



St. Luke's Methodist Church

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GLOBAL  
METHODIST CHURCH

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.

Sunday, January 4, 2026  
Epiphany Sunday



“The Light Has Come!”

We're glad you are here as part of the St. Luke's family today.

Please help our record-keeping by using your phone's camera to scan this QR code, which will link you straight to our online attendance registration page. (or go to the webpage at [www.stlukesmethodistcctx.org](http://www.stlukesmethodistcctx.org) and tap the Attendance Registration button.) Feel free to check out our website too!



## 9 AM INFUSE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Today's altar comes from Isaiah 11:9:

“On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples;  
the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.”

\*Please stand as you are able

### Welcome & Announcements

#### \*Opening Songs

#### \*Sharing of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

#### Prayer of Confession

#### \*Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6

#### Today's Message

#### The Great Thanksgiving

#### Invitation of Christian Discipleship

#### \*Benediction

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## 10 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

### CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES

Infants (0–18 Months) . . . . .	105
Children (19 Months–Kinder) . . . . .	205
Grades 1–5 . . . . .	203
Grades 6–12 Youth . . . . .	201

### ADULT CLASSES

Genesis . . . . .	Moore Hall
Triangle . . . . .	109
Christians Under Construction. . . . .	211

### Have Young Children?

We have a loving staff to care for our Little Saints (infants through elementary age) during each of our worship services.

### Grow in Your Faith—Find a Class or Group

See the schedule above for Sunday Classes from 10:00–10:45 AM for all ages. We also have Bible Studies and Small Groups that meet throughout the week—see the GROUPS & STUDIES insert

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

**Rebekah's Cupboard Food Pantry** is the second Wednesday of each month. Volunteers are needed to help with food distribution at St. Luke's or Casa De Oro Apts. Volunteers may contact Nancy Nesbitt (361)793-1719 or arrive at the church at **12:40 pm Wednesday, January 14th to help.**

**Lay Readers** needed for the 11 am Traditional Worship Service. Typically, lay readers perform such functions as reading lessons, leading the Prayers of the People, and reading the scripture verse for the week. Openings for 2025 are available. If your interested please contact the church office to sign up.

**Ushers** are needed for both 9 & 11 am services. Responsibilities include seating guests, collecting offering, and maintaining the order and security of services.

**Greeters** are needed for both 9 & 11 am services. Responsibilities include: warm welcome to members and guests, escort people to destination, creating an atmosphere that all entering the building are never alone or lost.

**J 2 J (Grief Meals) Committee** is a caring ministry which helps with the preparation and serving of a light meal or refreshments following a funeral or church memorial service. Volunteers may contact Nancy Nesbitt (361)793-1719 to join.

**Fellowship Committee** plans social activities for the church in hopes of pulling everyone together to fellowship with each other and get to know one another better. Activities may include a church picnic, group outing, chili cookout, or Sunday Pot-Luck meals. Please contact the church office to help.

**Office Angels** assist by handling incoming phone calls, greeting visitors, folding weekly bulletins, helping with mass mail-outs including monthly newsletter, filing as needed. If you'd like to help with a few hours at a time or a full day please contact the church office to volunteer.

**Have a prayer request?** We have Prayer Warriors ready to pray! Send an email to [stlukesccprayerline@gmail.com](mailto:stlukesccprayerline@gmail.com). If you'd like to join the St. Luke's Prayer Warriors please contact the church office to volunteer.

### Your St. Luke's Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Bradley L. DeHaven, Sr. Pastor  
Amber McMahon-Baxter, Administrative Assistant  
Becky Hope, Director of Discipleship Ministries  
Fernando Fernandez, Jr., Director of Traditional Music  
Lisa DeHaven, Church Pianist  
Kimberly Botary, Custodian  
Ashley Rodriguez, BSN, RN, CCM--MHM Nurse

### Financial Support & Stewardship

“In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.” —Proverbs 3:6, 9-10



#### Ways to give:

- In Worship (place in offering plate or basket)
  - Mail to the Church office
  - Automatic Bank Draft (call office to set up)
  - PayPal or Major Credit Card or Debit Card
- please scan the QR Code.



Please contact the church office on Tuesdays if you have any questions (361) 854-5374

### January's Communion Rail Offering



This Sunday our Communion Rail Offering has been designated to go to New Life Refuge Ministry. New Life Refuge Ministry was founded in 2011 by Minta Moore who continues to serve as the current executive director.

New Life Refuge Ministry serves south Texas with the mission to provide a REFUGE of hope and healing for child survivors of sex trafficking, to provide EDUCATION to the community on the issue, and to establish PARTNERSHIPS with other organizations in the fight against modern day slavery.

Please prayerfully consider your offering as you come to the altar during communion.

# 11 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

# EPIPHANY SUNDAY

**ENTRANCE** \*Please stand as you are able

**GATHERING** *Enter in God's House in Praise and Thanksgiving!*

**WELCOME AND GREETING**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Arise, shine, for your light has come!

**The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

Nations shall come to the brightness of God's dawn, and kings to the splendor of His rising.

**Like the Magi, we have followed the star, seeking the One who brings hope and salvation.**

The mystery once hidden is now revealed: Christ has come for all people, near and far.

**Bring your gifts of praise and open your hearts—for the Light of the World has come!**

Let us worship Jesus Christ, our King, our Savior, our everlasting Light.

**\*OPENING PRAYER** *(in unison)*

God of light and revelation, you have made your glory known in Jesus Christ, shining into the darkness of the world with wisdom, hope, and love. As the star guided seekers long ago, guide us now into deeper faith and faithful witness. Open our hearts to receive the gift of your Son, and draw us into the joy of your kingdom, where all people are welcomed and made whole. May your light shine in our worship, in our lives, and in the world you so love, through Jesus Christ, our true Light and reigning King. Amen.

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*(Greet one another, especially those you might not know yet!)*

**\*OPENING HYMN**

**"We Three Kings"**

**OGRP 208**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE INVITATION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of light and mercy, though your star has risen, we confess that we often choose to walk in shadows. We cling to fear and control instead of trusting your peace. We hesitate to follow your leading and fail to welcome all people into the fullness of your revealed grace. Forgive our self-centeredness and our wandering hearts. Have mercy on us, O God. Shine your light into the hidden places of our lives, that we may be renewed by your grace and walk in the way of Christ, our true King. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, pardon what is past and lead us into newness of life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*(Silent prayer)*

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Leader: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God! Amen!**

**PRAYER HYMN**

**OGRP 282**

**"Jesus Shall Reign" vs. 1,2**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*(Please complete and place Prayer Cards in offering plate.)*

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**OGRP 682**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**\*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** *(In unison)*

Light of the world, you have come shining for all to see and living still within our hearts. As your Word is read and proclaimed, open our minds to your wisdom and our lives to your transforming power. Pull us from the familiar shadows of fear and indifference, and lead us forward in courage, humility, and love. Give us the faith of the sages who followed the star, the generosity to share our gifts freely, and the joy to proclaim your good news to the nations. Shine upon us, O Christ, that we may shine for your glory in the world. Amen.

**\*SCRIPTURE READING**

**Isaiah 60: 1-6**

**Old Testament**

**Pew Bible Pg. 649**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks Be to God!**

**SERMON**

**Rev. Dr. Brad DeHaven**

**"The Light Has Come!"**

**THANKSGIVING**

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**OGRP 731-734**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (IN UNISON)**

**OGRP 700**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION**

**OGRP 203**

**"Go Tell it On the Mountain"**

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

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**Congregation Responds:**

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in St. Luke's Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

