

## WORK OF THE CHURCH



### **Praise and Thanksgiving:**

- Praise for our moms and women of the church!
- We are thankful for Pastor John and his family.
- Praise, for all the cookies for Kairos the weekend was a blessing for all.

### **New and Ongoing Prayers:**

- Prayers for Crystal Dale is recovering from knee surgery.
- Prayers for Lynn Kluegel as she goes through more chemo.
- Prayers for those grieving.
- Prayers for Justin Christensen, Casey Hodgson's brother, who has been diagnosed with terminal cancer.
- Prayers for healing and complete remission for Liz Martinez.
- Prayers for our country and the conflict in the Middle East.
- Prayers for healing for Bodil Brandow, Stacey Castille, Amy Cross, Charles Knapp, Jim Little, Erlene Seay, Lee Weinland, and Harriett Zickert.

***\*If you have a prayer request or praise that you would like to share, please fill out a prayer card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate.***



**Bible History:** We meet at 9 a.m. Hybrid. In-person in the Friendship Center and on Zoom. Our current study is *He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart*, by Max Lucado. You can find a Zoom invitation in the Friday worship email.

**Programming Night:** Our programming night has concluded for spring. We will begin our Fellowship Events for the summer in June. If you would like to lead a fellowship activity, please email Phillip Ortega at [faith@lafumc.org](mailto:faith@lafumc.org).

**Youth Group:** If you have a teenager from grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, they are welcome to join us. Our Mid-High Study (5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) meets at 4 p.m. during our Programming Night, then after dinner the mid-high and sr. high come together for Youth Group (7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>) at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please email Phillip Ortega at [faith@lafumc.org](mailto:faith@lafumc.org)

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In honor of our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary we have several upcoming events, please mark your calendars and plan to join us.

**Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>:** We are excited to welcome Bishop Carlo A. Rapanut to join us in worship and preach on Pentecost Sunday. We will have a reception in his honor after worship in the Friendship Center everyone is invited to come and meet him.

The United Women in Faith are hosting the event if you would like to help by bringing a dish you can sign up in the back of the sanctuary.



**Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>:** Rev. Martin Reeves will be visiting us to share about his mission work in Peru. After worship plan to join us for a picnic at East Park. The church will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and condiments. Bring a side dish to share, a chair, and tent for shade if you have one. Please let us know the number attending by signing up at the back of the sanctuary.



**Graduation Sunday:** Next Sunday, **May 17<sup>th</sup>,** we will recognize our high school and college graduates during worship at 10 a.m. We hope you will plan to join us in their celebrations. If you would like to add a graduate, please let the office know by Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, email Julie at [office@lafumc.org](mailto:office@lafumc.org).



Many hands make light work.

### Projects Around the Building:

As the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary approaches we have several projects we would like to complete and we

need your help. These projects can be done at your availability, let us know if you would like to take on a project. Email the church office at [office@lafumc.org](mailto:office@lafumc.org)

- Weeding around campus and prayer garden.
- Take an inventory of ceiling tiles that need to be replaced through building.
- Install screening on chain link fence.
- Paint exterior doors to playground.



### Be A Reading Buddy:

Did you know that kids can lose up to 2 months reading skills during the summer? McCurdy Ministries' LEER program

is focusing on reading literacy this summer during its Camp Stars summer program. The Camp Stars program will run from June 9- July 23, Monday – Thursday and needs reading buddies.

If you can spare 1½ hours once a week to be a reading buddy. If you are interested you can sign up at McCurdy's website <https://www.mccurdy.org/leer> and click on I want to be a reading buddy. Kercida will be speaking on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, at 1:15 p.m. in the Friendship Center, if you'd like to learn more about LEER.