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LUMC Office Hours:
Mon-Fri 10 a.m. ~ 2 p.m.

Closed Saturday & Sunday (661) 942-0419

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

facebook — lancasterunited *(no FB membership needed)*

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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	Online classes
Caring and Hospitality	Prayer Team
Children's Church	Prayers and Squares
Grief Group	United Women in Faith (formerly UMW)
LUMC Kitchen	Youth Group
Music Ministries	Wellness Works
Office Volunteers	

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



"So Here's the Thing . . . " for June — Pastor Greg



Pentecost

Conceding to God's Fire Power



God's amazing graces work in mysterious ways, this requires trusting Jesus' Spirit to reveal how to surrender our lives to Him. In the Old Testament, the Spirit of God only came upon Israel's kings, priests, and prophets and not to all of His people; but the Day of Pentecost changed that.

"In the last days, God says, 'I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on My servants, both men and women, I will pour out My Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy." (Acts 2:16-18)
United Methodist theology is known for formulating methodical descriptions to understand God's ways.
Our Wesleyan progression of baptisms reveals the rhythm of God's graces in maturing us through our lives as follows:

1) INFANT BAPTISM IN WATER (God's Prevenient Grace leading to salvation.)
This celebrates God's Prevenient Grace which leads a child into the promise of His Saving Grace.
"Train up children in the way they should go, and when they are old, they will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)
"The jailer brought Paul and Silas out and asked, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved– you and your household.' " (Acts 16:30-31)

Note: We witnessed this rippling effect of God's grace moving through the parent's upon their children at our Confirmation and Baptism service Sunday, May 21, which may be viewed on the LUMC Facebook page or YouTube (counter 1:03:55).

2) BELIEVER'S BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT (God's Saving Grace is salvation.)
*"(On Easter evening, the disciples were behind locked doors for fear of the Jewish leaders.) Jesus came and stood among them and ... he breathed on them and said, '**Receive the Holy Spirit**'." (John 20:19)*
*"(Same as John's account of Easter evening when the disciples were behind locked doors for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus appeared and) ...opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures (and they were saved.) 'I am going to send you what My Father has promised, but stay in the city until you have been clothed with **power** from on high.' " (Luke 24:45 & 49)*

3) CONCEDER'S BAPTISM IN FIRE & POWER (God's Sanctifying Grace is yielding.)
*"(On the Day of Pentecost, a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house.) They saw what seemed to be **tongues of fire** that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit..." (Acts 2:3-4)*

During this season of Pentecost from May 28 – September 3, join me in praying that we discover what part(s) of our lives God is leading us to surrender to Him as individuals and as a church. Remember your baptisms and be thankful for The Baptizer of the Holy Spirit. He suffered and died for you and me. His name is Jesus.

~Pastor Greg

CAMPING SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE! Funds are available for partial scholarships to church campers. Registrations will close mid-June, so act quickly! For dates and details, visit **https://www.calpacumc.org/summercamp** for locations and dates.

Congratulations, Graduates!

Name	Institution	Honors/Awards	Future Plans
Sara Beasley	Texas Christian University	Master Program Acceptance	Master program in Special Education
Korey Davila	Quartz Hill Elementary		Begin Junior High
Anna DePonte	Antelope Valley College	AA in Early Childhood Development	Continue working for CDC and enjoying kids.
Liam Foisel	Quartz Hill High School	4.92 GPA, Valedictorian, Seal of Biliteracy	CSU Channel Island Major in Computer Science
Elizabeth Foisel	6th Grade—Elementary		Begin Junior High
Makena Gatlin	St. Francis High School	4.0+ GPA, Arts scholar award, Theatre department award	UC Davis majoring in Cognitive Science or Neuroscience
Robert Hendricks Jr.	Grand Canyon University	BA in Elementary Education	High School Math Teacher
Rebecca KinKennon	Pikes Peak State College	AA in Sociology/ Journalism	Paraprofessional with Roundup Fellowship
Hayley McQuown	University of Oregon	Master's Degree	Ph.D. studies
Shannon Mims	Fuller Theological Seminary	Master of Divinity	Continue teaching in high schools and serving the church
Skyla Moore	High Desert Medical College	Pharmacy Tech Diploma	Employment
Clayton Swords	Tulane University School of Medicine	Doctor of Medicine	Pediatric Cardiology Residency at Emory University School of Medicine
Lauren Urmanski	Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising	BA in Design *magna cum laude*	Wedding dress designer
Illyana Vermeiren	Desert Christian High School	4.17 GPA, Leadership Team President, plus college units	AVC and university: education with psychology minor. (teaching/social work)
Ash Yaw	UC Santa Cruz	BS in Computer Science	Software Development

***Congratulations to our Scholarship Recipients*!**

The **Second Century Scholarship ($600)** is for an active participant in a local United Methodist Church. This year's recipient is Quartz Hill HS senior (and LUMC tech booth wiz) **Liam Foisel**.

The **Centennial Scholarship ($600)** is for any local graduating high school senior. This year's recipient is Desert Christian HS student **Illyana Vermeiren**.

Susan Knapp was the new Scholarship Committee chair this year. Susan extends her thanks to Ann Wright, Sheryl Luker and Samantha O'Mara-Mezzano for all their support.

All Church Notices

Dear Church Family, it's so exciting to see new families join us each week! All children are welcome in Children's Church, which is held in Room 14. For safety reasons, please be sure to check your children in at the Children's Table in the Grand Foyer, and that the same person signs them out after church. June 4 is Family Worship, and children will remain with their families. In the event that there are no teachers on a Sunday, children will stay in the Sanctuary. Activity bags will be available.

CAMPING SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE! Camp Wrightwood offers several camps for school-aged children. See page 1 under Pastor Greg's letter; application deadline is June 15th.

— Heather KinKennon, Children's Ministry

Caring Ministries is looking for new members, please join us. Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 19th at 1:30 in Grand Foyer. If you have any questions contact Donna Horn, 661-802-1363 or by email: dhorn@lancasterunited.org

June themes: Welcome to the Forest, Let the Summer Begin, The Great Outdoors, Celebrate America

June Verses: For freedom Christ has set us free (Galatians 5:1)
Be strong and courageous. (Joshua 1:9)

Footprints graduation will be held in John Wesley Hall on Friday, June 23rd, 1 p.m.

The LUMC relies on faith giving from our congregation to generate our General Fund income in order to meet our general operational expenses. Our average operating expenses average $37,000 per month. At this point in time our average income is about $31,000 per month. This results in an average deficit of $6,000 per month. Any additional giving would be greatly appreciated. Questions and/or concerns? Please contact our treasurer, Dayna Rodriguez, via email at treasurer@lancasterunited.org or call the church office at (661) 942-0419.

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