

Saint Luke UMC

The + Acts

October 15, 2025



The Saint Luke Pumpkin Patch was a great success this year! A total of \$1,320.00 was raised, which will be used to buy warm clothing and coats for children in our community. Many, many thanks to all those who helped set up (including the CCA National Honor Society students), those who volunteered, and those who came and purchased pumpkins! Your generosity will go a long way toward keeping kids warm this winter! Thank you!!



Pastor Weekend Emergency On-Call Schedule (984-977-1798)

October 17-18: Rev. Charlotte Brendel

October 24-25: Rev. Judy Drye

Church Office Hours: 8:00—4:30 Monday-Thursday. Closed on Fridays.



SAINT LUKE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Loving God. Loving Others.
SANFORD, NC

Saint Luke UMC Calendar of Events

October 15—October 22, 2025

Wednesday, October 15

9:00 am Mid-Week Message—Facebook Live
 11:30 am Ladies Lunch and Learn—Davison's
 (1724 Westover Drive)
 5:45 pm Wednesday Night Live Dinner—DCLC
 6:30 pm WNL Upper Room—Room #221/223
 6:30 pm WNL Words that Changed ... - Rm. #227
 6:30 pm Painting Class—Room #222/224
 6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal—Music Room
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Music Rm.

Thursday, October 16

10:30 am Thursday Bible Study—Room #221/223
 12:00 pm Keenagers—Room #222/224
 5:00 pm Preschool Spaghetti Dinner—DCLC

Sunday, October 19

Cub Scout Bake Sale
 (outside each worship service)
 8:30 am Worship Service—Casey Chapel
 9:00 am Worship Service—Davenport CLC
 9:30 am Friends In Christ Class—Room #232
 9:45 am Wesley/Parker/Hunter Class—Rm #231
 9:45 am Moffitt-Hoyle-Jones Class—Rm 222/224
 10:00 am Sunday School for all ages
 11:00 am Worship Service—Sanctuary
 12:15 pm 50+ Singles Luncheon—Davison's
 (1724 Westover Drive)
 2:00 pm ARK Ministry—Forbes Family Kitchen
 4:30 pm Kingdom Kids—Room #114
 4:30 pm JAM —DCLC and Room #116/118
 6:30 pm UMYF—Harriss Youth House

Monday, October 20

5:30 pm Pints with the Pastor—Camelback
 Brewing Co. (804 Spring Lane)

Tuesday, October 21

5:30 am Pickleball—Davenport CLC
 9:30 am Staff Meeting—Conference Room
 5:30 pm SPRC Meeting—Conference Room
 7:00 pm The ARK Team Meeting—Rm #222/224

Wednesday, October 22

7:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast—Davenport CLC
 9:00 am Mid-Week Message—Facebook Live
 5:45 pm Wednesday Night Live Dinner—DCLC
 6:30 pm WNL Upper Room—Room #221/223
 6:30 pm "I Am" Bible Study—Room #227
 6:30 pm Painting Class—Room #222/224
 6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal—Music Room
 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal—Music Rm.

Preparing for Worship ...



Scriptures for October 19, 2025

Jeremiah 31:27-34
 Psalm 119:97-104 or
 Psalm 19

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5
 Luke 18:1-8



Flower Donations

To reserve a date to place flowers in one of our worship services in honor or memory of loved ones, or to celebrate a special occasion, contact Laura in the church office at 919-776-2012.



Thank You for the Socks!

Sock it to me! Your generosity of socks was amazing. Socks were delivered to the following: TLC Home, Haven, Lee County Industries, West Lee Middle school, J. R. Ingram school, Floyd Knight school, J. Glenn Edwards school, Maggie's Home Care, Sam Wornam/SECU Home, Extol Ministry, Sanford Senior Living, and Sanford Manor. Non-skid socks went to TLC Home. You supplied a necessity to so many people in our community. Overwhelming gratitude and tears of thankfulness were shed. Thank you to this congregation for loving our neighbors!

The World's Most Important Sermon

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to speak and taught them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you

falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,

for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. Matthew 5:1-12

For the past six weeks the Wednesday Night Bible Study has been **The Message of Jesus** by Rev. Adam Hamilton. During week #2, our class studied the Sermon on the Mount. Adam Hamilton calls this “the world’s most important sermon.” This sermon serves as a road map for how followers of Jesus are to live out the kingdom of God, Jesus’s driving vision. Some of Jesus’s best-known and most influential teachings are found within the Sermon on the Mount.

Part of this beautiful sermon by Jesus includes the above verses known as **The Beatitudes**. The word “beatitude” comes from Latin words that signify happiness, good fortune, or blessedness. We spend a great deal of time in our lives chasing happiness. Many people picture blessedness or happiness as having wealth, beauty, popularity, or power. But, the fact is none of these actually make one happy.

In the Beatitudes, Jesus offers us a very different idea of who is blessed, who is happy, in the kingdom of God. Those who are blessed in the kingdom of God look different from what we expect. This is called the “great reversal” in the kingdom of God.

I usually begin the class with an activity or exercise that helps us focus our attention on the main topic for that session. So, for our week #2 session, I asked the class, “Using the letters in B.L.E.S.S.E.D. list ways you are blessed.” After several minutes, each small group shared their thoughts. The responses I received were rich in meaning and depth, reflecting the spiritual maturity of the class. Phrases included: beauty of the earth, the Body of Christ, the Bible; the Lord, love of friends, laughter, life, light; Easter, everyone and everything, energy; our Savior, salvation, saints that came before us, sweet children and grandchildren, special friends, sun rises and sun sets, Spirit; Epiphany, our environment, education; Disciple, discernment, divinity, dear ones, devotion. What wonderful thoughts were expressed by our class members!

Friends, let us pour out ourselves to bless others who are struggling. In doing so, we become part of God’s Kingdom now. The blessings we receive, we give to those in need. This is the character of life in the kingdom of God. Our task as Christians is to **close the gap** between the world as it is, and the world as it should be. We become full participants in the work of God and the ministry to which God has called each of us. May God show us ways to close the gap, and bring true happiness to a world in need.

Pastor Charlotte

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YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR
**BAZAAR
& CRAFT FAIR**

**Saturday, November 1
8:00AM-1:00PM**

Discover one-of-a-kind treasures and shop local this holiday season! Whether you're hunting for the perfect gift or adding festive touches to your home, there's something for everyone!

ARTS • CRAFTS • DECOR
FOOD TRUCK • SWEETS
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING
BOOKS • & MUCH MORE!



 SCAN ME

2916 Wicker Street, Sanford, NC 27330
www.saintlukeumc.org

BRUNSWICK STEW SALE

Troop 942

\$10 per quart

First batch will be ready around 10 am

Saint Luke families
and the community
are invited to attend!

Prizes will be awarded
for best trunk decorations.

Carnival Games
and Fun!!



Interested in decorating
a trunk and
passing out treats?

Email
rebeccapharris99@gmail.com
to reserve your spot!

Sunday, October 26
4:00 - 5:30 pm



**Donations of Individually Wrapped Candy
and Little Debbie Snack Cakes Needed!**

Donations may be dropped off
in the Children's Ministry cabinet
in the Williams Lobby closet.

Plan to have dinner at the
HOT DOG STAND!

Hot dogs, chips, and beverages
will be available.

Proceeds will benefit The ARK Ministry.





September 10 - November 19

Dinner at 5:45 pm
Classes at 6:30 pm



Upcoming Menus:

October 15

Ham and Dessert

October 29

Pork Loin and Dessert

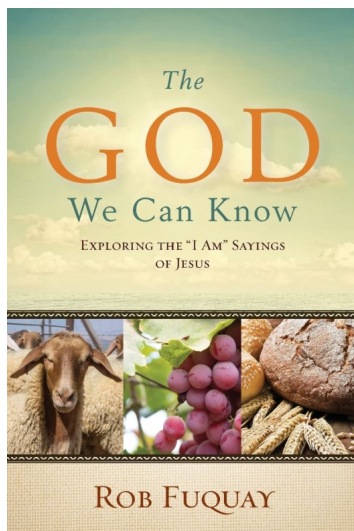
October 22

Beef Stew and Dessert

November 5

TBD and Dessert

Cost for dinner is \$8.00 for adults; \$4 for children age 11 and younger; \$25 family maximum. Please make reservations if you plan to eat dinner! Sign up in Sunday School or call the church office at 919-776-2012.



New Class Beginning October 22!

"The God We Can Know: Exploring the "I AM" Sayings of Jesus" is a study designed to explore the "I am" sayings of Jesus found in the Gospel of John. This study is by Rob Fuquay. The DVD, filmed on location in the Holy Land, allows participants to travel with Rob Fuquay and actually see the places where Jesus stood while disclosing his true identity, and in what context he spoke each "I Am."

Getting to know God means getting to know ourselves. The more we know who God is the more we know who we are. The Gospel of John records several declarations of Jesus known as the "I Am" sayings. This study is designed to explore each of those sayings and will help participants find and form an answer to the most essential question in the Christian faith, "Who do you say I am?"

One by one, Jesus' statements grab our imagination, reveal more about his identity and purpose, and connect us to the God of Moses, who spoke the first "I Am." These significant yet ordinary images (bread, light, shepherd, vine, and more) give us insightful ways to experience Jesus and point us to a God who wants to be known. Books can be ordered on Amazon.

