather than fulfilling its mission to reshape the culture. After all, we are called to follow the Shepherd and not the other way around. The "things" I often mention as being outside the doors of the church and working against the Gospel are those who declare that the power of God is not real. There are actually churches who have removed crosses from their facilities because it is in their view a negative symbol that points to death. There are people who ridicule the church and suggest that those who belong have chosen to not live as enlightened people. There are those who suggest that faithful people are weak and that strength is preferred to weakness. The world thinks of winning in such different terms than what we are taught by Christ.

Weekends are not always seen as times for worship and Christian education. People do not always make time for church. They don't mind church when they have time, but making time is becoming a lost art. I remember a world where people ran to church each week. They spoke about not being able to do certain things until church was over. A premium was put on Sundays back then because people believed that God expected them to be present. That is diminishing today. Some still believe in the importance of worship and others hold it in a different place among priorities. I believe that coming to worship and Sunday School should be costly. It is worthy of our time. In another book in the Old Testament King David said, "I will not offer to the Lord my God burnt offerings and sacrifices that cost me nothing." David said this because he did not have what was needed to make a sacrifice and someone offered him the materials to do so. Hence, his words.

What will it cost us to be the Church of Jesus Christ? I look forward to seeing everyone finding their places in the Sanctuary and Sunday School rooms.

Ken Timmerman

Don't Miss:
Wearing Red on Pentecost !
and
Graduates Lunch
Taize Time

On Sunday, June 9, 2019, Christian churches celebrate *Pentecost*. For Christians, *Pentecost* occurs fifty days after Easter. On that day, the church celebrates the happenings recorded in Acts, chapter 2.

Notice when you go into church on *Pentecost Sunday*, the changes in colors in the sanctuary. Red is the color of *Pentecost*, and it signifies the tongues of flames seen over the heads of those praying together. The Scripture also tells us that the sound of the blowing of a violent wind filled the house where Jesus' followers were praying. In addition to the color red, churches often display tongues of flame and symbols of wind on banners.

In Scripture, we read that the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to go into the streets telling of Jesus to all those they met. Following Peter's sermon, many were baptized, and the church began to grow. Because of this, we call *Pentecost* "the birthday of the church."

While having home observances for Christmas and Easter is common, Pentecost often goes unobserved in our homes. However, without Pentecost, we wouldn't have the church. It is worthwhile to spend time in family devotions and celebrations for this church holy day that helps us remember how the church began.



What can you do in your family to observe Pentecost?

- ✂ Read together [Acts 2:1-40](#). Ask each family member to tell of one thing he or she will try to remember from the Scripture reading.
- ✂ Pretend you are Peter and are delivering that first sermon. What would you say to people today to help them understand the message of Jesus?
- ✂ Make a Pentecost cake to celebrate the birth of the church. Tint icing red and decorate. Place candles in clusters to symbolize the flames.
- ✂ Enjoy wind activities together. Make and fly a kite. Sit outside at dusk and feel the wind on your faces. Blow bubbles and watch as the wind carries them in the air.
- ✂ Visit an older member of your church. Ask your church friend to tell you about memories of how the church started, memories of Sunday school, and memories of people who were important to his or her faith formation.
- ✂ **Attend worship on Pentecost Sunday and wear something red.**



June 9, 2019

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Enjoy Lunch in Asbury Hall

Menu:

Adults: Chicken Salad, Pasta Salad, Fruit, Dessert

Children: Chicken nuggets,
Homemade mac and cheese, Fruit, Dessert

Cost: \$10, adults
\$ 5, child's plate

Eat in or take out

Sponsored by UMW to support these missions:
Nancy K Perry Children's Shelter, Epworth Children's Home,
Epworth Foster Care, Wallace Family Life, Bethlehem Center,
Killingsworth Home, LaVie Pregnancy Center





The S C United Methodist Annual Conference is a time for United Methodists from across South Carolina to come together to worship; study; remember those clergy lost this past year; come together in mission; hear reports of conference committees and vote on matters that come before our SC conference. These are busy, full days for our delegates and clergy. Our lay delegates are Lynn Silvey, Rex Boylston, Vicki Boylston, Terri Morrison, Mike Morrison, Cynthia Satcher, Bob Graham, and Cindy Graham. Please be in prayer for them and our clergy as they converged, along with the other delegates, on the Convention Center in Greenville.

If you would like to read more about Annual Conference, check out the conference website: <https://www.umcsc.org/ac2019/>



A tremendous “Thank You” to all who supported the Elder Basket project for elder Native Americans. The bags are being taken to Annual Conference in Greenville where they will be given to the Rev. Cheryl Toothe for distribution. We filled 4 baskets with items that were requested, 3 large bags of bathroom tissue, and \$100.00 worth of \$10 gift cards to Walmart and Dollar Tree. The members of LUMC showed their loving hearts and generous spirits! Blessings from the Outreach Committee, Lynn Brewer

Are you or is your group looking for a place to

Volunteer

on Saturdays?

Opportunities Available:

- Clothes Hanging
- Pricing
- Thrift Shop Cashiers
- Thrift Shop Stockers

Adopt a Saturday a month, a quarter or come for a special one day project!

Email: charlene@missionlexingtonsc.org

Mission Lexington

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Saturday Volunteers Needed!

Beginning Saturday, June 1, Mission Lexington's Thrift Shop and Donation Center will be extending our open hours on Saturdays to 10 AM - 5 PM every Saturday. We have increased our staff capacity, but we need volunteers for Saturdays as well!

We will have openings for help at our donation door, clothes hanging, pricing, Thrift Shop cashiers and stockers. We would love to have you or your group sign up to work a Saturday, commit to a Saturday every month or quarter, or come for a special project. We offer flexible hours, so even a few hours is a big help! Orientation is required, and some positions require special training.

For more information or to sign up, please email Charlene Chatman, Director of Volunteer Services (charlene@missionlexingtonsc.org).

Mission Lexington Hiring Saturday Workers!

We are currently hiring 2 positions that are Saturday-only Donation Coordinators. These folks will work every Saturday from 9:45 am - 5:15 pm. They will be working in the warehouse accepting donations and managing volunteers.

Anyone interested can apply online at togetherSC.org or email resume and information to Sherry Jones (sherry@missionlexingtonsc.org)

Most Needed Items

- Personal Hygiene Items
- Canned Fruit
- Instant Potatoes
- Child Snacks
- Canned Veggies
- Applesauce
- Pet Food



Let the Summer of Fun begin—

OPEN GYM

AND INDOOR PICNIC (OPTIONAL)

FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES

COME AND ENJOY AIR CONDITIONED PLAY WITH FRIENDS
IN THE LUMC GYM!

BASKETBALL AVAILABLE, CORNHOLE AND
OTHER ACTIVITIES

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED AND
SUPERVISED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT



JUNE

12th - Open Gym &
Picnic lunch, 11am-1pm

26th - Stepping Stones
3pm-6pm
by reservation

Annual Stepping Stone Craft

June 26, 2019

3pm-6pm

By appointment only—

contact Katie@lexumcsc.com to reserve a spot!

Come create a keepsake to
treasure yourself or give away
as a thoughtful gift.

Children will need to have adult supervision
and assistance.

**Donations will be accepted to
help offset the cost of supplies



GLORY TO GOD, WHO IS ABLE TO DO FAR BEYOND ALL THAT WE COULD ASK OR IMAGINE BY HIS POWER AT WORK WITHIN US!

EPHESIANS 3:20



VBS volunteers: There are still 2 options for Safe Sanctuary Trainings this Spring/Early Summer. You should plan to attend one of these if:

- ⇒ You are a **new volunteer** to the Children’s Ministry/Nursery Ministry/Youth Ministry and haven’t attended a meeting in the past.
- ⇒ You are a **VBS volunteer** and will be on site for any part of VBS 2019.
- ⇒ You need a **refresher** on the policy, You have **any questions** about the policy, It’s been **3 years** since your last meeting

If you are unsure whether or not you need to attend the meeting, please contact Rev. Pendergrass Pendergrass.

Sunday, June 9 —9:45-10:15am, Sunday, July 7—9:45-10:15am, All in Sanctuary



We are “wishing on stars” and so very thankful for all who make our wishes come true!



If you are able to make a VBS wish (or two) come true, pick a star (or two) off of the children’s bulletin board by Asbury Hall

(or contact Katie@lexumcsc.com)

Purchase the item and return the items to church before July 7th (the earlier the better!)

July 14—17, 2019

5:45—8:00 pm

rising 3 yr. old—rising 5th grade

REGISTRATION OPEN for Everyone

click on picture to register:



- * **\$10/child—includes t-shirt**
- * **Participants must be 3 years old by September 1 to attend**
- * **Spots are limited—particularly in 3 year old class and 4th/5th graders**
- * **Please register early to make sure you have a spot!**

REGISTRATION DEADLINE is Sunday, July 7th, there will be no walk-up registration.

(All registrations must be made online.)

- ♦ Meals will be offered for registered volunteers and their families only.
- ♦ Nursery (under age 3) is available for registered volunteer children or grandchildren only.
- ♦ Children requiring nursery care should NOT register on the participant registration form. This information can be entered on the Volunteer registration form.

Graduates will be recognized during the 11 am service on **Sunday, June 2**. Congratulations to our high school grads:

Seth Altenberg, Cameron Beckum, William Crouch, Michael Keisler, James Walsh

Go with God: A Prayer for Graduates

As your classes and grading are now complete, may you strive toward excellence in all you do.

As the speeches conclude, may your voices rise up to pronounce justice and peace in the world.

As the fanfares cease, may you sing of joy, even in the dark and lonely places.

As the applause quiets, may you celebrate and lift up those around you.

As you graduate, may your achievements grow and cause growth in your communities.

And may we all know of the overwhelming blessings of the One who created all things.

As your classes and grading are now complete, may you strive toward excellence in all you do.

Rev. Jay Moyers

Salkehatchie Summer Service



Salke-what? What is Salkehatchie?

Salkehatchie is faith in action.

Salkehatchie

The Salkehatchie name comes from a river that flows through the coastal plain of South Carolina, where many of the towns and neighborhoods we serve are located. Just like the river, Salkehatchie’s service follows a course through time that is influenced by location, people, circumstances and historical events. Youth and adult volunteers head into rural, low-income towns to work in difficult conditions, allowing themselves to be the face, hands and feet of Christ.

Our LUMC group attending are: **Edie Beckum, Cameron Beckum, Blake Beckum, Thomas Walsh, James Walsh, Addie Hendrix, Emily Montgomery, Cole Stilwell, Lillian Hydrick, Rick Cunningham** on June 22-29 in Camden, SC. Please be in prayer for this group.



Rising 6th Graders

Our **rising 6th graders** will be promoted to all youth ministry events, including Sunday school, starting **Sunday, June 9th!**

Sunday School— join us at 9:45 am. We all meet downstairs in the main youth space in the ministry center for prayers and announcements. Then, we break up for respective studies. Middle schoolers meet in youth room and High schoolers meet across the hall.



The Youth are selling new “Love God Love People” t-shirts for \$20 to raise money for the middle school mission trip to Memphis this summer, July 27—August 2.

They can be purchased via Rev. Elizabeth Murray at any time. Sizes available are: Youth M, L and Adult S-XL.



Prayer for Men for Father's Day by The Rev. Nathan Decker
(Written for Father's Day 2008.)

O Lord Our Heavenly Father:

You, who adopt orphan children and care for the widows;

You stand at the door staring at the horizon,

desiring that your prodigal children come home.

Bless fathers and men everywhere this day

that the orphans may have role models,

that the widows may be provided what they need,

that the future men may see Christ reflected in the love

of piggy-back rides and hard-learned lessons

Through Christ and the Spirit to the Father, Amen.

