



St. Luke's Methodist Church

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METHODIST CHURCH

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

Sunday, September 20, 2026
Seventeenth 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 Psalms 67:6:

"The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us."

*Please stand as you are able

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening Songs

*Sharing of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Prayer of Confession

*Scripture: Matthew 18: 15-20

Today's Message

Invitation of Christian Discipleship

*Benediction

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, October 8th** 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

September's Communion Rail Offering

Our Mission Seeds Communion Rail offering is just that -- seed money for missions -- money set aside specifically so that when God puts an opportunity to serve before us, we are prepared to say YES! What exactly does this mean? If we don't collect enough items for hygiene blessing bags or blankets during the colder months, then we can draw from this fund to purchase the additional items that we may need. Any amount will help; please put in what you are able. Can we count on you? If you have any questions please contact Becky Hope.



11 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP ORDER OF WORSHIP SEVENTEENTH 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

Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.

Let our souls rise up to meet you, Lord, as the day rises to meet the sun.

God is here: as we, His people, gather to seek his face, to walk his way, to speak his truth to one another in love.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Come, let us bow down before the Lord our Maker.

We are gathered in his name.

*OPENING PRAYER *(In unison)*

Lord of the gathered church, you have promised to be present wherever two or three meet in your name. We take that promise seriously this morning, and we come grateful that you do not wait for us to have it all together before you show up. You have given us to one another: to speak honestly, to seek first your kingdom, to walk with one another in patience and truth. Let us walk with you in humble paths of service freely given. Make us the kind of community where candor is possible because love is foremost, and where conflict is not avoided but brought prayerfully into your presence and resolved. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*OPENING HYMN “God Is Here” OGRP 393

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)*

Lord, we confess that we have preferred politeness to honesty and murmuring to direct conversation. We have talked around those who have hurt us rather than to them, and let small offenses fester into larger divisions. We have recognized the face of sin in others more readily than in ourselves. We confess that we have not always sought first your kingdom in our conflicts. We have sought to be right, to be vindicated, to be heard. Forgive us. Teach us to go to one another as you have instructed, in humility and in hope, for the sake of the kingdom you are building. *(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 name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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

All: Glory to God! Amen!

PRAYER HYMN “Seek Ye First” OGRP 341

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)*

Listen, Lord, to our hearts’ cry. Teach us how to pray, and teach us how to hear. As your Word is opened now, let it be more than instruction; let it be formation. Make your passion ours. Amen.

*SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 18: 15-20
New Testament Pew Bible Pg. 19
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks Be to God!

SERMON “Do You Have a Sec?” Becky Hope

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

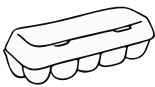
THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF INVITATION “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” OGRP 596

*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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Announcement from Rebekah’s Cupboard  
We are in need of clean, empty egg cartons for next month’s food pantry. If you have any available please place them outside of the cupboards door.

Calling all Ladies!  
If you haven’t signed up to attend Anew 2026 please scan this qr code to register today! You must register to attend this wonderful women’s conference.



This year’s Women’s Conference theme will be...  
**November 7<sup>th</sup> 9:30 - 4:00**  
**Seen** Seen and loved by God  
**Saved** Saved from self - lies and shame  
**Sent** Sent to love others - family, friends, strangers

**Registration:**  
\$50 (Sept. 1 - Oct 14)  
Late \$60 (after Oct 15)  
On-Site catered lunches are optional.  
Limited quantities are available.

We need folks with a servants heart...  
to volunteer to be the hands and feet of Christ at Anew. Please join us for our first Serve Team Meeting on Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Whether your interested in helping at the registration table, in parking, or simply just smiling at people, we encourage you to attend. All types of volunteers are welcome! Come, and serve with us! \*\*You must also register for this event as a volunteer, please see Becky for a code to waive the registration fee.



Dinner and Worship with the Hope House  
We would like to invite you to join us together with our neighbors, the women from the Hope House on Wednesday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm, worship at 7 pm. This time of fellowship is a wonderful opportunity to connect, share stories, and find encouragement in one another's company.

Save The Dates:  
**Tuesday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Finance Meeting @ 6pm  
**Thursday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>** – Missions Committee Meeting @ 10:30 am  
**Monday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>** – ANew Team Meeting @ 6 pm  
**Tuesday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>** – Trustees Committee Meeting @ 7 pm  
**Wednesday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>** – Dinner with the ladies from the Hope House @ 6 pm  
**Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** – Pastor Appreciation Sunday  
**Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** – Stewarship Committee Meeting @ 2 pm  
**Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** – Wall Shakers @ 2 pm  
**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** – Trunk or Treat @ 5 pm

GROUPS & STUDIES

**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** (Sisters in Christ) is open to 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 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!  
**Girlfriends in Grace** (Woman’s Group) meet every 3rd Monday of the month @ **5:30 pm** in the Parlor. The next meeting is **Monday, September 21<sup>st</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.  
If your meeting/group/event is not on this schedule or is incorrect please see Amber in the church office.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Worship at St. Luke’s Methodist Church, Corpus Christi

We offer Sunday morning worship services at 9 am in Moore Hall & 11 am in our Sanctuary. Additionally, we offer a mid-week service on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm in the Chapel. Traveling or sick? Worship with us online—services are live-streamed each Sunday and Wednesday on Facebook. Scan the QR code to watch!



Stay in the Know

**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 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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SERMON NOTES

Handwriting lines for sermon notes.

Thank you for  
worshiping  
with us today.

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