Themes include:

- ◆ Introduction to "I am" – Knowing God
- ◆ I am the Bread of Life – Knowing God's Satisfaction
- ◆ I am the Light of the World – Knowing God's Guidance
- ◆ I am the Good Shepherd – Knowing God's Care
- ◆ I am the True Vine – Knowing God's Power
- ◆ I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life – Knowing God's Way
- ◆ I am the Resurrection and the Life – Knowing God's Possibilities

Please join us on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30 pm in Room #227 (October 22—November 19) as we learn more about Jesus Christ. This study will be led by Bob Hughes.



New Class Beginning November 5!
BARN QUILT PAINTING
 with artist, Kenny McNeill
 Three Weeks: November 5, 12, and 19
 6:30 pm in Room #222/224

Cost is \$20.00

Choose from three options:
Cardinal, Sunflower, or Poinsettia

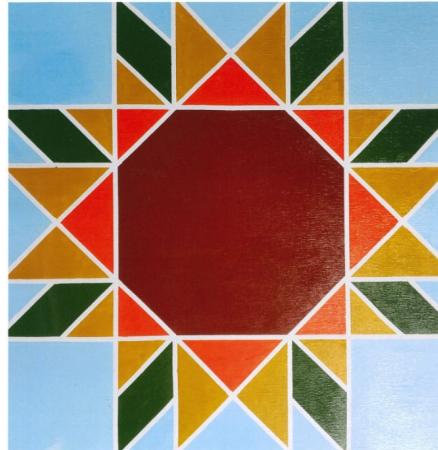


Call the church office by Monday, October 27 to register (919-776-2012).
Please let us know when you register which option you would like to paint. If you have already registered, please choose your design and call the church office by Monday, October 27. This will allow time for Kenny to prepare your board. All supplies will be provided.

Cardinal



Sunflower



Poinsettia



Adult Christian Singles 50+ Lunch

On Sunday, October 19, adult Christian singles age 50+ are invited to meet for a "Dutch Treat" lunch at 12:15 pm at Davison's Restaurant. This includes men and women age 50+ who have lost a spouse, divorced, or never married. This is a wonderful ministry at Saint Luke UMC created for sharing a meal together and enjoying fellowship.

Lunch reservations are required. To reserve a seat, please contact Rev. Charlotte Brendel or the church office (919-776-2012). **Reservation deadline is Thursday, October 16.**



Cub Scout Pack 942 will be holding a Bake Sale on Sunday, October 19th. They will have a table set up outside each worship space with a variety of delicious baked goods—pies, cakes, cookies, home-made bread, and more! In exchange for a donation, you can have a snack here at church, or take home a whole dessert to enjoy later! Thank you for supporting our Cub Scouts!



October Keenagers

Thursday, October 16th
12 Noon - Room #222/224

All Keenagers (men and women age 65 and up) are invited to attend! Come share a delicious lunch, great fellowship, and a fun program with your Saint Luke friends! Cost for lunch is \$6. Please remember to sign up in Sunday School, or on the bulletin board, or by calling the church office by Monday, October 13th. Don't miss it!!



Jesus with a Twist

Thursday, November 6th
6:30 pm at Vinous Wine Bar
(112 S. Steele Street)

All ladies are welcome! Bring a friend!
Light snacks will be available for purchase.
This will be our last meeting for 2025.
Bring your ideas about changes
you would like to see in 2026.



Youth Fishing Night!!

Many Thanks to Buck and Katie Harris
for hosting this event!!

Fishing!!



Smore's

Fellowship!!



Our special guest ...
looking for leftovers!



Friendship!!

Food!!



WE THANK OUR

MEALS ON WHEELS

VOLUNTEERS!

Many, many thanks to our **UWIF Circle 8** and **helpers** for delivering Meals on Wheels in September. Our volunteers were: **Tom Coggin, Patti Cox, Linda Foushee, Pam Gordon, Kim Hales, Marsha and Ted Havens, Kathy Jones, Ann and Neal Kightlinger, Susan Laudate, Ellen Mangum, Cathy and Ty McCoy, Martha and Charles Oldham, Bob Sanford, Bob Troutman, and Molly Whitaker.** Your faithfulness and dedication to this worthwhile ministry is greatly appreciated.

Saint Luke UMC is in charge of all the Mondays of the year. We have six groups delivering, so each group does two months. Our drivers cover five routes and deliver approximately 35 meals in total between 10 a.m. and 12 noon every Monday. In some cases, our drivers may be the only personal contact the client has that day. Deliveries are typically in teams, but it can be done individually.

We can always use more volunteers. You do not need to be a member of UMM, UMW, or other designated group. If you are interested in participating in this important ongoing ministry, please call Marsha Havens at 919-776-3624 for more information.

