

WELCOME

Our hope is that you will experience God's love in our worship service today. Guests, we are grateful for you, and we hope that we've made you feel welcome! Please don't hesitate to ask any one of us about our church and the ministries we offer! And please let us know you were here today by signing the RED REGISTRATION PAD located at the end of each pew.

Additional information about St. Luke's history and our current happenings are located in the bins at the back of our sanctuary.

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PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS: Oct. 4 – Oct. 10, 2026

Monday, Oct. 5	9:00 a.m. - Noon
Tuesday, Oct. 6	11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 8	1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 9	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

MEETINGS:

Nomination's Committee	Monday, Oct. 5, 4:30 p.m. In the Sanctuary
Trustees	Tuesday, Oct. 13, 9:00 a.m.
Missions	Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1:00 p.m.
Church Council	Thursday, Oct. 22, 3:30 p.m.





St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Where Friends and Faith Meet

Rev. L. Kim Eanes, Pastor

Marsha Gerber, Music Director

St. Luke's Congregation, Ministers

Greeters & Ushers:

8:30 – Jerry Vagnier and John Sariscak

10:15 – Margo Cservek and Barb Silcox

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Oct. 4, 2026

PRELUDE: "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" -arr. Shackley

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign the Registration Pad located at the end of each pew.)

THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY: (See our prayer list)

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively):**

L: In a world that remains divided and in conflict, God is inviting us to be one.

P: TODAY WE GATHER AROUND ONE TABLE, IN ANSWER TO GOD'S WILL.

L: And what do we find at today's Table?

P: GOD'S LOVE, WHICH ENDURES ALL THINGS AND CONNECTS ALL THINGS.

L: And what is NOT at today's Table?

P: THE MANY POWERS OF THE WORLD, WHICH SEEK TO LORD OVER OTHERS.

L: Let us repent and give thanks for God's power to bring salvation to all who believe.

P: THANKS BE TO GOD! MAY WE BE WITNESSES OF GOD'S LOVE!

L: Let us worship together, the true God Who makes us one.

***OPENING HYMN:** "Jesu, Jesu" No. 432
Verses 2, 3 & 4

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

PERSONAL WITNESS: Serve: Presence Will Ross

***OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Leviticus 24:1-9

8:30 A.M. Will Ross

10:15 A.M. Sherri Prosser

PRAYERS AND PRAISES/SILENT PRAYER/

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

(At each pause and when directed, the congregation shall respond as follows: MAY THEY BE STRENGTHENED IN FAITH, JUSTICE, AND HOPE.)

***GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 24:13-32

***GLORIA PATRI** "Glory Be to the Father" No. 70

MESSAGE

"24/7 Presence"
Rev. L. Kim Eanes

***HYMN OF RESPONSE:** "I Come With Joy" No. 617
Verses 1, 2 & 3

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS/

OFFERTORY: "The Heart of Worship" -arr. Larson

***THE DOXOLOGY** No. 95

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 15-16

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT:** "I Come With Joy" No. 617
Verses 4 & 5

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING FORTH** – "God Be with You Till we Meet Again"
(Hymnal inside back cover; holding hands is optional)

***POSTLUDE:** "The Crusaders" - arr. Stickles

*Please stand as able.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - MONDAYS at 8:00 a.m. Contact Alan Bethel or Rev. Dr. Lee van Rensburg for additional information.

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WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet on Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us! We will continue with our study on "The Names of God", picking up on DAY 3 of WEEK 5. All sisters in faith are welcome to attend!

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NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE - Third Meeting: As we continue our work on the selection of servant leaders for the 2027 ministry year, we will gather for our next meeting on Monday, OCTOBER 5 at 4:30 p.m. PLEASE NOTE: We will meet in the SANCTUARY.

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UNITED METHODISM CLASS SCHEDULE SET: Pastor Kim will be teaching a United Methodist 101 class beginning on Thursday, Oct. 8th at 3:30pm. We will meet weekly for 6 weeks with the exception of October 22nd, as our monthly Church Council meeting was already on the calendar for that day. The class will run from 3:30pm-4:30pm, with our final class scheduled for Thursday, November 19th. This class is being offered for anyone who is interested in learning about the United Methodist denomination and/or brushing up on your United Methodist wisdom! Hope you can join us!

