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LUMC Office Hours:
Mon-Fri 10 a.m. ~ 2 p.m.
(661) 942-0419

In-Person Streaming Service Sundays — 10 a.m. in Sanctuary (*masking is optional*)

facebook — lancasterunited
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LUMC Kitchen (Food Ministry):
Mondays & Thursdays, 12-1 p.m.

Footprints Pre-School
Hours: Mon-Fri 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Check www.lancasterunited.org for more information on our active groups and ministries — the list is growing!

- Audio/Visual Team
- Bible Studies
- Caring and Hospitality
- Children's Church
- Grief Group
- LUMC Kitchen
- Membership Classes
- Music Ministries
- Prayer Team
- Prayers and Squares
- United Women in Faith (formerly UMW)
- Youth Group
- Wellness Works

First time visitor?
Please contact the church office for more information, or to speak with the pastor.



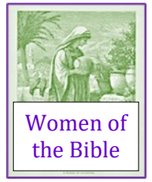
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Back to Schooling Disciples

Yes, it is time to get back into the classroom to make disciples for the transformation of our hearts and lives through small groups. All classes begin the week of September 10-16, 2023. Call the office for questions and to sign up.



Sundays 8:30 am, conference room, in-person, Zoom, & recorded. Contact the office for book $14. Thirteen weeks. Audrey Miller- leader.



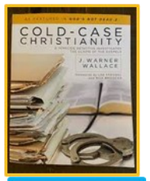
Thursdays 10:00 am, conference room, in-person. No book. Twelve weeks. Iris Mears- leader.



Thursdays 5:30 pm, conference room, in-person, Zoom, and recorded. No book. Ten weeks. Pastor Greg- leader.



Every other Saturday at 9:00 am, AM Café, 44205 10th St. West, Lancaster, in-person. No book. Gary Fulton- leader.



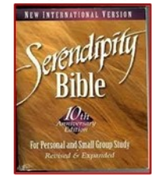
Wednesdays 2:00 pm, conference room, in person & Zoom. Order book yourself or ask the office, $18. Ten weeks. Glenn Williams- leader.



Mondays 2:00 pm, in the conference room, in person, or Zoom. No book. Four weeks. Pastor Greg- leader.



Meeting time & place TBD. In-person only. All study materials provided. Eight weeks.
Cynthia Christensen- leader.



Start and lead your own small group. This Bible makes it easy for men, women, recovery, singles, couples, and many more.

**********Youth & Parents**********



Sundays, at 10 am, youth booth. In-person & Zoom. Students 6th-12th & parent books provided. Angela Pittman- leader.



Kids follow same chapter sequence as adult book, so they can discuss the books together. Time is determined by parent(s) and child.

Children (Nursery – 5th grade)

Children's Sunday school classes will continue each Sunday with Bible stories, crafts, skits, and Theo the Puppy Dog at 10:30 am following the children's message in the sanctuary.

~Pastor Greg

All Church Notices



Due to the popularity of the 2022 LUMC Holiday Luncheon and Talent Show, we are pleased to announce we will be hosting **2023 Holiday Luncheon and Talent Show** on **November 12, 2023 from 11:30-1:00 PM**. We moved the date up to let this event begin the holiday season. Last year we had a variety of acts consisting of fun, laughter, jokes, and song to remind us of family, friendships, church fellowship and the blessings of God in our daily lives.

Scheduled to appear in this year's show will be:

David and Anne Wright, Bill Armstrong, The Woodell Family, The Boogie-Woogie Mamas, and more. Unfortunately, the giant elf will not be in attendance but I am told that someone else will be our guest MC. Who will that be? I guess you will just have to attend and see! — *Kathy Yablonski*



The LUMC office is getting ready to order contribution envelopes! If you would like to receive a box of dated contribution envelopes for 2024, please call the office at 661-942-0419. Thank you! — *Sam O.*



Caring Ministries is looking for new members. We gather regularly to pray, write greeting cards, and notes of encouragement to the homebound and others. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, September 18, at 1:30 p.m. in the Grand Foyer.**

If you have any questions, contact Donna Horn, 661-802-1363, or by email; dhorn@lancasterunited.org.



LUMC's *Harvest Festival* returns on Oct. 29, 2023, 5pm-7pm. Trunk-or-treat, a spooky car décor contest and dinner are sure to get you in the spirit! Donations of hotdogs and hotdog buns, cans of chili beans, shredded cheese, onions, *Koolaid* Jammers, aluminum foil sheets, and candy are needed. To volunteer for the event, please contact Tammy Damon or Glennie Wilburn.



Did you know that LUMC's Soup Kitchen uses 200 lbs. of meat per week to prepare the meals for the community? In recent weeks, meat donations have decreased significantly. If you have connections to local food distributors, restaurants or stores please consider reaching out to them and ask them to donate to our Soup Kitchen. Monetary donations to the Soup Kitchen are also appreciated.

FOOT PRINTS
Christian Children's Center

Week 1: Welcome to Our Class
Week 2: All About Me
Week 3: My Five Senses
Week 4: My Body

Looking for childcare?
Give us a call! 661-942-0812

All Church Notices



We are excited to welcome new children to Children's Church! All children are welcome! Children of elementary school age engage in Bible stories through crafts, singing, and group activities. Preschool age children are lovingly cared for as they are guided through age-appropriate activities. On the first Sunday of every month, children remain with their parents for worship; activity bags are available for children during the service.

Watch this space for fun activities coming up, including a back-to-school kickoff party! We would also love to hear from parents as to activities you'd like to see in our ministry.

Our schedule is as follows:
September 10: John 10:22-42 -- Jesus Claims to Be God's Son
September 17: Luke 15:1-10 — Parables of the Lost Sheep and Lost Coin
September 24: Luke 15:11-32 — Parable of the Prodigal Son

— *Heather KinKennon, Children's Ministry*

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I would like to thank you all for the prayers, prayer quilt, good wishes, cards, and phone calls I received after my hip surgery.

May God bless you all!
~ *Mako Roberts*