



The LUMinary

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Pastor's Corner— Greetings

Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! It is with great joy and anticipation that I step into the role of your new pastor here at Laingsburg UMC. As we embark on this journey together, I want to share a few words of introduction and encouragement.

I am eager to get to know each of you better. Over the coming weeks, I will be looking for opportunities to connect with you, individually or in small groups. I want to hear your stories, learn about your passions, and understand the unique gifts you bring to our church family. Together, we will discern how God is calling us to serve and grow.

I am honored to serve as your pastor, and I look forward to growing alongside you. Let us embrace this new season with open hearts, open minds, and open arms. Together, we will continue to build a church that reflects God's love and grace.

Faithfully,
Pastor Kendi



Leadership



Welcome Pastor Kendi!

We are pleased to announce that our new pastor has arrived! Here is a little about her.

Growing up as a preacher's kid in Michigan, Kendra "Kendi" Holcomb-Densmore dreamed of becoming a middle school choir director. This passion for music education blossomed into a call to ministry, but the lessons learned singing in choirs never left her. For example, "what we accomplish together is far more satisfying than done alone." Kendi is attending Saint Paul School of Theology, working toward a Master of Divinity and pursuing ordination in the UMC. During her leisure time, Kendi is an avid reader, loves hanging out with family, and follows the Detroit Redwings and Kansas City Chiefs. Her favorite book is Frances Hodgson Burnett's *The Secret Garden*, and her favorite movie is "The Red Violin." "I am moved by the violin maker's love for his wife and how his expression of that love leaves a legacy far beyond his imagination," she explained. "It reminds me that God's love and plan for me is bigger than my dreams."

We will have a special time to get to know her better after church on July 14 at a potluck lunch.

Parsonage Projects

A number of projects at the parsonage were completed with your help, and the parsonage looked very nice when Pastor Kendi moved in this week. Again, thank you to all who gave of their time, talents, and money to accomplish this work!

Worship and Fellowship Events

Worship Time is 10:30 am with Coffee Fellowship to follow.

Welcome to Pastor Kendra Holcomb-Densmore

July 7:	<i>Livin' On a Prayer-The Story of My Life</i>	Psalm 27 & Isaiah 42:16
July 14:	<i>Gathering for Worship—Communion</i>	2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
	No Second Sunday Breakfast this month	
	Potluck lunch after the worship service	
July 21:	<i>Call to Worship</i>	2 Samuel 7:1-14a
July 28:	<i>Call to Confession</i>	2 Samuel 11:1-15

Coffee Hour Hosts:

July 7: CL Adams/Jean Austin
July 14: No breakfast—Potluck lunch after worship
July 21: John & Joan Peck
July 28: Gwen Ginther

Service

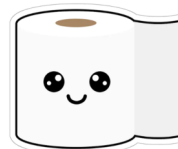
Change for a Change in July will go to Red Bird Mission

Red Bird Mission empowers individuals and advocates justice through spiritual, educational, health, and community outreach ministries. Its Community Outreach ministries address hunger and other basic needs of families through case management and delivery of services. In addition, the Community Store and Craft Marketing provides jobs and income for over 100 families.



Please check their website for more info and to volunteer: recyclelaingsburg.wixsite.com/mysite

Open:
Mon. 1-3 pm
Thurs 5-7 pm



The Food Bank is in need of toilet paper. You can drop it off anytime the office is open.



Cans & Bottles: Our Youth continue to collect returnable cans & bottles. They can be brought to the church anytime during office hours or on Sunday.



**Potluck
Lunch**

Sunday, July 14 after worship

Plan to stay after worship so we can welcome Pastor Kendi with a traditional Methodist activity!
A potluck!!

Please sign up on the clipboard with your favorite dish to share. Hope to see you there!