



Circuit Rider

October 2023

Praising God • Making Disciples • Serving All

Lansdale United Methodist Church, 300 N. Broad St. Lansdale, PA 19446

website: <https://lansdaleumc.org> | Email: office@lansdaleumc.org

Live streamed Worship Sunday mornings at 9 AM Facebook or YouTube

World Communion

On Sunday, October 1st, we celebrate World Communion. We recognize that Holy Communion joins us in

Christian unity. This sacrament invites us to focus on the holiness of communion with God and one another. On World Communion Sunday - United Methodists, in conjunction with other denominations and believers worldwide, participate in communion to recognize our unity in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.



We also receive a special offering on World Communion Sunday. Your donations support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals and transforming communities. In 2021, World Communion Sunday offerings awarded 242 scholarships and grants. Your generosity continues to provide scholarships, grants, mentoring and training for leadership development. The needs exceed what we can fund, and your gifts can further growth and success.

Fifty percent of the offering provides scholarships for graduate students from the U.S. and other countries. Thirty-five percent supports racial and ethnic scholarships for students pursuing ordained ministry (deacon or elder) and includes a mentoring program. Fifteen percent funds Ethnic-In-Service Training Grant for leadership development, recruitment, training, and retention of ethnic United Methodist persons in leadership positions in every level of the church and its ministry.

Acts Bible Study Group

We have nine people signed up for the Acts Bible study group so far. More are welcome to join the group. The study group will meet weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm - 8:30 pm beginning October 4. Pastor Warner will preach on a section of Acts on Sunday and the study group will study the same section that week following the sermon. The group session will also be broadcast on Zoom for people who may not be able to be physically present. You can purchase the book "*Life Lessons from Acts: Christ's Church in the World*" by Max Lucado from Amazon.com or from other major bookstores or websites. Purchase the study guide prior to attending the class. The group will meet for 12 weeks. We are currently scheduled to meet in the Conference Room next to the church office. We may change locations if the group gets too large. Please let Pastor Warner know if you will be participating in the group.

CROP HUNGER WALK 2023 – Lansdale Area

The Crop Walk for our North Penn/ Lansdale Area will be taking place this Sunday October 8th, at 2 PM. Our church has participated in the CROP Walk to End Hunger for many years. You can sponsor Pastor Warner or Kathy Herbert online by going to the following link,

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/lansdale-umc>





Note from the Pastor

Roots grown deep provide nurture and help plants persevere during harsh weather. They bring nourishment to plants. They provide sturdiness during difficult times. Plants can wither and die during difficult weather when

there is an inadequate root system. Roots is part of why I've chosen to preach a sermon series on the book of Acts for twelve weeks. Acts describes the birth and growth of the early Christian Church. It is an exciting book. There are both successes and failures as the church grew and expanded. There were challenges and disagreements. These followers of Jesus turned the world upside down as they followed Jesus' example of love of God and neighbor. While there were leaders, there were no kings or presidents. Leadership acted as servants and examples.

Two things will occur during the next three months. I'll be preaching a sermon series on the book of Acts. The series will be based on Max Lucado's book *Life Lessons from Acts*. We will also use this book as the basis for a Bible Study small group that will meet each Wednesday from 7-8:30 pm beginning Oct 4. The Bible Study group will be in person and we will also provide a Zoom connection for people who are unable to attend the group in person.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 871 2692 7310

Passcode: 471051

You will be placed in a waiting room after logging in. Wait for Pastor Warner to provide you with access to the meeting.

Please let Pastor Warner know if you will be participating in the Wednesday evening group (stewwarner@outlook.com). You will also want to purchase the book, *Life Lessons From Acts* by Max Lucado. You can purchase the book online at Amazon.com or other bookstore websites. Read the introduction and first chapter so you will be prepared for the first meeting on October 4.

Church Workday

There will be a Church Workday on Saturday October 14th, from 8:30 AM until roughly 12 Noon.

Sunday School / Bible Study Classes

Children's Sunday School – A 103

Adult Study Groups

Weslyan Class – A 202

New Horizons Fellowship Class – A 206

Upper Room Class – A 207

October 29 at St. John UMC, Bridgeton NJ—

You are invited to a special 5th Sunday worship service at St. John United Methodist Church, a historic Native American church serving the community for over one hundred years. Cynthia Mosley, GNJ Conference CoNAM Interim-Chair, will speak about this historic Native American and multiracial congregation. The service begins at 11 AM. and is a 1 ½ hour drive away, near Vineland NJ. Our congregation has supported this church with a Missions Offering for the past several years. Let's continue our support with our presence as well. Contact the church office if you are interested.

Craft Fair

Our 5th Annual Craft Fair will be held in Stringer Auditorium on Saturday, November 4th from 9 AM to 2 PM. Please share this information with your friends and family, as the Holiday shopping season approaches.. Proceeds from the Craft Fair support our United Women in Faith.



College/Vocation Student Care Packages

We have a number of students in college or vocational schools this Fall, and we would like to support them in their studies with a care package from the church.

Maybe some school supplies, a gift certificate for Dunkin Donuts, some snack food and more. We need help in two ways:

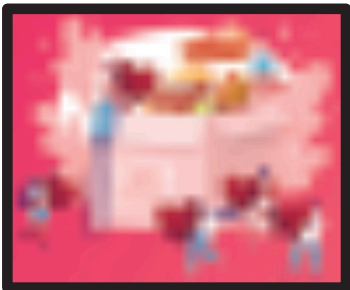
- 1) Students and parents, we need address/contact info for college addresses so we can mail packages directly to students.
- 2) We also need a team of people willing to help put together the care packages in a box that can be mailed to students.

Below is an address form we need each student to fill-in. Care packages will only be sent to students who send us a completed form. Second, if you would like to help us support and encourage students in college, please email Pastor Warner at stewwarner@outlook.com and let him know you can help.

College Student Contact Information

Student First & Last name:
Year in School as of Sept 2022:
Expected Graduation Year:
Gender:
Birth date:
Student’s personal email:
Student’s parents’ names:
Name of college attending:
Student’s address at school or home if you are a commuter (address where care package should be sent)
Street:
City/State/Zip:

Return this form/info by October 26. Email to stewwarner@outlook.com or mail to Pastor Warner, Student Care Packages, Lansdale UMC, 300 N. Broad St, Lansdale, PA 19446.



Block Party Thank You

Thank you to all the Community Block Party volunteers who planned, set up, served food, staffed tables, mingled with the community, and came to tear down afterwards. The weather was great. New connections were made. The food was good. Lots of Fellowship and fun. Community groups and agencies shared resources. All this happened at the Block Party as we shared the love of Jesus Christ with our community. God is good.

Thank you

By: Joe Millman
Thanks for the continuing prayers and cards for my recovery, they are much appreciated! God is Good!

Boiler

By: Bob Kennedy
The Boiler install is progressing well. The old equipment has been removed. We are replacing both boilers. The first boiler is in and has been hydrostatic tested. The second boiler is being assembled currently. The new equipment has several parts pre-assembled, which should improve installation, but has created a bit of a size issue. Everything will fit and work fine, we will just not have as much room around the boilers as we had in the past. The main point is that heating should not be a problem this year and no worries for quite a few years to come! Thanks to the entire congregation for your patience with this project.

Nursery Attendant Search

We are continuing to look for a second person to staff the Infant/Toddler nursery. We are looking for an additional person to help support Donna Fritz. Contact the church office at office@lansdaleumc.org or (215) 855-8364 for an application if you are interested in this position.



Missions

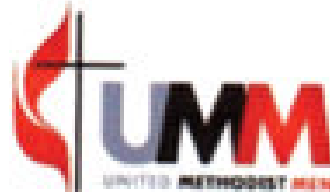
October Mission Emphasis

The October Missions Blue Envelope Emphasis is designated for UMCOR. As the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church, *the United Methodist Committee on Relief – UMCOR* – assists United Methodists and churches to become involved globally in direct ministry to persons in need. UMCOR comes alongside those who suffer from natural or human-caused disasters – famine, hurricane, war, flood, fire or other events—to alleviate suffering and serve as a source of help and hope for the vulnerable. UMCOR provides relief, response and long-term recovery grants when events overwhelm a community's ability to recover on their own.

Red Cross Blood Drive

The American Red Cross provides about 40% of our nation's blood and blood cell components, making it a vital source to hospitals and their patients. The need for blood is in constant demand. LUMC will be partnering with the American Red Cross for its last of 3 blood drives in 2023. The final blood drive will be taking place in Stringer Hall. The date is Monday, November 27 from 1 PM to 6 PM.

Please sign up to donate online at www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-Red-Cross.



12th Annual

THEME: "Distortion"

How we sometimes have a distorted view of God
ourselves, and our church community.

Special Guest Speaker:

The Rev. Zachary Hopples, Christ UMC

LOCATION:

CAMP INNABAH -

712 Pughtown Rd

Spring City Pa. 19475

COST: \$145.00 (for the weekend)

\$120.00 (one night with meals)

\$50.00 (Saturday Only with meals)

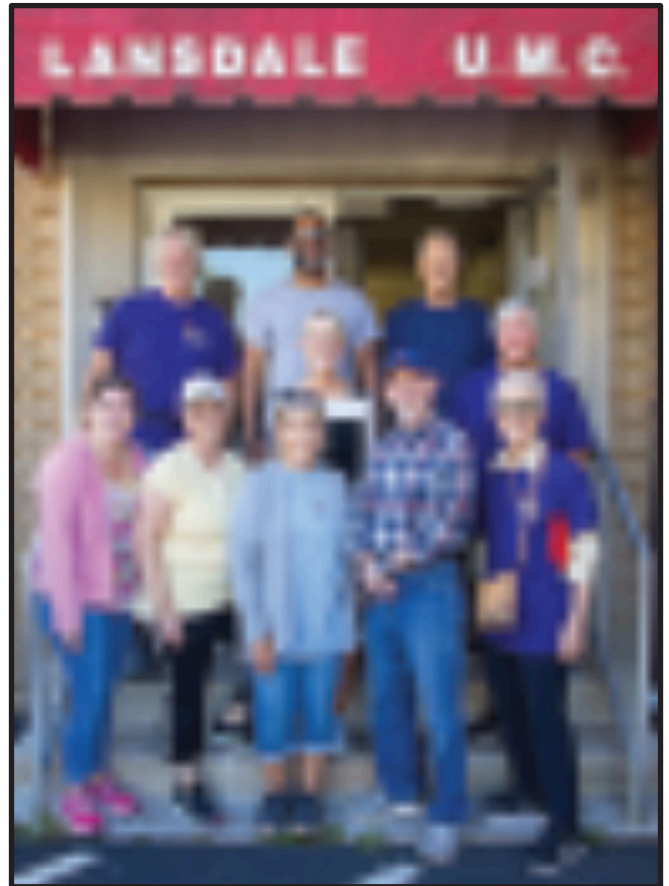
ALL MEN & FRIENDS WELCOME. See Poster in Stringer Lobby &
on UMM Bulletin Board.

Contact Ed Hartmann at (215) 896-3399 or email him at

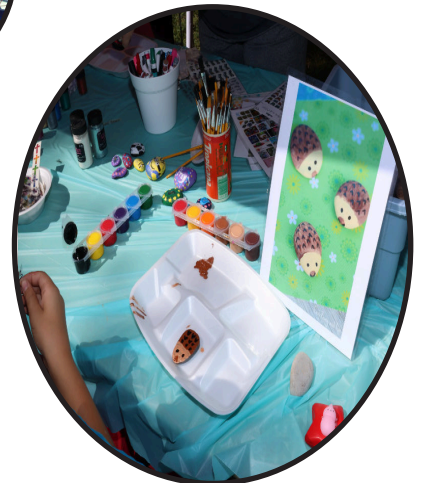
edhart3399@gmail.com for more information.

Thank You Family Promise Volunteers

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped provide housing for five different families through Family Promise this past September. Thank you to Bob and Cathy Kennedy who coordinated with Family Promise, volunteer helpers, and two other churches who worked with us. This ministry to help homeless families is intense as it involves constantly changing situations and needs. Thank you to all the people who made this outreach ministry to homeless families a success.



2023 Community Block Party



Address Changes

May 2023

Betty Starrett

3844 W Vista Ave

C/O Sandy Davis

Phoenix, AZ 85051-6479

David & Lynn Whitman

1523 Windward Lane

Lancaster, SC 29720

Donna Millman

74 Elm St, Apt. 4

Sellersville, PA 18960

267-897-3020

millmandonnag@gmail.com

July 2023

Jane Bradford

2343 Bethlehem Pike

Apt 300

Hatfield, PA 19440

215-872-2852

Ally Hediger

4103 Bethlehem Pike

Telford, PA 18969

Joe Millman (Temporary)

West Rockville Nursing Home

Room 212

3520 State Road

Sellersville, PA 18960

August 2023

Darren & Michelle Johnson

357 Apian Way

Trappe, PA 19426

Conference and District News

East District News

<https://www.epaumc.org/east-district/ea-district-e-alerts/>

EPA Conference News

<https://www.epaumc.org/news/>

Next Newsletter

The next Circuit Rider newsletter will come out for November. Please send your articles to the church office by October 20, 2023.

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

Month	Liturgists	Ushers
October		
1	Michelle Johnson	Richard Hardisty, Ed Ingram, Ed Hartmann, Gary Silknitter
8	Verna Colliver	Jim Dietterich, Warren Shaedle, Don Dietterich, Todd Harper
15	Alex Holnick	Geri Hare, Michele Dasch, Cathy Kennedy, Maryellen Reinmiller
22	Paul Bonner	Barry McGuire, Neil Hagenbuch, Bob Kennedy, Alan Dickel
29	Michele Dasch	Barry McGuire, Neil Hagenbuch, Bob Kennedy, Alan Dickel
November		
5	Liz Bonner	Richard Hardisty, Ed Ingram, Ed Hartmann, Gary Silknitter
12	Alex Holnick	Jim Dietterich, Warren Shaedle, Don Dietterich, Todd Harper
19	Verna Colliver	Geri Hare, Michele Dasch, Cathy Kennedy, Maryellen Reinmiller
26	Michelle Johnson	Barry McGuire, Neil Hagenbuch, Bob Kennedy, Alan Dickel

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Servants	
Ministers - People of God	
Bishop- John Schol	
District Superintendent- Rev. Dr. Andrew Foster	
Lead Pastor- Rev. Steward Warner Email: stewwarner@outlook.com Phone: 215-990-4581	
Leadership Paul Bonner- Lay Leader Kris Neild- Church Council Chair Darren Johnson- Treasurer Bob Kennedy- Trustee President Michelle Johnson- Staff Parish Relations Chair	Staff Ally Hediger - Administrative Assistant Liz Bonner - Director of Christian Education Rays Koshy - Music Director Ruth Rineer - Organist Paul Bonner- Custodian Donna Fritz- Nursery Attendant

2023 Community Block Party Vendors

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Donations

Clemens Food Group

2700 Clemens Rd
Hatfield PA 19440

Giant Foods

216 Fairmont St.
Coopersburg PA 18036

Harleysville Party Rental

851 Maple Ave.
Harleysville PA. 19438

Herr's Foods Corporate Donations

P.O. Box 300
Nottingham PA 19362

Red Cross

6 Alexis Drive
Lower Gwynedd PA 19002

Rita's Water Ice of Lansdale

214 N. Broad St.
Lansdale PA 19446

Wegmans Foods

Community Giving
500 Montgomery Mall
North Wales PA 19454

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VMSC Emergency Vehicle Services

Indian Valley Public Library

Girl Scouts of Eastern PA

MCIU (PreK Counts)

Code Blue Shelter

VMSC Emergency Vehicle Services

Pennsylvania State Police