



# Lenexa United Methodist Church

*Journeying Together Toward Spiritual Growth*

## June 23, 2024

### 10:15 A.M.

*5th Sunday After Pentecost*

## Summer Schedule

### June 2—August 25

8:00 a.m. | Worship in the Park

9:00 a.m. | Sunday School for Children, Youth, and Adults

10:15 a.m. | Combined Indoor Worship

**\*\* June 30: Only ONE worship service at 10:15 a.m. at the Lions Shelter at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park\*\***

**Sermon Synopsis:** Since the time of Abraham, we are all on a journey. Life is a journey, beginning at birth, filled with choices. We are all headed somewhere. At times, we are not certain where life's journey will take us.

**Altar Flowers** are given by SPR in honor of Pastor Ezekiel's ministry at LUMC.

**Music Leaders:** Tree of Life Band and Nan Hulett

**Liturgist:** Paige Foster

**Media Techs:** Mary Clow, Logan Efurd, Maddie Cooley

## All are welcome at LUMC!

**To our guests—welcome!** Thank you for worshiping with us! Please provide your name and information on the Friendship Pad. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to join our community. Contact Pastor Ezekiel if you are interested in discussing membership.

**Friendship Pad:** Please take a moment to record your presence, and then pass the pad to others sitting in your row.

**Hearing aids** that receive sound directly from the PA system and **large-print hymnals** are available from an usher.

Children are always welcome in worship services.

**Nursery Care** is available for infants and toddlers in Room 206.

**Sunday School (All classes meet at 9:00 a.m. over the summer):**

Nursery Care (3 years and under) - Room 206

Kid's Kingdom (4 years-5th grade) - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Education Building

Youth (6th-12th grade) - Loft

YAC: Young Adults Conversations - Underground

Spectrum (adults) - Room 122

Foundations (adults) - Wesley Room

Dashers (adults) - Asbury Room

Contact the church office for more information about small groups.

### PRELUDE

### \*OPENING SONG

*"Stir Up a Hunger"*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of the narrow and upward way,

**All: Your people are gathered for worship!**

One: In this hour, give us provision for the journey,

**All: And endurance to face any hardship.**

One: Open our eyes to see you walking beside us,

**All: protecting us, encouraging us, and loving us.**

One: You are great, God.

**All: And we have come to worship you.**

### \*HYMN

*"Jesus Is All the World to Me"* vs. 1, 3, 4 UMH #469

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Paige Foster

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Vacation Bible School Kids

### CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.**

### SONG

*"Still"*

### \*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 12:1-7

### \*RESPONSE

One: The word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### MESSAGE

*"Life Is a Journey"*

Rev. Ezekiel Koech

### CANDLELIGHTING AND RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*You are invited to come forward at this time if you wish.  
You can light a candle in memorial, as a means of prayer,  
or simply as a way for you to commune with The Holy.  
You may place your gifts in the offering plates  
at the front of the Sanctuary when you come forward.  
You are welcome to kneel and pray at the altar rail.*

*You may also give online at lenexaumc.org,  
download the mobile app ShelbyNext Giving,  
or text the amount you would like to give to (913) 444-5960.*

### \*RESPONSE

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #95

### \*OFFERING PRAYER

### \*HYMN

*"I Stand Amazed in the Presence"* vs. 1, 4, 5 UMH #371

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*RESPONSE

*"Nobody Loves Me Like You"*

### \*POSTLUDE

\*Please stand as you are able.

## CHURCH STAFF

**Rev. Ezekiel Koech** | Pastor

**Paige Foster** | Youth and Congregational Ministries

**Mary Clow** | Children's Ministries

**Megan Taylor** | Preschool/CDO

**Ann Ober** | Nursery Supervisor

**Blair Penney, Nan Hulett, Trey Bures, & Liesel Stephens** | Music Staff

**Linda Stokes** | Business Administrator

**Lauren Lanigan** | Communications

## UPCOMING EVENTS & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



**PASTOR EZEKIEL GOODBYE** | LUMC will celebrate Pastor Ezekiel Koech today from 11:15 to Noon. The celebration will take place in Schneeberger Hall immediately following the combined service. Please join us in celebrating five years of outstanding leadership and faithful service as our Senior Pastor. Refreshments will be served.



**VBS OFFERING** | Today we will collect a special offering for Vacation Bible School. This offering provides seed money for VBS 2025 at LUMC. You can support the VBS special offering in the offering plate, by mailing a check to the church office, or online at [www.lenexaumc.org/give](http://www.lenexaumc.org/give).



**BLOOD DRIVE** | LUMC is hosting a blood drive tomorrow from 2-6 p.m. in the Underground. You can schedule an appointment with Ann Foster at [cafoster1@att.net](mailto:cafoster1@att.net) or by going to <https://donate.savealifenow.org/donor/schedules> and selecting Lenexa United Methodist Church.



**FISHING DERBY** | All kids are invited to the Merle Sparlin Fishing Derby at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park on Saturday, June 29, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring a fishing rod if you have one, we will also have rods available to borrow. If you are interested in helping with the fishing derby, contact Erik Troy.



**TOGETHER SUNDAY** | Join us on June 30 for our 5th Sunday Together Sunday. We will have ONE worship service at 10:15 a.m. at the Lion's Shelter at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park with music led by the Park Players. Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy after worship as we fellowship as a church. LUMC will supply water and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. Bring whatever else your family would like to eat and drink. There will be no children or youth Sunday School on June 30.



**4TH OF JULY PANCAKES** | The youth will serve pancakes and sausage on July 4 from 7-9:30 a.m. Breakfast will be \$7 (or \$25 for families). Park in the LUMC parking lot for \$7 and receive a voucher for a free breakfast. If you can help with parking, please contact the church office.



**COFFEE CLEAN-UP** | During the summer from June - August we will have coffee available at church but will not have Heavenly Half Hour snacks. We are looking for a few volunteers who can help with cleaning up the coffee each week after worship. If you are available to help, please contact the church office at [office@lenexaumc.org](mailto:office@lenexaumc.org) and we will make a schedule of volunteers.



**DINNER'S ON US** | Tell your family, friends, and neighbors because dinner's on us! A free drive through community meal of pulled pork or PB&J sandwiches, chips, and dessert is served every Wednesday evening from 5:30—6:30 p.m. in the west parking lot.



**FOOD PANTRY** | The Johnson County Multi-Service Center is in need of jelly, pasta and sauce, meal helpers, canned fruit, black beans, and granola bars. Please bring donations to the gray bins in the hallway outside of the church office.

## THIS WEEK AT LENEXA UMC

### SUNDAY, JUNE 23

8:00 a.m. Worship in the Park | Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults  
10:00 a.m. Heavenly Brew Fellowship Time | Schneeberger Hall  
10:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks | Outside Schneeberger  
10:15 a.m. Worship Service | Sanctuary and Online  
11:15 a.m. Pastor Ezekiel's Farewell | Schneeberger Hall  
3:00 p.m. Ethiopian Church Group | Sanctuary  
4:00 p.m. LUMYouth Group | Schneeberger Hall  
5:00 p.m. Heartland Square Dancers | Underground  
6:00 p.m. Bible Conversations | Wesley Room

### MONDAY, JUNE 24

2:00 p.m. Blood Drive | Underground  
6:30 p.m. Venture Crew 2286 | Room 103  
7:00 p.m. Inviting Ministries Team Meeting | Library  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 186 Troop Meeting | Schneeberger Hall

### TUESDAY, JUNE 25

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Group | Wesley Room  
6:30 p.m. Finance Committee | Asbury Room  
6:30 p.m. Young People's AA | Wesley Room  
8:00 p.m. AA | Room 113

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

5:30 p.m. Dinner's On Us | Drive Through  
6:30 p.m. Back to Basics (AA) | Room 113  
7:00 p.m. Tree of Life Praise Band Rehearsal | Sanctuary

### THURSDAY, JUNE 27

10:00 a.m. Ethiopian Church Group | Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Ethiopian Church Group | Sanctuary  
6:00 p.m. Prayer Group | Wesley Room  
7:00 p.m. Friends & Followers Christ Care Group | Library  
7:00 p.m. Tai Chi | Schneeberger Hall  
7:00 p.m. Young People's AA | Asbury Room

### SATURDAY, JUNE 29

10:00 a.m. Ethiopian Church Group | Sanctuary  
11:00 a.m. Merle Sparlin Fishing Derby | Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park

### SUNDAY, JUNE 30

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School | LUMC  
10:15 a.m. Together Sunday Combined Worship Service |  
Lions Shelter at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park  
11:15 a.m. All Church Picnic | Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park  
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"E" room numbers designate rooms in the Education Building.

Check website calendar or door stand calendar



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*"Therefore we must pay greater attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away." Hebrews 2:1*

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