

Announcements

Upcoming Events

- **September 6:** Breaking Bread Together Again at Jason's Deli at 11:30a
- **September 7:** Church closed for Labor Day
- **September 8:** United Women in Faith at 6:00p
- **September 13:** The Chosen in the Library at 11:45a

The Food Pantry is in need of tuna, canned chicken, chili, & beef stew.

We are open for flowers for October. Call Sarah 452-6262 to reserve your date!

Upcoming in Worship: Next Sunday in worship we will hear a story about healing from Matthew 18:21-35. Please pay attention this week to noticing moments when mercy is practiced. You'll be invited to write your thanks to God for what you've witnessed.

Bubblicious Back To School Bash: Sunday, Sept. 20 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Join us in the upper parking lot for a super fun Foam Party and Bubbles Celebration for all ages. Play for free. Hamburger or Hot dog meal \$6 with a \$25 family max. Wear Bathing Suits & closed toe shoes & bring a towel. NO FLIP-FLOPS!

Prayer Requests

David Hensley, Charles Schramm (Lisa St. Gelais' dad), Don Bowsher, Phillip Prichard, Jamille Laughlin, Grant Caldwell (grandson of Barbara Caldwell and nephew of Leann Olds), Heather Al-Chokhachi, Richard Green, Emmanuel "Mannie" Liam, and Tatum (Charlotte Fletcher's daughter).

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

July 2026

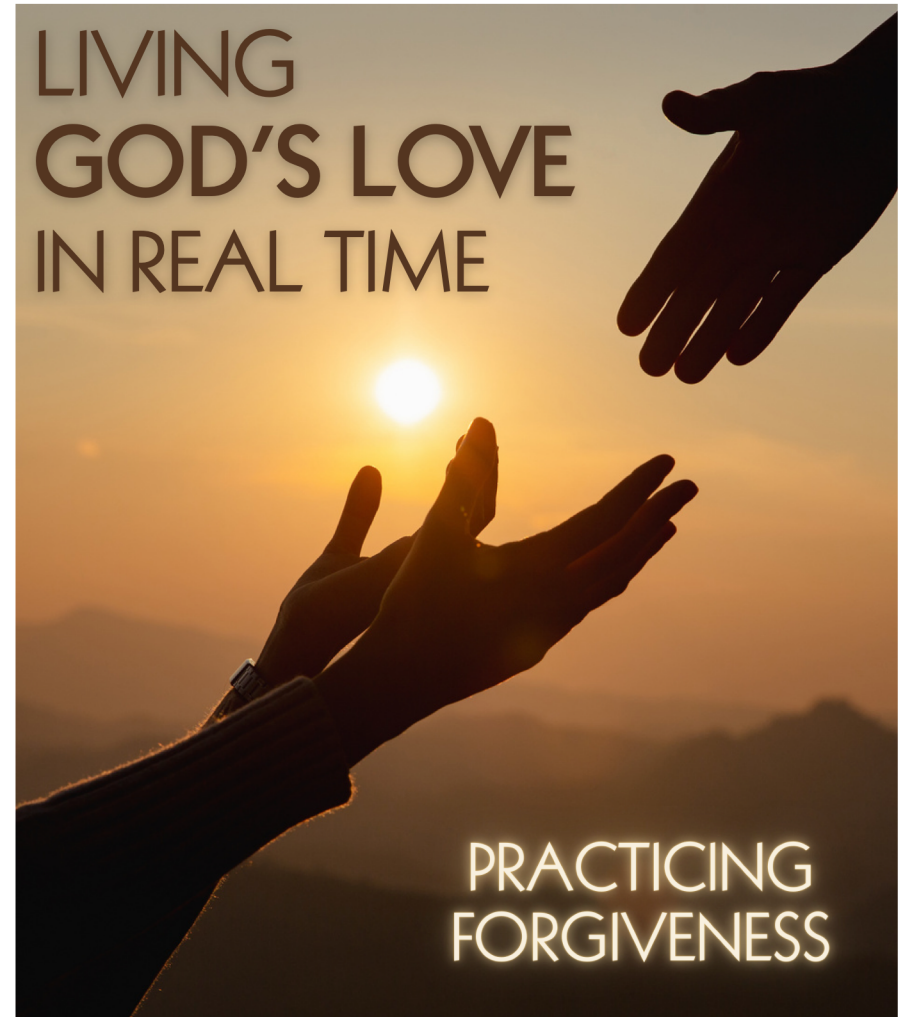
Actual Giving: \$56,379.62

Budgeted: \$51,281.67

YTD 2026

Actual Giving: \$358,617.27

Budgeted: \$358,971.69



September 6, 2026

A Service of Word and Table

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

480 S. Highland St. Memphis, TN 38111

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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 by the Seekers Sunday school class to honor our Loyal Steward class members: Dot Dickey and Helen Wofford.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Arr. Gayden Sikes

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, you who carry wounds that have not yet found healing.

Conversations await that we are afraid to begin.

God does not wait for healing before coming to our need.

God meets us in the trembling moment we turn toward one another.

For where two or three gather in honesty and grace,

Christ is already present, and healing has begun.

*OPENING HYMN

UMH 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vss. 1, 3, 4)

SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 549

Where Charity and Love Prevail

*SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:15-20

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This is the Word of God that is still speaking.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Mark A. Miller

God is Able

MESSAGE

Rev. Amy Martin

When Healing Begins

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

God of healing love, receive these gifts as an offering of lives learning to turn toward one another and toward a world in need of repair. Use them to sustain the difficult and holy work of reconciliation wherever trust has been lost and relationships have been broken. May our giving reflect the mercy we have received and the healing we are called to embody. Amen.

*How have you witnessed the beginning of healing?
During the Offertory, you are invited to bring forward your written
thanks for healing already begun or your prayer for healing to begin.*

OFFERTORY

Arr. Gayden Sikes

Children of the Heavenly Father

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

UMH 12 & 17

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Gracious God, we thank you for this mystery in which you have given yourself to us. You have given us the gift of one another, your beloved community, in which to serve, to grow, and to learn the grace of forgiveness. Bless us that we may bear your good news to one another and to all the world, in the name of Christ and the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

*SENDING HYMN

UMH 557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

*BENEDICTION

Go into the week ahead, carrying the courage to begin.

God is already present in every honest conversation,

every trembling turn toward one another,

and every wounded relationship given room to breathe.

Go in peace, trusting that healing rarely arrives all at once,

but begins wherever love is brave enough to take the next step.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Arr. John Innes

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

*Congregation stand as able.

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Leading in Worship

Rev. Jim McKinney, Senior Pastor

Rev. Amy Martin, Minister of Music and Worship

Rev. Harry Colter, Liturgist

St. Luke's Chancel Choir

Erin Smith, Soloist

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist