## Order of Worship

## 9:00 a.m. Live Stream and In-Person Worship Service

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

Prelude Christ Our Hope in Life Quartet

Call to Worship

L: Sing praises to the Lord. Sing of God's glory and strength.

- P: God calls us over the waters, and strengthens us for the
- L: Sing praises to Christ. Sing of Christ's healing and love.
- P: The waters of our baptism cleanse us, renewing our spirits and nursing our wounds.
- L: Sing praises to the Spirit. Sing of the Spirit's comfort and hope.
- P: The flames of the Spirit are like a refiner's fire, purifying the soul to the glory of God.

\*Song Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven CH #1
(Ushers will collect prayer cards during the hymn)

## **Opening Prayer**

God of love and mercy, as we enter a new year in the life of this church, may our love for you be made known in our love for one another. Help us leave old grievances and former arguments behind, as we open our hearts to the possibilities that lie before us. Guide our footsteps into the glory of your ways, that we may live as you created us to be beloved children, crowned with glory and honor. May our worship reflect the greatness of our calling, and the honor of our heritage. Amen.

Scripture Readings Psalm 29 Paul Bonner

Isaiah 43:1-7

Junior Church (For children up to 4th grade) Liz Bonner

Joys, Concerns, and Prayers

#### Call to Giving

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

**Song** What A Friend We Have in Jesus UMH #526

**UMH #95** 

\*Doxology

\*Offering Prayer

**New Testament Lesson** Acts 8:4-17

Sermon Reaching and Connecting Pastor Warner

**\*Song** It is Well with My Soul CH #705

Sending and Blessing

#### Postlude

Scifres, Mary; Beu, B.J.. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2021 (p. 202). Abingdon Press. Kindle Edition. UMH – United Methodist Hymnal; FWS – Faith We Sing; W&S – Worship & Song, CH – Celebration Hymnal

## WEEKLY UPDATES AND CHURCH NEWS

#### Thank You from Pastor and Staff

Thank you from all the staff for the Christmas gift from the congregation. We deeply appreciate the affirmation and the privilege of serving God here at Lansdale UMC.

#### **New Member / Inquirer Class**

The next New Member/Inquirer class will be held on Sunday, January 23, from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. This class is for people who are considering making LUMC your home church. Would you like to know more about what we believe as United Methodists? Want to learn about ministry here at LUMC? We already have several people who have indicated they would like to become members here at LUMC. Please contact Pastor Warner (stewwarner@outlook.com) if you would like to be part of this class.



## Taking Down the Greens

We will be taking down the greens in church today Sunday January 9, at 2pm. Many hands make light work. All Christmas decor will need to be taken down and properly stored. Your help is much appreciated! Thank you in advance. Contact Maryellen Reinnmiller with questions or

to sign up to help. A sign-up sheet will also be on the church bulletin board.

## **Church Workday Coming Up**

The Trustees are having a Workday on Saturday, January 17, and are looking for volunteers to assist with projects. We will start at 8:30 am and go until noon. Please let one of the Trustees or the church office know you are coming. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

## Offering Envelopes for 2022

2022 envelopes are available outside Stringer Auditorium for those who are not giving online or through their bank website. If you are considering giving online but have questions, please contact Warren Shaedle at 215-692-0668 for additional information.



#### **Administrative Assistant Search**

We are currently searching for an Administrative Assistant. This person is both Church Secretary and Assistant to the Pastor. This is a 23 hr/wk position. The job requires proficiency on the computer and with Microsoft Office programs, attention to details, ability to manage multiple projects, managing the church office, ordering supplies, maintenance of church databases, receptionist, working and coordinating with volunteer ministries, typing correspondence and documents. This person will also help update our online media i.e. Facebook & YouTube pages, as well as work with the volunteer website manager/coordinator. This person will also work closely with the Pastor and paid church staff to resource and coordinate volunteer ministry teams. Contact Pastor Warner (stewwwarner@outlook.com) for salary information, a copy of the job description and a job application. Please share this information with your friends and contacts. We also ask for your prayers during this search.

#### **Custodian Search Update**

Trustees and SPR are continuing to work together to review and revise the job description. We covet any suggestions or recommendation you may have. Please continue to pray for God to lead us during this search.



#### **Cottage Meetings to resume Winter 2022**

Cottage Meetings this Fall saw 33 people who attended during October and the first week of November. People from college students to seniors

in their 90's. We took a break during the Thanksgiving/Christmas season. New Cottage Meetings will begin in February. We're looking for hosts for the new meetings. Hosts open their home for meeting attendees and provide light refreshments. Hosts are also encouraged to invite others to attend the meeting at their home. And people are invited to call the Host to let them know they will be attending. Thank you to everyone who hosted the first five meetings. And thank you ahead of time to those of you who will be hosting meetings this Winter. Contact the church office or Geri Hare if you are able to host a meeting.

## **New Horizons Adult Class**

New Horizons will meet in-person in the Conference Room and complete our study of the book titled "The Heart That Grew Three Sizes" by Matt Rawle. This final session is titled "When Joy Is Our Song". All are welcome to join us immediately following the morning worship service.

