

June 2026

LEITCHFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



*Thoughts of peace...*

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

- Jeremiah 29:11 kjv

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## FROM PASTOR JORDAN'S DESK

Greetings Everyone,

It is my hope and prayer that you are all doing well!

On June 1st, at the Kentucky United Methodist Church Annual Conference, I was recognized and ordained as an Elder in Full Connection. For those who may not be familiar with the process of ordination, it is not a quick process.

A person must first be approved for ministry by their church and their district. After they are approved as a candidate, the candidate will complete seminary which can take at least three years to finish. A candidate has to wait until they have completed at least ¾ of their seminary education before they can apply for Commissioning.

The Commissioning process includes completing a six-week Bible study, preaching a sermon, writing a paper on the worship service, answering extensive theological questions, and being psychologically and physically examined. After all of the work is submitted to the Board of Ordained Ministry, the candidate is interviewed by a BOM team.

After the candidate completes their work for Commissioning and is approved by the Board of Ordained Ministry the candidate now becomes a resident. The resident joins a group known as Residents in Ministry where they take instruction, are mentored, and support one another through the process as they work towards Ordination. While the resident does their work for residency, they are also going through the Ordination process, which is where they go through all the paperwork they completed during their candidacy when they applied for Commissioning.

The residency process takes at least three years to complete with the possibility of being deferred at any time in the process. The road to become an ordained Elder in full connection is not an easy, nor short process. While working through the Residency process, each resident also has a full-time appointment, with some residents having two churches.

It is a lot of work.

My purpose in sharing this information with everyone is not to boast nor is it to complain about the process. The rigorous process is designed for a reason, to ensure the candidates are theologically, physically, and psychologically capable of handling the weight of vocational ministry.

My purpose is to say thank you.

Thank you for the prayers throughout these past three years, for your encouragement, patience, and support. Your kindness and care have meant more than I can fully express. I am grateful to serve alongside each of you in ministry, and I look forward to continuing the work God has called us to do together.

Blessings,

*Pastor Jordan Hunter*

Happy Father's Day and welcome Summer. It is wonderful how the Grayson County Community is stepping up with high-quality donations to the Thrift Shop.

Come check out a wardrobe deal, add to your kitchen items & décor with something unique. There also may be a 'a walk down memory lane' finding a dish 'Aunt Helen' used to put peppermints in.

Grayson County, your generosity makes a huge difference in supporting local programs and helping neighbors. Thank you!

*Come in to shop, save and support local outreach.*

Elaine, Thrift Shop Manager

Shopping Hours: Tuesday 10-3, Friday 10-3, 1st Saturday monthly

Shed Donation Hours: Monday–Saturday 9-4, Closed Sunday



**\*NEWS\***



Safe Sanctuaries Training Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup> 5-7 pm, The Rock Conference Room. Safe Sanctuaries is dedicated to making congregations safe, welcoming spaces for children, youth, and vulnerable adults. Training is mandatory for clergy, staff, and volunteers, requiring a background screening, policy acknowledgment, and certification for volunteers (including VBS). See you there!

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We Care (you-LUMC) received a thank you for recent assistance: Kindness is a small gesture that makes a big difference. With sincere gratitude and warmest thanks. T

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**AA/NA, CR**



here for you to help make a change toward healing from life's hurts, habits & hang-ups.

**LUMC hosts recovery groups:**

<u>AA/NA, LUMC Church Basement</u>	<u>Celebrate Recovery, The Well/208 W Main St</u>
<u>Mondays &amp; Wednesdays</u> <b>7:00 pm</b>	<u>Wednesdays</u> <b>5:30 pm</b>
<u>Fridays &amp; Saturdays</u> <b>10:00 am</b>	

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LUMC Financial Reports are available from Brenda Whitmore, Treasurer or at the LUMC Office.



