

SYMPATHIES

The disciples of St. Luke offer our sympathy and prayers to **Donnie and Carmen Auman** and family on the death of Donnie's mother, Mrs. Barbara Lynn Teal Auman, who died July 30, 2026.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Renick Adams (father of **MaryAnn Chapman**, prostate cancer); Kylie Arthur (friend of **Kim Taylor**, recovering from heart and lung surgery); **MaryAnn Chapman** (recovering from surgery); Rebecca Edwards (mother of **Savanna Brown**, breast cancer); **Karen Jeffords** (recovering from open-heart surgery); Richard Kelley (friend of **Jessica Bedenbaugh**, recovering from surgery); **Barry McElhannon** (recovering from heart catheterization); **Anne Meyers** (severe back pain); Jack Mohalley (friend of **Betty Roos**, pancreatic cancer); **Judy Quick** (recovering from back surgery); Mike Shelley (brother of **Dianne Byrd**, tumor behind eye); Beth Shuler (**Bunnie Shuler's** daughter-in-law, double bypass surgery); Scotty Talbert (friend of **Gino Prozzi**, health issues); Whitney Terry (niece of **Wendi Beattie**, breast cancer); **Russ Tyner**; Rick Weiss (husband of the former Harris Morrison, undergoing tests); Nancy Wilhelm (friend of **Judy Pigg**, cancer); Jeff Wingard (son of Larry & Gail Wingard, multiple myeloma)

**** If your prayer need is resolved, or if a name needs to be removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 843-383-5169 or office@stlukehartsville.com. We will keep all prayer requests in the Newsletter for one month. After that, they will be removed unless you tell us otherwise.**



**St Luke
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Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday
8:30 AM—4:00 PM

***The deadline for
submitting
information for
the St. Luke
Newsletter is the
1st and 3rd
Mondays at Noon.***

**If you have a Pastoral
Care emergency
outside of regular
church office hours,
please email
Pastor Todd at:
pastor@stlukehartsville.com**

GOOD NEWS

Practicing Self-Examination

The call to holiness of heart and life includes an honest assessment of ourselves. It's not always pleasant to look at ourselves so closely! We may not want to admit to the vices that hold us back from the life that God has for us.

Self-examination, or "knowledge of ourselves," produces more than just an awareness of our faults; it's an essential part of the process of healing.

Self-examination and grace go together. Grace – the very power of the Holy Spirit – causes us to examine our lives. Even if we've been walking with Christ for many years, self-examination remains vital. The holy life is a life of self-examination. It's not a legalistic one, of course, but one where we continually open ourselves up to the transforming work of God.

1 Corinthians 13 is often read at weddings, and it's a lovely passage. We know it: "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends."

What Paul was writing about here, though, is Christ. Replace the word "love" with "Christ" in this passage and we see it very clearly. He is love incarnate. Self-examination asks, "am I like Christ?"

Self-examination is ALWAYS a good practice. Because, as John Wesley wrote, self-examination leads to promised wholeness. For in seeing ourselves as we really are, we are drawn to Christ all the more. His offered love becomes even sweeter still. And, he stands with open arms to embrace us and make us whole.

May God bless you, ***Pastor Todd***

Pastoral Visitation

Pastor Todd enjoys visiting
St. Luke disciples. If you
would like to schedule a visit,
please contact the church
office or Pastor Todd at:
pastor@stlukehartsville.com



Prizes Wanted!!

As you clean out those closets, if you have some "nearly new" items that would make good prizes for our Family Night Bingo events (adult and children prizes needed!), please donate them to the church office - **THANK YOU!**

HARTSVILLE FOOD BANK

St. Luke Collection Drive

**August:
Breakfast Items
& Snacks**



2026 Collection Drive

**For the month of August we
are asking for monetary
donations for shipping boxes,
purchasing items, etc.**

**For more info contact
Jessica Bedenbaugh or Kim Taylor**



August

- 6 Julia Ammons
- 7 Jordan Bizzell
- 8 Chip Auman
- 9 Betsy Epps
- 9 Bruce Walters
- 9 Merrick Brown
- 10 Molly Williams
- 10 Savanna Brown
- 11 Laura Newman
- 11 Doug Russell
- 13 Al Sansbury
- 13 Millie Ann Beasley
- 15 David Mosley
- 15 Henry Evans
- 16 Cody Watkins
- 16 Claire Nicholson
- 16 Martha Hampton Evans
- 17 Georgianna McElhannon
- 17 Jaxon Murdock
- 18 Rebecca King
- 19 Susan Kelley
- 19 Drew Bedenbaugh
- 20 Caroljean Abbott
- 20 Hunter Moyd
- 20 Gray Moyd
- 20 Ella Stanton Cannarella
- 21 Donna Cameron
- 21 Kirk Askins



