

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT COMMISSIONING SERVICE

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Leader: As Christians we are to make the Lord Jesus Christ known to all people. We hear this in His words: "I command you love one another as I have loved you . . . by this, all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13: 34-35). In Jesus final command we hear: "Go then to all peoples, everywhere and make them disciples: baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)

We celebrate you and your devotion to the tasks ahead of you, as you join with other persons in mission to the Appalachia Service Project. Through the gift of your service and love, you show others the infinite love that God has for all people. This is both a privilege and a responsibility, and we ask that you now publicly affirm your commitment to God's work. Will you accept the persons whom you serve right where they are and just the way they are?

Team: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you seek to work in glad cooperation and mutual support with other workers, being sensitive and helpful according to the needs presented to you?

Team: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you answer God's call and live in His Word, demonstrating your love of Jesus Christ and the church which you represent?

Team: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Do you sincerely believe that the work you are about to undertake is the work of God for our world?

Team: I do so believe.

Leader: Let us pray:

Almighty God, bless and strengthen these persons we now dedicate and commission for your service. Fill them with your spirit, enrich them with your grace, and strengthen them for the tasks ahead, that as they touch lives, your Name may be glorified." AMEN

The Commissioning

Leader: I commission you to share the love of Jesus Christ through your gift of service with the Appalachia Service Project; In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

Sisters and Brothers, I present to you these persons whom we have commissioned to participate in the Appalachia Service Project. They are representatives of Christ and the church. I commend them to you for your love, your care, your prayers, and your support for the work that they will perform.

Congregation: We rejoice to recognize you as representatives of our church, and thank God for your dedication and your gift of service. We send you on with our prayers and our support, and with you, we renew our commitment to God and service in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We pray God's blessings for you and the Appalachia Service Project. AMEN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fun Bunch Outing. On Wednesday, June 15, at 1:30 p.m., we will be attending *Theatre Memphis Celebrates 100 years & Beyond*, featuring Gary Beard & Theatre Memphis performers from past and present musicals. We will meet at Theatre Memphis at 1:00 p.m. to get our seats. The cost is \$5! To pre-purchase your ticket, contact Jeanne or Jim Debo at 413-3341.

BIG & LIL Ideas! Thank you for the great ideas we have received so far. We have a place in Hospitality Hall where you can view the ideas and add new ones. The BIG & LIL Ideas cards are available in the Hospitality Hall. As you are inspired with new ideas, please share them. You may also send your ideas to info@stlukesumc.org!

Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women). We will meet the following dates at 6:30 p.m. in the CLC Lounge: June 14, July 12 and August 9. All are welcome. Mark your calendar and come see what we are all about. For more information contact Pat Anderson at 901-489-3757 or pata9276@gmail.com.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- A memorial service for Calvin Williams (husband of Candy Williams), will be held at St. Luke's on Monday, June 13 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation in the Parlor at 10:00 a.m.

Continue to Pray

Doris Eavenson, Carol Sanford (mother of Scott Sanford), Malvin Massey, Joe Cobb, Norma Grotberg, Sara Beth Gregory, Olivia Robertson, Eduardo Contreras (father of Uziel Contreras), Ed and Nita Barlow.

Contact Pat at 901-489-3757 or pata9276@gmail.com if you wish to be added to the prayer list.

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St. Luke's United Methodist Church

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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

June 12, 2022

Order of Worship

June 12, 2022

1st Sunday After Pentecost

TRINITY SUNDAY

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Edward and Evelyn Trammell on their June anniversary, from their daughter Mary Evelyn Goodwin.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Robert Harris

PRELUDE

Blessed Assurance ARR. KENNETH VARNER
Wes Kirkpatrick, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our loving God calls us together as a family of Christ.

People: To transform us with that holy love.

Leader: To transform our eyes,

People: That we may see God's grace.

Leader: To transform our hands,

People: That we may serve others.

Leader: To transform our spirits,

People: That we may be the healing body of Christ,

Leader: Gathered to worship,

People: And sent out to serve.

*OPENING HYMN *Come Thou Almighty King*

UMH 61

CANTICLE OF THE KINDER *(sing response)*

While we sing this song, children ages 4 through 3rd grade are invited to come forward for a children's sermon, then they are dismissed to Children's Church.

This, this is where chil-dren be-long, wel-comed as part of the
wor-ship-ing throng. Wa-ter, God's Word, bread and
cup, prayer, and song: This is where chil-dren be-long.

WORD & WONDER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God,

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do.

We judge and condemn.

We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes.

We do not turn to you as the source of our healing.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *How Great Thou Art* UMH 77

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

PSALTER READING

Psalm 8

Leader: O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger. **R**

Leader: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

People: what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them? **R**

Leader: Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

People: You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

Leader: all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

People: the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

Leader: O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! **R**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *(Please stand)*

UMH 603

Come, Ho-ly Ghost, our hearts in-spire, let
us thine in-fluence prove; source of the old pro-
phet-ic fire, foun-tain of life and love.

*GOSPEL READING

John 16:12-15

MESSAGE

Rev. Jim McKinney

UNISON OFFERTORY PRAYER

All good gifts come from you Lord, and from these gifts we bring this offering. Help us to use it for the furtherance of your purpose in this place, and for the benefit of those in need. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Holy, Holy, Holy

ARR. DOUGLAS WAGNER

DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

*HYMN OF INVITATION

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH 64

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT COMMISSIONING SERVICE

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

I Love Thy Kingdom

ARR. DOUGLAS WAGNER

WELCOME!

To Our Guests! Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please fill out the card located in the pew rack and place in the offering plate. If you would like more information about becoming a member, contact Pastor Jim McKinney at 901-452-6262 or jim.mckinney@stlukesumc.org.

PRAY FOR OUR VBS

Lord, we give this VBS to you. Let this event be an opportunity to pour into the lives of kids in our congregation and community. Let your Holy Spirit speak to the hearts of each child, leader, volunteer, parent, and caretaker. Let us glorify you in all that we do. We pray this week strengthens relationships, changes hearts, and brings kids, families, and volunteers closer to you!