Christmas Photo Op at the Bazaar!



CUB SCOUTS' CORNER

The Pack is off to a fantastic start this Scouting year! We've welcomed back familiar faces and greeted new ones with excitement. As part of our Bobcat Adventures, we've been reconnecting with the Scout Oath and Scout Law, getting to know one another, and settling back into the rhythm of Scouting life.

On September 19th, we kicked things off with our first campout and movie night in front of the Harriss Youth Hut. We watched *Planes: Fire & Rescue* and gave camping a go—some for the first time, others for the first time in a while. It was a great way to shake off the rust and dive into outdoor fun!

October is shaping up to be a busy and exciting month for our Cub Scouts:

- **Raingutter Regatta** – October 13th 
- **Pack Bake Sale at St. Luke** – October 19th 
- **Council Campout: Spook-o-ree at Camp Durant** – October 24th–26th 

Our Arrow of Light Den (5th Graders) is also leading a **Pet Food Drive** to support the Lee County Animal Shelter throughout October. At our October 27th meeting, we'll tally up the donations and deliver them to the shelter. Please help us support animals waiting for their "fur-ever" homes by contributing to the drive! Collection boxes will be available in the Williams Lobby and at the Harriss Youth Hut.

On Monday, November 10th, the Pack will hold a **Flag Retirement Ceremony** to respectfully retire worn and weathered American flags. This solemn and meaningful event teaches Scouts the importance of honoring our nation's symbol with dignity. Families are welcome to attend, and if you have a flag in need of retirement, please bring it to the ceremony or drop it off beforehand with the Pack or Troop.

Saint Luke Preschool invites you ...

SLP IS THE APPLE OF OUR EYE!



PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR
*Spaghetti Dinner
& Silent Auction*

OCTOBER
16TH



5-7PM

Musical Performances by:

2 year old classes: 5:30 pm

3 year old classes: 6:00 pm

4 year old classes: 6:30 pm

-Artwork Displays
-Homemade Spaghetti

\$10 per plate, includes dinner, dessert, and drink
Apple Attire or SLP shirts are encouraged, but not required!



PINTS WITH THE PASTOR
It's a Saint Luke / Camelback Thing

Next Gathering:
Monday, October 20

Pints with the Pastor meets each month on the third Monday at 5:30 pm at Camelback Brewing Co. (804 Spring Lane) for a time of fellowship and a devotion with life applications. Men of all ages are welcome!



Hymn Sing

Parkview Hymn Sing and Devotion - Scenes from October 2nd!



All are welcome to come sing and fellowship with our friends at Parkview on the first Thursday of each month at 1:30 pm. Join us on November 6th! (1801 Wicker Street)





The Sounds of Christmas

A Christmas Dinner Extravaganza for Women

Thursday, December 11, 2025

6:00-8:00 pm

Doors open at 5:00 pm

Saint Luke United Methodist Church

Davenport Christian Life Center

Tickets \$15

**Christmas
Concert
Featuring
Bill Mann**

**Love
Offering
for
Missions**



Join us for an unforgettable evening of fine dining with friends. Enjoy a catered meal, beautifully decorated Christmas tables, music, and an entertaining program.

Sponsored by the Seekers Class, this year's Christmas concert will be presented by Bill Mann, a native of Sanford and jazz saxophonist extraordinaire! Bill Mann delivers a smooth jazz performance while playing tunes by various artists. His repertoire includes Smooth Jazz, Classic Jazz, and Christian/Gospel tunes. Accompanied by a digitally recorded full band, Bill plays the tenor, alto, and soprano saxophones. Bill will offer a concert of Christmas music that will surely get you in the Christmas spirit!

Tickets may be purchased from Beverly Suitt on Wednesday evenings, or from Rev. Charlotte Brendel during office hours.

A Love Offering for Missions will be received. Donations will be given to the Women's Shelter in Sanford and to North Carolina Hurricane Relief.

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE OCTOBER 1



Our children's ministry officially rolls out a new check-in system for all children beginning Sunday, September 14. This system, called KidCheck, allows families to check their child(ren) in simply by using their phone number, a key tag, or their mobile device. It's an easy-to-use children's check-in software that most importantly helps keep our children safe and streamlines the check-in process during Sunday morning worship and other children's ministry events. Name tags will automatically print upon check-in and will be worn by each child while on church grounds. If you haven't already registered and would like to, please contact Katherine Holt at 919-356-7285 or katherine@saintlukeumc.org.



Membership Sunday: October 19, 2025

If you have prayerfully considered making Saint Luke UMC your church home, we would love to have you! Please call the church office (919-776-2012) to let us know you'd like to join, or speak with Preacher Eddie if you have questions.

Find your place at Saint Luke!



Children and Youth Programs at Saint Luke



Ages 2 - Preschool

Sundays

4:30 - 5:30 pm

Room #114



Grades K - 5

Sundays 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Room #116/118

and the Davenport CLC



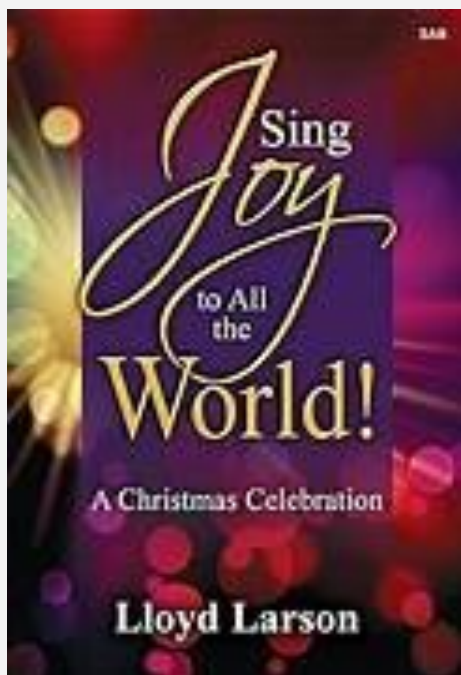
Grades 6 - 12

Sundays

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Harriss Youth House

All are welcome!! See you there!!



Come "Sing Joy to All the World" in our Christmas Cantata!

Now is a great time to join the choir! We have begun working on our Christmas Cantata and would love to have new singers join us! We practice the cantata first, so that people who are only singing in the cantata can leave before we begin rehearsing for our regular Sunday services. Join us in the Music Room on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm!



Would You Like to Be a Wedding Director?

How do you serve as a member of Saint Luke? Would you like to serve in the beginning of two lives becoming one? We are looking for those who would like to be trained to direct weddings that are held at Saint Luke. If you are interested, please contact Laura in the church office at 919-776-2012 or laura@saintlukeumc.org.

Bins for the BOOK SALE

We are grateful for all of the donations of books that are coming in for the book sale on November 1st—so many that we need storage boxes for them! If you have plastic storage bins that we can have (or borrow), we would appreciate them. If you would like them returned after the book sale, be sure to put your name on them! Bins may be brought to the closet in the Williams Lobby.

Saint Luke UMYF is Looking for Volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers who love youth and are willing to build mentor-like relationships with all of our youth—to walk alongside them in their faith journey, life circumstances, struggles, and celebrations. If you'd like to volunteer, please visit our website (saintlukeumc.org), click on the "Our Ministries" tab, then the "Youth Ministry" tab, then scroll to the bottom and click on the "UMYF Volunteer Application" button.





EASY, FAST, AND SECURE: 3 Convenient Ways to Give to Saint Luke UMC

- via your phone by texting "stluke" to 1-888-364-4483 [GIVE]
- online here: <https://www.saintlukeumc.org/givetosaintlukeumcsanford>
- through our downloadable app here: <https://subsplash.com/saintlukeumc/app>

For your convenience, we also encourage you to set up recurring giving. For more information or help with Subsplash Giving, please contact the church office.



Fast and Easy Giving

Saint Luke UMC



SUBSPASH

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Sundays at 9:00 and 11:00

Jesus
loves me
this I know

One Number to Reach the Weekend Emergency On-Call Pastor (984) 977-1798

All you need to know is one number to reach our clergy-person-on-call! Whoever is on call for the weekend will answer. So please make note of our "on-call" number. **Program it into your phone. Tape it to your refrigerator. Write it in your address book.** And if you have a pastoral emergency on a weekend, please use the number to let us know how we can help.



We are blessed with a wonderful facility in which to worship and serve God and we want to maintain it as God's house should be maintained! If you see anything around the church that needs attention ... things that are broken, dirty, need repair, light bulbs that need replacing, etc., please contact Rev. Charlotte Brendel at 919-776-2012 or charlottebrendel@yahoo.com. We need your help to "see" things in the building that need attention—and then to "say" what you have seen so that we can fix it!



"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."
1 Corinthians 10:26

SAINT LUKE RECYCLES!

Thank you to everyone who is joining our efforts to recycle as a church family! Please refer to the instructions included on or beside/above (on the wall) the receptacles for the items that are NOT recyclable (i.e., NOT used plastic utensils and dirty food containers) - and remember to donate your plastic bags to the ARK!

2026

Confirmation

Journey



Coming Spring of 2026 ...
the Confirmation Journey!

Youth in sixth grade and up
are invited to join the journey.
Call the church office to register (919-776-2012)!

Come join us!



Join Pastor Eddie and Nita on Our Trip to Greece!

