

Announcements

Upcoming Events

- **May 31:** Safe Sanctuary meeting in Fellowship Hall- 11:30am
- **June 1-4:** VBS 5:30p-7:45p
- **June 6:** Carpenter Art Garden volunteer opportunity at 8:30am-10:30am

The Food Pantry is in need of tuna.

Today is the last day to visit our Graduate Mailboxes in the Hospitality Hall!

Breaking Bread Again Potluck: Join us for a Potluck Lunch on Sunday, June 7 following worship! Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy a time of good food and fellowship. If you would like to help or have any questions, please contact Clancey Patterson 901-359-5752

Fellowship & Friends Monthly Gathering: Come enjoy a time of faith, fun, food, prizes, and fellowship! Wednesday, June 3 from 11:00 AM–1:00 PM in the Lounge—\$5 taco salad lunch — bring a friend!

Acolytes: We are expanding our Acolyte Program to include adults and families. If you would like to serve as an acolyte, please join Sarah Adams and Linda Hensley for a brief training (15 minutes) at the altar after the worship service on Sunday, June 14. All ages are welcome! If you are unable to be there on the 14th, let us know and we can arrange a training session that is convenient for you.

ASP 2026: The youth group will be staying in Leslie County, KY, from June 27-July 4. We can take monetary donations for gas and snack/drink donations. We can take prepackaged snacks like chips, Little Debbie's, granola bars, etc., as well as water bottles and Gatorade.

Prayer Requests

David Hensley, Dr. Jimmy Padgett (Hospice), Jamille Laughlin, Sarah Shepherd (Bev's daughter), Nellie Mathis, Barbara Luckett (Stella Day sister in law), Richard St. Gelais, Cindy Pearson (Brady St. Gelais' co-worker), Rita Richardson, Charles Schramm (Lisa St. Gelais' dad), Deborah Sanders, Marty Cobb, Beverly Shepherd, and Thomas Eubanks.

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

Monthly Stewardship Report

Pledged and Non-Pledged Contributions

April 2026

Actual Giving: \$58,003.15

Budgeted: \$53,383.50

YTD 2026

Actual Giving: \$220,552.99

Budgeted: \$213,534.00



Vacation Bible School Sunday May 31, 2026

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
480 S. Highland St. Memphis, TN 38111
901.452.6262 | stlukesumc.org

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.



Order of Worship

The flowers on the altar are given in Honor of all of our VBS volunteers in appreciation of their dedication to the children of St. Luke's and our community from Lynne McAlexander.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Grace Alone

Arr. Mark Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Beloved, this is the core of our faith:

Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God's never-ending love surrounds us and calls us.

God's never-breaking love empowers us in the face of temptation, distress, division and scarcity.

We worship God who carries us through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain.

Let us hold to our faith as we work together for the flourishing of all God's good creation.

To God be the glory!

*OPENING HYMN

To God Be the Glory

UMH 98

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH- Apostles' Creed

UMH 881

*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 & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

TFWS 2129

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6:23, Romans 12:2
Romans 8:38-39, Romans 1:16

ANTHEM

Then Sings My Soul

Mary McDonald

MESSAGE

Rev. Jim McKinney

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

Almighty God, who made us who we are, we offer all of ourselves to you. Take our talents, our energy and our joy, and use us to share your love. Take our mistakes, our regrets and our pain, and use us to bring your healing. Magnify the gifts we offer before you today, to spread your peace in the world. Amen.

OFFERTORY

At the Cross

Arr. Carol Tornquist

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

*SENDING HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

TFWS 2223

*BENEDICTION

As we leave this place, remember this:

Nothing that we encounter in this world can ever separate us from the love of Jesus Christ:

not hardship or disaster, poverty or danger, neither death nor life, angels or demons,

our fears for today or our worries about tomorrow— not even the power of evil itself!

Nothing in all creation can ever separate us from God's love.

So go from here with joy to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Wonderful Words of Life

Arr. Carol Tornquist

*Congregation stand as able.

CCLI #1111630

Leading in Worship

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