



SEPTEMBER 2025



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THE NORTH COUNTY COOPERATIVE PARISH COMMUNITY VOICE

Parish Churches

Linthicum Heights UMC
200 School Lane
Linthicum, MD 21090

Ferndale UMC
117 Ferndale Road
Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Harwood Park UMC
6635 Highland Avenue
Elkridge, MD 21075

Messiah UMC
7401 E. Furnace Branch Road
Glen Burnie, MD 21060

Solley UMC
7600 Solley Road
Glen Burnie, MD 21060

Our Pastors

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PastorBisi@lhumc.org

PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE@LHUMC.ORG

Community Worship Schedule

SUNDAYS

8:45AM at Harwood Park UMC

9:00AM at FUMC

9:00AM at LHUMC (Informal)

9:00am at Solley (Traditional)

11:00AM at Messiah UMC

11:00AM at LHUMC (Traditional)



Bishop Easterling's Day

ON THE
HARBOR DISTRICT

Tuesday, September 9 (7 p.m.)

LINTHICUM HEIGHTS UMC

Bishop Easterling will be visiting each of the Districts in the Baltimore-Washington Conference in September. She will be gathering with the Harbor District on Tuesday, September 9th at 7 p.m. at Linthicum Heights United Methodist Church (200 School Ln, Linthicum Heights, MD 21090).

This will be a time to meet with clergy and laity of the District for a time of sharing and interaction. As our new structure takes effect and we begin new relationships on the Harbor District and across the area, this will be an important time of connection.

This is an in-person meeting and will not be live-streamed or recorded.

If you have any further questions, please contact our District Administrator, Charles Carrington, at ccarrington@bwcumc.org or [410-290-3311](tel:410-290-3311).

To request an ASL interpreter, please contact Rev. Leo Yates at lyates@bwcumc.org.

**Volunteers are needed to help direct our guests.
To help contact the parish office**

Make A Difference

We support the Caring Cupboard LLC in Pasadena, MD which serves people in the triangle of North Pasadena, Part of Glen Burnie & Curtis Bay Neighborhoods. They have a great need for supplies.

They are located at
8513 Fort Smallwood RD, Pasadena, MD 21122

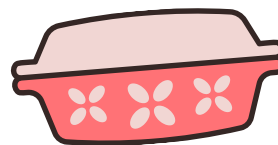


Food for thought Program



We serve two families from Solley Elementary School through a partnership with Geresbeck's in Riviera Beach. The families are given vouchers to use at this location. You can support this ministry with monetary donations via cash or check to Solley UMC and indicate on the envelope or check memo line "Food for Thought". If you would like more info contact Debbie Lurz 410-336-9809 or Cindy Hackmann 410-446-9243 or email info@solleyumc.org.

Casserole Ministry Outreach



On the Second Friday of each month we partner with Bmore caring to feed people experiencing homelessness in our area. Volunteers donate casseroles which are divided and packaged as individual servings. If you would like to volunteer, contact Cindy Butz or the parish office.

NCEON (North County Emergency Outreach Network)

NCEON continues to provide both food and financial aid to many in our North County community. Items that are currently needed include:

Peanut butter and jelly (all size jars), canned soup, packages and boxes of mashed potatoes (all sizes), boxes of shelf stable milk, ground coffee, tea bags, and sugars

Donations can be brought to any worship celebration. Financial donations are also needed. If giving a check, make it payable to LHUMC and put NCEON in line item

Make A Difference



**Food
Donations
Needed
FOR
NCEON &
FERNDALE
PANTRIES**

Ferndale UMC distributes food from their pantry at their bimonthly Social Saturday, which are the 2nd and 4th Saturdays, from 9am to 11am. Last month we served 84 adults and 64 children for a total of 148 people.

