### Order of Worship 9:00 a.m. LiveStream and In-Person Worship Service

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

**Prelude** Reverie Debussy

**Greeting and Welcome** 

\*Call to Worship Michele Dasch

L: Welcome to this holy space where God's Spirit dwells among us!

P: We come longing to feel the presence of God.

L: Open your hearts, for this is a place of prayer and healing.

P: This is a place of joy and faith.

L: This is the place for you.

P: Thanks be to God!

\*Song | I Exalt Thee | Be Exalted O God

(Prayer cards located in pews can be filled out and handed to ushers.)

#### \*Opening Prayer

Holy God, you have called us to this place, a place where we find your Spirit. We have gathered here to pray and to be forgiven, to love and be loved, and to hear the word boldly proclaimed as we apply it to our lives. Open our hearts to the mystery of your Word. Remind us that your Word is proclaimed in the life of Jesus, the Christ. Help us believe in you and in your love for us. In the holy name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 6:56-69

Michele Dasch

**Jr. Church** (for children up to 4<sup>th</sup> grade)

Liz Bonner

#### **Call to Giving and Prayers**

Your giving to LUMC makes ministry possible in our community and around the world! Thank you! You can give online at <a href="https://www.lansdaleumc.org">www.lansdaleumc.org</a>.

\*Song The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Scripture Reading Ephesians 6:10-20

**Sermon** How Are You Dressed? Pastor Warner

\*Song Thy Word

Sending and Blessing

Postlude Wonderful Merciful Savior Quartet

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer adapted from "Abingdon Worship Annual 2021" UMH – United Methodist Hymnal; FWS – Faith We Sing; W&S – Worship & Song

### **WEEKLY UPDATES AND CHURCH NEWS**

#### **LUMC Covid-19 response update**

The Montgomery County Commissioners in consultation with the Office of Public Health (OPH) announced that starting Monday, August 16, 2021, masking is now recommended indoors for the general public. This is in response to the substantial level of COVID-19 community transmission according to the Pennsylvania Department of Health. Montgomery County is also requiring masks for all staff and visitors to all county buildings and facilities. The County is following CDC guidelines to maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent the spread of the

virus. <a href="https://www.montcopa.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3609">https://www.montcopa.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3609</a>

Lansdale UMC Church Council voted at the last meeting (8/9/2021) to follow the Covid-19 guidelines set by Montgomery County. So masks are now required for all persons for any indoor event or activity beginning 8/16/2021. People leading Sunday morning worship are permitted to remove masks when speaking or singing in the front of the church. Masks should be worn when not speaking or singing.

Thank you, everyone, for helping us limit the spread of Covid-19 as we seek to love God by loving our neighbors through the wearing of masks.

#### **Cottage Meetings with our new pastor**

People are needed to host Cottage meetings of 4-8 people. Please contact the church office (office@lansdaleumc.org) if you can be a host. Get to know Pastor Steward (Stew) at upcoming Cottage Meetings this Fall! More information will follow soon!





# Be sure to pick up your name tag during Sunday servce!

As Pastor Stew gets to know you, name tags will be used during Sunday service from now thru October. There are pre-made ones on the table in the sanctuary. Please be sure to return them to the table after the service.

#### Get ready for 30 days of prayer this Sept.!

Every day in September, we will pray intentionally in the morning, afternoon, and evening for the following:

- -Pastor Steward Warner and his ministry
- -Our church, our country, and our world
- -Our Lansdale neighbors
- -Lansdale Borough, its leaders, and its workers
- -The needs of our Lansdale community
- -Our county, state, national, and world leaders

Sign-ups can be done at church or on the church website! Click here for the link. More than 1 person is welcome to sign up to pray each day in September.

# Thanksgiving Celebration Sunday on Aug 29 for Custodian Bill Scheetz

Custodian, Bill Scheetz, has resigned after fifteen years of faithful service. His resignation is effective August 31. He looks forward to spending more time with his family and traveling. We here at Lansdale UMC want to shower Bill



with thanks for his many years of work. We will recognize Bill during worship on Sunday, August 29 at 9 am. You are invited to mail cards of appreciation to the church office. Warren Shaedle is collecting financial donations to thank Bill. You can mail checks to the church office and make them payable to "Lansdale UMC," write "Bill Scheetz Farewell" in the memo. You will also be able to give online through REALM by selecting "Bill Scheetz Farewell" from the dropdown list. You can also give via text by texting to 73256, then type in the message Lansdale First UMC. Then you will receive a pop-up screen requesting fund and amount.



#### **Custodian search**

Staff Parish Relations and the Trustees are working together to conduct a search for a new custodian. We will be advertising inhouse, locally, online, and through the EPA Conference. Please contact the church office if you or someone you know is interested in

this 15 hour per week custodian position.

## Bishop Johnson and the Congo Partnership

During her time as our episcopal leader, Bishop Johnson supported the mission to the people of the Congo and made more than one trip to witness the ongoing work among the people there. In honor of her retirement, churches have been invited to make a donation to continue this work. Learn more as Bishop Johnson shares how she saw the work of God happening among the faithful people of the Congo.



https://www.epaumc.org/news/grateful-for-thecongo-partnership/

You may contribute to this work through Realm, text "LansdaleFirstUMC" to 73256, or by check with "Congo Partnership" on the memo line. Please make your contribution by the end of September.



#### **Red Cross blood drive**

On Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00-7:00pm there will be a blood drive held in Stringer Auditorium. Appointments are required: call 1-800-733-2767 or go to <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a>. Please be sure to wear a mask upon entering the building.



#### **Crafters Wanted!**

A Craft Fair will be held in Stringer Auditorium on Saturday, November 6th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you are a crafter and interested in participating, please contact Doris Shaedle, 215-692-0667 or Nancy Silknitter, 215-368-4025. Cost of a table is \$15. Registration forms are located on the bulletin board.

#### **Children's Sunday School** returning in the Fall

The Lansdale UMC Children's Ministry will return on Sundays at 10 am starting on Sept. 19th. Until then, children are welcome to join Miss Liz at Junior Church during Sunday service. (For children up to 4<sup>th</sup> grade.)





#### Ways to give

- 1. Mail slot on 4<sup>th</sup> Street
- 2. Mail to church address
- 3. www.lansdaleumc.org/giving on Realm
- 4. Text LansdaleFirstUMC to 73256



#### August's Mission Emphasis - Liberty Ministries

Liberty Ministries has positively impacted thousands of men and women inmates and ex-inmates with the teaching of the Word of God, spiritual, physical and emotional support, and the life changing power of Jesus Christ. Click here to learn more. You can support August's Mission Emphasis in three ways: 1. Snail mail your check payable to LUMC, memo: "Liberty Ministries in your Blue Envelope. 2. Give on

our website at Lansdaleumc.org/giving & click the dropdown menu to find Liberty Ministries. 3. Text message your gift to 73256 with the message "Liberty Ministries." Thank you for your generous support!

This Week's Schedule				
YouTube Channel: <u>Lansdale UMC</u> Facebook Page: <u>facebook.com/Lansdale-United-Methodist-Church</u>				
Sun 8/22	9:00 am	Worship Service (online and sanctuary)		
Mon 8/23	12:00 pm	Office Closed AA Meeting (Hecker Rm)		
Tues 8/24	11:00 am	Office Open 8:30 am – 2:00 pm Staff Meeting (Pastor & Admin)		
Wed 8/25	7:00 pm	Office Open 8:30 am – 2:00 pm SPRC Meeting (Conference Rm)		
Thurs 8/26	7:00 pm	Office Open 8:30 am – 3:00 pm NA Meeting (Hecker Rm)		
Fri 8/27		Office Open 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Pastor's Day Off		
Sun 8/29	9:00 am	Thanksgiving Celebration Sunday for Bill Scheetz		

#### August lay readers:

Aug. 8 - Bill Cole

Aug. 15 - Luann Ingram

Aug. 22 – Michele Dasch

Aug. 29 - Michelle Johnson

#### This week's ushers:

Barry McGuire, Neil Hagenbuch, Bill Cole, Bob Kennedy, & Alan Dickel

#### Prayer requests from 8/15:

- I want to pray for my dad because he goes in for surgery on Wednesday. The doctors found more tumors. - Jessica
- Prayers for peace and comfort for our granddaughter, Kimberly, who is going through chemo. - Betty Starrett
- Prayers for Ashley Yard, daughter of Eva. She is having pulmonary issues. Also, prayers for Lonnie Turnipseed as he is recovering from back surgery. – Bill Cole

#### **Lansdale United Methodist Church**

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# Lansdale United Methodist Church

August 22, 2021 9 AM



# Message How Are You Dressed?

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Join us for online worship! Livestreamed on Sundays at 9am

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Listen Anytime on our Website at www.lansdaleumc.org!

#### **LUMC Covid-19 Mitigation Policy for Indoor Worship & Meetings**

We are following Montgomery County guidelines. Masks are required for all persons indoors, vaccinated or not. Online worship is available for persons who are not vaccinated and unable to wear. Love God - Love Your Neighbor - Help stop the spread of Covid-19.