## **Pastor Warner looking for Introductions**

Pastor Warner has been active and involved in local communities his entire ministry. He is looking for people to help personally introduce him to services, leaders, and groups in the community. People in the past have even given him a tour of the community. Please contact Pastor Warner if you are able to connect him with community groups and leaders.

#### **Congregational Care Team Update**

Did you know we have a team of people from our congregation who visit shut-ins? This team has been visiting and at times taking communion elements to shut-ins. We currently have fifteen people who are being visited. We would like to invite more people to be part of this visitation team. Contact Pastor Warner or Maryellen Reinmiller if you are interested in being part of this caring team, and would like to know more about this caring ministry.

## **Community Block Party Team**

LUMC will be offering a community block party in our parking lot in summer 2022. Date is yet to be set. Pastor Warner is looking for people to be part of this planning team as we seek to build bridges and connections with people in our community. The Block Party will also be a time for us to make connections with local agencies and municipalities. We will have activities for children and youth and hope to have lots of food as well. Email Pastor Warner (<a href="mailto:stewwarner@outlook.com">stewwarner@outlook.com</a>) if you would like to serve on this team as we seek to be in mission to our surrounding community.

## **Eastern PA Conference Guidelines for Dealing with Omicron**

The Eastern PA Conference office has put out an updated "Best Safety Practices during Increasing Covid Transmission" document in response to the rapidly spreading Omicron variant. You can view the document by clicking on this link.

https://myemail.constantcontact.com/NEWSpirit-Alert--Best-Safety-Practices-during-increase-in-COVID-transmissions.html?soid=1115113910561&aid=9W5DKvXUrmE.

LUMC is already following the majority of this guidance. Trustees have reviewed the document and have made the following adjustments for the month of January.

- Continue to wear masks at all times when in the church building.
   Persons speaking from front of Sanctuary may remove masks when speaking but then put mask back on when not speaking.
- Social distancing. People sit in every other pew and keep six feet from any non-related persons.
- Plenty of hand sanitizer is located throughout the Narthex and Sanctuary for people to use.
- No meals, receptions, or activities that will involve people removing their masks and interacting with others for the month of January.
   We're hoping things calm down once the Christmas infections have passed.

Our goal is to provide a safe atmosphere for all who attend any church event here at LUMC. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Prayer requests from 1/2/22

- Kerri Johnson 1) Prayer for my daughter, Kelsey, who is having C-section Tuesday. Prayers for her and her baby boy who is breach. 2)
   My grandson Cameron who is having surgery Jan 10 for tubes in ears. He has a heart condition that will make surgery more difficult.
- Nancy Sweigart Please pray for Melissa. Cancer has returned.
   She has surgery to remove her voice box 1/3.
- Michelle Johnson Lora age 44, battling colon cancer prayers for her & her family (she is a single mom).
- Marlene Ney Healing prayers for Betty Starrett who has Covid.
- Ed & Barb Hartman Prayers for family members with difficulties in their lives right now.
- Barb Hartman Praise for brother, Walt, improving after another emergency surgery last week.

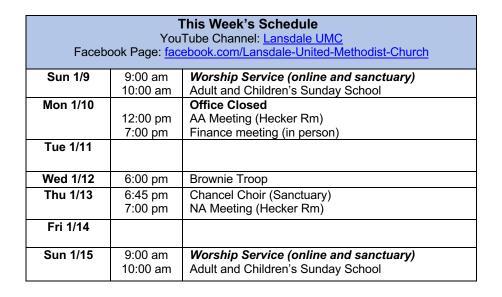
#### Ways to give

- 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

## **Church Office Temporarily Closed**

Church office hours are temporarily suspended as we search for a new Admin. Please email Pastor Warner ahead of time if you need to contact the office. Pastor Warner's email and phone are always listed in the staff box at back of the Sunday bulletin.



## **January Lay Readers**

Jan 2 – Luann Ingram

Jan 9 – Paul Bonner

Jan 16 - Michele Dasch

Jan 23 - Alex Holnick

Jan 30 - Bill Cole

#### This Week's Ushers

Jim Dietterich, Warren Schaedle, Don Dietterich, Todd Harper

## **Weekly Bulletin Announcements**

If you have an announcement for the weekly bulletin, please e-mail it to the church office <a href="mailto:office@lansdaleumc.org">office@lansdaleumc.org</a> no later than Wednesday morning each week. Thank you.

#### **January Circuit Rider Newsletter**

Please send your announcements to the church office office@lansdaleumc.org by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.

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

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#### Servants

Ministers – People of God Bishop John Schol

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

Administrative Assistant
Liz Bonner – Director of Christian Education
Rays Koshy – Music Director
Ruth Rineer – Organist
Custodian

# **Lansdale United Methodist Church**

January 9, 2022 9 AM



# Message

Reaching and Connecting
Acts 8:4-17

# **Our Mission**

Praising God • Making Disciples • Serving All

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

YouTube: <u>Lansdale UMC</u>
Facebook: Facebook.com/Lansdale-United-Methodist-Church

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 who are unable to wear a mask.

Love God - Love Your Neighbor - Help stop the spread of Covid-19.