Journeys of Paul Tour

April 14-24, 2026

Contact the Church Office for Additional Information

****Registration deadline EXTENDED to November 7, 2025!****



WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST



All men are welcome!

Please join us on the
SECOND AND FOURTH Wednesdays
at 7 am in
the Davenport CLC!

Upcoming dates are 10/22, 11/12, and 11/26.
Cost is \$7.

Gowns Needed for Live Nativity Costumes!

Attention recent graduates—or even not-so-recent graduates! Do you have a graduation gown that

you no longer need? If you don't want to keep it, we would love to have it to use as a costume in our annual Live Nativity! Gowns may be brought to the collection closet in the Williams Lobby or to the church office. Thank you!!



Do you work with children, youth,
or vulnerable adults?



SAFER SANCTUARIES
Nurturing Trust within Faith Communities

Safer Sanctuaries Training is now ONLINE!

To reach more people, our Safer Sanctuaries Policy Training is now online. This will allow persons to take the training any time during the year. Online information includes the Safer Sanctuaries Policy, Training video, Covenant Statement and Acknowledgement of Abuse Prevention Form, as well as information to order background checks. All workers with children, youth, and vulnerable adults are now able to take the training any time. To access the online information, scan the QR Code. Please contact Rev. Charlotte Brendel if you have any questions.



Come be a part of our new Creation Care Team!



- ◆ Community Garden
- ◆ Flower Garden
- ◆ Recycling
- ◆ and More!

Contact Preacher Eddie or Eric
McCalister if you are interested!

GRIEF COUNSELING AVAILABLE



Jackie Petty, MA, LCMHC is a Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor who can provide individual or family counseling for persons experi-

encing a time of grief and loss. With a Master's degree in Community Counseling, Jackie has been in private practice for 15 years and has over 25 years of experience in offering Trauma-Focused therapy to adults and children, as well as clients with anxiety and depression. The grief journey can be a complex time of confusion and sadness with feelings of uncertainty and deep pain. It can be difficult to sort through these feelings alone. Jackie would like to offer free counseling to anyone who believes it could be beneficial for them. These sessions are confidential and discreet and can be offered at the church or in your home. For more information, please contact Jackie Petty at 919-770-4588 or by email at jackiepetty@windstream.net.

ALZHEIMER'S
& DEMENTIA

Support Group

Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday
of each month at 10:30 am.

Saint Luke's Support Group for Caregivers and their loved ones living with dementia meets from 10:30-11:30 a.m. on the 2nd Monday of each month. Susan Hardy leads the Caregivers Support Group in one room and the care recipients participate in another room with planned activities led by experienced volunteers. **Please call the church office at 919-776-2012 if you and your loved one plan to attend. We need a headcount so that we may plan accordingly.**

The ARK Ministry

There are many ways you can help with this ministry which provides direct aid to some of our neighbors most in need. Volunteers are always welcome! To volunteer, please reach out to the lead cook for the week you'd like to serve. If that week's jobs are filled, you will be added to the list for another week.

CURRENT NEEDS: **BLANKETS, GENTLY USED WINTER JACKETS/COATS, AND TOILET PAPER**



Ways you can help:

- ♥ Help deliver meals
- ♥ Pull the ARK with your truck on Sundays
- ♥ Bake a dessert to go with the meal

Contact Lisa Harrington (919-770-2595) or Kim Osborne (919-545-4838) if you have questions or to volunteer. Text messages preferred.



Upcoming Lead Cooks

10/19 Kim Hales
 10/26 Terri Kirkman
 11/2 Gus Gomez

Upcoming Packing Teams

10/19 Davenport / Stewart
 10/26 Showalter / Peele
 11/2 TBD / TBD

Loving God, Loving Others.



Be Still
AND KNOW
THAT I AM GOD
-PSALM 46:10



Let Us Pray!!

Our Saint Luke Daily Prayer is no longer available by text. We are now sending our Daily Prayer only via email. If you would like to receive our Saint Luke Daily Prayer via email, please send an email to Pastor Charlotte (charlottebrendel@yahoo.com) or contact the church office (919-776-2012).

Ushers Needed
Are you willing to serve?

We need ushers for our 11:00 worship services! If you are willing to serve as an usher on a rotating basis, please call the church office at 919-776-2012 to volunteer. All you need is a warm smile and a willing heart!!

Serve the Lord with gladness ...

Psalm 100:2a



Save Your Pop Tops!

Please save your pop tops from aluminum cans and bring them to the marked bin in the collection closet in the Williams Lobby. They will be donated to the

Ronald McDonald House, where they will be used to help families whose children are hospitalized.

Don't throw away an opportunity to help!!

Thought for the Day

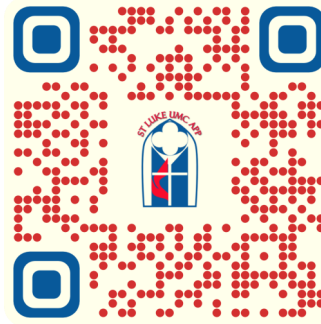
"The longer the
tea bag sits in the cup,
the stronger the tea.
The longer you sit
in God's Word,
the stronger your faith."



Unknown

363 people have downloaded
the Saint Luke App!

*If you're not one of them, don't miss out -
Download it TODAY!*



**You'll have the
church calendar,
website,
social media,
the Bible,
giving,
and sermons
at your fingertips!**



**Professional Counseling
Services Available**

Rev. Marti Hatch, MDiv, MA, LCMHC, NCC, is now available to schedule counseling appointments with clients. This is available to members of Saint

Luke UMC and the broader Sanford community. Clients will meet with Rev. Hatch in the Church Parlor/Prayer Room. To schedule an appointment, or for more information, please contact Rev. Hatch at hatch.marti@gmail.com or call 919-750-7949. All appointments and financial arrangements will be made through Rev. Hatch.



Greeters Schedule

Greeters for the 9:00 service, please be in place in the Williams Lobby at 8:40 am.

Greeters for the 11:00 service, please be in place in the Perry Foyer at 10:40 am.

Oct. 19	(9:00)	Billy Liggett & Jennifer St. Clair
	(11:00)	Faye White
Oct. 26	(9:00)	Tripp & Mallory Paderick
	(11:00)	Kim Osborne
Nov. 2	(9:00)	TBD
	(11:00)	Beverly O'Donnell

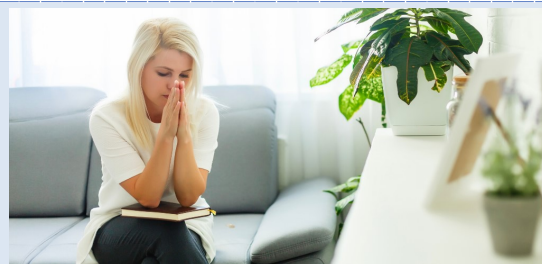


DCLC (9:00 worship)

October: Anna Stinson, Ashley Davenport, and Janette Scott

Casey Chapel and Sanctuary (8:45 & 11:00 worship)

October: Edna Perkinson (chair), Ellen Mangum, Jane Murphy, and Betsy James

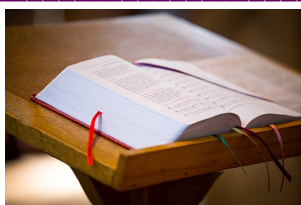


Draw and Name and Pray for

a Member of Your Church Family!

Last year, our Prayer Team began the **Prayer Bowl Project**. The goal is to have every member held in prayer by name during each Sunday service whether you are in the sanctuary or at home. A new set of names has been made for this year. If you'd like to participate, come by the church office and draw a name, or call Laura in the church office (919-776-2012) and ask her to draw a name for you. You do not need to know anything about the person or family you have drawn. God already knows their every need! Can you imagine how God might smile to hear every member of Saint Luke's family held up in prayer each Sunday? When you become a member of the Saint Luke family, you will never walk alone again!

Scripture Readers Schedule



October 19

8:30	Sandra Hancock
9:00	Bob Hughes
11:00	Liz McGrath

October 26

8:30	Bill Towson
9:00	Gabby McCalister
11:00	Becky Whitaker

November 2

8:30	Priscilla Dollar
9:00	Ronnie Jones
11:00	Dave Nave

Lead Ushers for 9:00 Worship



October 19	Jimmy Keen
October 26	Sostenes Alfonso
November 2	Eric McCalister



Birthdays and Anniversaries

October 15—22

Birthdays:

(10/15) Doug Gaertner
Chad Stinson

(10/16) Eleena Alfonso
Bill Davis
Bill Murphy

(10/17) Jenny Heckle

(10/18) Cole Bivens
Grant Brown
Olivia Kelly
Ana Martinez

(10/19) Gus Cotterell
Knox Foushee

(10/20) Keith Garner
Hudson Smith

(10/21) Jill Britt
Jeremiah Forbes
Mary Grace Forbes

(10/22) Linda Morton

Anniversaries

(10/15) Jason & Tiffany Osborne

(10/16) Matthew & Stephanie Garner
Helen & Phil Yarborough

(10/17) Justin & Sara Hyde

(10/19) Eddie & Nita Hill

(10/20) Eric & Gabby McCalister
Sloan & Travis McNeill
Carson & Taylor Wilson
Ram Upadhyaya & Lisa Harden

