

Announcements

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

Church office will be closed November 26 - 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The United Methodist Neighborhood Centers is asking for \$25 gift cards from the grocery store of your choice for Thanksgiving for the Food Pantries. The cards are due November 17. You can drop them off at Hospitality Hall or give to Mozell Starks.

Volunteer Opportunity: Volunteer opportunity to work at the front desk in the Hospitality Hall on Monday, November 24. Signup sheet at front desk.

Mitten Tree: The Sherwood Elementary Mitten Tree is up in the Hospitality Hall to be adorned with donations of mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, socks, and coats! Helping to keep the students warm and cozy is such a great way to share Christ's Love throughout the winter season.

Advent Decorating: On November 23, after worship, please stay to help decorate our sanctuary for the coming seasons of Advent and Christmas. There are jobs for all ability levels (from putting up trees to fluffing bows)! Stay for as long or as short as you like. Any time you can give will be greatly appreciated. Many hands make quick work!

Cocoa and Carols: Join us on Sunday, December 17, after worship on the front steps as we sing to our neighbors and welcome them to join the fun. After the caroling we will have cocoa, sandwiches, & cookies plus a gingerbread slide/bounce house, & giant snow globe photo op. Christmas fun & fellowship for all ages! Invite your friends!

Holiday Hope Night: Parents mark your calendars for the Holiday Hope Night on Friday, December 12th from 5:30-7:30 pm. Free admission, but RSVP with Mary Page to ensure enough food. Nursery available only by request! marypage.contreras@stlukesumc.org

Prayer Requests

Jordan Northcross, David Hensley, Dr. Jimmy Padgett, Steve Milinkovich, Buddy Ellis (Ann Al-Chokhachi 's brother), Shea Kaler, Marty Cobb, Lewis Valdes.

We are leveling up the following to the prayer warriors: Mac Mathis, Rita Richardson's niece, and Lynne McAlexander.

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 Corrected

October 2025

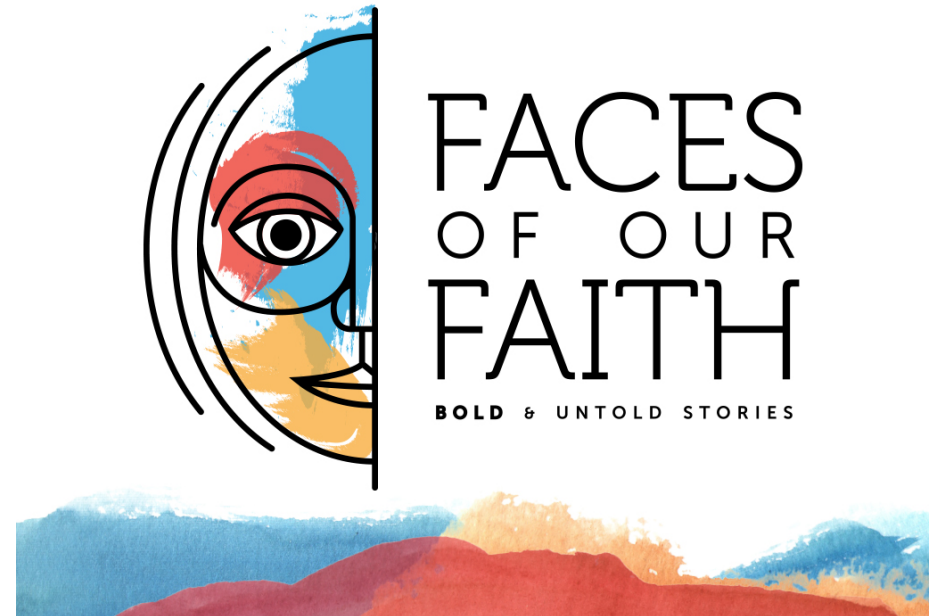
Actual Giving: \$58,966.14

Budgeted: \$53,383.50

YTD 2025

Actual Giving: \$505,163.17

Budgeted: \$533,835.00



November 16, 2025

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

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 honor of Sarah Jordan for her hard work and dedication to St. Luke's UMC.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

This Day of Gladness
Susan E. Geschke

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, bless the Lord, in whom we find our refuge and safety.

You are our God; all good things come from you.

Come, bless the Lord, who gives us a rich inheritance,
and surrounds us with abundance.

You are our God; our lives are in your hands.

Come, bless the Lord, who guides us on the path to eternal life,
whose presence strengthens and sustains us.

You are our God; we will not be shaken.

*OPENING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

UMH 110

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(On the screens)

UMH 883

*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

HANDBELL ANTHEM

Amazing Grace
Arr. Sandra Eithun

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 1:8-22
Old Testament Pew Bible Page 47

ANTHEM

Show Us How to Love
Mark A. Miller

MESSAGE

Rev. Amy Martin

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you not with our words only,
but with our whole lives.*

OFFERTORY

Adagio for Strings
Samuel Barber

During the offertory music, you are invited to reflect on the insert art, "They Said No" by Lisle Gwynn Garrity. Shiphrah and Puah used their hands to say no to a power-hungry ruler and yes to a God of justice. Consider your own hands during this time. See the lines, the bends, the marks. How can you use your hands to say no to injustice and yes to God?

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

*SENDING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory (vs. 1, 2, 4)

UMH 577

*BENEDICTION

With gratitude and praise we go forth from this place,

To offer ourselves as faces of our faith;

To let people know that God is with them;

To save them from despair and to give them hope;

To save them from fear and give them confidence;

To save them from death and give them life.

Go in peace and the blessing of the Creator,

Redeemer and Sustainer will always be with you.

Thanks be to God. Amen!

POSTLUDE

You Shall Go Out with Joy
Arr. Douglas Wagner

*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

Lewis Valdes, Liturgist

Wesley Bells

St. Luke's Chancel Choir

Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist