



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, July 19, 2026
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



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 Matthew 28:19:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"

*Please stand as you are able

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening Songs

*Sharing of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Prayer of Confession

*Scripture: Romans 8: 12-25

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

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, August 13th 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 stlukescpprayerline@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

August's Communion Rail Offering

Our communion rail offering for August is to help support CCISD's Kid's Closet (Students in Transition). This initiative aims to provide essential resources and support for students in need within the community. Contributions will help fund school supplies, clothing, and other necessities to ensure that every child has the opportunity to succeed in their educational journey. By coming together as a community, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of these students, fostering a supportive and nurturing environment for learning and growth. Your generosity can inspire hope and open doors to new possibilities for young minds. Please prayerfully consider your offering.



11 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

ORDER OF WORSHIP EIGHTH 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 are children of the heavenly Father – not slaves to fear, but heirs with Christ of all that God has promised.
Great is the steadfast love of God! We come from every direction, a widespread family, rejoicing.
We have seen what God has done in Christ Jesus.
And what is coming is beyond comparison to anything this world can offer or take away.
We will seek God’s presence. Let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice.
O give thanks to God, the best is yet to be! Come, let us worship.

***OPENING PRAYER** *(In unison)*
O God, our great Redeemer, you have always been faithful, keeping your promises even when we have not kept ours. This morning we bring children and families, longtime saints and new seekers, and we place them under the shelter of your steadfast love. Enable us to see your activity among us. In a world filled with anxiety and scarcity, fix our eyes on your abundant promise; that you will never leave us nor forsake us, that our present sufferings are not worth comparing to the glory yet to be revealed. Guide us into new understandings of your love, and of the kingdom you call us to build together. Through Christ our Savior. Amen.

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**
(Greet one another, especially those you might not know yet!)

***OPENING HYMN**

OGRP 56

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

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)*
Loving God, we confess that we have lived more like orphans than heirs – anxious about what we lack, defined by what we suffer, forgetting whose children we are. We have fixed our eyes on the pain of the present and lost sight of the promise that stretches beyond it. We confess that we have hoarded your love rather than sharing it with the children and neighbors you have placed in our care. Forgive us. Remind us who we are, and whose. Amen. *(Silent Prayer)*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE
Leader: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the neame of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
All: Glory to God! Amen!

PRAYER HYMN

OGRP 275

“Before the Throne of God Above” 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, Paul wrote words of hope to people facing suffering beyond what most of us will ever know. And those words held. By your Spirit, let them hold for us today. Open our ears to hear what we most need, and our hearts to receive it. Amen.

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Romans 8: 12-25

New Testament

Pew Bible Pg. 147-148

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks Be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Brad DeHaven

“No Comparison!”

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**

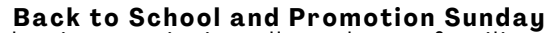
OGRP 616

“When We All Get to Heaven”

***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.



## VBS CELEBRATION



## First Day of School Prayer Walk



**Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup> - Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup> – Vacation Bible School 9am - 1pm ((Please be aware that the church will be closed to ALL during VBS hours.))**

**Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup> – Missions Committee Meeting @ 10am**

**Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> through Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> – Youth District Events**

**Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Worship Committee Meeting @ 12:30 pm

**Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Back to School Blessings and Promotion Sunday**

**Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** – Prayer Walk to Ray High School @ 9:30am

**Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>** – Fifth Sunday Sing (during children's time at both services) and Potluck (following 11am service)

**Children's Hula Dancing** with Susan Strong meets on **Mondays @ 6 pm** in Moore Hall.

**Choir** rehearsal is on **Wednesday evenings @ 7:30 pm.**

**Class Meeting** with Sherrie Johnson meets on **Tuesdays at 12 pm**

**Emmaus Reunion Group** is open to men and women who have attended a Walk to Emmaus. The group meets the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 12pm**. This group meets in the Parlor on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday and at different restaurants on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, please talk to Becky or Amber in the office if you are interested in joining!

**Exercise Class** takes place three times a week on **Monday, Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** at **10 am** in Moore Hall. Come and enjoy the fellowship while getting healthy!

**Fourth Friday Forty-Two Fellowship** meets on the **fourth Friday** of every month at **7 pm** and fellowships together during a game of Forty-Two. All are welcome, experienced and newbies!

**Girlfriends in Grace** (Woman's Group) meet every 3rd Monday of the month @ **5:30 pm** in the Parlor. The next meeting is **Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**.

**Men's Breakfast Group** meets once a week on **Mondays @ 7:30 am** in Moore Hall.

**Men's Group** meets once a week on **Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm.**

**Youth Group** meets **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm** in room 201. **Calling All Youth - Join us at Asbury GMC on July 31<sup>st</sup> @ 4pm for a fun filled District Youth Event!**

## Worship at St. Luke's Methodist Church, Corpus Christi



**Did you know St. Luke's has a Facebook page?** This is where many upcoming events, live-streamed services, and so much more are posted and shared on the social networking platform. Please scan the QR code above to link to our Facebook Page.

**In addition** to Facebook, we also send out a weekly newsletter on Monday called “The Weekly Worship” and a monthly newsletter “The Messenger” close to the first of every month. These are great ways to stay current with all the exciting ministries around St. Luke’s.

**Not receiving emails?** Go to <https://stlukesmethodistcctx.org/contact/> and let us know you wish to be added to the church emails like our weekly Prayer Warrior list, Monthly Newsletter, or general all-church announcements.

**Not into all the digital media?** Please check the backside of this insert labeled Announcements. This is where you will find all the current and upcoming events, studies, etc. You can also check out the fliers that are posted around the church (and check out the TV monitors too!) to stay up to date with special events happening. You may also find a printed version of “The Messenger” at each of the Information Tables located around the church.

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**Thank you for  
worshiping  
with us today.**

St. Luke's  
Methodist Church

