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LMC Newsletter

January 2024

LMC's
Game Night
Free Pizza
Lots of Fun
1/20 @ 6:30PM

We have so many games- won't you come play with them?
Clue, Telestrations, Ticket to Ride, Penny Drop, Shut the Box, The Fuzzies... which will be your new favorite?



Valentines & Treats for Our Military



Each year this mission project gets bigger and bigger!

We will need people to collect the cards from schools and local churches, as well as from individuals (front porch pickups). Plus, we will be asking for an assembly line of volunteers to sort and pack the donations, and to help stuff Valentine bags with candy just before our drop off date (still to be determined, but usually the first week of February). We also need lots of candy!

Hopefully we will have the support from the Elks in Red Bank to pay for the postage for the 12 boxes that are shipped out across the USA.

If anyone has an organization they work with that would like to be a part of contributing valentines or candy, let us know! We would love to grow community participation! See Cathrine Sas-Shaljian or Ellen Rehberg for more info

→ *Do you have a special request for a Veteran or military member to be included? We can send a single Valentine or a box for the entire unit. If so, please submit their full address*





Member Mailboxes Updated!

Once a year, Marj Cho updates the member mailboxes, removing those members/participants who have moved on and adding those who have joined the LMC family. Please check your box location as it may

have changed. Your box is UNDER your name in alphabetical order. The first new mail you will receive will be your 2024 offering envelopes. Even if you do not use them, please take them home. The number on your envelopes is used to help keep a record of your donations to LMC for the year-end tax record we supply to you.

Speaking of which- You will receive a letter in the coming weeks detailing what you gave to LMC in 2023. This should make doing your taxes a little easier! The information is being compiled and will be made available as soon as it is ready. (If you want your donations to appear on this letter, and therefore be tax deductible, please make sure you use your envelopes, clearly mark your name on a brown envelope found in the pews, or donate electronically)

Bible Study Opportunities

Sundays @ 10 AM

Lively discussions in the church library every week; Jump in any time!

Wednesdays @ 10:45 AM

Ever wondered “What’s the difference between Catholic and Lutheran?” The Book of Concord has the answers. In this study we are currently reading selections from that book and talking about our beliefs and the modern world.

Wednesday @ 7:00PM

Each week Pastor Detrie reads a chapter from the book we are currently studying and then the group asks questions and chats about the reading. Fun even if you’ve never picked up a Bible before! Join us as we start a new study in the new year.

Ongoing Fund Raisers, Missions & Donation Collections



Lunch Break

There is a basket in the hallway for any donations you would like to bring in. We gather them together and send off many pounds of food each month. Any shelf stable food would be appreciated. If you would like a list of preferred items, they are available near the basket or from the church office. Thanks for helping support this wonderful local nonprofit! For more information about Lunchbreak visit their website <https://lunchbreak.org/>

Can you knit or crochet? We are always looking for new members! Create a shawl while praying for the recipient, once it's complete we will gift it to someone who needs a reminder of God's love. Yarn is available. For more information on how to join this ministry group, please see Sandy Seckendorf.

Prayer Shawl Ministry



Book Drop

There is a big green bin in our parking lot to collect books. LMC gets a little money, the books find a good home if they can, and any books that can't get recycled. Any book with an ISBN number can be donated. **We've made \$1385.30 since we've begun hosting the box!**

Swap and Drop

While most books should just go in the bin, sometimes there's a really good one that you just can't bring yourself to dump. If you have one of those special books that you think some other member of our congregation would enjoy reading pop it onto the cart near the front door! We try to keep the books circulating, so they will be disposed of within a few weeks if no one picks it up. **And don't forget to check if there's something YOU want to read!**

The Preschool's Sneaker Drive is ongoing. The bin for new and gently used sneakers is in the church hallway. Sneakers only please. Contact Stephanie Wesch of the Preschool at 732-542-7447, lmcpreschool818@gmail.com for more information. This fundraiser not only helps our LMC Preschool but others in need as well.



LMC's Calendar of Events 2024

January

Game Night

February

Valentines for Military
Lent Begins
Game Night

March

Easter Goodie Giveaway
Easter
Game Night

April

Motorcycle Blessing
Farmers Market
Luther's Mission Garden
Game Night

May

Car Show
Farmers Market
Luther's Mission Garden
Game Night

June

Rummage Sale
Church Picnic
Farmers Market
Luther's Mission Garden
Game Night

July

Farmers Market
Luther's Mission Garden
Game Night

August

Farmers Market
Luther's Mission Garden
Game Night

September

Clam Bake
Blessing of the Animals
Community Days
Farmers Market
Luther's Mission Garden
Game Night

October

Beach Clean up
Trunk or Treat
Community Days
Game Night

November

Tinton Falls Clean up
Game Night

December

Advent
Children's Shoppe
Ugly Sweater service
Christmas
Game Night

January Birthdays

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| 3 rd Ed Blair | 13 th Victoria Russomanno |
| 4 th Linda Welch | 14 th Charlotte Keller |
| 5 th Linda Panarella | 17 th Amy Coombs |
| 8 th Luke Kvedaras | 22 nd Steve Langanke |
| 12 th Laura Kelsey | |



Prayer Requests

Please add these individuals to your prayers:

Anne Marie Tarantin	Sandi Carter	Jim Sculthorpe	Rev. Jonah & Liz Burakowski & family
Connie Schulz	Russ Baccaglino	Sandra Erhard	Bob Panarella
Delana	Joe Tetley	The Warner Family	Martin Rose
Lynda Abrams	Colin	Gilbert Saltzman	Jean Shaljian
Bill	Mike Colianno	Matthias Colomb	Jennifer Shaljian
Walter Wall Sr.	Jean Berich	Chuck Colianno	Milly Taylor
Edith Bade Buckley	Joyce Siney	Marie Helsing	For all people in war zones
Gene Buckley	Peter Foy	Stephanie Wesch	The Schauer Family
Ruta Colomb	Joan Pignataro	Elenore Mirandi	Henry Bergmann's Daughter Carrie
Pat McBee	Renee	Dave Meakem	Pele DeNicola
Jerry Kastning	Mark & Josey	Brian Donovan	Bill Ahlborn
Connie Wild	Kathy Doss	Jake Johnson	Bill A'Hearn
Bob Hollenbeck	Jill Bongiovi	Maureen Hoise	Eric Brown
Rosemary Schulz	John Palazzo	Susan O'Connor	Jim Farney & Mary Rios
Stacy	Darlyn Nash	Heidi Magenheimer	Family of Colton Farrell
Kelly Baureko	Oonar Hollenbeck	Wesley Rucker	Family of Mary Stoerp
Bill Huntley	Eve Plescia	Bob Keller	Cynthia Mayers' mom
Jesse Whitehead		Pam Sustak's sister	Family of Lesley Fitzgerald

You can e-mail your prayer requests or enter them into the Prayer Book at the back of the Sanctuary. Join the weekly email prayer group by contacting the church office at officeLmc818@gmail.com.