On this Father's Day take time in your family for reflecting together about fathers:

- * Read about fathers in Scripture. Select one or more of the following Scripture passages and read them together. Name traits you see in the father whose story you have read. Name both good and bad traits. Pray together, giving thanks for these fathers in scripture: Genesis 37:1-11; Joshua 24:14-15; Matthew 2:19-25.
- * Think about men who have helped you grow in faith. These may be men in your biological family, in your church family, or in community. Write a note of thanks to one of these men who helped you grow in faith.
- * Read together a children's book about fathers. Here are a few that are good: [*Daddy All Day Long*](#) by Francesca Rusackas, Priscilla Burris (illustrator); [*Daddy Kisses*](#) by Anne Gutman, Georg Hallensleben (illustrator); [*The Very Best Daddy of All*](#) by Marion Dane Bauer, Leslie Wu (illustrator); [*Guess How Much I Love You*](#) by Sam McBratney, Anita Jeram (illustrator).
- * Make a coupon book for your father or someone who is like a father for you. Include such coupons as these: "This coupon entitles you to me laughing at every joke you tell today"; "This coupon entitles you to an uninterrupted nap"; This coupon entitles you to your favorite dessert."
- * Trace your family's history. Talk about grandparents and great-grandparents. If there are those in your family who have family names, talk about those who were named these names and why they have been passed on to those in another generation.
- * Pray for the fathers in your family. Ask everyone in the family to place their hands on the head of any fathers in the family and pray for God to bless each one.
- * Learn about an organization in your community where men can volunteer to be a mentor to young people. One such organization is Big Brothers Big Sisters. Find a way you as a family can do something to help the organization you discover.

Ideas from : by MaryJane Pierce Norton <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/family-devotions-for-fathers-day-2014>



Happy June Birthdays:

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| 6/1 | Gatch, Alex
Inabinet, Brooke
Ropp, John
Ackerman, May
Sis, Bo
Stinecipher, Gary
Rogers, Tim
Stewart, Arya | 6/7 | Flowers, Adrienne
Booth, Raven
Hucks, Dee
Roberts, Dylan
Spence, Kathryn
Bumgarner, Sally
Landry, Hawk
Craig, Jace
Segui, Emma | | Ness, Joseph
Eskridge, Dee
Melton, Angela
Harrell, Grace
Cunningham, Michael | | George, Sammie
Brown, Melody
Cooper, Chris
Dunnagan, Jason
Taylor, Harold
Finley, Morgan |
| 6/2 | Carroll, Jake
Conrad, Collin
Fender, Adeline
Brandes, Ben
Locklier, Randy
Williams, Rachel
Cooper, Jessica
Gregory, Shirley | 6/8 | Osborne, Shannon
Walsh, James
Rivers, Vivian
Schuster, Marie
Corey, Karen
Huffstetler, Trudy
Reynolds, Andrew
Brown, Teresa
Crosby, Diane
Lott, Elizabeth
Masters, Ben | 6/15 | Edwards, Jordan
Martin, 'Jay'
Ropp, Greg
Cullop, Henry | 6/21 | Lightle, Kimberly
Keisler, Alicia
Masters, Rick
Wood, Marcia
Larion, Adelyn
Akers, Seth
Cogswell, Kalyn
Schilling, Delaney
Taylor, Sally |
| 6/3 | Groves, Sandy
Monts, Katrina
Cook, Nick
Cogswell, Darlene
Young, Lucy
Corley, Heather
Meyers, Clara
Wing, Lois | 6/9 | O'Neal, Mary
Goldsmith, Jack
Scoates, Angie
Cogswell, Scott | 6/17 | Elliott, Jackson
Swearingen, Leann
Harrison, Kathryn
McDonald, Michelle
Wilson, Ayden
Creekmore, Todd
Reynolds, Thomas | 6/22 | Renwick, LuAnne
Barbour, Jean
Johnson, Cooper
Wahl, Ken
Templin, Adam |
| 6/4 | Wilson, Lizz
O'Neal, Scott
Smith, Korene
Graham, Cindy
Baugh, Ann | 6/10 | Goldsmith, Jack
Scoates, Angie
Cogswell, Scott | 6/18 | Willis, Evie
Roland, T.J.
Duncan, Adriana
Leaphart, Sarah
Richardson, Ed
Quattlebaum, Megan | 6/23 | Leonard, Nathan
Flynn, Karen
Bumgarner, Jamie |
| 6/5 | Bozard, Carlene
Brock, Jacob
Reynolds, Emily
Walker, Paul
Scoggins, Robert
Edwards, Sally
Buchanan, Rachel | 6/11 | Davis, Barry
Moore, Jessica
Sansone, Ashley
Lawson, Hunter | 6/19 | Gonzalez, Audrey
Pautz, Abby
Smith, Greg
Koss, Olivia
Thain, Bryson | 6/24 | Edwards, Mary
Cagney, Camryn
Owens, Sandi
Drayton, Francis
Sullivan, Nicholas |
| 6/6 | Spillers, Jamie
Daly, Larisa
Baugh, Kim | 6/12 | Wolfe, Judy
Young, Norma | 6/20 | Jackson, Jody | 6/25 | Edwards, Mary
Cagney, Camryn
Owens, Sandi
Drayton, Francis
Sullivan, Nicholas |
| | | 6/13 | Rhoten, Suedella
Hucks, Tom
Gatch, Sidney | | | 6/26 | Parker, Dan
Rhoten, Jeffrey
Kelly, Ann
Boylston, Rex
Elvington, Sarah
Graham, Bob
Leaphart, Emily
Collum, Chase
Woolley, Lindsey |
| | | | | | | 6/27 | Jordan, Shirley
Marshall, David
Rish, Jared |
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Shirley Ford
104 Abbie Court
Lexington, SC 29072

