

St. Luke's Church

We are a family of believers: growing in the love of Jesus, sharing the joy of worship, serving the community and beyond.

PARISH PROFILE 2022



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So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Ephesians 4:11-13

WHO WE ARE

We are a family of believers. How does this affect the way that we live?

This means that we are more than simply members of a club where we go to church and check off the “to do list” in life. We are meant to be, and many already feel that they are, part of a close-knit community who know each other, love each other, care for each other, support and encourage each other; sometimes hold each other accountable, but are always there, just like a family is meant to be. This family/community is because we are a part of the Body of Christ, His Church, that we believe in Jesus as our Savior, our Lord; and our love for others as family is derived from our love for Him.

This is why we pray that in the coming years we might grow; grow in the knowledge and love of the Lord; grow more in love, in friendship and community with each other as His family; grow more effective in our service to Him in our church community, our local island community, and beyond. We ask that our church, poised as it is, with people and facilities, would blossom and grow for the sake of His kingdom and to His glory. We are using our Vision Statement as a guide, as we hope to be blessed and to be a blessing!



St. Luke's Church Mission and Vision Statement

In 2018, in an effort to look both inward and outward, the Strategic Planning Committee set a goal to review and potentially update both our Mission Statement as well as our Vision Statement.

The Mission Statement defines the purpose of St. Luke's Church. It asks "Why do we exist?" Our response is **"to know Christ and to make Him known."** This response serves our parishioners as well as our community.

A clear and compelling Vision Statement was needed to establish the future direction of St. Luke's Church. Given our changing culture and the needs of our community, the Vision Statement was transformed. The new Vision Statement served as our guide while we created the new strategic plan to grow St. Luke's Church.

We are a family of believers:

- growing in the love of Jesus
- sharing the joy of worship
- serving the community and beyond

With this new Vision Statement as our guide, we are assured of being forward focused, pulling together with this goal in mind as we aim to grow St. Luke's Church.

Visit our website to read more: www.stlukeshhi.org



Our Statement of Faith

We affirm our belief in historic Christianity as revealed in the Scriptures and summarized in the three Creeds (the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian) and the Thirty-Nine Articles. We recognize the need today for reaffirming the following beliefs:

Article I: The Holy Trinity

The mystery of the Holy Trinity, namely, that the one God exists eternally in the three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; and has so revealed Himself to us in the Gospel.

Article II: The Lord Jesus Christ

The full deity and full humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, who by reason of his birth of the Virgin Mary, sinless life, atoning death, bodily resurrection, glorious ascension, and triumphant reign, is the only Mediator between God and man.

Article III: The Holy Scriptures

The trustworthiness of the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments as "God's Word written," which contain all things necessary for salvation, teach God's will for His world, and have supreme authority for faith, life, and the continuous renewal and reform of the Church.

Article IV: Justification and Sanctification

The justification of the repenting and believing sinner as God's gracious act of declaring him righteous on the ground of the reconciling death of Christ, who suffered in our place and rose again for us; and sanctification as the gracious continuing activity of the Holy Spirit in the justified believer, perfecting his repentance, nurturing the new life implanted within him, transforming him into Christ's image, and enabling him to do good works in the world.

Article V: The Christian Church

The Church as the Body of Christ, whose members belong to the new humanity, are called to live in the world in the power of the Spirit, worshiping God, confessing His truth, proclaiming Christ, supporting one another in love, and giving themselves in sacrificial service to those in need.

Article VI: Spiritual Gifts and Ministry

The calling of all Christians to exercise their God-given gifts in ministry, and to work, witness, and suffer for Christ; together with the particular call of ordained ministers, who, by preaching, teaching, and pastoral care, are to equip God's people for His service, and to present them mature in Christ.

Article VII: The Gospel Sacraments

The sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion as "visible words" which proclaim the gospel, and are means of grace by which faith is quickened and strengthened; in particular, the significance of the Lord's Supper as a communion in the Body and Blood of Christ, who offers himself to us in the action of this sacrament, so that by faith we may feed on Him in our hearts and offer ourselves to him in gratitude for our salvation through His cross; also, the openness of the Lord's Table as the place where all baptized believers, being one in Christ, are free to celebrate their common salvation in the Lord, and to express their common devotion to His person and his service.

Article VIII: The Return of Christ

The personal return in glory of our Lord Jesus Christ at the end of this age for the resurrection of the dead, some to life, some to condemnation, for the glorification of his Church, and for the renewal of the whole creation.

A COMMUNITY OF PRAYER

Calling a new rector is a deeply spiritual event in the life of a parish. It represents an opportunity to honor the members who have loved this parish so well for so long while encouraging new members to join the St. Luke's family of believers. It is always through prayer that we open our hearts, minds and hands to the Holy Spirit for guidance to become the church that God is calling us to be. We have invited our parish community to pray for the search for you; our new Rector. Please join us in prayer.

