

## Members

December 2, 2018

8:30 a.m.    11:00 a.m.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**We are currently updating our Guidebook and Church Directory for 2019. If your address or phone has changed, please check this box and include new information.**

I would like more information about serving in the following areas:

### Ministry

Children    Youth  
 Young Adult    Recreation  
 Music    Older Adults

### Service

Food Ministries    Hospitality  
 Congregational Care  
 Transportation

### Spiritual Growth

Sunday School    Bible Study  
 Small Groups    Activity Groups

### Worship

Usher    Choir  
 Communion    Greeter

### Other

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## All are Welcome at St. Luke's!

**Worship on Sundays**  
8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**Sunday School Classes**  
9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Time - 10:30 a.m.  
Join us in the Hospitality Hall for coffee, donuts, and fellowship!  
(Between Sunday School and worship.)

### Ministry Staff

Jim McKinney, *Pastor*  
Harry Colter, *Pastoral Assistant*  
Terri Theil, *Music Ministry/Children's Ministry*  
Wes Kirkpatrick, *Organist*  
David Day Sr., *Christian Life Center and Senior Adults*  
Vickey Hobbs, *Business Manager*  
Ashley Scott, *Challengers*  
Beth Ryan, *Youth/Young Adult Ministry*  
Tim Taylor, *Facilities Manager*  
Donna Thurmond, *Communications/Event Coordinator*  
Amy Turman, *Day School*

To contact staff by email:  
[first name].[last name]  
@stlukesumc.org

Send announcements for the Sunday bulletin or monthly newsletter to donna.thurmond@stlukesumc.org.

#### GIVING APP

"GivePlus Church" is a mobile giving app that enables you to make one-time or recurring gifts from your smartphone. Download the GivePlus Church app from the App Store or Google Play. Thank you for supporting St. Luke's.

## This Week at St. Luke's

### Sunday, December 2

Community Breakfast: 8:00-8:30 a.m., FH  
Worship Services: 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.  
Under 12/Under 16 Basketball: 1:00-3:00 p.m., Gym  
Wesley Bells Rehearsal: 3:30-4:30 p.m., Bell Room  
Youth Activities: 5:00-7:00 p.m.

### Monday, December 3

Sit & Be Fit: 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m., CLC 103  
Soccer Shots, Day School: 2:00-3:30 p.m., Gym  
Under 16 Basketball: 5:00-7:15 p.m., Gym  
Glad Helpers Prayer Group: 5:30-7:30 p.m., Parlor  
Jesus is Lord Basketball: 7:15-10:15 p.m., Gym

### Tuesday, December 4

Morning Basketball: 6:30-8:00 a.m., Gym  
UMW Meeting: 9:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m., MB 104  
UMW Lunch: 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., FH  
Pickleball: 12:00-2:00 p.m., Gym  
Under 10 Basketball: 5:45-7:15 p.m., Gym  
Trustees Meeting: 6:00-7:30 p.m., Lounge  
Boy Scouts: 6:30-8:00 p.m., Scout Hut  
Cub Scouts: 6:30-7:30 p.m., Chapel/2nd floor

### Wednesday, December 5

Morning Basketball: 6:30-8:00 a.m., Gym  
Yoga With Ann: 5:15-6:15 p.m., Parlor  
Advent Fellowship and Caroling: 5:45-6:30 p.m., FH  
Under 18 Basketball: 5:45-7:15 p.m., Gym  
Chancel Choir: 6:30-8:00 p.m., Choir Room  
Young Adult Basketball: 7:20-8:50 p.m., Gym

### Thursday, December 6

Day School STEM Class: 8:30-11:30 a.m., Lounge  
Sit & Be Fit: 8:45-9:45 a.m., Gym  
Food Pantry: 9:30-12:00 p.m., CLC 108  
Small Group Study: 10:00 a.m.-noon, Library  
Craft Club: 12:00-4:00 p.m., CLC 103  
Under 8 Basketball: 5:45-7:15 p.m., Gym  
Fisher of Men: 7:15-10:15 p.m., Gym

### Friday, December 7

Morning Basketball: 6:30-8:00 a.m., Gym  
Day School Movie Day: 9:30 a.m.-noon, Lounge

### Saturday, December 8

Church Work Day: 7:30 a.m.-noon  
ESCRA Youth Basketball: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Gym  
Soccer Shots: 8:30 a.m.-noon  
American Sewing Guild: 10 a.m.-noon, Lounge  
Sit & Sew: 1:00-4:00 p.m., Lounge  
Magnolia Meditation Group: 2:00-4:00 p.m., MB 213  
Saturday Supper: 4:30-5:30 p.m., FH

**MB: Main Building      FH: Fellowship Hall**  
**CB: Children's Building      CLC: Christian Life Center**

**St. Luke's United Methodist Church**  
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December 2, 2018

*First Sunday in Advent*



#### *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

December 2, 2018

## Order of Word and Table

### Chiming of the Hour

### Liturgist

Harry Colter

### Ministry Moment

Linda Hensley, Worship Committee

### Prelude

*O Come, O Come Immanuel* ARR. KENNETH VARNER  
Wes Kirkpatrick

### \*Call to Worship

**Leader:** How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the King?

**People: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.**

**Leader:** How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the eternal Christ?

**People: With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.**

**Leader:** How shall we prepare this house for the coming of our Savior?

**People: With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death, and resurrection.**

**Leader:** How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Son of God?

**People: By hearing again the words of the prophets, who foretold the saving work of God.**

**Leader:** For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

**People: Glory to God in the highest!**

**\*Processional Hymn** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* UMH 211

**Blessing of the Advent Wreath** (*See responsive reading on overhead slides.*)

### Lighting of the Advent Candle

### Special Music

*Away in a Manger*  
Kids Choir, Melanie Scarborough, Director

### Pastoral Prayer

### Giving of Tithes and Offerings

(Use our giving app: "GivePlus Church.")