Stuart & Heather Ford
Caroline & Sara
111 Heddon Dr.
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2019 Confirmands
Blake Beckum
Olivia Grace O'Neal
Crighton Buchanan
Samantha Stilwell
Sally Bumgarner
John Walsh
Lily Laffin

Gifts in honor of:

Linda Gladden
Deepal, Meg, Karen & Kaylin

Rev. Patty Mayfield
John & Joyce Bumgarner

Sally Bumgarner
John & Joyce Bumgarner

Gifts in memory of:

James T. Hill
Buddy & Lynn Brewer

Harriett Carraway
Buddy & Lynn Brewer



Josephine DeBruhl
May 19, 2019



Easter is more than just a day. It is a 50-day season that marks the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the ways we live into that reality, just as Jesus' disciples did. The season of Easter has long been a time when newcomers to Christianity, and those already on the Christian journey, revisit the foundations of the faith. In other words, this is a time when people examine basic beliefs, providing a time for both discovery and reconsideration.



The **“Loving”** sermon series focuses upon the Gospel narratives and ways to integrate these into daily Christian living.

This series focuses on the action of God upon those who believe in Jesus, and the action stirred among those who believe, thus creating a flow of divine energy from

God → to the church → to the world.

In the first week we heard that Jesus offered a new commandment to love one another and be known as Jesus' disciples. This “marking” is the way we are known and has direct connections with our baptism into Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

The second week scripture and sermon presents a model of the Trinity: Jesus and the Spirit are sent by God the Father in a self-giving action. The love that comes from God extends from God to the world.

In the scripture for week three Jesus says, *“I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them” (John 17:26)*. This is Jesus' sign that his presence will continue as the body of Christ in the world, and those who join in the body of Christ will know the love given from God.

On the Day of Pentecost, we will hear that the church is born to empower people to go forth and proclaim the love of God throughout the world, in languages far and wide. Loving, then, becomes the natural response and embodiment of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. We live into the reality that Jesus is alive, and we love as a result of it.

Join *A New* Worshippers each week to hear excellent Worship songs, and a great message.



HOLY COMMUNION will be offered on the following dates and times:

9:30—9:45 am

June 16
August 18
September 15
November 17

During Worship 8:30 & 11:00 am

July 14
October 6

Special Worship Service
December 24



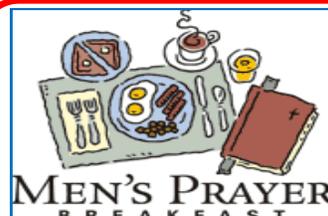
Taizé

The Tazié Service is June 11 at 12:10 pm, in the Sanctuary. This service lasts 30 minutes. Rest with God through song, scripture and prayer

Tuesday evening worship



Remember, if you can't make it on Sunday mornings, there is the Tuesday Evening Service at 6:30 pm.



Wednesday mornings at 6:30 AM

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