Our current needs are:

Canned meat;
tuna, chicken, ham and beef
Corned beef hash
Can carrots, peas and corn.
Spaghetti sauce
Peanut butter
Jelly and Jams
Oatmeal

Chicken Ramen noodles
Skillet meals
White rice
Hamburger, tuna helper
Pancake mix
Cereals
Syrups
Diapers (larger Sizes)
Adult Diapers

**CROP
HUNGER WALK**
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



North ACo. CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025 at 1 p.m.

B&A Trail - sign- in at

Glen BurnieUMC 5 2nd Ave., S.E.

Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Register at [GiveToEndHunger.org](https://www.givetohunger.org)

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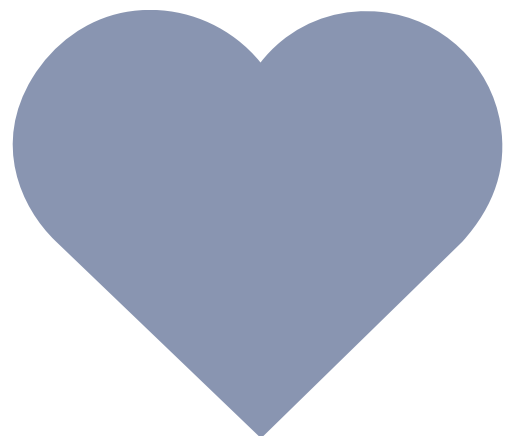


to Register

Sunday, September 28th from 1pm-4pm starting at GBUMC and walking the B&A Trail and looking for walkers and volunteers to assist during walk. To sign up to walk, volunteer, or more information, please contact Emily Perry at (410) 212-2856 via phone or text.

**Join us at our next parish
missions team meeting as
we prepare our next steps
in making a difference
with love.**

**MISSIONS TEAM MEETING
September 23rd 7:00pm
@LHUMC**



New Meal Ministry

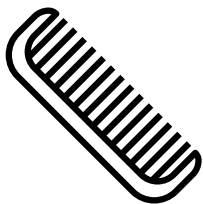
The Mission team will be starting a meal ministry at Ferndale to be held on the first Saturday of every month. Many of you may remember when we were part of Heavens Kitchen in the Brooklyn Park area. This project is similar to that and is in the planning stages. We will need volunteers to help to plan, prepare and serve meals and donate desserts to make this project a success. If you are interested in serving in a hands-on project directly working with the community, this is the project for you. Get in on the ground floor with us to make this a success and serve our community in need. Contact Elsie Brewington or the Parrish office to get involved.



UMCOR Hygiene Kits

UMCOR has issued a challenge to raise 10,000 hygiene kits. LHUMC and the NCCP are answering that challenge with plans to pack 1000 kits. There is a great need for these basic items due to the many recent natural disasters including floods, hurricanes and wild fires. These kits can be economically packed when the items are purchased in bulk. Items can be purchased from the Amazon wish list (see the QR code) or through donations to LHUMC with a notation for "HYGIENE KITS". Each kit will cost \$5.75 which includes the cost of items and the shipping from the distribution center to the disaster location. (If items are purchased individually the cost is \$14.00). A little goes a long way when we work together. How many kits will you sponsor? The kits will be assembled in a Parrish packing party at LHUMC much like when we packed cleaning buckets. During that packing party we packed 203 5-gallon buckets in 15 minutes. Many hands make light work. Plan to be there. You don't want to miss this! Watch for this date.

Questions?? Contact Christen Rintamaki or the Parrish office.



**Hygiene Kit
Amazon Wish List**



Monetary Donations





Feeding the Homeless at Arundel House Of Hope

On the Third Thursday of each Month (Sept 18th) we have an opportunity to serve a meal to those experiencing homelessness at Arundel House of Hope in Glen Burnie:

7164 E Furnace Branch Rd suite A, Glen Burnie, MD 21060

Volunteers should arrive between 11:00-11:30am if you would like to help serve. Check with Debbie Lurz 410-336-9809 or Cindy Hackmann 410-446-9243 to find out what you might donate. Please bring your donations to Church Services or call Debbie Lurz or Cindy Hackmann to arrange pick up or drop off. Donations of supplies for Summer weather are being accepted such as sunscreen, insect repellent, bottled water, personal hygiene items, cleansing wipes.