(10/22) Chap & Kelly Perry
Chase & Bonnie Setzer

membership

prayers | presence | gifts | service | witness

FAITHFUL GIVING REPORT

Total Budget Needed Weekly	\$24,835.00
Total Offering General Funds Received 10/12/25	\$12,750.99
Restricted Funds Received 10/12/25	\$15.00

October Attendance

	2023	2024	2025	2025 In Person 8:30/9:00/11:00	2025 Virtual YouTube
Week 1	*418	*309	*306	31/143/83	26/23
Week 2	*499	*305	*284	43/119/70	23/29
Week 3	*419	*274	*		
Week 4	*620	*363	*		
Week 5	*464				
September Avg.	*484	*313	*295		

Before / After 24 Hours Streaming. *Includes You Tube and In Person

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*The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth." Psalm 145:18*

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Prayer Requests

Received as of October 15, 2025

Our Known Prayer Needs

Holly Baker	Lisa Harden	Pat Mace	Georgann Roberts
Judy Baker	George Harvey	Cathy & Tyson McCoy	Irene Smith
Chris Burns	Marsha Havens	Liz McGrath	Patsy & Ira Smith
Sarah Curry	Whitney Hines, and Daisy	Theresa Miller	Mackenzie Stinson
Jean Davenport	Katherine Holt	Beulah Mooneyham	Nancy Thomas
Susan Davis	Lloyd Jennings	Dave Nave	Patrick Sr. & Nan Touchard
Susie Dixon	Mary Kesler	Betty Newell	Denise and Tom Trafelet
Janet Edrington	Claudia Key	Parker Normann	Kristin Vernon
Harvey Forbes	Susan Larsen	Jan Olsen	Gordon Washburn
Linda Fowler	Dorothy Lloyd	Nick Porter	David Whitfield
Sandra Gallagher	Mary Loving	Bobby Powell	Heather McCoy Wicker
Keith Garner (USS Gettysburg)	May Mace	Bill Ray	Judi Womack
Ed Garrison			Sandy Woodard

Other Known Prayer Requests

Larry Andrews	Brian Drye	Joel Lawrence	Sean Robbins
Deborah Alvord	Martha Eigenbrodt	AnnaBelle LeGrand	Roy Rud and family
Bruce and Linda Benton	Daniel Facemire	Hannah Lindsey	Juanita Showalter
June Brantley	Carol Fuller	Elliot Mann	Paula Smith
Jan Brooks	Lynn Gagliardi	Allyssa McNeal	Ryan Smith
Bonnie Brown	Dr. Roy Gaines, Jr.	Van Montoya	Jackson Snipes
Moses Cabrera	Teresa Goins	Daniel Newman	Betty Spence
Betty Caldwell	Keri Grant	Carlie Anne Nicholson	Caroline Perry Spencer
Karen and Brian Caldwell	Rev. Al Hocutt	Jennifer Nicholson	Blake Strickland
Kenny Cole	Margaret Hubbard	Phyllis O'Keef	Denny Swarmer
Norman Cooper	Rick Huneycutt	Molly Margaret O'Quinn	Jane Thomas
Jamie Covil	Jamie Hunt	Greg Patterson	Dr. Vance Thomas
Jeff Cummings	Beckisue Brown Joyner	Wade and Janie Peele	Lavelle and Sharon Waters
Linda & Dalton Davis	Scott Keller	Helen Krick Poole	Jimmy Wilkins
Pat Dillon	David Lane	Kate Redenbaugh	William Beckett "Beck"
Diedre Dowdy	Rebecca Kesler Laster	Tina Rickard	Woodell
	Betty Lawrence	Barbara Rivera	Connie Zaring

Sympathy to . . .

David and Kay Stout and family in the loss of David's brother, Steve Stout, of Wilson.
Susan and Dave Nave and family in the loss of their nephew, Mark Buchanan, of Fuquay-Varina.

To add or remove a name from the Prayer List or to request a pastoral visit, please use a Prayer Request card or call the church office.

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Sunday Service Times

8:30 am—Traditional Service—Casey Chapel

9:00 am—Contemporary Service—Davenport Christian Life Center

11:00 am—Traditional Service—Sanctuary

Sunday School Classes for all ages at 10:00 am

Our Church Staff—Contact us!

Lead Pastor
Associate Pastor
Minister of Visitation
Children and Family Ministry
Youth Ministry
Coordinator of Contemporary Music
Director of Music Ministries
Office Manager
Bookkeeper
Receptionist
Receptionist
Preschool Director
Afterschool Director
Organist Emeritus, Posthumous

Rev. Eddie Hill, Elder
Rev. Charlotte Brendel, Deacon
Rev. Judy Drye, Elder
Katherine Holt
Abigail Thompson
Curtis Moore
Rodney Oldham
Laura Alverson
Pat Angel
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