

Order of Worship		
9:00 a.m. LiveStream and In-Person Worship Service		
(*Please stand if you are able.)		
Prelude	<i>Wonderful Merciful Savior</i>	<i>(quartet)</i>
Greeting and Welcome		
*Call to Worship	Michelle Johnson	
L:	We wait for the Lord, our souls wait for the Lord,	
P:	and find hope in God’s word.	
L:	Our souls wait for the Lord	
P:	more than those who watch for the morning.	
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P:	Let us seek hope in our God,	
L:	whose power is enduring love,	
P:	whose redemption brings healing and grace.	
L:	We wait for the Lord,	
P:	and find our hope in God’s presence.	
*Song	<i>Sing Unto the Lord / Bless the Lord O my soul</i>	CH 58
<i>(Prayer cards located in pews can be filled out and handed to ushers.)</i>		
*Opening Prayer		
Life-giving God, you know us better than we know ourselves. While we long to meet the demands of your justice, we often settle for a touch of righteous indignation. And though we long to resist evil with every fiber of our being, it is easy to confuse our anger over petty wrongs with your anger over real misuse of power. Teach us the difference between human precepts, that bloom and fade like the grass, and your life-giving ways, that are eternal. Help us be doers of your word, and not hearers only, that our lives may bear the fruit of eternal life. Amen.		
Recognition and Thanksgiving for Custodian Bill Scheetz		
Scripture Reading	Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Michelle Johnson
Jr. Church	<i>(for children up to 4th grade)</i>	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 www.lansdaleumc.org .	
*Song	<i>May the Mind of Christ My Savior</i>	CH 568
Scripture Reading	James 1:17-27	
Sermon	<i>Words and Actions Matter</i>	Pastor Warner
*Song	<i>Wonderful Merciful Savior</i>	
Sending and Blessing		
Postlude	<i>Allemande BWV 817</i>	<i>(Bach)</i>

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. <https://www.montcopa.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=3609>

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!



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.

Real Men Pray... So far most of the people who have signed-up to pray are women. Remember Jesus and first Disciples were men who prayed. Let’s get some more men signed-up to pray.

Thanksgiving Celebration today 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. Today we recognize and thank Bill for his years of faithful service. 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.



HELP WANTED
Custodian search
Staff Parish Relations and the Trustees are working together to conduct a search for a new custodian. We will be advertising in-house, 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.

Administrative Assistant Search
Laura Soda, Administrative Assistant, has resigned and taken another job. Her last day of work was Friday, August 20. We give thanks to Laura and to God for her help during the summer transition to a new pastor. Please keep Laura in your prayers.

This means we are searching for a new Administrative Assistant. Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is meeting this week to look at next steps. We are also looking for help with office tasks in the short-term while we search for a new person. Please contact/email Pastor Warner (stewwarner@outlook.com) if you are able to provide help. Also pray for God to lead us to the right person for this important position in the life of LUMC.

American Red Cross
Red Cross blood drive
On Monday, August 30th, 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 www.redcrossblood.org. Please be sure to wear a mask upon entering the building.



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-the-congo-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.



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 4th grade.)



Miss Liz needs an adult helper(s) on Sunday’s to sit in with her so we can practice our Safe Sanctuary Guidelines which require two adults whenever working with kids. Contact Liz or Pastor Warner if you can help.

Choir Fall Startup

Chancel choir is coming back. Our first practice session will be held on Thursday 9th Sept 2021 at 7pm at the Sanctuary. Any one who likes to sing in the Chancel Choir is welcome on that day. A flair and heart to sing for the Lord are the requirements to join.



Ways to give

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



Be sure to pick up your name tag during Sunday service!

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.

This Week’s Schedule		
YouTube Channel: Lansdale UMC Facebook Page: facebook.com/Lansdale-United-Methodist-Church		
Sun 8/29	9:00 am	Worship Service (online and sanctuary)
Mon 8/30	12:00 pm 2:00 – 7 pm	Office Closed AA Meeting (Hecker Rm) Red Cross Blood Drive
Tues 8/31	11:00 am	Office Open 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Wed 9/1	7:00 pm	Office Open 10:00 am – 12 pm SPRC Meeting (Conference Rm)
Thurs 9/2	7:00 pm	Office Open 10:00 – 12 pm NA Meeting (Hecker Rm)
Fri 9/3		Office Closed Pastor’s Day Off
Sun 9/4	9:00 am	Worship Service / Communion (online and sanctuary)

August lay readers:

Aug. 8 – Bill Cole
Aug. 15 – Luann Ingram
Aug. 22 – Michele Dasch
Aug. 29 – Michelle Johnson

This week’s ushers:

Richard Hardisty, Ed Ingram

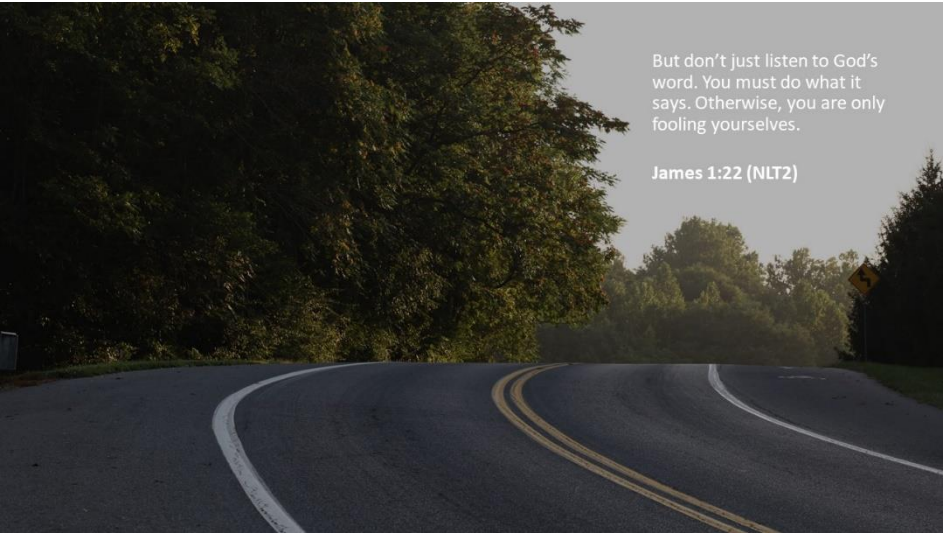
Prayer requests from 8/22:

- Pastor Max recovery from chest cold. Jeff Richardson
Pancreatic Cancer – on hospice (not LUMC Jeff). Neighbor Barb needs healing from car accident (in rehab) from Maryellen & Mark Reinmiller
- Michael – very ill with COVID. Lanie – grief from Brenda

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Servants	
Ministers – People of God	
Bishop Peggy Johnson	
District Superintendent – Rev. Dr. Andrew Foster	
Lead Pastor – Rev. Steward Warner stewwarner@outlook.com – 215-990-4581 (cell)	
Leadership Paul Bonner – Lay Leader Kris Neild – Church Council Chair Darren Johnson – Treasurer Bob Kennedy – Trustee President Michelle Johnson – Staff Parish Relations Chair	Staff Laura Soda– Administrative Assistant Liz Bonner – Director of Christian Education Rays Koshy – Music Director Ruth Rineer – Organist Bill Scheetz - Custodian

Lansdale United Methodist Church

August 29, 2021
9 AM



Message Words & Actions Matter

Our Mission *Praising God • Making Disciples • Serving All*

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

YouTube Channel: [Lansdale UMC](#)
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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.