August

- 1 Craig & Elizabeth Gainey
- 4 Frank & Becca Benson
- 6 David & Andrea Mosley
- 9 Ted & Laura Newman
- 9 Curry & Debbie Dawkins
- 10 David & Lee Moyd
- 11 Tyler & Erin Griggs
- 12 Mark & Kim Taylor
- 12 Lee & Bonnie Gardner
- 13 Lee & Margaret Lanier
- 14 Grady & Fran Weaver
- 15 Will & Joye Black
- 17 Rick & Jane Jones
- 18 Ron & Georgianna McElhannon
- 20 Scott & Melanie Jackson
- 22 Derek & Becky Skipper
- 22 Walter & Judy Brown
- 23 Winky & Mary Frances Black
- 24 Gerry & Nancy Caffee
- 25 Willie & Leigh Ann Bizzell

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 9

- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:15 AM Worship Service & Children's Church
- 11:15 AM Missions Team Meeting
- 4:00 PM JuBELLation Practice
- 5:30 PM Youth Ministry Power Hour

Monday, August 10

- 10:00 AM Disciple Bible Study

Wednesday, August 12

- 2:00 PM Ladies Game Day
- 4:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 5:30 PM Youth Ministry Power Hour
- 6:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 13

- 6:00 PM Bible Study with Ben Babb

Friday, August 14

- Evangelism Team Event

Sunday, August 16

- 9:15 AM Sunday School
- 10:15 AM Worship Service & Children's Church
- 4:00 PM JuBELLation Practice
- 5:30 PM Youth Ministry Power Hour

Monday, August 17

- 10:00 AM Disciple Bible Study

Wednesday, August 19

- 2:00 PM Ladies' Game Day
- 4:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 5:30 PM Youth Ministry Power Hour
- 6:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 20

- 10:30 AM Staff Meeting
- 6:00 PM Bible Study with Ben Babb

CHURCH TEAMS

August Greeters

Amy Brown, Janet Hall, Karen Jeffords

Counting Committee

August 9: Don Lockman, Ed Groves

August 16: Don Lockman, Ed Groves

August Ushers

Scott Jackson (Captain), James Nuckles

Bereavement Meal Committee # 5

Judy Pigg (Chair), Wendi Beattie, Joye Black, Jennifer Calabrese, Sharon Sturdivant, Jeannie

Wilkerson, Lara Mathis, Maggie Beasley, Linda Hill

FINANCIALS & ATTENDANCE

Weekly Contributions

July 26: \$8,782.00 August 2: \$49,048.00

Weekly Worship Attendance (online)

July 26: 188 (594) August 2: 179 (389)

SUPPORT NEEDED FOR SANCTUARY/NARTHEX RENOVATION PROJECT

We need everyone's financial support to make our renovation project a great success. As of Tuesday, August 4, 2026, we have received \$137,845.00 in donations and pledges of the \$408,000.00 needed to complete the project ~ THANK YOU!

We have concluded our Town Hall meetings, which shared information about the project. If you were unable to attend one of the meetings, please visit the following link for a recorded video of the Sunday, 4/19 Town Hall Meeting [Town Hall Meeting - Sanctuary Renovation](#)

We have special pledge cards for the renovation project available in the Fellowship Hall and Church Office.

Please prayerfully consider how you might help support this important project and return your pledge card to the church office as soon as possible. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

MOMMY & ME CAMP

ASBURY HILLS

SEPTEMBER 18-20

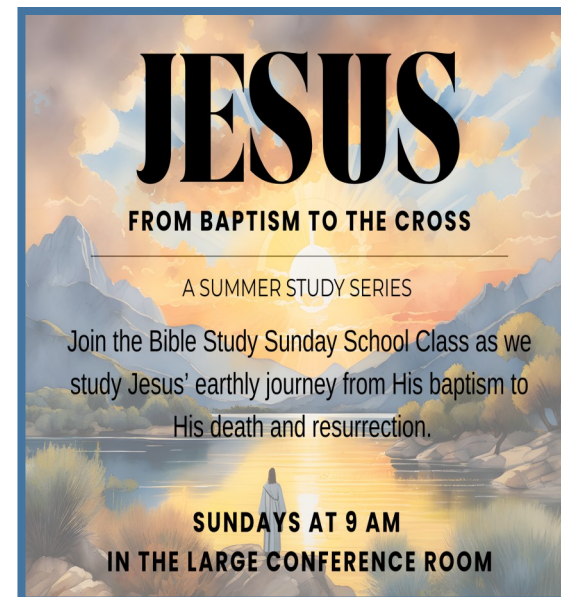


SPEND THE WEEKEND IN A CABIN TOGETHER, EXPLORE THE BEAUTIFUL NATURE, HANG WITH YOUR SLMC FAMILY, AND STRENGTHEN YOUR LOVE FOR GOD'S MAJESTIC CREATION THROUGH WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP & FUN!

DETAILS:

- DEPART FRIDAY MORNING & RETURN SUNDAY MID-DAY
- RIDE THE SLMC BUS OR CARAVAN IN PERSONAL CARS
- SPEND TWO NIGHTS IN THE RICE LODGE WITH EVERYONE
- ALL MEALS PROVIDED AT CAMP DINING HALL
- PER ATTENDEE COST WILL BE DETERMINED BY TOTAL SIGN UPS-\$150ISH PER PERSON (CHILDREN'S DEPT WILL FUNDRAISE)
- AGES 5-12 (CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY MOTHER)

RSVP to Jessica AND pay \$50 per attendee



Upper Room Sunday School Class

Are you looking for a deeper way to connect with God and build lasting friendships within our church family? Then you would love the *Upper Room Sunday School* class located directly across from the Fellowship Hall! We are a group of active middle-age and senior adults—married couples and singles—who are all young at heart. Our members hold leadership positions in our church or actively serve on committees—making us an involved, dynamic group of servants at St. Luke!

In class, we dive into scripture together and learn how God's Word applies to our busy, everyday lives. We also share joys, lift up prayer requests, and navigate life together.

9:00 am: Coffee, conversation and prayer concerns. 9:15 am: Lesson begins. So grab a cup of coffee and join us— we cannot wait to welcome you!



Dear St Luke Disciples:

The sanctuary renovation progress continues. All floors are now prepped [sanded and smoothed], and ready for the tile installation. Some tile was actually laid in the sanctuary earlier on Monday evening. I did meet w/ Eric of the tile crew and he noted all was ready and he actually was beginning to install some tile as late as 6:30 pm.

The choir chairs & the Chancel chairs have been re-covered. Our choir chairs will require the seat cushion to be reattached to the chair frame. Our Furnishing committee, [Jennifer Evans, Linda Drayton and Denbbie Dawkins], have done an incredible job for this renovation decor. This sanctuary renovation and narthex expansion will create enormous value & benefits for our church.

Thank you for your prayers, patience and ongoing support !

Ben Gore Chair





“Saddle Up your Horses, we have a trail to Blaze! We are excited about our youth ministry and how God is moving in and out of our students lives as we build and explore God’s amazing grace.”

We want to welcome all 6th Graders who will be joining our youth ministry this Sunday in the worship service. Parents, please have your child in the service to be recognized.



Join us for the Youth Power Hour every Wednesday and Sunday evenings. Food at 5:30 and Power Hour from 6:00 – 7:00.



Bootsie spoke to Thomas Hart Academy for FCA and many St. Luke Students and a few teachers were there.



Back to School Bash at the Barn, was a great success thank you to the 32 folks who were able to attend.



Save the date parents. FCA Middle School Retreat November 13th -15th at Garden City Chapel and Retreat Center.

Adults: “WE NEED YOU”!
Anyone interested in volunteering to help with our youth ministry please contact Bootsie.



Greater Hartsville Community Youth Disciple Now will be at Lake View Baptist Church August 21nd - 22nd. Parents sign up on line and let me know you did so to have a St. Luke participant headcount. You may also sign up to volunteer to help work the event if your schedule permits.



Ben Babb’s work schedule has been altered so that he can no longer lead our youth Sunday school class. We now have confirmed Mrs. Anne Marie Lopiccolo as our new youth Sunday School Teacher and Kristen Nicholson as an assistant to lead our Youth. Welcome and thank you ladies for your leadership.