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BIRTHDAYS

Matthew Metropolis, 10/4
Dawn Hall, 10/9
John Hubbard, 10/9
Sharon Makarick, 10/9
Phyllis Sippel, 10/10
Bill Blosser, 10/12

ANNIVERSARIES

No Anniversaries

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Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God by Letty and Bill Husson In memory of their mama, who passed away at 99½.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS – SATURDAY, October 10th at 10:00 a.m. - Please join us in our St. Luke's Pavillon for our Blessing of the Animals Service next Saturday, October 10th at 10:00 a.m. This will be a service of liturgy, song, and blessing as we gather to celebrate our beloved pets in conjunction with the Feast Day of St. Francis (October 4th). Bring a chair if you so desire. All pets are welcome. Invite your neighbors and their pets too!

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MISSIONS

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY- **TODAY, October 4** there will be a Special Offering celebrating Christian unity and service around the world. Envelopes will be provided in the bulletin.

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FAMILY PROMISE SIGNUP – Signups begin for **Family Promise** meals **TODAY, Sunday, October 4**. Please see the bulletin board in the Sanctuary for needed items.

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FAMILY PROMISE DROP OFF – The drop-off time is **9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 22 and Friday, October 23.**

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SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – Pick up a shoebox in the Fellowship Hall to fill with small gifts for children in distressed areas of the world. **Filled shoeboxes will only be accepted in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings from Nov. 1st through Nov. 15th.**

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AGAPE FAMILY LIFE CENTER, 5855 Okatie Hwy., Hardeeville. Help distribute fresh food to local families in need on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 -12:00 noon. No advanced signup needed.

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BLUFFTON SELF HELP – Donations are collected in our parking lot before each worship service the first Sunday of the month or can be left in the basket in Fellowship Hall at any time.

If you are going through an illness or another crisis and can use support, please let us know. Marie Baldauf leads this ministry, which can help by providing a meal, a visit, or caring phone calls. Please contact Marie.

PPI FUND - This fund is used when unexpected damage occurs, *i.e.*, trees down from weather-related incidents, etc. So far, we have not been hit by a hurricane, but it could happen anytime between now and the end of November. We are asking for members of the congregation to consider donations to the PPI Fund in addition to their normal tithes and offerings. If writing a check, make it out to St. Luke's and indicate "PPI Fund" on the memo line. Thank you in advance!

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FELLOWSHIP HALL RESERVATIONS – Please contact Don or Charlene King if you would like to reserve Fellowship Hall for an event or a meeting at kingdc33063@yahoo.com.

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Please send information for UPCOMING MEETINGS, BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS and the PRAYER REQUEST LIST to Amy Erickson and Linda Metcalf.

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VOLUNTEERS are needed for USHERS and SCRIPTURE READERS at both the 8:30 and 10:15 services. Please see the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the Sanctuary.

PRAYER REQUESTS

CONGREGANTS

Andy & Sharon Makarick	Chick Mazon	Linda O'Connor
Shirley Hamilton	Michael Brown	

FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF CONGREGANTS

Steve Nelson, friend of Marie Baldauf
Dexter Nease, son-in-law of J.W. Harper
David and Lynn Clearwater, friends of Beverly and Thomas Cook
Bethany Horry, granddaughter of Ouida Dell
June, sister of Janet Jacoby
David Sharp, son of Beverly Cook
Kathy Haseem, friend of Nancy Sariscak
Colton, friend of Michele Elek
Debbie, friend of Michele Elek
Bergen Smith, niece of Linda Metcalf
Fred and Lisa, son and daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Vance, their family and grandchild, Silvia
Mickey Yew, husband of Linda Fisher's niece
Penny Christianson, friend of B.J. Scholer
Carol Thompson, friend of Nancy Sariscak
Judith, friend of Fran Iacovo
Martha, friend of Fran Iacovo
Allison Scrabis, friend of Marie Baldauf
Karen, friend of Tina Blount
Diana Smail, extended family of Jim and Kathy Smith
Brooklyn, granddaughter of friends of Ouida Dell
Rosalyn Perdue, mother of Allyn Perdue
John Trotter, care receiver of Charlene King
Cindy, cousin of Jane Tiffany
Jim Derma, friend of Jane Tiffany