Search Committee Prayer: *Almighty and ever living God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with us who take counsel in this search for a new Rector for the mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it: through Jesus Christ our Lord.*
Adapted: BCP

Lay Readers and Chalice Bearers Prayer: *Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Fill us with grace and guide the hearts and minds of all of us as we search for a new Rector. We want a faithful pastor who will care for, teach, lead and equip us for our ministries. We ask through the mighty name of Jesus, your son.*

Acts Counseling Center Prayer: *Lord, we ask for the presence of your Holy Spirit in and through each of the members of the Search Committee as they seek the next rector that you will provide. We pray that the person called will have a vision for St. Luke's Church and the ability to lead us all into the next chapter you have for our congregation. Amen.*

Hog Heaven BBQ Team Prayer: *May the Lord bless our new rector with a heart for Jesus and an appreciation and appetite for BBQ*

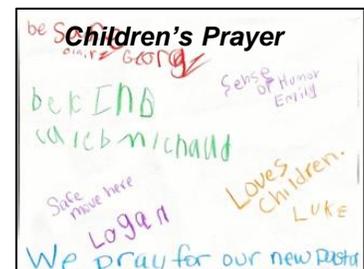
Sisters in The Sand Prayer: *We pray for wisdom to choose the right man. Pray the search committee will renew their minds in the Bible so that they can have Word-centered wisdom. **Romans 12:1-12.** We pray that God would give the next pastor a love for our church and the strength to leave his current position. We also pray that our congregation would learn to place a high priority on the Word of God, the glory of Christ, and a love for His church. It is easy to gravitate towards personality, programs, or an ideal when calling a new pastor. We pray to focus on what matters: a man who loves Christ, His Word, and His church. Pray the new rector will be a man of Christ-like character. We also pray that he will be loved by our church.*

Flower Guild Prayer: *We pray for unity and wisdom within the Search Committee and the many decisions they must make. We ask God's guidance, not only in finding our new Rector but also the ability to quickly identify those that would not be a good fit for our church.*

Intercessors Prayer Group: *Dear Lord, Make manifest your choice for the next rector of our parish.*

Greeters Team Prayer: *Father, please hear our prayers for our new rector. Close doors that need to be closed and open ones that will lead us to the leader that you have already chosen. Unify us so that we may continue to serve and glorify you. Thank you for being with us every step of the way. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen*

Music Team Prayer: *Dear Lord, please lead and direct our search committee, the vestry and our congregation as we prayerfully consider a new Rector. Help us to think as one mind so that we might, through prayer and discernment, find an abidingly faithful servant, who will teach, guide and lead the St. Luke's family and be a blessing to the Hilton Head community. We hope through your guidance to find someone who will help us grow in spirit and truth through your Holy name, Amen.*



The Chalice

In 1834, when St. Luke's was to be consecrated, two handsome silver chalices, handcrafted by a noted silversmith in London, England were donated and shipped all the way across the Atlantic Ocean. These cherished chalices immediately became part of the church services. However, in 1862, with the arrival of hostile Union troops during the Civil War, church members were forced to flee, and the imprint of St. Luke's on Hilton Head Island along with the chalices disappeared. The chalices were stolen and taken north by the Union soldiers. Time and history passed until in 1964, an ardent group of less than 50 resurrected the original St. Luke's legacy by securing its name as an island "mission church". Quite miraculously the church's original silver chalices, which had been assumed forever lost, were discovered and retrieved. They had been accidentally found in the back storage area of a Philadelphia flea market by a couple looking for silver goblet gifts for their daughter's wedding. Realizing the chalices belonged in their rightful place, the couple returned them to Beaufort County to await St. Luke's restoration where they have been reunited with their body of believers and burnished to their original beauty.

The chalices once again serve the St Luke's family every Sunday.



HISTORICAL TIMELINE

The St. Luke's Church legacy is one of perseverance and miracles. The church itself traces its roots to the mid-1700's when St. Luke's Parish was established near the tiny community of Pritchardville, in rural Beaufort County. The initial St. Luke's Church (circa 1786) burned, and was promptly rebuilt in 1824. It had a prime location near a roadway called The Charleston-Savannah Trail — an extension of the King's Highway, an historic wagon trail, covering more than 1,300 miles from Boston to the Savannah River. Approximately a century later, in 1964, a small cadre of stalwart Anglicans, with the same intrepid spirit as their predecessors, saw the need once again for St. Luke's to bring the word of Christ to the many new families who had begun re-settling the island as the result of new entrepreneurial real estate developers. St. Luke's has been blessed by its faithful following of Jesus and our trust in the authority of the Holy Bible.

- **1767** St. Luke's Parish established by the Colonial Assembly
- **1786** 1st St. Luke's church built near Pritchardville
- **1788** Zion Chapel of Ease erected on Hilton Head Island as a mission church of St. Luke's in Pritchardville
- **1834** Hilton Head chapel consecrated and silver chalices arrive from England
- **1862** Abandoned Zion Chapel of Ease dismantled; materials given to freed slaves and silver chalices disappear
- **1964** Newly completed St. Luke's, on our current 5-acre site, holds first service on Christmas Eve
- **1968** Parish Hall and Sunday school wing added to campus
- **1990** Columbarium and prayer garden established
- **1992** Reverend Greg Kronz begins his tenure as Rector
- **2000** Sanctuary enlarged to accommodate 580 with choir room and narthex
- **2009*** St. Luke's votes to dissociate from the Episcopal Church; follows leadership of the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina in 2012 legal action.
- **2011** Capital Campaign launches to renovate preschool, increase and modernize parish hall, purchase and renovate Ministry Center
- **2014** St. Luke's celebrates 50th anniversary on Christmas Eve

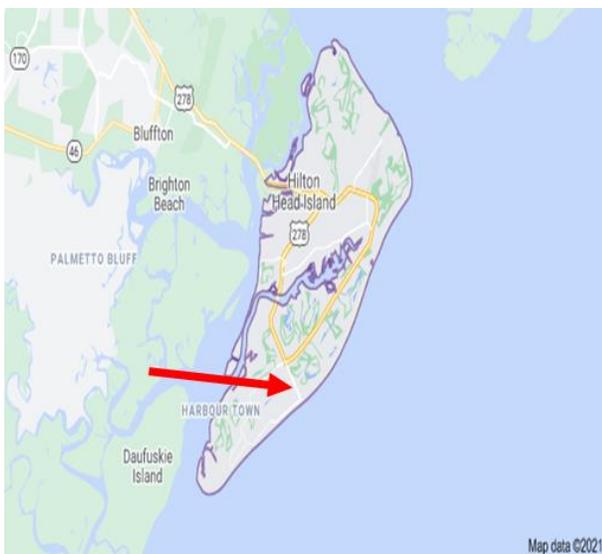


*In 2012, the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina disassociated from the Episcopal church along with 80% of its congregations and members. Multiple legal arguments have been made, ruled upon, and appealed. The latest appeal to the South Carolina Supreme Court by the Episcopal Church was December 8, 2021. We prayerfully await the decision from the courts. Our desire remains to serve the Lord and keep His commandments as found in Scripture and the foundational belief in the Nicene Creed. For more information, please see the most recent news on the Diocesan website <https://adosc.org/sc-supreme-court-hears-tec-appeal/> .

[St. Luke's Short History Video](#)

WHERE WE ARE

God's creation on display in the South Carolina Lowcountry will most certainly capture your attention. The bridges to and across Hilton Head Island span stretches of pristine waterways leading along the salt marshes and beside the sea. Here, nature guides the pace of the day, and living deeply in God's creation is requisite. Quiet moments of reflection with the Lord are easily revealed. The sights and sounds are inviting you to make yourself at home; finding ways to craft your moments, minutes, months and years are nearly limitless. World-renowned golf and tennis, miles of bike paths and nature trails, where enticements to shop and dine locally are around every palm tree and porch rocker. Nature is a priority here, from the beaches of Hilton Head Island to the winding banks of the May River; the centuries-old maritime forests to the many historic landmarks, this is the essence of the Lowcountry of South Carolina. This is where southern living feels as easy as the breezes across the water and through the trees. <https://www.hiltonheadisland.org/>



OUR CAMPUS

A total campus revitalization program was completed in 2017. In addition to the indoor areas, the parking lot was redesigned to provide additional parking spaces, and all areas are handicapped accessible for enhanced fellowship for all who visit. St. Luke's congregation, youth programs and school children are now making wonderful use of the new facilities.

Our Facilities Include:

- Main Building: narthex, sanctuary, flower preparation room, music practice room, sacristy, Grace Café, prayer room, restrooms
- Education Wing: bookstore, library, 3 classrooms, nursery
- Parish Life Wing/Fellowship Hall: residential kitchen, full commercial kitchen, seating for 300, stage with audio visual equipment, bathrooms with showers
- Preschool: fully renovated classrooms, restrooms, faculty workroom, library, and two age-appropriate playground areas (occupancy 90 students)
- Ministry Center: Rector's office, church administrative offices, Deacon's office, ACTS counseling center, CFM office, Youth Director's office, praise team leader's office, and conference room
- Mission and Ministry Center: 6 meeting rooms; largest meeting room with full projection capabilities, residential kitchen, youth meeting rooms with game tables, bathrooms with showers, outdoor picnic area and outdoor fire pits
- Columbarium
- Bell Tower

[Aerial Tour of Campus](#)



ST. LUKES PRESCHOOL

Our Mission

To provide a quality preschool education to children, in a loving environment, where they will come to know Jesus Christ and His Word.

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6

Visit the Preschool website: <https://www.stlukeshi.org/preschool.html>

Our Objectives:

- To provide a loving, Christian atmosphere where each child and teacher understands and accepts others regardless of race, religion, sex, age or financial condition.
- To provide a safe, healthy and developmentally appropriate learning environment.
- To help children develop skills, self-esteem and responsibility in order to meet the world's challenges. To use positive, Christ-centered techniques in guiding children's behavior.
- To build relationships with parents and nurture Christian-based child rearing practices.



St. Luke's Preschool By the Numbers

Enrollment: 71 **Faculty:** Preschool Director, 12 FT Faculty, 3 PT Faculty **Student Teacher Ratio: 6:1**

Tuition Approximately \$675/month. Amount varies with age group

Scholarship Fund: Approximately \$38,000

Classes/Age Groups

- Minnows: 18 months - 2.5 years
- Seahorses: 2.5 - 3.5 years
- Dolphins: 3.5 - 4.5 years
- Sharks: 5 - 5.5 years
- Manta Rays: Kindergarten - Third grade

After-Care/Average daily attendance: 25

Curriculum and Enrichment: We are a traditional school. This includes learning through play, center interaction, letters, math concepts, social studies, science experiments and fine and gross motor skills development.

In our Minnows and Seahorse classes we use Pam Schiller's curriculum books as a guide. Teachers add other resources to enhance their teaching materials.

In the Dolphins' class Bob Jones University PK Curriculum is used with supplemental materials from teachers. In the Sharks' class, the Bob Jones University Kindergarten curriculum is used with supplemental materials from teachers.



Worship and Music Ministries

Worship

Our congregation is Eucharistically centered and appreciates the use of liturgical vestments, acolytes, procession, lay readers and chalice bearers. Our 10:00 Sunday service, which celebrates Rite Two liturgy with a full choir, praise band, and organ is our most attended service. It is the service where the music ministry and the worship ministry shine in beautiful harmony with each other. The 8:00 service offers a more quiet and contemplative setting, where a smaller group of congregants gather for a Rite One service. The Book of Common Prayer provides the structure for both services. The structure for the Prayers of the People is also taken from the BCP. We also offer a Wednesday healing service.

A Few of St. Luke's Worship Ministries:

- Acolytes
- Altar Guild
- Chalice Bearers (pending review of COVID guidelines)
- Lay Readers
- Ushers
- Greeters
- Flower Guild
- Lay Eucharistic Ministers
- Prayer Teams
- Children's Chapel
- Screen Projection, Sound and Streaming Team



A/V Streaming Team



Communion

[Visit our YouTube channel to watch a service](#)



Acolyte

Worship and Music Ministries

Music Ministries

Sing out and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Ephesians 5:19b,20

The music ministry seeks to support the congregation as they lift up their voices in praise and worship to the Lord. A significant effort is made to enrich the worship experience by integrating music selections with the Scripture readings and liturgical/calendar season to magnify the worship service. The relationship between music and worship remains an important connection for many parishioners.

A Few of St. Luke's Music Ministries and Teams:

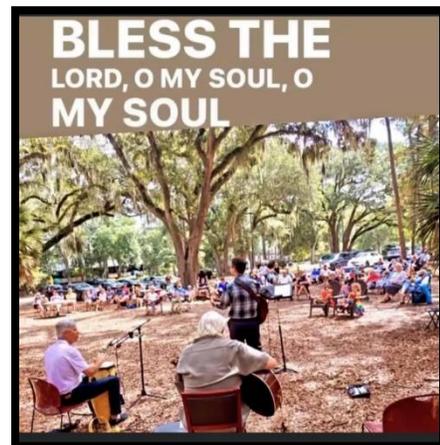
- Canterbury Children's Choir
- St. Nicholas Children's Choir
- Ring and Rejoice Handbells
- Contemporary Music Choir
- Contemporary Music Band
- Brass Trio
- St. Luke's Choir
- St. Luke's Special Liturgical Events Choir



A Few of St. Luke's Music and Worship Ministries Events:

- Lessons and Carols
- Children's Choir Musical
- Large Choral Work
- Host of Hilton Head International Piano Competition
- Guest Soloists and Musicians
- Good Friday Ecumenical Community Service
- *Bi-Monthly Under The Oaks outdoor services
- *Weekly Sunday Night Church

*currently inactive



Worship and Music Ministries

In our worship, in our music, in our fellowship and combined ministries, St. Luke's is striving for an ongoing recognition of Jesus as our comforting, stirring and strengthening Savior.

MUSICAL

Rescue in the night

MAY 16 AT 10AM
SUNDAY SERVICE

Presented by
St. Luke's
children
choirs




JOIN US FOR CHILDREN'S CHAPEL
SUNDAY OCT. 3
10 AM
AGES 4-11
THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT
IS KINDNESS

**OUTDOOR
SERVICE HOURS**

2ND & 4TH
SUNDAYS 11:30 AM

Picnic every 2nd Sunday

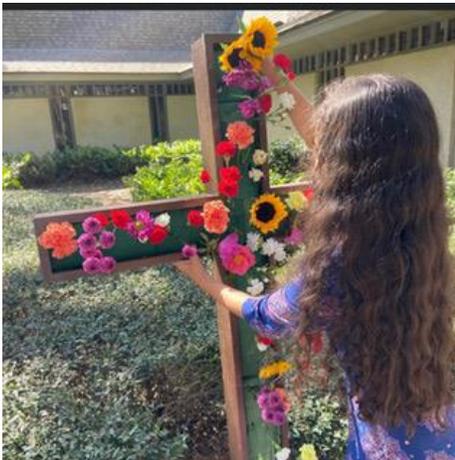


New Time

Same God

NIGHT CHURCH
at
St. Luke's

Sundays @5
@St. Luke's



“ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. ”

St. Luke's Church at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Christian Formation and Education Ministries

St. Luke's parish is actively answering the call as living members of the Body of Christ to search for and deepen our faith. Christian educational opportunities are available on Sunday and throughout the week; both day and evening studies are available. On Sundays, both adult and children's studies are available. The Adult program offers various topics and teachers throughout the year. Our Wednesday evening program, taught by our Rector, is a true "line by line" Bible study. Zoom is available to those who are unable to attend in person. Prior to COVID, family-centered Wednesday evenings began with a group potluck style supper followed by breakout groups going to their classes; children's classes were also offered on family-centered Wednesdays. We hope to resume this soon. In addition to summer Vacation Bible School, Children's Chapel takes place during the weekly 10:00 am Sunday service.

A few of St. Luke's Christian Education and Formation Ministries

- Discovery Class
- Adult Sunday School
- Children's Chapel
- Bible Studies
- Alpha
- Alpha Marriage
- Vacation Bible School
- Christian Book Clubs
- Middle School Youth Group
- High School Youth Group
- Children and Family Ministry



Middle and High School Youth Groups

Proverbs 22:6 The Message Point your kids in the right direction— when they're old they won't be lost.

Through the successful implementation of Middle School and High School Programs, St. Luke's has witnessed that our teens and their families were strengthened in faith, challenged in making important life decisions and mentored in the ways of discipleship. St. Luke's is committed to continuing this legacy under the leadership of our new Youth Director, Daniel Parker, in 2022 and beyond. With the strength and commitment of parent volunteers, these dynamic programs attract middle and high school students from across the island and neighboring Bluffton. As a parish, we look forward to continuing this most vital legacy; the very future of our church.



Sr. High Youth 1/30/2021

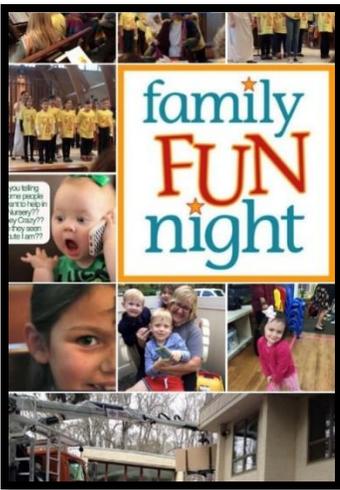


Jr. High Youth 1/30/2021

Children and Family Ministry

Mark 10:13-16 People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs."

The Children's and Family Ministry Programs have been blessed through close coordination with the St. Luke's Preschool and the Music Ministry. Summer Vacation Bible School is always sold out, the interactive Night in Bethlehem brought in over 250 families from the community to experience what day-to-day life was like in Bethlehem and the Amazing Race Day was a high energy lesson in discovering the mystery of the tomb. The Spring Musical performance awed the congregation. Along with trained volunteers, Amy Reese is providing strong and creative leadership for this ministry in 2022. In addition, she is overseeing the Sunday School Chapel, organized the 2021 Operation Christmas Child ministry and the Gingerbread Bash. We look forward to more blessings for the children of our parish and to the community in 2022 under her leadership.



Parish Life Ministries

Overall, St. Luke's is a warm and welcoming community that embraces opportunities to fellowship outside of normal Sunday service times. Numerous fellowship groups are available; although over the years, the numbers have fallen in strength and attendance. This is true at both the adult and youth levels. There is a strong desire to renew the fellowship and community relationships that these programs gave to us.

A Few of St. Luke's Parish Life Ministries Groups and Events:

- Being Men Of Christ (BMOC)
- Sacred Arts Exhibit/Lectures
- Good Friday Community Service
- Community Events: Eric Metaxas Lecture and Blackaby Conference
- BMOC Christmas Dinner
- Women's Luncheon
- Drama Ministry Productions
- Daughters of the Holy Cross (coming soon)
- St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Fall Festival
- Hog Heaven BBQ Team Events
- Grace Café coffee service



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RADIO SHOW HOST
INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER

Eric Metaxas

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God
(But Were Afraid To Ask),
is a discussion about sharing and
exploring faith's toughest questions.



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Conference Sessions:
Friday: 6:30pm-9:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-12:00pm
6:30pm-9:00pm

Pastoral Care Ministries

In times of need, our pastoral care ministries enthusiastically step into action. While clergy are instrumental in providing pastoral care to parishioners, lay pastoral care teams are made up of dedicated parishioners who comfort fellow parishioners in need with cards, food, flowers, fellowship (sometimes via Zoom), emails, texts, and Lay Eucharistic visits. Volunteers also maintain the parish prayer list and have mid-week as well as Sunday prayer teams available.

A Few of St. Luke's Pastoral Care Ministries:

- Cancer Support Group
- Lay Eucharistic Ministers
- Hospitality Team
- Hog Heaven BBQ Team
- The Esther Project
- MOMS Support Group
- Bookshop
- Prayer Partners
- Intercessory Prayer Team
- * Stephen Ministry (currently inactive)

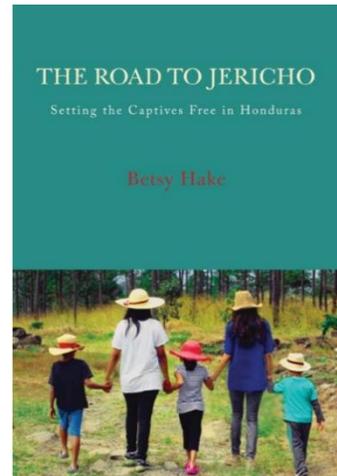


Community Service and Outreach Ministries

St. Luke’s church has always had a legacy of involvement in the local community, the country and the world. Locally, our Allendale Restorative Justice and Character Restorative Initiative Prison Ministry programs have changed lives in such a profound way that it has become a national model. The Church Mouse Thrift Shop is such a retail success that they are able to financially match our monthly Mission outreach collection while annually fulfilling grants to other needy local and international programs. The local chapter of Habitat for Humanity had its start in our office space. With the guidance of our Deacon Kathie Phillips, we have partnered with Global Teams to send our prayers, resources and work teams abroad to not only spread the gospel but to build schools, paint orphanages and serve healthy meals to the needy.

A Few of our Community Service, Outreach Ministries and Missions:

- Jericho Ministries & Betsy Hake / Honduras
- Global Teams & Francis Matumba, Yvonne North, Michael Jun in Latin America, East Africa, SE Asia Region
- Urban Promise & Blair Quinias /Honduras
- Missionary Ventures & Candy Rieger in Haiti and the Dominican Republic
- Lamb Institute & Suzy McCall/Honduras
- Valentine Children’s Home/ Tanzania, Africa
- Allendale Prison/ Fairfax, SC
- Navigators & June Smith/ USC, Columbia, SC
- Saint Luke’s Pre-School/ Hilton Head, SC
- Church Mouse Thrift Shop/Hilton Head, SC
- Neighborhood Outreach Center (NOC)/Hilton Head, SC
- Memory Matters/Hilton Head, SC
- Family Promise/Hilton Head, SC



Links:

www.familypromise.org

www.churchmousethrift.com

www.mymemorymatters.org



BY THE NUMBERS

Hilton Head is a popular destination for those who seek an active retirement. Having spent annual family vacations here, many families make a decision to reside here full time. The past trend has been for this move to take place after grown children have established their own lives. However recently, families with school age children are moving into the area. Our demographics chart reflects this. The chart to the right tells their age distributions. Currently, 564 parishioners/families actively donate regularly to St. Luke’s. Of these, 22% (122) came to St. Luke’s in the last 5 years.

Age Range	Total Active Parishioners	New in Past 5 years
80 +	24%	14%
60-79	42%	67%
40-59	13%	12%
31-39	2%	0%
16-30	15%	3%
Under 16	5%	3%
Total	564	122 (22%)

This group was polled via email and asked to indicate how they self- identify their connection to St. Luke’s. The results are: **86%** Regular attendee **14%** Part Time attendee (have homes in other locations and attend St. Luke’s when on Hilton Head) With regards to watching the services via our YouTube channel, 82% stream with 19 % indicating they do so *often* and **63 %** indicate they do so *sometimes* . COVID has dramatically changed our worship attendance numbers since 2019. We have been blessed to offer in-person worship since June of 2020 with two exceptions early in 2021. The average total attendance for the two Sunday worship services from September through December 2021 has been 177. The average concurrent streaming of the 10 AM service during that period is about 45 viewers. On particularly bad weather days or with certain special events/speakers there are as many as 75 concurrent viewers. Total attendance at the 2 Christmas Eve services was 439.

St. Luke’s giving has remained strong during the pandemic despite a drop in physical attendance. In fact, the “outreach giving” to local and international missions has substantially increased. We have been blessed with a reduction of our long-term debt to less than \$300,000 and our liquid assets have remained high.

	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Budget
Revenues	\$1,124,939	\$1,226,046	\$1,320,143	\$1,136,500
Expenses				
Personnel	\$508,439	\$523,840	\$510,264	\$582,745
Other	\$510,962	\$502,004	\$520,901	\$553,565
Total Exp.	\$1,019,401	\$1,025,844	\$1,031,165	\$1,136,310
	\$105,538	\$200,202	\$288,977	\$190

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2022 VESTRY

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Jim Legg, Treasurer (2024)

John Austin (2023)

Elizabeth Glick (2024)

Nancy Henty (2025)

Mike Mitchell (2025)

Bill Peacher (2023)

Gleaves Rhodes (2023)

Sarah Tillman (2025)

Robyn Zimmerman (2024)

Beth Meeder (2025)



St. Luke's staff hires in 2021 meet with Nina Rodman, our Minister of Music. (Amy Reese, Michelle Woodcock, Dallas Reese, Daniel Parker, Nina Rodman and Teri Valenia.)

[St. Luke's Clergy](#)

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What Are We Seeking in A Rector?

St. Luke's is a tradition filled parish striving to embrace the essence of community both within and outside the church walls. Our desire is to deepen our faith for the purpose of sharing that faith with others. In the current time period following the COVID pandemic, we are prioritizing the renewal of our parish ministries and activities and growing them in a meaningful way. We are seeking a Rector who will embrace our core Anglican values, provide Biblically based, dynamic, challenging sermons and Bible studies while fulfilling the role to provide both personal and communal pastoral care. We are looking for a Rector who will lead and guide us in our continual search for spiritual growth. Part of that growth is the hiring of an Associate Rector to assist in all aspects of the church. As we grow, the ability to delegate is a crucial part of this leadership position. That growth will challenge us to use our time, talent and treasures to achieve our vision statement. The Strategic Vision Action Plan is outlined here for your reference.

It is important to understand that after 30 years as our Rector, we are not "looking to replace" Greg Kronz. Our prayer-led search is to find a spiritual leader who will help us to reflect on who we are at this critical, disruptive time in history and challenge us to a renewed personal and parish wide call-to-action. Since he arrived in September 1992, Greg Kronz has devotedly proclaimed the Gospel message to a thriving parish that will be forever grateful for his faithful witness. But more than that, his presence is felt not only within our church but within the community. He has been a visible sign of St. Luke's at high school football games, at golf tournaments, at local festivals or retirement communities, at the gym, at the grocery store- wherever people gather. Greg, often accompanied by his wife Meredith, is often seen out and about in the community sharing the Gospel and representing St. Luke's. His outreach to other churches in our local community has been a hallmark of his Rectorship. He is the "welcoming committee" to all new area pastors, and his Good Friday Ecumenical service is a well known Hilton Head tradition that gathers folks from over 10 different churches to remember the Seven Last Words of Jesus from the Cross. It is with profound gratitude that we accepted his decision to retire in September 2022. As Bishop Lawrence guided and counseled us in our search committee meetings, our parish will "grieve" his retirement and it will be a difficult transition for many parishioners. However, we look forward with the guidance of the Holy Spirit to send us our next Rector.

Please read through the following information provided by our parishioners through several Listening Sundays as well as our parish survey results.

Prerequisites:

The candidate must be theologically aligned with our Core Values and What We Believe as previously stated. The candidate must be fully and without reservation accepting of Jesus as His Lord and Savior as well as the doctrines of the Christian faith as set forth in scripture, the historic creeds, and the doctrinal statements of the Anglican Diocese of South Carolina.

As noted through anecdotal comments made from parishioners during Listening Sunday sessions.

The Parishioners Desire Someone Who Can:

- provide effective leadership including the hire of an Associate Rector; create effective leadership and delegate responsibilities
- continue our sense of community
- provide pastoral care
- engage with Youth Groups
- bring in more families with school age children
- help maintain and grow congregation
- provide strong sermons based on Scripture
- continue to embrace local, national and international outreach
- provide additional worship services

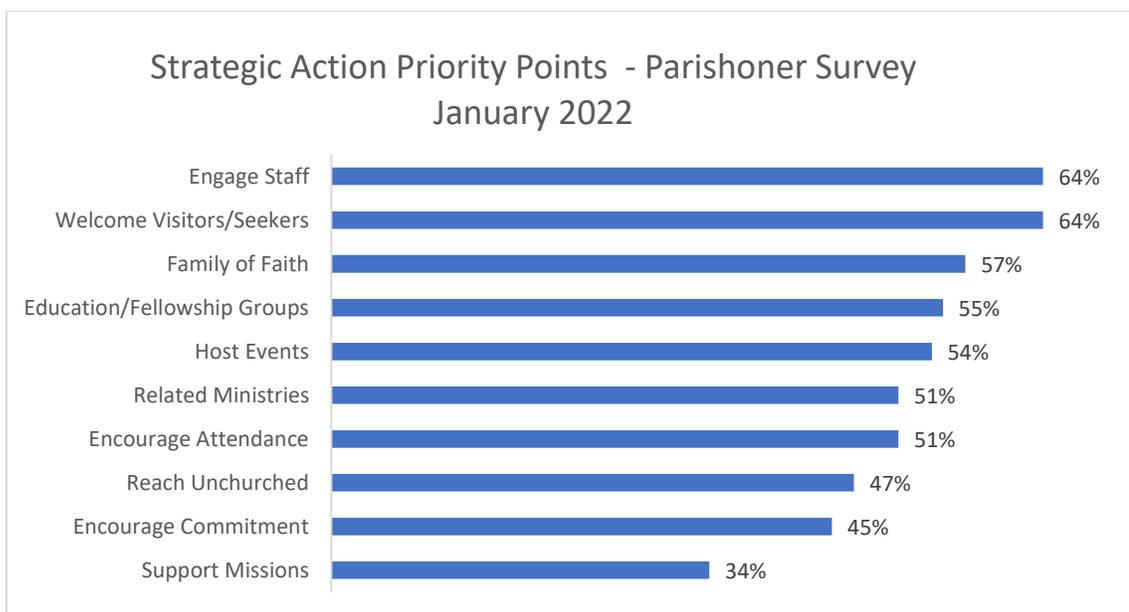
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Strategic Vision Action Plan

St. Luke’s church strives to be a church that not only believes the message of God’s saving grace but also a church that takes that message of the Gospel to the unreached community. We need a Rector who will be dedicated to the challenge that this presents. The greatest portion of “the church” may be outside the campus of St. Luke’s. Most importantly, our Strategic Planning Vision and Action proposal was written knowing that deep and meaningful changes are needed to reach the changing culture and the definition of what a traditional church is and what it could become. We seek to organize, improve and expand on strong programs and ministries. Guided by the nourishment of encouraging Biblical teaching, we look to take the Sunday experience outside to expand our presence in the community. With the deployment of a new Rector, a new Associate Rector, a strong staff and outstanding, passionate volunteers we are ready for action!

Our Mission and Action Steps from the Strategic Vision Action Plan

Our goal is to help St. Luke's grow among a broad demographic that includes a more diverse population (by age, family status, younger families) and create a more engaged and passionate congregation. The following actions were developed to meet this goal. These actions are prioritized based on a survey of all parishioners in January 2022. One hundred and twenty-five parishioners responded to the survey and the percentage shown in the charts is the percentage of respondents that felt that the action was “Very Important”. Please, see the next page to read the full statements reflected here.



Strategic Action Descriptions Used in Survey

Engage Staff	Effectively engage the staff, ministry leaders, and volunteers to grow the church via the St. Luke's vision.
Welcome Visitors/Seekers	Revitalize our welcome approach for visitors/seekers to better serve and welcome those looking for a church home.
Family of Faith	Prioritize a culture shift to grow the parish as a true home for a family of faith. Being mindful to keep tradition alive while embracing new necessary changes.
Education/Fellowship Groups	Maintain and expand educational/fellowship groups such as Bible studies, Discovery class, Connection groups, BMOC and after-service coffee time on Sundays.
Host Events	Utilize our physical campus buildings to host church and community events which bring non-parishioners to the campus and eventually services. Be a promoter of Saint Luke's Church at ecumenical community events.
Encourage Attendance	Attract more parishioners to attend in-person Sunday services with Biblical preaching and lively music while maintaining the Anglican tradition.
Related Ministries	Develop strong relationships with preschool, Sunday School childrens chapel, youth activities and potentially a young professional adult group.
Reach Unchurched	Reach unchurched members of our community with an open invitation to attend Saint Luke's Church.
Encourage Commitment	Find ways to inspire current parishioners to make a greater commitment to Saint Luke's Church as their home church.
Support Missions	Support missions through visits, funding, and in prayer at the local/national/international levels.



It is our sincere hope that we have shared with you a bit of our history, our vibrant present and our vision for the future. We thank you for taking the time to read this over and to get to know us.

In Prayer,

The St. Luke's Church Family

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We are a family of believers:

- growing in the love of Jesus

-sharing the joy of worship

-serving the community and beyond

The logo features a stylized blue arch with a black cross inside it, positioned to the left of the text.

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