

# LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

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## PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL WISDOM

**Ephesians 1: 15-22:** *Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.*

*And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.*

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## MONTHLY PASTOR'S BREAKFAST



This month's Pastor's Breakfast will be held on Monday, March 13th, at 9:30am at the Lacey Perkins, located at 113 South Main Street in Forked River. Everyone is invited to be part of the food, fellowship and fun!

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## WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE



On Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, LUMC will be hosting a White Elephant Gift Exchange at 11:30am. All you need to bring is a wrapped gift to exchange (valued up to \$10.00), a smile, and a sense of humor! Everyone is welcome! Re-gifting is strongly encouraged.

**JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 9:00AM IN-PERSON OR ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOLLOWS THE YOUNG DISCIPLES MESSAGE.**

## **UNITED METHODISTS COLLECT 180,000 TOTAL POUNDS OF FOOD**

The biggest team with the biggest score that emerged from the NFL Super Bowl, Feb. 12, were the United Methodist churches of both competing areas that together collected about 180,000 pounds of donated food to fight hunger in their communities. Indeed, the most important victory that day was scored in pounds, not points.

As the Philadelphia Eagles and Kansas City Chiefs kicked off their Super Bowl contest Sunday evening, more than 230 churches in the Eastern PA and Greater New Jersey conferences combined were reporting their remarkable collection of 74,044 donated pounds of food, plus monetary donations, in just five days.

The food collection drive was a friendly competitive challenge between EPA & GNJ churches and those in both the Missouri Conference and the Great Plains Conference, which covers Kansas and Nebraska. Their two Midwest conferences together reported collecting more than 105,367 pounds total – 55,367 for the Great Plains, 50,000 for Missouri.

While Kansas City won the game by a close 38 – 35 score, “the real winners were the people in our communities,” wrote Bishop John Schol in a letter to EPA & GNJ members, as the United Methodists in both areas united under a common mission to serve.

“You raised 74,044 pounds of food. Praise God!,” wrote Bishop John Schol in his letter to EPA & GNJ members. “Thank you for your generosity and commitment to be in ministry with those who need food. I also thank our churchess and community organizations who every week serve people who are hungry. You are Christ in the world (Matthew 25:35).” {This is an excerpt from an article written by John W. Coleman for GNJ Digest.}

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## **UMW MEETING**

The United Methodist Women will be meeting on Tuesday, March 7, in Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. All women are welcome to join us! Please contact the LUMC Office for more information.

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### **S.H.A.L.O.M. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are still in need of Laundry Detergent for S.H.A.L.O.M. (Showers / Hot Meals / Advocacy / Laundry / Outreach / Mission). The use of our laundry equipment and showers are available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We need more volunteers to help with this mission. Please contact the LUMC Office at (609) 693-5222 if you are interested in volunteering.

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### **THRIFT SHOPPE HOURS HAVE EXPANDED**

The Joy of Angels Thrift Shoppe is now open on Thursdays from 8:00am until 4:00pm and Fridays from 10:00am until 4:00pm.. In addition, they are open every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 10:00am until 1:00pm. Volunteers are still needed so that the hours can be expanded even more! Contact Maddie Stapleton at (609) 501-4207 if you are able to give a few hours of your time to keep this vital mission strong and open longer. Don't forget to check out their Facebook page!

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**SIGN UP YOUR KIDS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL BY CONTACTING ERIC DELA CRUZ AT (609) 709-9713.**



*“Amen, Amen  
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I’m alive, I’m alive  
because He lives  
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Amen, Amen  
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Let my song join the  
One that never ends  
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Because He lives.”  
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***MATT  
MAHER***

**SPECIAL SERVICES  
NEXT MONTH**

**Thursday, April 6:  
Maundy Thursday Service @  
7:00pm**



**Friday, April 7:  
Good Friday Service @ Forked  
River Presbyterian Church**



**Sunday, April 9:  
Easter Sunrise Service @ 6:30am**



Complete details will be coming soon!!!!!!!

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