



# *the* GRAPEVINE

Newsletter of Lititz United Methodist Church

February 2018

While we are in the process of hiring a new church secretary, *The Grapevine* will not be available in its usual format. Announcements and updates will be placed in the weekly bulletins.

## YOU'RE INVITED TO THE SNOWFLAKE PARTY POT LUCK

**"Praying with Children Snowflake Party Pot Luck"  
Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> following the 10:30 service!**

Bring your favorite dish to share and spend some time with your prayer partner. Let's see who has memorized our first memory verse: Psalm 116:2.

Sign-up sheets are in the Sunday School Classes and also at the Children's Ministry Desk. If you don't have a Prayer Partner, you are still invited to come!

If you would like a Prayer Partner, just let Lucy Heisey know and she will see you get one!

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## LUMC MEMBERSHIP CLASSES TO BEGIN

Anyone interested in joining LUMC may attend the *New Member Commitment Orientation* on Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in the Social Hall. We ask that you pre-register at the Welcome Center, and a light lunch will be provided. We will discuss the membership process through a series of commitment sessions which will extend over six weeks and will be held for approximately one hour. The future dates and times of each session will be discussed and determined at the Orientation Meeting. Every prospective new member must attend these sessions before becoming a new member. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Kevin Bergman at 717-625-0167 or [kbbergman@msn.com](mailto:kbbergman@msn.com).



### Winter Weather Procedure

Unless we have a severe winter weather, the church will be open for worship on Sunday mornings. If severe weather hits, there will be a message posted on WGAL online only, WJTL, the church answering machine and the church website.

During the week, we follow Warwick School District. If Warwick is **CLOSED** for the day, all church activities and meetings are cancelled and the doors are locked. If Warwick School District is **DELAYED**, the church will open at 10 AM to allow time for snow plowing. Groups that meet on a regular basis, as well as counting teams and staff, will receive an email from Patti Bergman, Facilities Manager, alerting them to a delay or cancellation. To be placed on this alert list, please contact Patti ([office@lititzumc.org](mailto:office@lititzumc.org)).

If the lots and walks have been cleared, groups may meet in the evening at their own risk. We ask leaders of these groups to please consider the safety of their groups when determining whether or not to meet.



**"THE JOURNEY" CONTINUES.....**

**Save the Date Correction .... March 24, 2018**

This past October, 99 people from LUMC, young and old alike, took the "Journey of Discipline" during the Week of Prayer. The Journey of Discipline was a spiritual walk with stations depicting spiritual discipline that we, as followers of Christ, practice in order to get closer to God. The Journey was very moving and many of those who traveled it were left wanting more.

Many requests were made to expand more on the disciplines, in particular fasting and prayer. Those requests were heard!! As a follow up to The Journey of Discipline, there will be a workshop on Saturday, March 24th! More details to follow in the coming weeks. With questions, call Patti Bergman at the church office. 717-626-2710

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**THE "BAKELESS BAKE SALE" IS BACK!**

Sponsored by The Open Door Clothing Bank, the Bakeless Bake Sale will be in full swing for the month of March. Special envelopes will be available and all proceeds go to purchase school supplies and backpacks for our Back-to-School Giveaway in August!

*Look for the envelope in your bulletins in February and at the Welcome Center kiosk!  
Thank you for your support!*



**Wednesday February 14th  
7:00 p.m.  
Brunnerville UMC**

**THE MARKET STREET CRUISERS**

are going to Chocolate World! Join us on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> for a trip to Hershey. We will depart LUMC at 10:30 AM and have lunch at Quentin Haus enroute to Chocolate World. The tour ride is free and The optional Chocolate and History Trolley ride is \$13.95. We should return to church by 4:30 PM. The church van will be available. Sign up at Welcome Center or by calling Mary Beth Obetz, (717)-626-2630.

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**FLOWER SPONSORS WANTED**

The new flower calendar is posted and there are several opportunities available in the next few months to sponsor altar flowers to beautify our sanctuary for worship. Please sign up on the flower calendar (located on the bulletin board at the top of the ramp by the church office). Instructions for sponsorship are posted with the calendar.

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**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ALL WHO USE OFFERING ENVELOPES**

A mistake was made with the 2018 offering envelopes and they were printed without individual numbers on them. PLEASE WRITE YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPE NUMBER ON EACH ENVELOPE! If you don't remember your number, please call the church office. The number on each envelope makes it much easier for our counting team to efficiently do their job, so it's very important that you take a few moments and hand write your number on each envelope. So sorry for the inconvenience!