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## **Luther Memorial Sponsors Plastics Recycling Program**

Blacksburg, Virginia ---Luther Memorial Lutheran Church is now the home of a new recycling project administered by The Alleghany Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). This DAR chapter elected to take part in a recycle program offered by the Trex Company for their community service project in 2022. Their goal is to collect 500 pounds of plastic film packaging which local community recycling programs do not usually accept. Once 500 pounds are collected, the materials are sent to Trex, who will create a bench from the recycled materials and return it to us. Benches received from this project will be located on the grounds of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, where they will be available to anyone in the community as a place for rest and meditation. Other organizations in the New River Valley have participated in this program with enormous success.

The collection box for this recycling program is in the back of the Luther Memorial fellowship hall. Items that qualify for recycling in this program include produce bags, grocery bags, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, overwrap from toilet paper or paper towels, and any bag with a recycle symbol of 2 or 4. All items should be clean and dry.

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About Luther Memorial Lutheran Church: Luther Memorial Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Founded in 1886, the church serves the Blacksburg community and residents of Southwest Virginia's New River Valley. The Well Campus Ministry, hosted by Luther Memorial, offers regular opportunities for fun, food, and fellowship in Christ for students at Virginia Tech. Luther Memorial offers worship services, faith formation, and Christian education studies throughout the week, and enjoys a long-standing tradition of mission and community service in the New River Valley. For more information, contact Reverend Monica Weber, (540) 951-1003, or visit www.lmlc.org.

About the Daughters of the American Revolution: The Alleghany Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), meet in the Luther Memorial fellowship hall the first Thursday of each month. A group of women seeking to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the people who achieved American independence formed the chapter in 1911. More than a century after the chapter's organization, the members continue to be proud of their own patriot ancestors and proud as well of the brave, hard-working families who settled this frontier in the mid-1700s. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.alleghanydar.org/">https://www.alleghanydar.org/</a>.

**About Trex and NexTrex:** Trex Company is the world's largest manufacturer of high-performance wood-alternative decking and railing, with 30 years of product experience. Each year, the company repurposes 850 million pounds of recycled and reclaimed material in the production of its world-famous composite decking, making Trex one of the largest recyclers of plastic film in North America. To find out more about plastics recycling through Trex, visit https://recycle.trex.com/view/educate.