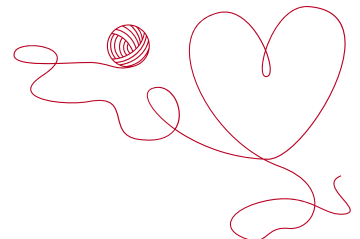


Prayer Shawls & Blankets



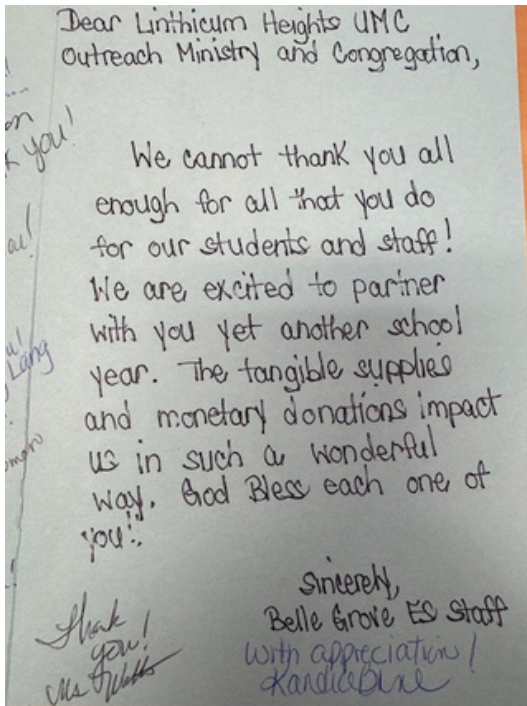
Our parish is blessed to have two ministries dedicated to offering comfort to those who are ill, grieving, or in need of solace. The Prayer Shawl Ministry at LHUMC and the Blanket Ministry at Solley unite skilled and compassionate individuals who knit, crochet, and sew beautiful pieces designed to wrap others in comfort, love, and prayer. Each shawl and blanket is lovingly prayed over before it is shared with its recipient.

If you would like to support these ministries through a donation, receive a prayer shawl or blanket, or participate in crafting these heartfelt gifts of comfort, please contact the parish office.



Make A Difference

Belle Grove Elementary School Supplies Thank You



"When it rains, it pours!! In this case it is a good thing because you poured out your love and compassion for the children at Belle Grove Elementary School. This is our 18 supporting the children in the school.

Thank you for your generosity in donating many school supplies during our recent collection. Every item on our list was donated. Also, your financial donations were generous.

A check in the amount of \$2,000 was given to the school which will be used towards what the teachers need to help their curriculum. The school is very appreciative of our continued support.

Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share. 1Timothy 6:18NKJV

Operation Christmas September Update 2025



Thank you for helping us meet our spiral notebook goal of 450. Way to GO!!!

We have a new focus item for September: *8 inch Two tone Foam Footballs or foam soccer and volley balls. We need 200 of these balls. They are on sale at Dollar Tree for \$1.75. Every ball is a WOW item for a shoebox. Every shoebox gets a WOW item. One by one we can reach our goal. Will you help? Our time to collect shoebox items is narrowing. National Shoebox Collection Week (November 17-24) is fast approaching.



Need other ideas? \$10.00 buys: 5 monster trucks (Dollar Tree @ \$1.75), 4 yellow construction trucks (bull dozer, front end loader, dump truck Dollar Tree @ \$1.75), 10 coloring books (Walmart), 50 pencil top erasers (Walmart @ \$0.77 for 50), 10 water bottles (Dollar General). Help us fill the shoeboxes.

We are collecting gently used hard eye glass cases for sewing kit containers. We will continue to collect the following items to upcycle: T-shirts any color and pillow cases. All items can be placed in the Christmas wrapped box in the narthex.

We can use your help. Join us for fellowship and to make items for shoe boxes any Thursday from 6-8pm in room 111 at LHUMC. No experience necessary, we have all levels of projects.





Social Saturday:

Be the Hands and Feet of Jesus

Social Saturday is one of the most vibrant and impactful ministries in our parish. Twice a month, we connect with over 140 individuals, offering food, clothing, children's activities, and –most importantly–
the love of Christ.

As followers of Jesus, we are called not just to believe, but to act. Social Saturday is a beautiful opportunity to live out that calling by meeting the practical and spiritual needs of our community.

This ministry happens just a few hours on **the second and fourth Saturday of each month**—but the impact lasts far beyond that. And now, more than ever, **we need you**. If you've been searching for a meaningful way to serve, to respond to Christ's call, this is it.

Come and experience the joy of fellowship, the gratitude of those we serve, and the deep sense of purpose that comes from serving in God's Kingdom. **You don't need to sign up in advance—just show up at Ferndale at 8:30 AM on any second or fourth Saturday, and we'll show you how you can help.**

If you'd like more information, feel free to reach out to Amy Dye, amydye116@gmail.com, or contact the parish office. The need is growing—and so is the opportunity to make a difference. Please consider giving a few hours of your time. You'll be blessed—and you'll be a blessing.



As part of our social Saturday outreach, we hold an annual Christmas celebration for the families that depend on us.

**This fun, family-centered event includes an opportunity for children and adults to “shop” for gifts for their household.
(the gifts are free)**

Children choose a gift for their guardians and adults choose gifts for their children.

We need donations of new or gently used gifts for all ages for them to choose from. Donations can be brought to any worship celebration.



If you'd like more information, reach out to Amy Dye, amydye116@gmail.com, or contact the parish office.

Winter Relief

October 27 – November 3

In partnership with Arundel House Of Hope, WINTER RELIEF provides a warm place to sleep and hot meals for those experiencing homelessness in our area for the cold winter months.

The North County Community Parish in partnership with St Philip Neri Church will be hosting Winter Relief at Linthicum Heights UMC. **Your help is needed** to make this a success. We will host up to 20 men during the scheduled week.

Contact Claire Fiedler- 410-948-2853 to help with:

- **providing meals** for breakfasts and dinners
- **set-up** on Mon Oct 27 8am
- **break-down** Mon Nov 3 8am
- **laundry** for sheets, towels, and pillowcases at end of week
- **desserts** needed for Friday, Sat and Sun evenings

Contact Wayne Sanders -410-762-9769 (or use the QR below) to help with:

- **Hosts for early evening** - 4-8:30pm (you may eat dinner with our guests)
- **Hosts for evening** - 8:30-12midnight
- **Hosts for overnight** - 12midnight -5:30am

Sun Oct 26, 10am:

- **move room dividers** from SPN to LHUMC (requires heavy lifting)
- **set-up tables and chairs** at LHUMC.

Volunteer Signup



GET CONNECTED



Do you love to BAKE? The Mission Team needs your help. We will be holding a bake sale during the Flea Market on September 20, 2025. We are looking for donations of cookies, cakes, brownies, fudge, cupcakes, donuts, etc. for the bake table.



If you can donate any item for the bake table, please notify Pat Renes or the parish office. Please bring all donations to the LHUMC kitchen on Friday 9/19/2025.





Greetings in Christ!

You are invited to participate in an opportunity to get involved in a ministry of practical and spiritual value that serves our LHUMC community in a tangible way.

Our Buildings & Ground Crew is seeking interested members to join its team of folks who perform routine tasks inside and outside of the church facility, to ensure the continuity of building and grounds operation and maintenance.

No special skills or talents are required – just a desire to be a part of a friendly and enthusiastic group.

Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry, which has been an integral part of our church for many years. Tasks can be worked on at the volunteer's convenience and availability.

Volunteering on this ministry is a great way to plug into the church, feel like part of a community, enjoy spirited fellowship, and serve Jesus at the same time.

We seek to be a blessing to our church community. And, we look forward to being a part of the tremendous things God is doing through this ministry.

Please contact Roy Ladd or Vickie Cromer to sign up or for more information.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10 (ESV)



Grow – Faith Formation

RAMP 456 is an opportunity for preteens, in 4th–6th grade, to gather for fun and faith building.

We meet the first Sunday of each month, 4pm–5:30pm, in the LHUMC Fellowship Hall.

Contact Mary Beth Wynne for more information; MBWynne@LHUMC.org

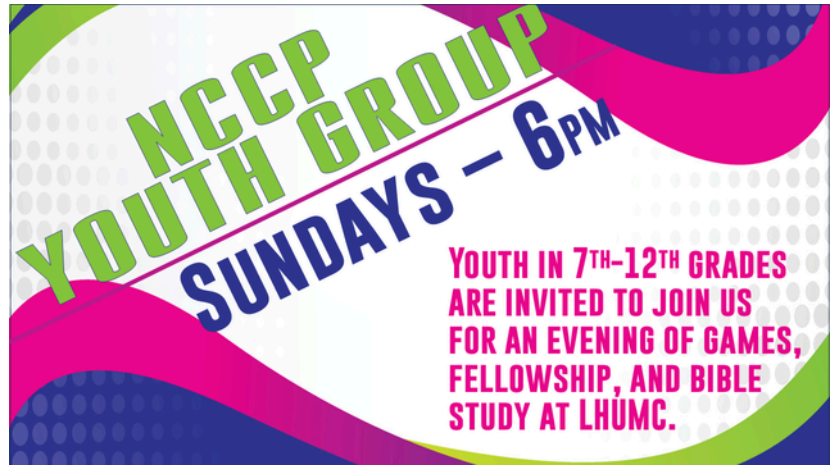


R.A.M.P. 456 will meet on September 7, 4-5:30pm at LHUMC.

This ministry is open to all preteens in 4-6th grade. Friends are welcome. Each gathering includes fun and faith-building

To sign up for R.A.M.P. 456 go to LHUMC.org/RAMP

The NCCP youth group is for teens in 7th–12th grades. During the summer months our meetings are infrequent as we replace them with fun outings. To stay up to date with our schedule join our mailing list:
LHUMC.org/youth-group



**FIRST FRIDAY
FAMILY FUN NIGHT!**

SEPTEMBER 5

5-7PM

ST JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

**RSVP TO EXECDIR@SJLC.ORG OR
MBWYNNE@LHUMC.ORG**



**FREE FOOD, FUN GAMES,
MAKE YOUR OWN BACKPACK TAG!**

**First Friday Family Fun Night
Friday September 5th at SJLC**

First Friday Family Fun Night is an fun opportunity for children and grown-ups to come together for food, fellowship and festivities with other families in our parish. Grandparents are welcome too!

**An RSVP is required:
MBWynne@LHUMC.org**

**Stay informed of all our
children's & families' events
Join our mailing list**



CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED
TRUNKS NEEDED
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Children's
Activities**

Contact Mary Beth Wynne
MBWynne@LHUMC.org to help

**Trunk
or
Treat**

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 25, 2-4PM
at LHUMC

Our free dance ministry will kick off the school year on September 29th at 6:30pm. Children of all ages are invited to join Ms Erika at Messiah every Monday from 6:30-7:15pm for a dance class designed to teach children the art of worshiping God through dance. No prior dance experience required.



Children of all ages
are invited to join our
free dance ministry

Rehearsals are Mondays,
6:30 - 7:15pm at Messiah UMC
7401 E Furnace Branch Rd,
Glen Burnie, 21060

Contact Erika Goodfellow
Danceministry@LHUMC.org
for more information

Looking for Event Space? Our Churches Have You Covered!

Did you know that several of our church campuses offer beautiful, versatile spaces available for rent? Whether you're planning a special celebration or looking for regular meeting space, our church facilities provide welcoming, affordable options—and you can help spread the word!

Linthicum Heights UMC is already a popular rental spot! Soccer Shots makes great use of the front lawn, classrooms are used for resource groups, and our fellowship hall is frequently booked for events and gatherings. It's a trusted and well-loved community space that fills up quickly, so early inquiries are encouraged.

Ferndale UMC features a spacious fellowship hall complete with a stage—perfect for performances, group meetings, or promotional events. If you know local organizations or clubs looking for a convenient and well-equipped location, send them our way.

Messiah UMC offers a generous open field and a large fellowship hall that are ideal for celebrations like baby showers, bridal showers, and birthday parties.

Solley UMC offers two cozy event spaces, perfect for baby showers, birthday parties, meetings, and more. One space is fully handicapped accessible, and both include sink areas and restrooms for your convenience. (Please note: there is no kitchen available.)

You can support our missions just by sharing this information! Recommend our rental spaces to your friends, neighbors, or social media circles. Every rental helps support the mission and maintenance of our churches while blessing the wider community with welcoming spaces.

For inquiries or availability, please contact the parish office.
Office@LHUMC.org – 410-859-0990



Office Updates! Fall has began and Jaimie and back in the office! If you would like to stop by or schedule an appointment with a pastor please email or call.

NCCP Directory LINK

If you have trouble logging in or need help please email Office@LHUMC.org

SUNDAY MORNING SLIDES AND ANNOUNCEMENT VIDEOS ARE COMPLETED ON TUESDAYS. THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS MONDAYS.

**THE DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES IS THE 25TH OF EACH MONTH.
PLEASE SEND SUBMISSIONS TO THE PARISH OFFICE.**

Make A Difference

To give at Messiah you can use the QR code below, write a check, or give cash.



To give at Linthicum you can use the QR code to give online, write a check, or give cash.



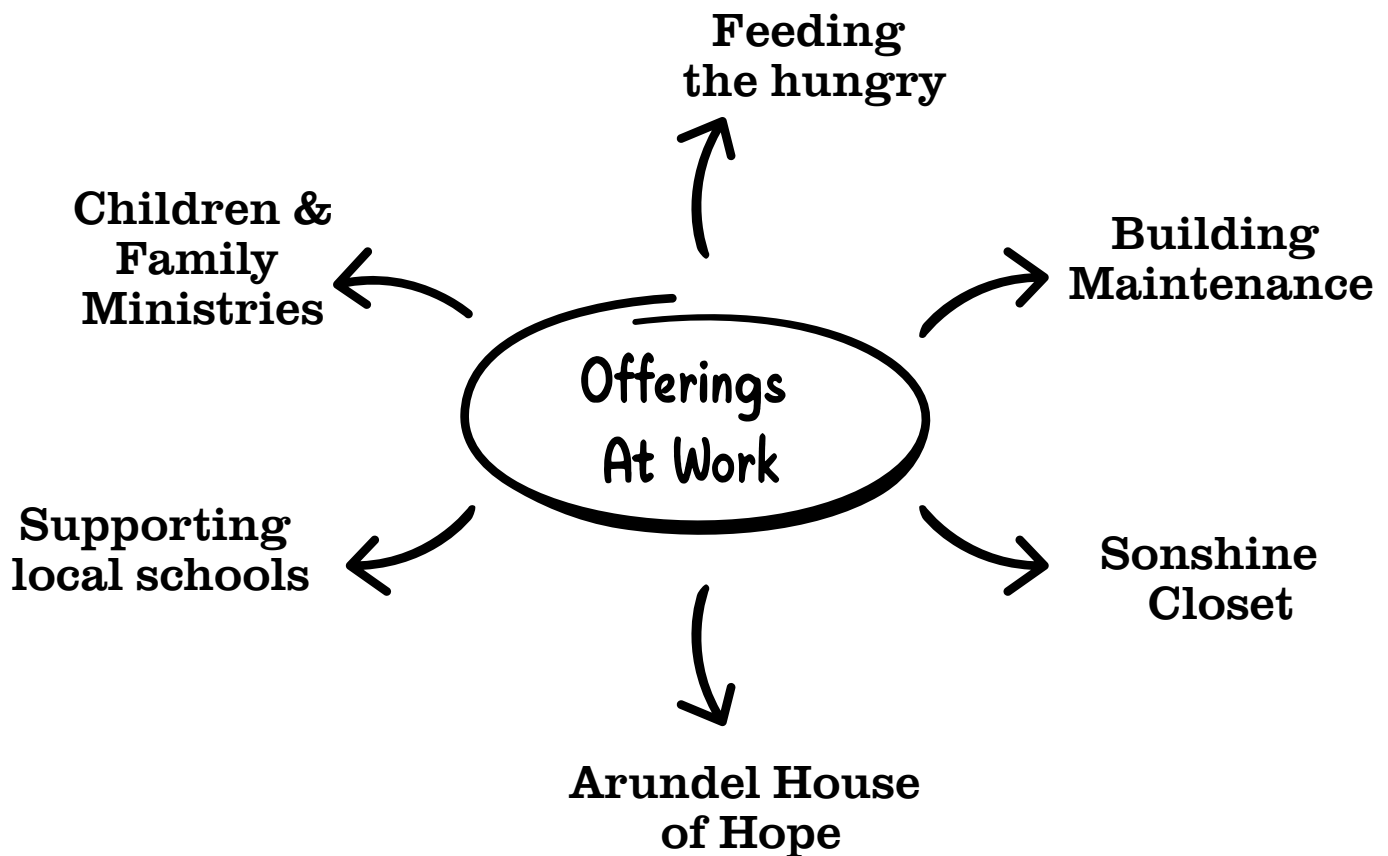
To give at Ferndale you can use the QR code below, write a check, or give cash.



To give at Solley UMC you can write a check, or give cash.

To give at Harwood Park you can write a check or give cash.










While financial giving is not the only way to contribute, many of you have recently asked us how you can support the church in this way. We are grateful for your generosity and want to offer some options for how you can give financially to support the work of the church and our ministries.



September 2025



GET CONNECTED

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 LABOR DAY!	2 First day of Preschool LHUMC & MUMC	3	4  OCC Project 6pm@LHUMC	5 First Friday Family Fun Night 5-7pm SJLC	6
7 R.A.M.P. 456 4-5:30PM LHUMC Youth Group 6-8PM LHUMC	8	9 Bishop Easterling @ LHUMC 7pm	10 <i>Friendship Circle</i> 1pm	11 OCC Project 6pm@LHUMC	12 Casserole Ministry 11am	13  Social Saturday 9-11 FUMC
14	15	16 Christian Women's Fellowship 7pm	17	18  SERVING AT AOH 11AM OCC Project 6pm@LHUMC	19	20
21 Youth Group 6-8PM LHUMC	22	23  HIS HANDS HIS FEET NCCP MISSIONS TEAM MEETING 7PM	24	25 OCC Project 6pm@LHUMC	26  Trivia Challenge 7-9pm	27  Social Saturday 9-11 FUMC Linthicum Fair
28 CROP Walk 1pm	29  Kids Dance Ministry 6:30pm	30	For more information on any of these events see our full calendar online or contact the parish office			 Online Parish Calendar

LOOKING AHEAD
SAVE THE DATE

October 25th - Family Fall Festival
October 27th - Nov 3rd - Winter relief
November 16th - 24th - OCC Collection week
