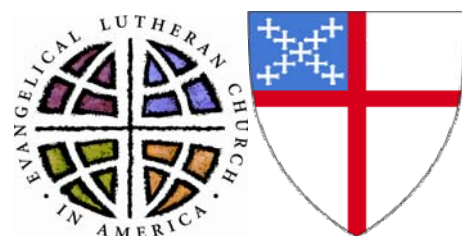


LUTHERAN-EPISCOPAL CAMPUS MINISTRY
NEWSLETTER

Oct. 17-26

Season of Pentecost



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LUTHERAN-EPISCOPAL CAMPUS MINISTRY @ UK & BCTC
welcomes all college students into an open and supportive Christian
environment as people of God. LECM PROVIDES +Spiritual, social, and
service opportunities. +Exploration, questioning, and responses to issues
of faith. +A gathering place to rejoice in worshipping the living God.

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- +WELCOME NEW STUDENTS
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- +WORD 4 THE WEEK

+ LUTHERAN & EPISCOPAL CHURCHES/LEXINGTON
+ FREE Wi-Fi available at St. Augustine's
+ LECM'S new website: <www.uklecm.com>

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WELCOME NEW STUDENTS

A warm welcome to all *new students* receiving this e-newsletter for the first time, *LECM* reminds you that '*you have a place at the table*'. That table is set for you as we celebrate Eucharist and for the home-cooked meal following worship. Come, meet new friends and find a '*home away from home*'.

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WORSHIP & MEAL!

Join sisters and brothers in Christ for worship and a home-cooked meal *Sundays, 5:35pm, St. Augustine's, 472 Rose St. 'your place is set at the table'*.

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QUEST PRIESTS

At the last LECM Board Meeting it was decided to invite Episcopal Priests from the area to provide worship leadership at least once a month for LECM's worship. This will provide LECM with a diverse leadership reflecting our identity as a Lutheran-Episcopal campus ministry. Thanks be to God!

On Sunday, Oct. 26, LECM will welcome the *Rev. Donovan Cain*, Rector, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Paris, KY. The Rev. Cain will preach and preside at worship and join us for a meal and conversation.

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THANKS LECM BUILDERS!

LECM has builders. Thanks to Christine, Kathy, Katherine, Matt, and Rob a Habitat House has their signature carpentry skills which rival none other! Your work is much appreciated by the family and others working to provide a Home for one of God's beloved families. Way to Go!

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LECM COMMUNITY NITES ARE HERE!

LECM officers have planned activities for LECM Community Nites. These Nites are for fun, fellowship, and forgetting about school and who doesn't need that?

The next event scheduled is: ICE-SKATING, this SUNDAY, OCT. 19, 7-9pm following worship and meal. We will meet at the Chapel and then car-pool to the events. Friends are always welcome.

Come, join your sisters and brothers in Christ for LECM Community Nites!

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CART COUNTRY ANYONE?

It is time to rev up your engines and brush up on your driving skills, why? LECM is headed to CART COUNTRY, Shepherdsville, KY, home of the turbo-carts and a mile and a half track. There are also other activities with a batting cage, miniature golf, etc. LECM will purchase \$20 tickets/student (turbo-carts are extra and will be paid for by the user). Bring money for dinner as we will stop and eat before we return to Lexington.

The date for our race is Saturday, Nov. 8, 1pm. We will meet at St. Augustine's at that time and be off to the races!

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NEED A LISTENING EAR
OR

A CUP OF COFFEE?

Pr. Barry is available for a listening ear, a free cup of coffee or beverage of your choice, and for a chat. As you know Pr. Barry is on campus on Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 1:30-3pm at the Whitehall classroom building, but he is also available at other times. Please free feel to contact him for a visit or stop by his office at St. Augustine's. Pr. Barry's office hours are M-T-W-F, 9:30am-12:30pm, and most afternoons.

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BYOB BIBLE STUDY!

