



The LUMinary

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Pastor's Corner— Saying Farewell

I leave you and say farewell with *gratitude* in my heart. When I came to you, the world was changing before our very eyes and the lines that divided our country were growing ever more bold, yet you persevered and held together through it all. The grace with which your leadership faced pandemic restrictions while holding care for one another at the forefront was so refreshing. When I came to you, I was working hard to improve my own health and overall wellbeing. Yet, you welcomed me, accommodated my needs, and embraced and accepted me as I am. You provided me with much needed space to heal, physically and emotionally, and with the support and encouragement I needed to grow into the pastor I am today.

The empathy and grace you extended to me when the chair and podium suddenly appeared at the front of the sanctuary was an immense comfort. I am grateful for the spirit of curiosity and openness with which you have met every change we have faced together. I am grateful for the love and compassion you have for one another and those in need in your community. It is that love, compassion, and curiosity that will sustain you long into the future.

I leave you and say farewell with *hope* in my heart.

I have hope that you will continue to persevere.

I have hope that you will continue to meet each new day with curiosity, compassion, and acceptance.

I have hope that God is at work in this transition for me

and for you.

May God be with you until we meet again,

Pastor Tiffany



Leadership

Parsonage Projects

The LUMC parsonage is a fine older home which has survived the passage of time quite well. However, it remains in constant need of attention. Some projects are better deferred until the house is vacant. There will be about a two-week window between when Pastor Tiffany departs in early June and Pastor Kendi arrives later in the month. We need to take full advantage of this time to perform various tasks, some which are ongoing.

Several rooms need walls patched (mostly done) and should be repainted. Rooms must be taped to preserve the original wood trim and protect windows. Most ceilings are nine feet high, which will require using ladders. A couple areas are higher and will require additional attention (backroom on second floor with a cathedral ceiling and the main stairway to the second floor).

Additionally, we have some miscellaneous projects, such as securing an electric wire to a closet light, replacing the wax ring on a toilet, and repairing the soffit on the north side of the garage.

To conserve our limited resources, we are seeking internal assistance from our members and friends to complete most of these tasks within our window of opportunity. If you have some related skills and availability - days or evenings - please contact John Peck at (517)285-4425. He is coordinating project activities and would greatly appreciate any assistance you can provide.

Thanks for giving of your time and talents to help with these projects.



Worship and Fellowship Events

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

June 2: Farewell Party at Peacock Road Family Farm

Diana Carpenter preaching

June 9: Carrie Rathbun Hawks preaching

Second Sunday Breakfast 9:30 am

June 16: John Peck preaching

June 23: Diana Carpenter preaching

June 30 : Carrie Rathbun Hawks preaching

Coffee Hour Hosts:

June 2: at Peacock Rd. Farm

June 9: Second Sunday Breakfast: Hawks

June 16: Jo Hollenbeck & Judy Blackledge

June 23: Pat Hibbard

June 30: Joe & Nancy Robinson

Service

Change for a Change in June will go to Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti.

Providing life-changing health care and education services, including treatment of chronic illnesses like tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS, to children and their families for over 50 years.



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

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



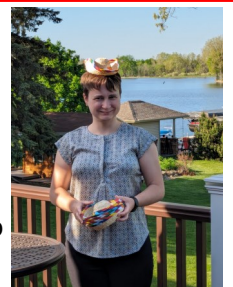
The Food Bank is in need of toilet paper. You can drop it off anytime the office is open.



Core celebrates its graduates, parties with Pastor Tiffany

We're excited and a little sad to have celebrated Graduation Sunday with three of our Core Youth Group members: Jaylei Kramer, Hannah Sebenick and Aly Billings. These are incredibly talented and driven young women with servant hearts. With God's guiding light, they will do awesome things!

Jaylei will attend University of Michigan's Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning. Hannah is going to Central Michigan University to study education. Aly is already dual enrolled at Lansing Community College, pursuing a nursing degree. Their list of extra-curricular activities is long and studded with awards and honors. Please pray for them as they step into this next chapter of their lives!



All of the youth were present May 5 for a Cinco de Mayo party at the Hawks' house. We enjoyed yard games, Mexican food (of course!) and spent time with Pastor Tiffany. It was likely the last time the entire group will have gotten to see her before she moves. We prayed with her and let her know how much she means to us

