

Announcements

Program Planning meets after worship today in Planning Room 203.

The Food Pantry is in need of peanut butter and tuna.

Charge conference is October 9th at 6:00 pm in the Chapel. All are invited to attend, but only voting members of the Church Council can vote.

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

Fun Bunch: On October 15th, the Fun Bunch will meet in the CLC Craft Room at 11:00. We will be making Decorative Fall Wreaths. Bring your sack lunch and a drink. We will be providing the craft supplies and ice cream! Please sign up at the Hospitality Hall Desk.

Yard Sale: On October 25, from 7am-1pm, there will be a yard sale benefitting the United Methodist Neighborhood Centers of Memphis. For donations or if you would like to volunteer, please call Mark Matheny at 901-428-4633

Prayer Requests

Jordan Northcross, David Hensley, Dr. Jimmy Padgett, the Dee's family (friends of Katherine Shepherd), Robert Harris's mother Shea, Vivi and the Hendrickson family, Mac Mathis, Rita Richardson's niece Teresa Grant, Betty Carter, Steve Melinkovich, wife Racquel and boys Wesley and Melo (friends of Sally Coulson), and Shirley Moore (hospice).

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

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 28, 2025

Sixteenth 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 given to St. Luke's UMC in appreciation for your love and community during our 50 years of marriage, from Ruth and Warren Morrison.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Praise Him
Arr. Mary McDonald

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, children of God, Sons and daughters of Abraham and Sarah, nations born of barren lands, you who stand here because of promises fulfilled, come and worship your God.

People: We were born through the faith of our ancestors, just as our faith will give life to future generations; Even as we hope against hope, We come to worship our God.

Leader: Welcome home, children of God. Welcome to this house of God.

*OPENING HYMN

Forward Through the Ages

UMH 555

*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

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

UMH 38

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

Michael and Amethyst Wofford

SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 507

Through It All

SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 11:1, 11:32-12:2
New Testament Pew Bible Page 211-212

ANTHEM

Assurance
Arr. John Ness Beck

MESSAGE

Rev. Jim McKinney

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

Faithful and gracious God, you have called us to be a people of hope, to trust in what we cannot see. As we bring these gifts before you, we offer not only our resources but also our faith -- faith that you are at work in our giving, building a future of justice, mercy, and love. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY

A Scottish Folk Tune
Arr. Dale Wood

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

UMH 508

Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom

You are invited to bring your commitment card forward during the interlude following verse 2.

*BENEDICTION

Go from this place, knowing God goes with you.

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

Give freely, serve humbly, and love fully.

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

POSTLUDE

Trust and Obey
Arr. Daniel Towner

*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

Bev Shepherd, Liturgist

St. Luke's Chancel Choir

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist