St. Luke's
United Methodist Church



Where Friends and Faith Meet

October 25, 2026
8:30 and 10:15 a.m.

3080 Okatie Hwy. 170 • Bluffton, SC 29909
www.stlukesumc-okatie.org

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: October 25 - 31, 2026

Mon, Oct. 26	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 27	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 28	11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 29	Noon – 5:00 p.m.

MEETINGS:

Clergy Consultation at District Office (Walterboro) –
Tues., Oct. 27, 11:00 a.m.
Charge Conference – Sun., Nov. 1, Church of the Palms, 12:30 p.m.
Trustees – Tues., Nov. 3, 9:00 a.m.
Missions – Wed., Nov. 11, 1:00 p.m.
Council – Wed., Nov. 18, 3:30 p.m.

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Rev. L. Kim Eanes, Pastor
Marsha Gerber, Music Director
St. Luke's Congregation, Ministers
Greeters & Ushers:
8:30 – Candace Payne and Rich Rohde
10:15 – Barb Silcox and Thomas Cook

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Oct. 25, 2026

PRELUDE: "*More Love to Thee, O Christ"* - Doane

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

THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively):
L: We are witnesses…
P: TO THE LOVE GOD HAS POURED INTO US!
L: We are witnesses of God's love…
P: SHARING IT WITH EACH PERSON WE MEET.
L: We are witnesses to everyone we encounter…
P: SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN GOD'S FAMILY.

***OPENING HYMN:** *"Lord, Speak to Me"* No. 463
Verses 1-3

A WORD ABOUT ALL HALLOW'S EVE

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***GOSPEL LESSON #1** Mark 3:13-19
8:30 – Kathy Smith
10:15 – Cathy Hamlin

PERSONAL WITNESS Joe Cservek

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (responsively):
L: Church, what is our calling in the world?
P: WE ARE CALLED TO BE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD AND THE SALT OF THE EARTH.
L: How shall we respond to this calling?
P: WE WILL SPEAK OF WHAT WE HAVE SEEN AND HEARD. WE WILL LIVE OUT THE GOSPEL IN LOVE, HUMILITY, AND TRUTH. WE WILL NOT BE SILENT ABOUT THE GRACE THAT SAVED US.
ALL: AMEN AND AMEN.

***GOSPEL LESSON # 2** John 6:5-10

PRAYERS AND PRAISES/SILENT PRAYER/
THE LORD'S PRAYER No. 895

***GOSPEL LESSON # 3** John 1:35-42a

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

MESSAGE: "Simply…A Witness"
Rev. L. Kim Eanes

SPECIAL MUSIC: *"Testimony"* - Terrian
Sung by Joann Sandruck

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS/
OFFERTORY: "*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"* - Starr

***THE DOXOLOGY** No. 95

***CLOSING HYMN:** *"Lord, Speak To Me"* No. 463
Verses 4 & 5

***BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE:** "*My Lord and My God"* - Mallard

*Please stand as able.

CANTERFIELD OF BLUFFTON – TODAY everyone is invited to come and participate in a brief message and communion for residents at 1:00 p.m.

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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 take a short break between our current session and our new Advent Study. Please mark your calendars for our "re-start" on Thursday, NOVEMBER 19 at 5:00 p.m. More details about the new Advent study can be found in the November newsletter and in upcoming weekly bulletins. Please plan to join us in November!

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CHRISTMAS CANTATA - rehearsals TUESDAYS at 6:00 p.m.

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UNITED METHODISM 101 CLASS - Please join us every THURSDAY afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall as we learn (or re-learn) some of the most important tenets of our United Methodist denomination. Policy, polity, and history are all included in this course. We will end our sessions on November 19. Please contact Pastor Kim with any questions or for more information.

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ALL SAINTS DAY – On Sunday November 1, we will be honoring those members who have passed away this year by tolling a bell and lighting a candle in their memory.

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PLEASE NOTE – We will be celebrating Communion on November 8, rather than November 1, due to the Charge Conference which will take place at the Church of the Palms at 12:30 on November 1. We will also be welcoming new members on November 8.

BIRTHDAYS

Vicki Hoin, 10/25
Jerry Wick, 10/29

ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Sharon Gaddo, 10/22 (Belated)
Bev & Don Witzel, 10/26
Beverly & Tom Cook, 10/28

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Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God by Meg Carmody and Stan O'Rear in memory of Meg's parents.

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MISSIONS

Please see insert.

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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.

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REMINDER – Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 a.m. Don't forget to "fall back" one hour before going to bed on Saturday night.

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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!

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
Helen Van Veen
Francine Iacovo

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
Colton, friend of Michele Elek
Debbie, friend of Michele Elek
Bergen Smith, niece of Linda Metcalf
Fred and Lisa, brother and sister-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
Judith, friend of Fran Iacovo
Allison Scrabis, friend of Marie Baldauf
Diana Smail, extended family of Jim and Kathy Smith
Jim Derma, friend of Jane Tiffany
Gayle Malphus and her husband, neighbors of Beverly and Thomas Cook
Nikki Stover, friend of Michele Elek
The niece of Jerry Vagnier

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to Allyn Perdue and Pat Simmons and the family and friends of Rosalyn Perdue, mother of Allyn Perdue, on Rosalyn's passing on October 21.

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family of baby Brooklyn, granddaughter of friends of Ouida Dell, on Brooklyn's recent passing.

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to John Hubbard, and the family and friends of John's brother Wallace, on Wallace's recent passing.

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of Edward Stanley on Edward's recent passing.

Missions Happenings – November 2026

- **October 28 (Wednesday) 10:00 AM – Blanket Ministry**
  Last chance in 2026 to help make no-sew blankets. Bring a bag lunch and stay for a time of fellowship afterwards.

- **November 1 -- First Sunday Mission for Bluffton Self Help**
  Donations collected in our parking lot before each worship service.
  Most needed items (all donations are appreciated):

For the Thanksgiving Table

Canned Peas & Corn	Pumpkin, Cranberry Sauce
Yams & Dried Potatoes	Cream Soups, Broth, Gravy
Stuffing Mix	Bread Mix, Cake Mix & Frosting
Brownie & Pudding Mix	Pie Filling, Pie Crusts
Large Disposable Roasting Pans	

Always-Needed Essentials

Canned Chicken & Tuna	Taco Kits, Salsa, Black Beans
Skillet Meal Kits	Pasta & Pasta Sauce
Velveeta & Parmesan Cheese	White Rice
Canned Tomatoes	Cooking Oil, Flour, Sugar
Shelf Stable Dressing	Mayonnaise & Ketchup

- **November 1 (Sunday) –** Sign-ups begin for **Family Promise** meals on Nov. 17 & Nov 19. Check sanctuary bulletin board.

- **November 11 (Wednesday), 1:00 PM – Missions Committee Meeting** in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone welcome!

- **November 15 (Sunday) – Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child –** Last day to drop off shoeboxes in the Fellowship Hall.

- **November 17 (Tuesday), 9:00-9:30 AM –** Drop off all food in the Fellowship Hall for 11/17 & 11/19 **Family Promise** meals.

- **November 22 (Sunday) – Adopt A Student for Christmas –** Pick up information in the Fellowship Hall for gifting some of the needs and wants for Pritchardville children in need.

- **Saturdays & Wednesdays, 10:00-12:00 – Agape Family Life Center,** 5855 Okatie Hwy, Hardeeville – Volunteers needed to help distribute fresh food to local families in need.

Thank you for your support of St. Luke's Missions Outreach!