

## Annoucements

**WK and UMCOR** disaster response volunteers and staff report significant damage to homes in the western part of our conference. We are asking churches and individuals to please prepare UMCOR Cleaning Kits (buckets) to assist survivors with clean-up. Hygiene kits are also in short supply. Financial donations are always appreciated. United Women in Faith are asking you to join us in preparing hygiene kits. Items needed can be download or a printed list can be picked up in Hospitality Hall.

**VBS in Ancient Egypt!** Vacation Bible School will be held June 9-12, from 5:30-7:30 pm. Dinner will be served nightly and the week is completely FREE! This year we will travel back in time to ancient Egypt to learn about Joseph's journey from the prison to the palace. Registration is already live on our website and volunteers are still needed. Reach out to Mary Page Contreras if you have any questions or want to help and register to secure your spot today!

**Babygarten:** FREE 4 week class for babies up to 18 months & their parents - No registration or reservations required. Fridays at 9:30 – 10:15, May 9, and May 16, 2025 in the Lounge, led by Miria Hendrickson.

**Fun Bunch** on Tuesday, May 13 at 11:30 in the Craft room in the CLC. We will be crafting Spring Flower Buckets. Please bring your sack lunch, and we will provide drinks and desserts. Please sign up in Hospitality Hall so we will know how many drinks, desserts and buckets to bring!

**St. Luke's Kid Summer Fun Camp:** May 28-May 30<sup>th</sup>, from 9a-3pm. St. Luke's will host rising kindergarden through rising 5<sup>th</sup> grade for a free recreation, crafts, service centered camp. All participants must register at [www.stlukesumc.org](http://www.stlukesumc.org). Please contact [Sheridan.harris@stlukesumc.org](mailto:Sheridan.harris@stlukesumc.org) for any questions.

### Prayer Requests

Marty Cobb, Ryan Kaler, and Orabeth McIver(Sally McIver-Coulson's mother).

*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

##### March 2025

Actual Giving: \$69,632  
Budgeted: \$53,384

##### YTD 2025

Actual Giving: \$179,085  
Budgeted: \$160,150



**May 4th, 2025**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**

### 2025 GRADUATES

Luke Goebel  
Sophie Patterson  
Stone McKinney  
Eli Morrison  
Brooklyn Coulson

### 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.*

### St. Luke's United Methodist Church

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#### *Church Office Hours*

Monday- Thursday- 8:30am-3:00pm  
Friday- Closed

## **Order of Worship**

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given in honor of the graduates of 2025. The church wishes them congratulations and blessings, from Sheridan Harris and Susan Dacus.*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given in honor of the St Gelais family for their dedication to our Scout troop and for leading a wonderful Scout Sunday and ministry.*

### **CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **PRELUDE**

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing*

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** God, you call us from the corners of the Earth.

**People:** From the cities and the prairies, from the ghettos and the tables of the wealthy.

**Leader:** God, you sing to us from the corners of the universe.

**People:** In the gentle ocean breeze, in the colors that burst forth from our landscapes, in the faces of children ravaged by war.

**Leader:** God, you speak to us from the corners of the Earth.

**All:** To the east, to the west, to the north and to the south, above us, below us, and within us, your voice rings clear. Send your voice to sing in us, we pray, as we worship this day.

#### **\*OPENING HYMN**

*We Will Glorify the King of Kings*

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**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**

*Amazing Grace*

UMH 378

#### **\*SCRIPTURE**

New Testament Pew Bible Page 109-110

John 21: 15-19

#### **ANTHEM**

Elaine Hagenberg

*O Love*

Chancel Choir

*O Love, that will not let me go. O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give thee back the life I owe, that in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be. O Joy, that seeks me through the pain. O I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain. That morn shall*

*tearless be. O Love, that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give thee back the life I owe, that in Thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be. O Love, that will not let me go.*

### **MESSAGE**

Rev. Jim McKinney

### **UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*O God, you have poured out the riches of your grace! Help us to share these riches- bless what we offer here today on these plates and within our hearts. May it all be worthy of us and what you have done for us. Amen.*

#### **OFFERTORY**

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

*O Sons and Daughters of the King*

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

#### **\*DOXOLOGY**

UMH 94

### **AN INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

UMH 12

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

#### **\*SENDING HYMN**

UMH 383

*This is a Day of New Beginnings*

### **SENIOR RECOGNITION**

**Leader:** God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth. Bless our graduates as they now finish this course of study.

**All:** We thank you for those who taught and worked beside them, and all who supported them along the way.

**Leader:** Walk with the graduates as they leave and move forward in life. Take away their anxiety and confusion of purpose.

**All:** Strengthen their many talents and skills, instill in them a confidence in the future you plan, where energies may be gathered up and used for the good of all people.

**Leader:** For the graduates, this truly is a day of new beginnings, a time to remember and move on, and a time to believe what love is bringing.

**All:** May they always know that Christ is alive and goes before us, to show and share what love can do. This is a day of new beginnings, our God is making all things new.

### **BENEDICTION(Sing Response on Screens)**

*Awake, My Heart with Gladness*

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

\*Congregation stand as able.

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