

# THE UMBRELLA

# **Lecompton United Methodist Church**

Pastor Abraham Mutai 402 Elmore Street, P.O. Box 91



October 2025 Sunday Morning Worship Services

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9:45 a.m. In-Person/ Facebook Live/ Church Website

10:45 a.m. Sunday School for Adults led by Heather Schneider; for children led by Angela Carter

Dear Beloved Family in Christ at Lecompton UMC and our community in Lecompton, Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

As the air grows crisp and the leaves begin to turn, we are reminded of God's constant faithfulness and the cyclical nature of the seasons in our lives. October is a time of reflection, a season to gather the harvest and give thanks for all the blessings God has bestowed upon us.

Just as the farmers in our community are bringing in the final crops, let us consider the harvest in our own spiritual lives. What seeds of faith have we planted this year? How have we seen God's grace grow in our hearts and in our community? Taking time to reflect on these blessings strengthens our faith and deepens our gratitude.

Speaking of our blessings, I would like to express my deepest gratitude for your ongoing support of our church's food and clothing pantries. Your generosity and servant hearts make a tangible difference in the lives of our neighbors. It is through your actions that we truly embody Christ's love for others. We will continue to offer this vital ministry throughout the fall, and I encourage you to explore ways to continue serving. As a reminder, please check our Facebook page for updates on pantry needs and distribution times.

October also leads us toward All Saints Day in November. This is a special time in our tradition when we remember and honor the saints, both known and unknown, who have gone before us. This month, I encourage you to reflect on the legacy of faith that has been passed down to you by those who have influenced your spiritual journey. Their stories are part of our story, and they inspire us to live lives of deeper faith and service.

It is a privilege to serve as your pastor and to witness your faith in action each week. Thank you for your warm welcome and for the joy you have in this community. My door is always open if you need to talk, pray, or share a cup of coffee.

May God's abundant peace be with you and your family this October. JESUS LOVES YOU.

In His grace,

**REV.ABRAHAM MUTAI LECOMPTON & BIG SPRINGS UMC** Office Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, Saturday, Sunday





Changhyun Klm Susan Thacker Darrell Andrew Craig Neill Colby Starnes Wade Cottrell Darin Delfelder Steve Sindt **Hunter Hackathorn** Andrew Haney Marty Hastert Marty Marsh Shelly Roe **Kevin Morgison** Kim Stewart Denny Hackathorn **David Howard** Brittney Hamersky William Johnson Mike Powell Lorinda Strake Delpha Kenny Hanna Cox Quentin Sledd Jamie Weingard Olga Lister Jesse Collins Junior Jones Tracy Evy **David Fuston Bob Gruver** Jim Oldham Lisa Zermites Gina Schumann Carolyn Glenn **Brenda Mullins** Erin Powell Travis Bohannon

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# **Fellowship**

# **Community Dinner**

Thursday October 23rd, 4:00 to 6:30 PM

Dine in or carry out

Proceeds to assist Adopt-a-Family ministry

# MENU

Chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, and desserts.

# **Weekly Bible Study Groups**

**Sunday Morning:** 10:45 a.m. led by Heather Schneider heather 2680@gmail.com

**Monday Morning:** 9:00 a.m. Read the Bible Together with Angela Carter

**2nd and 4th Saturday Morning:** 9:00 a.m. on Zoom led by Allyson Christman allybtcam@gmail.com



# **Nurture and Outreach Team News**

# By the Numbers

The September Pantry helped over **60** families. This is equal to **174** individuals.

In addition to our food pantry, the Cruising Cupboard helped **12** families, equal to **21** individuals. The train stopped at the crossing between Perry and Lecompton hindered several families from making it over. Some of the drove the long way through Bill town to get here.

The Clothes Closet had a lot of visitors and were able to send home some nice clothing. The Clothes Closet is still in need of Men's and teen boys' clothes.

# Food Pantry and Fellowship...

Tuesday, September 16: What a busy day! We got started around 9:30 a.m. Mary Jane bagged up items. Robin Sayler, Jacque Hale, Georgia Trammel, and Trish B. all came into fill shopping lists. We finished up around 3:30 and had filled 43 lists.

Friday, September 19th: Robin Sayler and Mary Jane went to the Mobile Harvester's pantry and were able to bring back 414 pounds, which included a lot of produce.

Saturday September 20th: Another successful LUMC pantry this morning. Thank you to Mary Sue Sledd and Heather Schneider for checking the families in. Linda Smith, Austin Sledd and his son Remi, plus Roy Hoffer, Robin Sayler, Russell Mathews and Julie for finishing up the orders with the cold and frozen food.

### **Locals Donate**

For our food pantry morning in September:

- Darin Christman donated home grown pears
- Sally Landoll donated bell peppers and tomatoes from her garden

# **October Dates**

Cruising cupboard October 2, 4:30 to 5:30

Pantry October 18, 7:30 to 10:00 AM

Clothes closet October 18, 9 to noon

# Harvester's Deliveries in September!

# Wednesday, September 3rd

LUMC pantry received a harvester delivery of about 937 pounds. Thanks to Ron Thacker for bringing it all inside and onto . Our driver, Chris, also helped empty the pallets and took those back with him.

# Wednesday, September 10th

Ron Thacker, cousin Pat, and Robin Sayler helped get the delivery in this morning. Everything was put away, thank you.

# Wednesday, September 17th

Received approximately 765 pounds this morning. Thank you to Ron Thacker and Robin Sayler for bringing it all in and putting it away.

# **Getting Ready for the Holidays**

The Nurture and Outreach Team is starting to prepare for the holidays. Adopt-A-Family will be here before we know it. More information to follow in the November newsletter.

If your family would like to Adopt-A-Family in its entirety, please let Mary Jane Hoffer know.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
Worship Ser-				Cruising Cupboard		KAW Valley Farm Tour
vices : 9:45 a.m. In- Person/ Facebook				4:30 –5:30 p.m. LUMC Parking Lot		Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Live/Church Web- site						Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.						
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
World Commun- ion Sunday						Group study with Allyson
,						9:00 a.m. Zoom
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Pastor Apprecia-	10	14	10		17	Food Pantry
tion Day!						7:30 a.m11:00 a.m. LUMC Basement
						<b>LUMC Clothes Closet</b> 9:00 a.m. to Noon Lecompton Community Empowerment Building
						Chili & Soup Supper 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.
						<b>Bingo</b> 6:30 to 8:00 p.m
						Lecompton Community Empowerment Building
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
				Community Din- ner		Group study with Ally- son
				4:00-6:30 p.m.		9:00 a.m. Zoom
				LUMC Fellowship Hall		
				Dine-in or Carry out		
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						Turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed!





# Kaw Valley Farm Tour

Saturday, October 4: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 5: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Get ready for an unforgettable weekend exploring the heart of Kansas agriculture!

Held the first full weekend in October, our 21st annual self-guided tour takes you behind the scenes at 33 incredible farms and six historical Heritage Sites.

One \$15 ticket per carload grants entry to everything for the entire weekend.

<u>Purchase a ticket online</u>, then show your email receipt at the first farm you visit to receive a beautiful physical ticket/guidebook that you will present at the other farms that you visit.

# **Local Heritage Sites on the Farm Tour**

# The Territorial Capital Museum

## Special events that weekend:

**Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 pm:** The Lecompton Reenactors will perform the Bleeding Kansas play in period dress.

**Kid-Friendly Activities:** Children will be able to operate several items in the Farm Room and hear the player piano at the museum. Old toy collections are displayed in the museum and can be viewed, including a doll collection and beautiful Victorian era doll house. Stereoscopes are scattered throughout the museum and available to view.

### The Winter School

## Special Events: The Blues Picnic

Saturday, 12pm - 2pm

Features the musical duo of Nichols & Millspaugh.

### **Prairie Happy Hour**

Saturday, 2:30-4pm

The affable ecologist, Courtney Masterson, returns with Native Lands to parade us around the prairie.

# Jazz Picnic

Sunday, 1pm - 3pm Jackson Graham Trio features a vibraphone with their soulful blend of jazz.

### **Kid-Friendly Activities:**

The entire grounds are kid-friendly! There are lots of outdoor games like horseshoes, cornhole, basketball, a ninja line, chalk, a tree fort, and a scavenger hunt. Inside, kids and parents may sift through the books, draw, or play with blocks.

# Local Farm on the Farm Tour

### **Hidden Hollow Farm**

### Special Event

Collect eggs. Observe a flock of over one hundred chickens of various breeds. Observe how native plants can not only be incorporated into existing gardens, but also integrated into the entire landscape. Solar panels. Rainwater storage tanks for gardens and landscape.

### Kid-Friendly Activities:

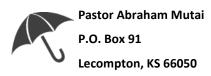
Seeing and petting animals: a goat and two sheep. Gathering eggs and seeing hens in nesting boxes. Observing a chicken flock of over one hundred chickens of different breeds



# Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 2nd

Daylight Savings time is a great time to check the battery in your smoke alarm

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