# **Announcements**

The Church will be closed November 11, 2025 in observance of Veterans Day. Volunteers are needed to help tidying up the Sanctuary. Please contact Rorie for more information 901-494-2305

The Food Pantry is in need of canned beef stew, chili, and chicken and dumplings.

**Fun Bunch:** Join us for the Thanksgiving Feast on November 12th at 11:00 in the Lounge. Sign up at the front desk and let us know what side you can bring. Jeanne and Jim are providing the turkey and ham. All are welcome!

**The United Methodist Neighborhood Centers** is asking for us to continue with our gift cards for Thanksgiving. With the need so great we hope you will consider a \$25 gift card to the grocery store of your choice. The cards are due November 17. You can drop them off at Hospitality Hall or give to Mozell Starks. The cards will be given to Food Pantries.

**Mitten Tree:** The Sherwood Elementary Mitten Tree is up in the Hospitality Hall to be adorned with donations of mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, socks, and coats! Helping to keep the students warm and cozy is such a great way to share Christ's Love throughout the winter season.

#### **Prayer Requests**

Jordan Northcross, David Hensley, Dr. Jimmy Padgett, Mac Mathis, Rita Richardson's niece Teresa Grant, Steve Milinkovich, Buddy Ellis (Ann Al-Chokhachi 's brother), Shea Kaler, Marty Cobb, Lewis Valdes, and Lynne McAlexander.

Christian love and sympathy to the family of Besty Martin Calvert. She passed on October 28, 2025.

If you would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact Pat Anderson at <a href="mailto:pata9276@gmail.com">pata9276@gmail.com</a> or call the church office at 452-6262

## **Monthly Stewardship Report**

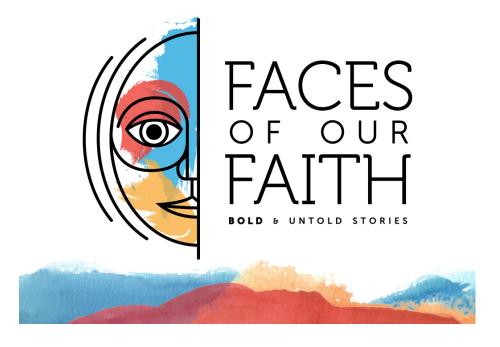
Pledged and Non-Pledged Contributions Corrected

October 2025 YTD 2025

Actual Giving: \$58,966.14 Actual Giving: \$505,163.17 Budgeted: \$53,383.50 Budgeted: \$533,835.00







# **November 9, 2025**

# Twenty-Second 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 loving memory of Ruth Abernathy from her family.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Adagio For Strings
Samuel Barber

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, return to the Lord and leave behind your sins and fears.

We come to embrace the mercy and hope given by Christ.

Return to the Lord and drop the pain and hate that weighs you down.

We come to find the true and abundant life given by Christ.

Return to the Lord and cast aside hurtful ways.

We come to embrace the forgiveness given by Christ.

Return to the Lord with open hearts.

We come to receive the good news of God's abundant grace.

\*OPENING HYMN UMH 66

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 883

(On the screens)

\*GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CANTICLE OF THE KINDER (sing response on the screens)

**WORD AND WONDER- A Time For Children** 

**SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS** 

**CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER** 

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMNS OF PREPARATION UMH 357 and 488

Just As I Am (vs. 1, 5, 6) and Jesus, Remember Me

\*SCRIPTURE Luke 23: 32-43

New Testament Pew Bible Page 83-84

ANTHEM Come By Here

Arr. Kyle Pederson

MESSAGE Rev. Jim McKinney

#### UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious, giving God, you give us all good things: life and love; daily bread and water; friends and faith. You have given your Son, Jesus, whose suffering love is mystery and life to us. Accept our offerings and lives in thanks and praise. Amen.

**OFFERTORY** 

And Can It Be Arr. Rick Parks

During the offertory music, you are invited to reflect on the insert art, "The Penitent Thief" by Lisle Gwynn Garrity. Imagine yourself in this scene. Where would you be and how would you interact with what surrounds you? When and how do you imagine the penitent thief knew Jesus was the Christ? Did he know of Jesus before that day or did he perceive who Jesus was by his actions and words in those moments of crucifixion?

\*DOXOLOGY UMH 94

\*SENDING HYMN UMH 98

*To God Be the Glory* 

#### \*BENEDICTION

With gratitude and praise we go forth from this place,

To offer ourselves as faces of our faith;

To let people know that God is with them;

To save them from despair and to give them hope;

To save them from fear and give them confidence;

To save them from death and give them life.

Go in peace and the blessing of the Creator,

Redeemer and Sustainer will always be with you.

Thanks be to God. Amen!

**POSTLUDE** 

You Shall Go Out with Joy Arr. Douglas Wagner

\*Congregation stand as able.

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

#### **Leading in Worship**

Rev. Jim McKinney, Senior Pastor Rev. Amy Martin, Minister of Music and Worship Beverly Shepherd, Liturgist St. Luke's Chancel Choir Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist