



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, June 28, 2026
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

By No Means!
2. UNDER GRACE
ROMANS 6: 12-23

“ For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but **under grace.** ”
ROMANS 6:14

- DEAD TO SIN**
Our Old Self Was Crucified with Christ
- ALIVE TO GOD**
We Are Made Alive with Christ to Walk in Newness of Life
- NO LONGER SLAVES**
Freed from Sin, Empowered to Obey from the Heart
- FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**
Living for God Leads to Eternal Life

We are not under law to earn—we are **under grace** to live for Him.
GRACE SAVES. GRACE TRANSFORMS.

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

Please let us know you are here by filling out a registration form in the pews or by using your phone's camera to scan this QR code, which will link you to our online attendance registration page. (Or go to the webpage at www.stlukemethodistcctx.org where you can tap the Attendance Registration button and also see other news and info from St. Luke's.)



9 AM INFUSE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Today's altar comes from John 15: 4-5:

“Abide in Me as I abide in you... I am the Vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in Me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from Me you can do nothing.”

*Please stand as you are able

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening Songs

*Sharing of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Prayer of Confession

*Scripture: Romans 6:12-23

Today's Message

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 Thursday** of each month. Volunteers are needed to help with food distribution at St. Luke's or Casa De Oro Apts. Volunteers may contact Lynn Martinez or arrive at the church at **12:40 pm Thursday, July 9th 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 stlukescprayerline@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
Erica Garcia, LPC --MHM Counselor

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

June's Communion Rail Offering



Please consider making a generous contribution to Corpus Christi Metro Ministries through the June Communion Rail offering. This organization supports the homeless in the Corpus Christi area by uplifting them in mind, body, and spirit. It goes beyond a typical soup kitchen, focusing on transitioning individuals off the streets and into sustainable jobs and permanent housing. This program is dedicated to helping those who are eager to improve their lives and are willing to work hard for a better future.

Together, we can embody the hands and feet of Christ, bringing hope and transformation to those in need. Thank you for your generosity and for being an essential part of this mission..

11 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

ORDER OF WORSHIP

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ENTRANCE *Please stand as you are able

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

WELCOME AND GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We were slaves to sin, and the law could convict us but could not free us.

But thanks be to God, we are no longer under law, but under grace.

The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

We did not earn our way here. We were bought at a price we could never pay.

Come, let us worship the God of grace:

God, whose grace is greater than anything we have done or failed to do.

*OPENING PRAYER *(In unison)*

Lord of grace, Paul makes the contrast plain: slavery or freedom, death or life, law or grace. We have not earned our way to the correct side of that contrast. We have been placed there by a gift we could never repay. Receive our worship this morning as the offering of people who know what they have been freed from, and are still learning what they have been freed for. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*OPENING HYMN

OGRP 572

"Amazing Grace"

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(As the children come forward, please join in singing "Jesus Loves Me" OGRP 155)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(In unison)*

O Lord, we confess that we have not lived in right relationship with you or our neighbors. We have returned to old slaveries as though grace had not broken their hold, and treated forgiveness as a safety net rather than a doorway into new life. The law convicts us, and rightly so. But we trust not in our own merit, only in your gift of freedom and life in Christ. Have mercy, and lead us further into the freedom you have already given. 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 557

"Jesus Paid It All" vs. 1, 2

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*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 FOR ILLUMINATION *(In unison)*

Lord, your Word draws a line between what we were and what we now are in Christ. By your Spirit, let that line become real in us today, not just understood, but lived. Amen.

*SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6: 12 - 23

New Testament

Pew Bible Pg. 146

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks Be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Brad DeHaven

"By No Means! 2. Under Grace"

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

OGRP 691

*GLORIA PATRI

OGRP 33

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF INVITATION

OGRP 558

"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

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.

