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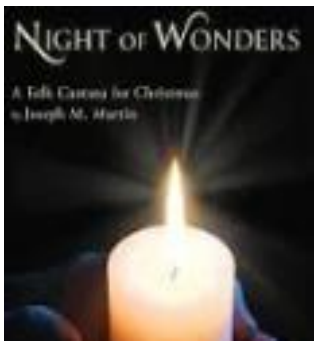

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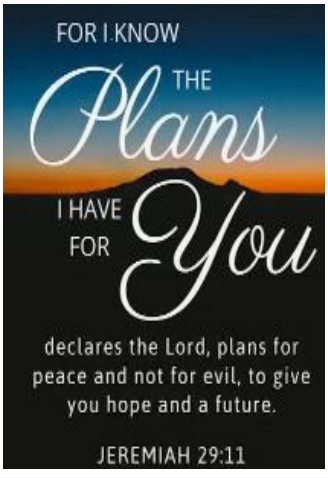

Greetings Church Family,

As December begins, many of us already feel the excitement of Christmas building. For some, the Christmas tree has already been up for a week or more. The lights are up, Christmas music is playing, and our calendars begin to fill with the familiar rhythms and traditions we love. To be honest, my decorations have been up for a couple of weeks, and I've already watched at least one Christmas movie.

It's natural to look forward to the joy of Christmas morning, to the gatherings, the meals, and the celebration of Christ's birth.

But before we rush to the manger, we have been invited into a different kind of season…Advent. Advent is a season of waiting, watching, and preparing.

Advent purposefully slows us down.

It asks us to pause long enough to recognize our deep need for the Savior who's coming we celebrate. It reminds us that God's promises often unfold slowly, sometimes quietly, and always in God's timing. Advent teaches us that holy anticipation is part of our faith, trusting that God is at work even when the fulfillment has not yet arrived.

So, while our hearts may already be singing "Joy to the World," Advent encourages us to listen first for the gentle voices of hope, peace, joy, and love breaking into the world. Waiting is not meant to dampen our excitement, but to deepen it. When we take time to prepare our hearts, the celebration of Christmas becomes richer, fuller, and more rooted in the story God is telling.

As we journey together through this season, may Advent give us space to breathe, to pray, and to watch for the ways Christ is drawing near.

May you and your family have a blessed Advent and Christmas Season,

Pastor Jordan Hunter



The Thrift Shop - the place for holiday shopping!

You never know what treasurers are waiting to be discovered!
Grayson County, come on by to check out the Thrift Shop!
GC your generosity makes a huge difference in supporting local programs.

Shopping Hours: **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm,
Friday 10:00 am-4:00 pm
Saturday December 5th, 10:00 am-1:00 pm
Donation Shed Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9:00 am- 3:00 pm, Closed Sunday
For your convenience, there is now a drop off chute to receive your 'soft' (clothes, shoes, purses) donations.

LUMC Thrift Shop, 213 W Main Street, Yellow House-Fellowship House Basement, 270-259-0422
Thank you, Grayson County, for shopping & donating!

*****DECEMBER EVENTS*****

Membership Info Session Join Pastor Jordan on **Sunday, December 6**, following our worship service for a Membership Informational Class at Leitchfield United Methodist Church! This class is an opportunity to learn more about the United Methodist Church, explore the meaning of membership, review our membership vows, and ask questions. All are welcome to attend.



Pastor Jordan leads the '**Blue Christmas'** Bible study at **10:00 AM** at **The Rock**, offering a space for honest conversations about grief, stress, and mixed emotions during the holiday season without pressure to feel festive.

- **Dates:** Mondays—**December 7, December 14, and December 21, 2026**
- **Time:** 10:00 AM
- **Location:** The Rock behind Leitchfield United Methodist Church (207 W. Main St

United Methodist Women (UMW) of Faith
Thank you to everyone who so willingly helped purchase gifts and coordinate our Angel Tree Outreach! Your generosity will make a meaningful difference this season. Please join us for our next UMW meeting on **Thursday, December 3rd at 11:00 am at The Rock**. All women are welcome!



LUMC Church office will be closed, -Thursday & Friday, December 24 & 25.
Merry Christmas from the LUMC Staff & blessings during the Holidays!

DECEMBER EVENTS

Pickleball at The Rock Monday (beginner/instruction) 4-6 pm, Thursday (50+) 1-3 pm, Friday (all play) 5-7 pm
No pickleball weeks December 21st through December 28th (gym floor maintenance).





Thank you, LUMC, for partnering with the Grayson County Alliance to assist with meals to bless our community!



If you would like your LUMC current financial status report or your giving status, please contact the Church office-(270)259-4019

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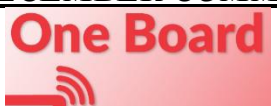
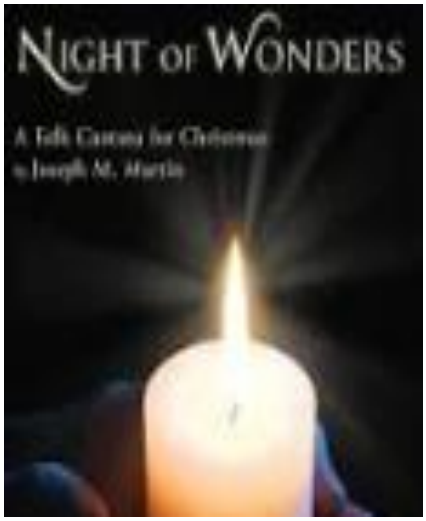


One Board Committee Meeting **Monday December 14th, The Rock, 6:00 pm**
Thank you to our One Board Members who have served with such diligence, wisdom and prayerful input. LUMC is thankful for each and every one of you as 2026 draws to a close. LUMC welcomes those who have agreed to serve on the One Board beginning in January 2027.

Plan now to attend and invite a friend & neighbor…

"Night of Wonders: A Folk Cantata for Christmas"

-a special seasonal musical event scheduled for December.



Event Details

- **Performance 1:** Sunday, December 20th at 7:00 PM
  (A reception hosted by the UMW will follow this performance)
- **Performance 2:** Monday, December 21st at 7:00 PM

Church Sanctuary

Questions, please contact the church office
(270)259-4019.

Weekly Happenings

Sunday	***Sunday School:***	**Children 9:00 am** Carter Harrell, Rock Classroom
		Adult 8:45-9:45 am Shawn Majors, Zoom link available, Rock Conference Room
	Worship:	**Sanctuary 10:00 am**
Monday		AA/NA, Church, 7:00 pm, Church Basement
Tuesday		Thrift Shop, 10:00-3:00 pm, Fellowship House Basement
		Fellowship Café Free Community Meal, 5:30 pm, Church Basement
Wednesday		Thrift Shop, 10:00-3:00 pm, Fellowship House Basement
		Bell Choir Practice, 4:00 pm, Church Basement
		Cantata Choir Practice, Sanctuary, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary
		AA/NA, Church, 7:00 pm, Church Basement
Thursday		Thrift Shop, 10:00 – 3:00 pm, Fellowship House Basement
Friday		AA/NA, Al-anon, 10:00 am, Church Basement
		Thrift Shop,10:00 – 4:00 pm, Fellowship House Basement
Saturday		AA/NA, 10:00 am, Church Basement
		Thrift Shop Dec 5th, 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Pastor Jordan's 'Drop By' Hours

Monday-Wednesday 10:00 am – Noon, Thursday – Work from Home, Friday & Saturday - Out of the office

Meetings with Pastor Jordan by appointment

Regular Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am- Noon

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*****ATTENTION*****

Please provide JANUARY 2027 Newsletter information by December 20, 2026.

Thank you!

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