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT LUMC

### June Committee Meetings

\* June 8th One Board, 6:00 pm, The Rock  
 R—ROCK CB—Church Basement W—The Well  
 FHBR—Fellowship House Back Room



LUMC will be on hand (with an inside booth) to extend a friendly greeting to Grayson County in Jesus' Name! Celebrate Recovery will also be ministering.

Tuesday June 9th 11:00am -2:00 pm CT

GC Extension Office: 64 Quarry Rd, Leitchfield, KY 42754

### Special Happenings



The United Methodist Women of Faith will meet on **Thursday, June 2nd at 11:00 am** at The ROCK. Pat Wagner will have the program. Joyce Bangtson will be the hostess.

All women of the church are invited.  
 Come on out for food, fun, and fellowship!

The LUMC Confirmation Class will be heading to the Leitchfield Animal Shelter on Saturday, June 6th. **Thank you**, LUMC, for donating funds and shelter needs items! Thank you for helping our class make a difference in our community!



**Thank You!**

**NO Pickleball**  
**Monday 8th– Friday 13th\***

**Pickleball** at The Rock  
 16 y/o + with adult present  
 Equipment available  
 Mondays 4:00—6:00 pm (instruction/play)  
 Thursdays 1:00-3:00 pm (50+ y/o)  
 Fridays 5:00—7:00 pm (all play)  
 Questions? 270-259-4019



## Knights of North Castle June 11-13

**Ephesians 6:10** "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His power."

"Knights of North Castle"— is an interactive, castle –themed Vacation Bible School (VBS) curriculum where children 4 years to 6th grade will explore the Quest for the King's Armor. During their adventures children will learn to 'Armor Up' with truth, justice, peace and faith. To volunteer or if you have questions, please call Deb Mulligan at (270) 316-2478.



Thursday & Friday- June 11th & 12th, 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm CST  
 Saturday, June 13th, 10:00 am - 1:45 pm CST  
 201 W Main St., Leitchfield, KY 42754.

**Snacks and a light meal** will be served while on their adventures.

**Ages 4 years old to 6th grade.**

We hope to see you there as we learn more about our big God!

If you are interested in registering a child or assisting,

please contact Deb Mulligan at (270) 316-2478 or Leitchfield United Methodist Church at (270)259-4019.

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**\*Electronic Returns Requested\***

## **ATTENTION**

**The deadline for the July  
2026 newsletter will be  
Thursday June 25, 2026**

Or Current Resident



### Weekly Happenings

#### Sundays

#### *Sunday School:*

9:00 am, **Children**, Carter Harrell, Rock Classroom  
8:45-9:45 am, **Adult**, Shawn Majors, Zoom link available,  
Rock Conference Room  
9:00 am, **Adult**, Linda French, Church Basement

#### *Worship: 10:00 am*

#### Mondays

AA/NA, 7:00 pm, Church Bsmt

#### Tuesdays

Thrift Shop, 10:00-3:00 pm, FH Bsmt  
Fellowship Café Free Community Meal,  
5:30 pm, Church Bsmt

#### Wednesdays

Celebrate Recovery, 5:30-8:00 pm, The Well  
AA/NA, 7:00 pm, Church Bsmt

#### Fridays

Thrift Shop, 10:00 am-3:00 pm, FH Bsmt  
AA/NA, Al-anon - 10:00 am, Church Bsmt

#### Saturdays

AA/NA - 10:00 am, Church Bsmt  
1st Saturday/Month Thrift Shop, 8:00-Noon,  
FH Bsmt

### Special June Happenings

KY Annual Conference, June 1-3, Christ Church, Louisville  
UMW, June 4 11:00 am, The Rock  
VBS Decorating, June 7, 3:00 pm, Church Campus  
Safe Sanctuary Training June 7, 5:00 pm, The Rock  
Resource Fair, June 9, 11:00-2:00 pm, GC Extension Office  
VBS, June 11, 12 (5:30-8:00 pm) & 13 (10:00 am-1:45pm)  
Church Campus

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*Pastor Jordan is glad to meet by appointment.*

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