

## Announcements

**The Food Pantry** is in need of peanut butter

**Challenger's Afterschool Fundraiser:** How to Train a Dragon, snacks, movies and other activities- a way for parents to have a night off. September 26 from 6-9 pm ages 5-14 \$30 each child. Go to [www.stlukesumc.org](http://www.stlukesumc.org) and register under events. For more information- please email [challengers@stlukesumc.org](mailto:challengers@stlukesumc.org)

**Women in Faith:** On September 25 at 11:30a the St. Luke's Women in Faith will be providing lunch for the students at University of Memphis Wesley Foundation on Midland. If you are available please come and join us. For questions contact Phyllis Gay [phyllispgay@yahoo.com](mailto:phyllispgay@yahoo.com)

**Trunk or Treat:** Families, mark your calendars for Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 24th from 5:30-7:30 pm. We need donated candy and volunteers to help out as well as people to decorate their trunks! Candy can be left behind the front desk and please reach out to Mary Page Contreras for more information or to help out! Text at (901)826-3493 or email at [marypage.contreras@stlukesumc.org](mailto:marypage.contreras@stlukesumc.org)

### Prayer Requests

Jordan Northcross, David Hensley, Dr. Jimmy Padgett, the Dee's family (friends of Katherine Shepherd), Robert Harris's mother Shea, Jeanne Debo, Deborah Sanders, Vivi and the Hendrickson family, Mac Mathis, Rita Richardson's niece Teresa Grant, and Betty Carter.

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

### Monthly Stewardship Report

Pledged and Non-Pledged Contributions Corrected

#### August 2025

Actual Giving: \$31,450.97

Budgeted: \$53,383.50

#### YTD 2025

Actual Giving: \$410,375.90

Budgeted: \$427,068.00



## September 21, 2025

### Fifteenth 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.*

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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 Hubert Allison from his daughter, Pat Anderson.*

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Morning Has Broken*  
Arr. Dale Wood

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** Come and worship, all you who love and serve our God —

**People:** who surrounds us with unfailing love, and answers us when we call;

**Leader:** who cares for the humble and lowly, and never abandons those in need.

**All:** This is our God, worthy of our worship and praise!

### \*OPENING HYMN

UMH 126

*Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Killinger

*We believe that God is Spirit, and that those who worship God must worship in spirit and in truth. We believe that God is Light, and that if we walk in the light we have fellowship with one another.*

*We believe that God is Love, and that everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.*

*We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that in him we have life now and forever.*

*We believe that as Christ loves us, so we must love one another.*

*And we believe that salvation and glory and power belong to our God, who reigns forever and ever. 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

### ALL IN: HEART, HANDS, HOPE

Blake and Whitley Acree

### SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

### CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

### PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 399

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

### SCRIPTURE

James 2:14-26

New Testament Pew Bible Page 216

### ANTHEM

*Be My Hands and Feet*  
Tony Alonso

### MESSAGE

Rev. Jim McKinney

### UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

*God of justice and mercy, you call us out of idle belief into a life of action for the sake of others, especially those we might not even realize we are ignoring. Bless our gifts and use them to bless our community and the world through good works that reflect your love and grace. Amen.*

### OFFERTORY

*Amazing Grace*  
Arr. Dale Wood

### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

### \*SENDING HYMN

TFWS 2223

*They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*

### \*BENEDICTION

**Leader:** Go from this place, knowing God goes with you.

**People:** We go to offer our hearts, our hands, and our hope to the world.

**Leader:** Give freely, serve humbly, and love fully.

**All:** We go in Christ's name. Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

*The King of Heaven*  
Arr. John Innes

\*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

Lewis Valdes, Liturgist

St. Luke's Chancel Choir

Cade Jett, Max Robinson, John Lucas Daniels, Soloists

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist