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Wednesday Night Dinner



Oct 4th

Beef tips with rice, mixed vegetables, salad, tea, roll, cherry dump cake

Oct 18th

Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, sweet corn, salad, roll, tea, ice cream

Oct 11th

Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, garlic bread, brownies, tea

Oct 25th

Teriyaki chicken, fried rice, Mixed vegetables, salad, tea, assorted cookies, roll

Wednesday Night Supper is held at the Transmitter Campus Fellowship Hall (5:00-5:45pm)
Cost is \$5 for adults & children 11+, and \$2 for kids ages 2-10 (not to exceed \$16 per family).
Reservations are required by 12pm on the Monday preceding dinner. Sign-up on the worship guide tear-off or email mahow@knology.net.

Sunday Service Times - Transmitter Campus (4501 Transmitter Rd)
9:30 am • Contemporary Service
11:00 am • Traditional Service

Fusion Campus (3203 Minnesota Ave.)
9:30 am • Contemporary Service

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October 2017



Sunday, October 15th

Sunday, October 15th is our Baptism Sunday! The United Methodist Church offers three forms of baptism: pouring, sprinkling or immersion. All three forms of baptism will be offered. If you are interested in being baptized, Contact Terry Tatum at 850-265-5231 or Terry@myLHUMC.net.



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A word from our Pastor...

The dictionary defines a mentor as "a wise and trusted counselor, or an influential sponsor or supporter." I have been privileged to have had numerous mentors over the course of my lifetime. They have included coaches, Sunday School teachers, youth group sponsors, senior military officers, small group leaders, and fellow pastors. These persons who have invested their time and energy in me have helped me become who I am today. I can't imagine who or what I'd be without them (and you probably don't want to know either!).

Mentors are an indispensable part of the program at New Horizons Learning Center, which is located across from our Fusion Campus. The mentoring program there provides positive role models for special needs and at-risk students in grades

6-12. Mentors offer friendship, guidance and emotional support that prepares the students for adulthood. Joining many others from our congregation, I have served as a mentor at New Horizons for the past three years. It has been a rewarding experience that has been mutually beneficial to my student and to me. I have developed a friendship with a young man who is trying to do the right things and make good decisions. He just needs a little guidance and encouragement along the way. I have also learned a lot from him, including some important lessons in gratitude. Mentors are assigned based on gender and personality. Currently, 10 men and 5 women mentors are needed. Our church has a special relationship with New Horizons and we have been given an "open door" of ministry by their faculty and

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Southport Fall Festival
Fri, October 13th

Southport Elementary School is hosting a Fall Festival and needs servants to help run the game booths. If you are interested in serving at the Fall Festival from 5:00-8:00pm, please contact Cindy@MyLHUMC.net.

Early Response Team Training
October 28, 8:30am-3:00pm
Transmitter Campus

Our church is hosting an Early Response Team Training. The United Methodist Committee on Relief, along with the United Methodist Volunteers in Mission, host many training events throughout the year to prepare teams and individuals to serve on disaster relief teams. In order to serve on a team you must be older than 18, pass a background check and attend this training. For more information, or to register, visit mylhumc.net.

Gretna
Mission Trip
Nov 10th-12th



We are taking a Family Mission Trip to Gretna, FL (ages kindergarten and up). This trip is to allow children to participate alongside their parents as we serve the community of Gretna. For more information, contact Heather Risinger at Heatherrisinger@icloud.com.

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staff. We want to continue to support their efforts in any way we can, so if you are interested in serving as a mentor, please contact Margaret Tidmore (tidmoma@bay.k12.fl.us; 850-767-1130). You can also find more information about the New Horizons mentoring program at www.becomeamentor.org.

Recognizing the value of mentors, the Bay District School system has initiated a program called Elevate Bay whose stated purpose is "lifting our kids to new heights." They have set a goal of having 1000 mentors involved in our county's elementary schools. Classroom mentors work in small groups for academic and behavioral support for the students involved. One-on-one mentors focus on the specific needs of one particular student over time. Lunch buddies provide the extra support and supervision students need outside the classroom. Since our congregation has an on-going partnership with Southport Elementary, we want to participate fully in the program. Training is provided and the time commitment is one hour at the school, at least

every other week. If you are interested in being a Southport mentor, please contact Cindy Hansen (cindy@mylhumc.net). Or, if you'd like to volunteer at a different school, get in touch with the county coordinator, Stacey Legg (leggs1@bay.k12.fl.us).

Somebody has rightly said that everyone needs a mentor and needs to be a mentor to someone. If you don't have a mentor already, I encourage you to find someone to fill that role for you. We can all benefit from a mature follower of Christ who will assist us in our spiritual development. I also pray you will seriously consider being a mentor, either to a new Christian in our church family or to a student in our community. Together, with God's help, we can truly become the Body of Christ in the world.

In Christ's Name,

Craig Carter

Lead Pastor, LHUMC



55+ "Welcome Fall" Dinner

October 27th, 5:30pm, Transmitter Fellowship Hall

Join the 55+ group as they kick-off the fall season with dinner and entertainment. "The Barely Tones" will be performing along with Cathy Byrd telling stories. To sign-up, or for more information, contact Susan Penton at sepenton@yahoo.com.

God-Sightings

At our AWANA Bash, the children made 850 Rocks. 850 Rocks is a new trend going on in Panama City. People decorate rocks and hide them around the city for other people to find. The children at the AWANA bash decorated their rocks with drawings of crosses and hearts. Many of them wrote encouraging messages such as, "God loves you!" After they decorated them, they prayed over the rocks and prayed for the people that might find them. Our church website was written on them so that people would be encouraged to let us know if they found one. We received an email from someone visiting Panama City from Mississippi who found one of our rocks. She wrote,

"Hi! Just wanted to send a quick note to thank you all for placing the rocks around Panama City Beach! My daughter found one this past Saturday at the Edgewater Beach Resort while we were there for the 9/11 PCB Memorial Stair Climb. She was so excited to find your rock! Such an exciting and neat idea to place the rocks for visitors to find! We hope to find another one next time we visit next year for the 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb!"

It is awesome to see that God can use something as small as a rock to brighten someone's day!

October 16th-31st
Transmitter Campus



We have hosted a Pumpkin Patch event each year since 2007 and this year's Pumpkin Patch is coming soon! Our location this year is at our Transmitter campus. Servants are needed to help with unloading and loading the pumpkins or working as a cashier or greeter.

Visit MyLHUMC.net to sign-up to serve, or email PumpkinPatch@MyLHUMC.net for more information. To keep up with the Pumpkin Patch, follow the Lynn Haven UMC Pumpkin Patch Facebook page!

October dates to remember...

Father-Daughter Dinner Date
Pumpkin Patch
SERVE Class Series
Southport Fall Festival
Middle School Fall Retreat
Trunk or Treat at AWANA
Early Response Team Training

Oct 8
Oct 16-31
Oct 15, 22 & 29
Oct 13
Oct 13-15
Oct 25
Oct 28

YOUTH

Schedule

Sundays

4:30-5:30pm Middle School Only Games/
Small Groups

5:30pm High School students arrive

6-6:30pm Worship for MS & HS

6:30pm MS goes home

6:30-7:30pm HS Small Groups/Pick-Up

Wednesdays

5:00pm Students arrive

6:00pm Game/Message

7:30pm All students picked up

Middle School Fall Retreat
October 13th-15th
Ariton, AL: The Vineyard

Our Middle School Fall Retreat will be October 13th-15th. This year our group will go to the Vineyard for a weekend retreat to get away and learn more about what God thinks about us, how He values us, and how we can grow in our relationship with Him.

For more information visit mylhumc.net or contact Neal McGee at Neal@MyLHUMC.net.

CHILDREN



Awana is in full swing but it is not too late to register! Visit mylhumc.net to register your kids!

For more information, contact MaryMc@MyLHUMC.net.



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