

LUMC'S COMMUNITY REVELATIONS

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ASSURANCE OF THE RESURRECTION

2 Corinthians 5: 1-8: *For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that morality may be swallowed up by life. Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.*

So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. For we walk by faith, not by sight. We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

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EPIPHANY PARTY

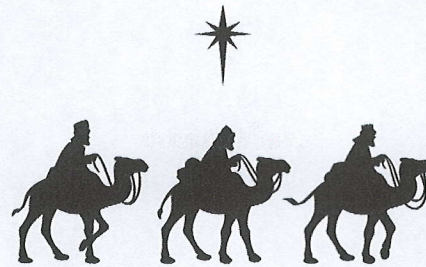
On Sunday, January 7th, there will be an Epiphany Party at the Parsonage, located at 744 Devon Street in Forked River, from 3:00pm until 6:00pm.

The Epiphany is a Christian feast day which is celebrated every year on January 6th. Also known as Three Kings Day and Theophany, it is a celebration of Jesus' birth and His baptism by John The Baptist. According to an article

by Jen McCaffery and Meghan Jones, "The twelve days of Christmas mark the amount of time it took after the birth of Jesus for the magi, or wise men, to travel to Bethlehem for the Epiphany when they recognized Him as the Son of God."

Please rsvp to Pastor Jonathan at (845) 893-9157 if you are able to attend.

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MEDIA TEAM



Volunteers are needed to join our Media Team. This team coordinates the live stream, as well as the sound and video presentation during worship. There also may be some additional opportunities to assist with promotional youtube videos in the near future as well. For more information, contact Steve Michalkowski at (732) 300-1956.

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MONTHLY PASTOR BREAKFASTS



Monthly Pastor Breakfasts will be held at the Lacey Perkins, located at 113 South Main Street in Forked River, at 9:30am on Monday, January 8th, and Monday, February 12th. All are welcome to be part of the food, fellowship and fun.

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MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

Membership Classes will be taking place in January 2024. Please contact Pastor Jonathan at 845-893-9157 if you would like to join the LUMC family!

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WINTER TIME by Robert Louis Stevenson

Late lies the wintry sun a-bed,
A frosty, fiery sleepy-head;
Blinks but an hour or two; and then,
A blood-red orange, sets again.
Before the stars have left the skies,
At morning in the dark I rise;
And shivering in the nakedness,
By the cold candle, bathe and dress.
Close by the jolly fire I sit
To warm my frozen bones a bit;
Or with a reindeer-sled, explore
The colder countries round the door.
When to go out, my nurse doth wrap
Me in my comforter and cap;
The cold wind burns my face, and blows
Its frosty pepper up my nose.
Black are my steps on silver sod;
Thick blows my frosty breath abroad;
And tree and house, and hill and lake,
Are frosted like a wedding-cake.



***“Tonight I can see
a star shine***

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***And its splendor
fills up the sky***

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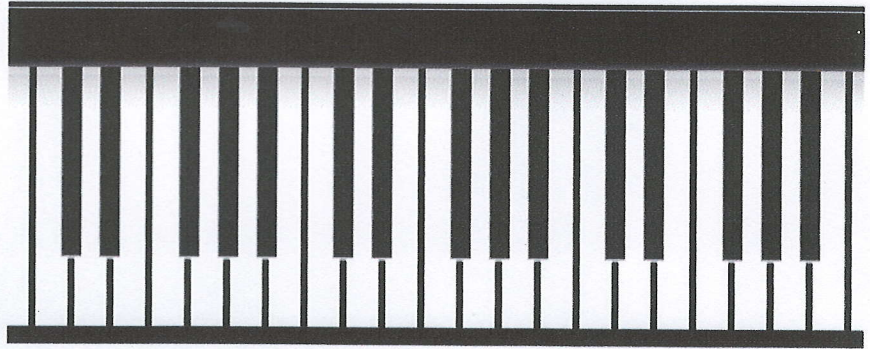
***It’s the same that
appeared and the
wise men revered***

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***When hope was
born this night”***

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***SIDEWALK
PROPHETS***



**THANK YOU TO CHRISTINE
URBAN, MAGGIE REALLEY AND
BRIAN GILMORE FOR KEEPING THE
MUSIC GOING THROUGHOUT THE
HOLIDAY SEASON!**

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**PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP SERVICE EVERY SUNDAY
AT 9:00AM. SUNDAY SCHOOL TAKES PLACE AFTER THE
YOUNG DISCIPLES’ MESSAGE. YOU CAN ALSO VIEW
SUNDAY SERVICE ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL!**

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