Do you have questions about the bible? Do you struggle with some of what is written in the bible? Do you desire dialogue and not a monologue with the biblical texts? Do you want to argue with a text? Get ready, BYOB (BringYourOwnBrain) Bible Study is for you. BYOB bible study will meet every other Wednesday nite. The next BYOB will be Wednesday, Oct. 29, 7-8pm at St. Augustine's Chapel.

The following Wednesdays are also scheduled: Oct. 29, and Nov. 12 & 19?. U R invited, and so are your friends.

Come, ready to be engaged by God's presence in God's Word!!

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LECM HAPPENINGS

Friday-Saturday, IK Synod Campus Ministry Committee meeting in Indianapolis, Pr. Barry attending.

SUNDAYS, 5:35pm, LECM Food 4 Body & Soul---ICE SKATING following.

TUESDAY, 1:30-3pm Pr. Barry on campus outside Whitehall Classroom Building (if weather does not permit he will be inside).

NOT THIS WEEK

TUESDAY-FRIDAY, Pr. Barry @ Salt Lake City, UT. For a LECM review at the University of Utah.

WEDNESDAY, 1:30-3pm Pr. Barry will on campus (see above)
NOT THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, OCT. 26, 5:35pm, LECM Food 4 Body & Soul---- Guest Priest, the Rev. Donovan Cain, will preach and preside.

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Even when the way goes through

Death Valley,

I'm not afraid

when you walk at my side.

Psalm 23:4a

(The Message, Eugene H. Peterson)

"I need to go next door for 15 minutes, can I park by the chapel?" she asked, near tears. "Sure, are you OK?", I wondered. Through tears sniffing she responded, "Something terrible has happened and I need to talk to my sorority sisters." "What's happened, do you want to talk with me?" I inquired. The flood of tears came out as she spoke of her boyfriend's abrupt announcement this morning, "I'm not happy in this relationship and don't want to continue in it."

Talk about 'Death valley', her grief was deep, she didn't understand why, and was in shock.

The death of a relationship brings the same response as death itself: helplessness to change what has happened; asking why? why? why?; wondering if you will make it through the grief; hopelessness for anything new; and blame for not doing enough.

Dear student, there are losses in our lives which bring grief to the forefront. It may be death itself. It may be a loss of a relationship. It

may be a loss of purpose or direction. It may be a loss of a grade point average. It may be a job that falls through.

Many are the losses we encounter; many are the 'Death valleys' we experience, yet, 'Even when our way goes through Death valley, God walks at our side.' This is promise and presence; for God has walked through Death valley in God's son's death, so God walks with us through the losses in our lives.

God not only walks through Death valley but also brings newness of life on the other side, as God did in Jesus!

So, for all who grieve losses and walk in Death valley accompanied by God, there is one more surprise: God brings new life. Although it may not feel like it while in the Death valley, God brings you into a future. Amen. Thanks be to God.

Please pray with me: God you walk through the death valleys in our lives, accompany these students in the losses they experience and bring them into a future prepared by you. Amen.

Held in God's loving grip,
Pr. Barry+

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"The Holy Spirit is no respecter of our comfort zones!" Madeleine L'Engle

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EPISCOPAL CHURCHES IN LEXINGTON

Christ Church Cathedral 66 Market St.	HE 7:30, 8:30, 11am 254-4497
Good Shepherd 533 E. Main St.	HE 7:45, 9 & 11:15 252-1744
St. Andrews 401 North Upper St.	HE 10:30am 254-8325
St. Michael's 6pm 2025 Bellefonte Dr.	HE 8, 9, & 11:15am & 277-7511
St. Raphael's 1891 Parkers Mill Rd.	HE 8:30 & 10:30 255-4987
Resurrection (Nicholasville) 3220 Lexington Rd.	HE 8:30 & 10:30 885-6391

LUTHERAN (ELCA) CHURCHES IN LEXINGTON

Faith 6pm 1000 Tates Creek Rd.	Holy Communion 8:30, 11, & 266-7621
Gethsemane 2185 Garden Springs	Holy Communion 9 & 11:15 277-6096
Word of Hope & 10:45am 1870 Armstrong Mill Rd.	Holy Communion 8:15 272-8515

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