

Announcements

Easter Lillies: If you would like to help provide Easter Lilies for Easter Sunday, please complete a form located (Hospitality Hall Cart) and return to the church office. The deadline will be April 13th. The cost is \$18. A list of honorariums and memorials will be published on Easter Sunday, April 20th. You are welcome to take home your lilies after church on Easter Sunday.

Sherwood Elementary School Easter Clothing Drive If you would like to help with the clothing drive, please hang or place the clothing on the rack located in the hospitality hall by the desk.

Lenten Bible Study: Join us for a family-centered Lenten study on the topic of temptation and Jesus' journey to the cross. Dinner provided. Please RSVP to sheridan.harris@stlukesumc.org

Lenten Worship Services at Noon: Join us each Tuesday during Lent for a noon Lenten Service. There will be a complimentary soup and sandwich lunch immediately after in the Lounge. Please check the website for details on the guest speakers.

Food Pantry: The food pantry is starting to run low on donated paperback books for our clients. If anyone in the congregation has book paperback or hardback books that they don't want anymore, the pantry would love to have them. Thanks!

Easter Egg Hunt: Volunteers are needed for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! The event will be held on Saturday 4/12 from 10:30a-12p in Fellowship Hall. In addition to needing helpers, we will be taking donations of small pieces of individually wrapped candy to stuff our eggs with as well as Little Debbie Snack Cakes for the cake walk and empty easter eggs. Please leave donations at the front desk and reach out to Mary Page Contreras to volunteer.

Prayer Requests

Marty Cobb, Fred Kuhns(friends of the Colters), Jill Dye Congdon(former member), Kim Davis (brother in law Melinda Kaler), David and Mike Smith, Jerry Dunn (Charlotte Fletcher's son in law's father), Rita Richardson, and Greg McCarter (nephew of Opal Hill), Deborah Sanders, and Sherry Morris (Sheridan Harris' mother)

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

March 2025

Actual Giving: \$69,632

Budgeted: \$53,384

YTD 2025

Actual Giving: \$179,085

Budgeted: \$160,150



April 6th, 2025
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



During this season of Lent, you are welcomed to use the chapel before or after worship for quiet prayer and meditation. Feel free to light a candle as a physical representation of your prayer.

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 Tom Burkett from his wife and family.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Arr. John Innes

And Can It Be
Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to worship, remembering God's goodness that has carried us and sustained us to this present moment.

People: We remember the days when God covered us in love and filled us with joy.

Leader: We come to worship, weary from stress, heavy with grief, and wondering when relief will come.

People: We long for the days God covered us in love and filled us with joy.

Leader: We come to worship to remember and remind one another that God's love has never left us, and God's joy cannot be extinguished.

People: God, restore us that we know your love and your joy once again.

Leader: We come to worship to remember and become the Body of Christ, a community called to restore the world around us.

All: God, empower us to be your restoration people who fill the world with love, laughter, and abundant life. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

UMH 132

All My Hope is Firmly Grounded

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP - Children ages 4 through 3rd grade are dismissed to Children's Worship in the Lighthouse Rm. 215 during the *second* verse of the opening hymn.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 115

How Like a Gentle Spirit

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43:14-28

Old Testament Pew Bible Page 632

ANTHEM

Elaine Hagenberg

All Things New
Chancel Choir

Light after darkness, gain after loss, strength after weakness, crown after cross; sweet after bitter, hope after fears, home after wandering, praise after tears. Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end, He is making all things new. Springs of living water shall wash away each tear—He is making all things

new. Sight after mystery, sun after rain, joy after sorrow, peace after pain; near after distant, gleam after gloom, love after wandering, life after tomb.

MESSAGE

Rev. Jim McKinney

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of life, help us to take down the walls we build. Help us to work humbly with our receiving, and freely with our giving. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Arr. John Innes

Marvelous Grace
Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

AN INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

UMH 12

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*SENDING HYMN

(On Screens)

Shout to the Lord

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Arr. Douglas Wagner

Fanfare
Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*Congregation stand as able.

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

