



JOY MISSION CHURCH Newsletter

We are a congregation on a mission!

Chris Myers Home

October 23rd

Thank you to all who helped. It was a JOY to serve together!



November Ministry of the Month: MISSION LEXINGTON

Clothing drive & holiday meals, sponsored by **Lutheran Men of Joy**. Our men will hold a men's clothing & shoe drive for Mission Lexington clients in November & December. Bring lightly used men's clothing & shoes & NEW men's socks, underwear, & undershirts to share with our neighbors in need. We will also be collecting items for holiday meals and packing meal boxes at Mission Lexington one Friday. More information coming soon.

Want to become a part of Joy? Contact the pastor for more information.

We are NOT the mission. Our mission is the Great Commission: ✝

"And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

And behold, I am with you always, to the end of age.'" (Matthew 28:18-20)

This is why we exist - to: **Love God. Love neighbor. Serve with joy in Jesus' name.**

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We love God, love neighbor, and serve with joy in Jesus' name
through worship, fellowship, and discipleship.



DISCIPLESHIP CORNER

*"I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From where does my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth."* (Psalm 121:1-2)

This is a season of change. Many of us enjoy taking trips to the mountains to gaze upon the beauty of God's creation laid out like patchwork over the hills. Even right outside our own doors, we can see the dazzling colors of the trees; enjoy the crisp, chilly mornings; and feel a greater awareness of the brevity and passing of time as days gradually grow shorter and shorter. All around us, things are changing, and these changes are beautiful.

What if we viewed all changes in this way? You know how the old joke goes: "How many Lutherans does it take to change a lightbulb? None, Lutherans don't change." We learn from a young age that change can be scary, challenging, and difficult, and that can definitely be true. But change can also be beautiful, exciting, and instill greater respect, wonder, and awe for what the Author of life is doing in our midst.

Our Lord is a happening God, and He is doing BIG things. He is bringing about change in our lives, in our congregation, in His whole Church throughout the world.

The leaves of this season bear witness that He who never changes, is the Author of life AND of change, and that with Him, change can be a wonderful and amazingly beautiful gift.

Let us pray...

Gracious God. Open our eyes to see beauty in the midst of change. And open our hearts to trust that you are always with us, leading us through every change, into an even more beautiful future. We ask this to your glory and in Jesus' holy name...

To the glory of God alone (*Soli Deo gloria*),
Pastor Paulette

Where Is God In All of This? How many crosses can you find in this month's newsletter? (Last month there were nine.) Where can you see God at work in the world?



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