

Together We Grow...

Wednesday Dinner and Activities

October 12: 5:45pm - Minute Steaks, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad Bar, Pie; Chicken nuggets for children
6:25 - Children's Choirs and "Team Grow"
6:30 - Options for study, wellness, creative, and service.
See a full list of options and sign-up sheets in Hospitality Hall
Make reservations for dinner by noon on Tuesday.

...Come see how your faith can GROW!

Boo Out is coming! Friday, October 28

It's that time again, and we need many volunteers to make the Boo Out a success. Would you like to help? Sign-up sheets are located in Hospitality Hall or contact Mary Francis Hall, mp1llcmom@hotmail.com



Young at Heart Event

Join Young at Heart for lunch and storytelling on Monday, Oct. 31 at 11:45 am. Gloria Jeffries will entertain us with a story. We will also celebrate birthdays of those whose birthday falls in September, October, November or December. In addition, there will be **surprise** entertainment.

Reserve your place by Thursday, October 27. Pay \$6.00 at the door.

Hospitality Award to be given on October 16

Today is the last day to nominate someone for the **Eppes Hospitality Award** which is given to someone who displays a genuine, friendly smile and welcoming attitude to all who enter the doors of St. Luke's. Nomination forms are available at the Hospitality Desk.

The **United Methodist Women** and **United Methodist Men** are cooking up a special treat for you on **October 16th**. An Italian spaghetti luncheon, with a secret recipe (lots of meat), garlic bread, salad, and those wonderful homemade desserts. Tickets are \$6.00 each, with a family max of \$15.00. They'll start serving at 11:00, and you can eat there or take it home. Tickets are available TODAY!

St. Luke's is offering **electronic recycling** once again. We will be collecting items until Oct. 19. Contact Tim Taylor, tim.taylor@stlukesumc.org for more information on specific items to be collected

THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE'S

Sunday October 9

8:00am - 9:00am Breakfast and Sunshine Service - FH
8:30am - 9:30am Worship - Sanctuary
9:00am - 10:00am Blood Pressure Check - CLC, 104
9:30am - 10:30am Sunday School - Lounge
10:50am - 12:00pm Worship - Sanctuary
12:00pm - 2:00pm Youth Advisory Council - MB 310-311
5:00pm - 6:00pm Wesley Handbells - MB, 207
5:00pm - 7:00pm Youth Dinner & Activities - MB, 3rd Fl.
6:00pm - 7:00pm The ELEMENT - FH

Monday October 10

9:30am - 10:00am Staff Prayers - Chapel
10:00am - 11:00am Veterans - FH
10:30am - 2:30pm Loyalty-Fellowship Ladies - Lounge
1:00pm - 2:00pm Grief Support Group - Parlor
5:30pm - 7:00pm Univ. District Mtg. - MB 106
6:30pm - 8:00pm LIFE Group - MB, 211
7:00pm - 10:00pm Monday Night Basketball - Gym

Tuesday October 11

9:00am - 10:00am Sit & Be Fit - CLC Gym
10:15am - 11:15am Senior choir - Choir Room
5:15pm - 6:30pm Lay Nominating Committee - MB 211
6:00pm - 8:30pm Young Adult Ministry - Kitchen 310/311
6:30pm - 8:00pm Naomi Circle UMW - lounge
7:00pm - 8:00pm Zumba - CLC, gym
7:00pm - 8:30pm Boy Scouts - Scout Hut

Wednesday October 12

6:45am - 7:45am UMM Prayer Breakfast - FH
10:00am - 1:00pm American Sewing Guild - Lounge
5:45pm - 7:30pm Dinner & Activities - FH
6:25pm - 7:35pm Children's Choirs & Team Grow
7:30pm - 9:00pm Chancel Choir - Choir Room

Thursday October 13

9:00am - 10:00am Sit & Be Fit - CLC Gym
9:15am - 10:00am Day School Chapel - Chapel
9:30am - 12:00pm Food Pantry - CLC 108
10:00am - 12:00pm LIFE Group - MB, 211
6:00pm - 8:30pm Stephen Ministry Training - MB 106
6:00pm - 10:00pm Jesus Is Lord Adult BB - Gym
6:15pm - 7:30pm Yoga - Lounge

Friday October 14

7:30am - 6:00pm Prayer Vigil - Chapel/Prayer Room
5:30pm - 7:00pm Fammin Relief - Lounge
6:00pm - 7:00pm Rehearsal McCarthy/Gideon Wedding - Sanctuary

Saturday October 15

10:00am - 1:00pm The Med Basketball League - Gym
2:00pm - 5:00pm Skill Builders Sewing Ministry - Lounge
2:30pm - 5:30pm Mid South Basketball Academy - Gym
4:30pm - 5:30pm Saturday Supper - FH
6:00pm - 7:00pm McCarthy/Gideon Wedding - Sanctuary

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

For the most current
calendar information
visit our website
stlukesumc.org

*Please be sure to sign the Registration Pad
located in the black folder at the end of each pew.
Include your email address to be added to the E-pistle list.*

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Rev. Birgitte T. French
J G Walker, III
Wes Kirkpatrick

Senior Pastor
Minister of Mission
Director of Music Ministries
Organist



October 9, 2011
Extravagant Generosity



**Where your treasure is,
there your heart will be also.**

Matthew 6:21.

What do you love most about St. Luke's?

Mission Statement

"We are becoming a faithful community
of disciples striving to share
the heart, mind and hands of Jesus Christ."

SERVICE OF THE WORD

OCTOBER 9, 2011

CENTERING MUSIC

WELCOMING HOSPITALITY

PRELUDE "Rise, O Children of Salvation" Wes Kirkpatrick, organ
setting: Thomas Bliss

CENTERING OUR HEARTS

†CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Birgitte T. French, liturgist
Holy God, open our eyes to see how wealthy we truly are.

Lord, open our eyes.

Holy God, open our minds to reconsider what treasure truly is.

Lord, open our minds.

Holy God, open our ears to hear the cries of our brothers and sisters in need.

Lord, open our ears.

Holy God, open our hearts to those who truly suffer.

Lord, open our hearts.

Holy God, open our hands that we may give generously to others,
as you so generously give to us.

Lord, open our hands.

†HYMN "Where Charity and Love Prevail" UMH 549

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Timothy 6: 17-19 *The Message*

WORD AND WONDER (10:50 Service) Pastor Bee
"Into My Heart" TFWS 2160

MUSIC FOR THE HEART (10:50) "This Little Light of Mine" Cherub Choir

WORDS FROM THE HEART Julie Tate

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MUSIC "We Gather Together"
setting: Beatrice Fisk

†DOXOLOGY UMH 94
tune: Lasst uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

HYMN "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" UMH 500

SERMON "From the Heart" Dr. R. Mark Matheny

ANTHEM (10:50 service) "A Loving Heart" Chancel Choir
Tom Bridgewater, violin

text: 1 Corinthians 13, additional text TG Bushong music: Timothy G. Bushong

*A loving heart is kind and patient. It will not boast or envy be.
It will bear all things without complaint, for it endures, hopes, and believes.*

*Though I may speak with the sound of angels, and if I give all that I possess,
Without love I am as a sounding gong. I have no gain but the gift of love.*

*Love never ends, love is forever. Though mortal flesh may soon be gone,
And the stars fall from the heavens, love never ends; it will live on.*

*To live in faith is to live in God's pure light, and all who hope will not be denied.
But to love is to touch the face of God and taste of heav'n here in this life.
Faith, hope and love abide, these three, and still the best of all is a loving heart.*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Most Good and Generous God,

Thank you for the countless blessings you have showered upon us. May it be through these blessings that we come to know the depth and width of your love for us. May we recognize that there is a difference between believing in the idea of love and putting love into action. Help us to be as generous in our loving and giving as you have been. We ask for discernment to see our shortcomings and that you strengthen us to do your will in our church and community. We ask these things in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ; to Your praise and glory.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MEMBERSHIP

†HYMN "O How I Love Jesus" UMH 170

†BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE "March in C" Mr. Kirkpatrick
Henry Purcell

†You are invited to stand as able.
UMH United Methodist Hymnal TFWS The Faith We Sing Supplement



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money, which is here today and gone tomorrow. Tell them to go after God, who piles on all the riches we could ever manage—to do good, to be rich in helping others, to be extravagantly generous. If they do that, they'll build a treasury that will last, gaining life that is truly life.

1 Timothy 6: 17-19, The Message



Daily Devotions

Are you participating in our church-wide daily devotional, *Practicing Extravagant Generosity - Daily readings on the Grace of Giving*. Let us as a whole church move through this daily practice together. The devotions started on Monday, Oct. 3, but you can certainly join in with us now if you didn't receive a book last week. The devotions are being sent out in a daily email to those on the E-pistle list. If you would like to be added to the email list please sign-up at the Hospitality Desk. Books are also available for you to pick-up today at the desk.

PRAYERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Deborah Lewis	Judy Cristallino
Jean Hastings	(friend of Marty Cobb)
Brian McKinley	Stephen Ministry Team
Brooke Hall Henderson	Sam & Betty Bennett
David Turner	(Aunt & Uncle of Beverly Parrish)
Jackson Wofford	Our missionaries,
Melissa Galloway and Chandler	David & Lorie Persons
Lily Smith	Sue Porter

PRAYER CALENDAR FOCUS: General Board of Global Ministries.

The Chancel flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God in honor of
Vickey Hobbs
from David and Glenda Turner.

Today's service will be broadcast on October 16, 2011.
WREC 600 AM, 8 a.m.
Dedicated to the Glory of God
in honor of **Elton Watlington**
and in memory of **Janice Watlington**
from their family.

the element
Sundays 6:00pm,
Fellowship Hall