### Unison Offertory Prayer

A voice cries out "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

### Offertory

*Some Children See Him* ALFRED BURT  
Stone McKinney  
Jacob Taylor, guitar

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 94

**Hymn of Preparation** *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* UMH 196

**Scripture** Jeremiah 33:14-16

**Message** Rev. Jim McKinney

**An Invitation to Holy Communion** UMH 12-15  
*How Far is it to Bethlehem* ARR. MOLLY IJAMS  
Youth Ensemble

**\*Hymn of Dedication** *Lift up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* UMH 213

**\*Benediction** *Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel.*  
*Shall come to us oh Israel*

**Postlude** *Moderato* G. BENTIVOGLIO  
\*Stand as able

UMH: Blue Hymnal TFWS: Black Hymnal W&S: Green Hymnal CCLI 11116308

## Announcements

**Angel Tree Project.** *More names have been added!* Look for the Christmas tree located in the Hospitality Hall with angel ornaments that represent those who can no longer attend worship. Please sign up for an angel through Marty Cobb. Christmas gift ideas include a box of soft candy along with an activity or devotional book. If you are unable to deliver the gift, place gifts under the tree by December 16 and we will make sure they are delivered.

**Church Work Day.** All are invited to join us this Saturday, December 8 from 7:30 a.m.-noon as we work on various projects around the church.

**United Methodist Women.** The UMW General Meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 4, at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Les Johnson will be our guest speaker. Sign up at the Hospitality desk for lunch. The cost is \$6 per person. Everyone is invited.

**Room In The Inn.** The first night with Room In The Inn was a great success. We had six ladies that spent the night in a safe and warm place. Our next dates are December 8, January 12, February 9 and March 9. A signup sheet is available at the Hospitality Hall desk. For more information contact Jim and Jeanne Debo at jwdebo1@aol.com.

### Wednesday Night Fellowship and Caroling

*Wednesdays, December 5, 12, 19 • 5:45-6:30 p.m.*

Join us for a light supper followed by the singing of Christmas carols and a brief devotional by Rev. Jim McKinney. Cost is \$5 each. Call the church office for reservations.

**The Messiah • Sunday, December 9 • 4:00 p.m.**

Our Chancel Choir and Chamber Orchestra will perform selections of Handel's Messiah with featured soloists.

**Lessons & Carols (one service) • Sunday, December 16 • 11:00 a.m.**

The story of Christmas told through scripture and music foretelling us of the birth of our Savior.

**Christmas Eve Candlelight • Monday, December 24 • 5:00 p.m.**

## Prayers of the People

Laure Bell (sister of Scott Blount), Thomas Day (brother of David Day), Steve Gentry, Alex Wofford, Dorothy Ham, Charlie Palmer, Wilson Walker, Betty Fly, Carol Smith, The Budd Family, Wayne Bengston, Mary Lou Theil, Jim Burch, Jr., Danny Hobbs, Lucinda Biller, Gil Herren

*Friends coping with cancer:*

Oliver Strickland, Trudy Roberts, Susan Lowry, Jennifer Cottam, Don Day, Lynn Manley, Oma Strickland, Lisa Manning, Melanie Semore, Michelle Heck, Mrs. Vick, Eugene Callaway, Edna Poletti

*Homebound friends this week:*

Emma Lee Mauldin, Pat Murrell, Berenice Perry, Deborah Sanders

*Sympathy:*

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Dan Goodwin, who passed away November 26.

To submit or update a prayer request please fill out the yellow prayer card in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate or send an email to Janie Hendrix at prayer.request@stlukesumc.org.

### Stewardship Update

Thank you, church family, for participating in the Stewardship Campaign, "Test Me On This." Pledges are still coming in, so we don't have a final count. We are grateful for each of you who took time to read the daily scripture and participate in the activities. If you have not turned in a pledge card, it is never too late! Blessings during this truly most wonderful time of the year!  
—Denton and Amy Pearson

*We are glad you are here to worship with us today.*

Everyone is a child of God, and at St. Luke's we believe we are here to share Christ, serve all people in our community and love as Jesus loved.

If you are visiting today, please register your attendance by completing the information below.

## Visitors

December 2, 2018

8:30 a.m.  11:00 a.m.

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Age group (*circle one*)

18-26 27-40 41-55 56-65 66-up

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children or youth?  Y  N

*Please check all that apply:*

First time visitor  Returning visitor

Regular attendee

I would like to know more about becoming a member of St. Luke's.

I would like to speak with a pastor.

I would like to know more about Jesus Christ and the Christian faith.

How do you prefer to be contacted?

Phone  Email  Text

Meet for Coffee  Home Visit

How did you hear about St. Luke's?

I would like to receive the following e-newsletters:

\_\_\_ *The Epistle* (monthly news)

\_\_\_ Children's Ministry

\_\_\_ Youth Ministry