

Announcements

There will be a Church Council meeting today following worship in the Lounge.

The United Methodist Men's Prayer Breakfast would like to honor Opal Hill on her birthday today, turning 107. Please send her a birthday card to: Town Village 950 Cherry Rd. #244 Memphis, TN 38117.

The Food Pantry is in need of chili/ravioli, canned carrots, and spaghetti/vermicelli

Pirates and Princesses Back to School Bash: Come celebrate the beginning of school with waterslides, bounce house, & tons of water fun on August 1, 5:30p-7:30p. Play for free. Hamburger or hotdog dinner with chips, drink, & dessert \$8 with a \$25 family maximum.

Sunday School "Meet & Greet:" Parents be sure to join us with your kids in the Day School Lobby on Sunday, August 3rd at 9:15 am for juice and donuts to kick off our Sunday School classes for the Fall! This is a time to meet their teachers and learn about all the fun things they will be learning this year! Rising JK-Fifth graders welcomed and we will still have the nursery as well for any infants-preschoolers.

Blessing of the Backpacks: We will kick off the school year with a special Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 3rd during Worship so any students or teacher types please bring your backpack to Worship to receive a special blessing over your year!

Prayer Requests

Judy Floyd, Jordan Northcross, David Hensley, Bette Colter, Dr. Jimmy Padgett, Jamille Laughlin, the Dee's family (friends of Katherine Shepherd), and Robert Harris's mother Shea.

We are Leveling up the following to the Prayer Warriors: Rita Richardson Jonathan St. Gelias, Peggy McVay, and Hal and Beth Truebger.

If you would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact Pat Anderson at pata9276@gmail.com or call the church office at 452-6262



He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

LUKE 10:2

July 27th, 2025 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are becoming a faithful community of disciples striving to share the heart, mind and hands of Jesus Christ with all people.

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

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Church Office Hours

Monday- Thursday- 8:30am-3:00pm
Friday- Closed

Order of Worship

The flowers on the altar are in honor of Opal Hill on her birthday from the congregation.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Arr. Kenneth Varner

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:

People: Keep the faith. God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.

Leader: When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who disagree with them, remember:

People: Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.

Leader: Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.

All: Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

*OPENING HYMN

UMH 714

I Know Whom I Have Believed

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who created the world and all that is in it;

I believe God regards all people as God's children, whether they confess God's parenthood or not;

I believe God intends the riches of the world, including all food and other necessities of life, to be shared among God's children, the gifted caring for the less gifted and the privileged for the underprivileged;

I believe that in proportion as we acknowledge and fulfill this intention we are conformed to the image of our Lord Jesus Christ, who died to set us free from sin and the love of self; and I believe that the best time to begin this sharing, whether of food or clothing or gospel, is now, today, when it is fresh on our minds and the needs of God's children are as great as they have ever been in history of the world. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

CANTICLE OF THE KINDER *(sing response on the screens) While we sing this song, children ages 4 through 3rd grade are invited to come forward for a children's sermon, then they are dismissed to Children's Worship in the Lighthouse.*

WORD AND WONDER- A Time For Children

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN STORY

Katie Shepherd

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 548

In Christ There is No East or West

*SCRIPTURE

New Testament Pew Bible Page 67

Luke 10:1-11

ANTHEM

Arr. Mary McDonald

Down to the River to Pray

Chancel Choir

MESSAGE

Rev. Dennis Neenan

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

God we offer these gifts to you in obedience to your will. We dedicate to you, O God, all that we have and all that we are. Use us and what we are offering to you now to bring healing to others and greater glory to your most holy name.

OFFERTORY

Arr. Dan Forrest

Fairest Lord Jesus

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

*SENDING HYMN

Be Still My Soul (verses 1 & 2)

UMH 534

BENEDICTION

Leader: Glory to the Creator, who gives us life!

People: Glory to Christ, the servant of love!

Leader: Glory to the Spirit who empowers us forward!

All: Glory to God! Amen!

POSTLUDE

Arr. Douglas Wagner

To God Be the Glory

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*Congregation stand as able.

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If you are interested in uniting in membership, please contact Pastor Jim.