

## Announcements

**The Food Pantry is in need of canned beef stew, chili, and chicken and dumplings.**

**The Chosen Study Group:** Beginning January 18 after Worship, join others to watch the first season of the video series "The Chosen" in the Library. Each Sunday we will watch one episode and have a discussion. Bring your own lunch. All welcome! For more information, contact Ruth Morrison 871-2624.

**Art in the Afternoon:** Starting on Thursday, Feb. 5, all artists are invited to gather each week from 1-3 PM in the CLC Craft room (room 103). Bring your own materials and enjoy creating with others. Cost - a small donation to defray set up and maintenance expenses. For more information, contact Jane Pate at 731-445-3365.

**Flower Dedications:** We are now accepting flower dedications for Sundays in 2026. This is a meaningful way to honor or remember a loved one while beautifying our worship service. If you would like to dedicate flowers for a specific Sunday in 2026, please call Sarah Jordan at the church office or email Sarah directly at [sarah.jordan@stlukesumc.org](mailto:sarah.jordan@stlukesumc.org).

### Prayer Requests

David Hensley, Dr. Jimmy Padgett, Marty Cobb, Coach David Day, Deborah Sanders, Kirk Smith, Bright Oware, Andee Williamson (Phyllis Gay's friend), Jamille Laughlin, Beverly Cooper (Pickle Ball friend), Marilyn Sadler, Betty Carter, and Sandy Caldwell.

We are leveling up the following to the Prayer Warriors:

Jordan Northcross, Steve Milinkovich, Buddy Ellis, Lewis Valdes, Sarah Jane Tice, Helen Wofford, and Dot Dickey.

*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

#### December 2025

Actual Giving: \$39,349.40

Budgeted: \$53,383.50

#### YTD 2025

Actual Giving: \$583,539.92

Budgeted: \$640,602.00



# God's Call



First Sunday After the Epiphany  
January 11, 2026

**St. Luke's United Methodist Church**

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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 to God's glory and in loving memory of Elliott  
Cushing on his birthday, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, from the Cushing families.*

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*And Can It Be*

Arr. Rick Parks

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

The voice of God calls to us! Are you listening?

**Speak, Lord, your servants are listening.**

The hands of God beckon us! Are you paying attention?

**Show us, Lord, your servants are paying attention.**

The love of God asks us—are you ready to follow?

**Guide us, Lord, and we, your servants, will follow.**

Come, let us worship the God whose tenacious love never stops calling  
and beckoning and asking us to follow.

**We are here, Lord. Lead us forward in love.**

### \*OPENING HYMN

*God of Love and God of Power*

UMH 578

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH 885

*We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love,*

*whose mercy is over all his works,*

*and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.*

*We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the*

*Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope,*

*and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives,*

*whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ,*

*and find strength and help in time of need.*

*We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love*

*as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord*

*to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.*

### \*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 & LORD'S PRAYER

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

UMH 454

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

### SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 3:1-20

### ANTHEM

K. Lee Scott

*Day By Day*

### MESSAGE

Rev. Jim McKinney

### UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

*O God, you have loved us, and in your love you have called us. Receive our gifts  
offered in praise and thanksgiving. Awaken us to your Spirit, give us courage, and  
empower us with grace to follow you, for the sake of the healing of the world, in the  
name and Spirit of Christ. Amen.*

### OFFERTORY

Arr. Rick Parks

*Shall We Gather at the River?*

### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

### \*SENDING HYMN

UMH 593

*Here I Am Lord*

### \*BENEDICTION

Beloved disciples, go from this place ready to listen for God's voice and  
to follow the Spirit's lead as we answer God's call.

**We go to be God's people, listening and responding in faith.**

Go in the peace of Christ, to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### POSTLUDE

Arr. Paul Manz

*God of Grace*

\*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

April Carpenter, Liturgist

St. Luke's Chancel Choir

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist