Lawrence Chapel United Methodist Church

November 22, 2026



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Lawrence Chapel UMC practices the love and teachings of Jesus

Prelude *Give Me Jesus* arr. by Bethany Smith

Bringing Forth the Light

Making a Difference (Welcome and Announcements)

*Call to Worship
Come, let us worship Jesus Christ, our King!
We come to praise the One who rules with love and grace.
Christ calls us to love our neighbors and care for those in need.
May we see Christ in everyone we meet.
Let us open our hearts to God's presence among us.
Let us worship Christ our King!

*Hymn *We Gather Together* 131

Prayer of Confession
Merciful God, you call us to love you by loving others. Yet we confess that we do not always see the needs around us. We sometimes turn away from those who are hungry, lonely, hurting, or forgotten. Forgive us when we fail to recognize Christ in our neighbors. Open our eyes to see, our hearts to love, and our hands to serve. Help us share your grace and mercy with all people. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Hear the good news! God's love is greater than our failures, and God's grace gives us the opportunity to begin again. Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Prayer for God's People Rev. Steve Simoneaux

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.

Time and Prayer for Young Disciples		Deanna Phifer
Invitation to the Offering		Stephen Singleton
Offertory	*We are an Offering*	arr. by Mark Hayes
*Doxology		95
*Offertory Prayer		Stephen Singleton
*A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church		884
*Glori Patri		70
*Hymn	*Rejoice, the Lord is King*	715
Scripture	Matthew 25:31-46	Pew Bible NT p.29
Sermon	Sheep and Goats?	Rev. Steve Simoneaux
*Hymn	*Crown Him with Many Crowns*	327
*Benediction		Rev. Steve Simoneaux
*Postlude	*This Little Light of Mine*	arr. by Mark Hayes

*Please Stand as able

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If you are worshipping at LCUMC for the first time, we welcome you in the name of Christ! Please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate so that Pastor Justin can send you a note.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey in Christ, you are welcome at LCUMC. You do not have to join in order to participate in worship, many areas of serving, and small groups. However, becoming a member of this body of Christ is an excellent way for you to fully live out your Christian commitment and deepen your faith. If you would like to become an official member of this community, Pastor Justin would love to have a conversation with you!

To reach a larger ministry audience, our service is live streamed on Facebook and YouTube and recorded for posting on our website. Typically, the last 5 pews in the church are never "on camera"(near the street entrance).

Prayer Concerns

Kelly(Sandra and Lou), Drew Meyers, Gunther Nocht(Kris Ellenburg), Betty Ambrose, Braelyn Hollensbe, Pat and Skip Fenton, , Cherie Pressley(Sandra and Lou), Tommy McCall(Wesley Ramey), Robyn Daffron(Anne Lee), Vera Crane(Heather Beam), Ray Smith(Cindy Arnold), Andrea Hyde(Laura Linder), Joyce Hartsell, Ginger Roper(Davison's), Rev. Bruce and Ann Sayre, Josh Howard(Lee), Ray(Linda Regnier), Michael (Linda Regnier's stepson), Randy and Gene(Elizabeth), Karen Garrett, Kris Ellenburg, Clara Wilks and Family, Meredith Dornenburg(Holly), Mary Todd(Glenns), The Ochoa Family, Eleanor Collins and Family, Julie Drake, Laurel Hunnicutt, Josie Geehreng and family, Ashley R.(Singletons), Gwen Hummel.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Guest Pianist: Laura Wagner
Children's Director: Deanna Phifer
Counter: Evelyn Davison
Greeter: Ronny and Viky Thompkins
Children's Church: Suzi Harmon and Sharon Match
Offertory Reader: Stephen Singleton
Acolyte: Lynn Kelley

Meeting Reminders:

11/23 10:00am Decorate the sanctuary for advent. All are welcome to come help! **No Coffee with Justin.**
11/26 Church Office Closed - Happy Thanksgiving.
11/29 Hanging of the Greens Service
11/30 10:00am Coffee with Justin meets in the fellowship hall.
12/2 12:00pm Hooks and Needles meets in the library.
5:30pm Children/youth - dinner is provided.
12/7 10:00am Coffee with Justin meets in the fellowship hall.
12/9 12:00pm Senior Lunch - Christmas Meal is provided.
1:00pm Hooks and Needles meets in the library.
6:00pm Children Christmas Play
12/14 4:00pm Two or More Cookie Exchange

Finance Summary, September 2026	Month	Year to Date	Budget
Giving	$19,894.26	$183,023.37	Monthly- $22,248.00
Expenses	$19,765.08	$182,985.50	YTD- $200,232.00
Variance Expenses to Giving	$129.18	$37.87	
Capital Campaign	**As of 11/15/2026**	**$65,735.89**	**$100,000.00**

Website: lawrencechapel.church Email: lawrence.chapel90@gmail.com
Nursery and Restroom facilities are in the Education Building across from the sanctuary.
Church WiFi ID – LCMGuest Password – PeaceBeWithYou!
Phone 864-653-4461, Mailing Address LCUMC PO Box 117, Central, SC 29630

We Gather Together (Kremser)

Verse 1
We gather together
To ask the Lord's blessing
He chastens and hastens
His will to make known
The wicked oppressing
Now cease from distressing
Sing praises to His name
He forgets not His own

Verse 2
Beside us to guide us
Our God with us joining
Ordaining maintaining
His kingdom divine
So from the beginning
The fight we were winning
Thou Lord wast at our side
All glory be Thine

Verse 3
We all do extol Thee
Thou Leader triumphant
And pray that Thou still
Our Defender wilt be
Let Thy congregation
Escape tribulation
Thy name be ever praised
O Lord make us free

Eduard Kremser, Theodore Baker
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Pastor:

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith let us now declare:

Pastor and People:

We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.
We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.
We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

Rejoice The Lord Is King (Darwall's 148th)

Verse 1
Rejoice the Lord is King
Your Lord and King adore
Mortals give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore

Verse 2
Jesus the Saviour reigns
The God of truth and love
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above

Verse 3
His kingdom cannot fail
He rules o'er earth and heaven
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given

Verse 4
Rejoice in glorious hope
Jesus the Judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home

Charles Wesley, John Darwall
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Crown Him With Many Crowns (Diadematа)

Verse 1
Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Verse 2
Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Verse 3
Crown Him the Lord of peace
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole
That wars may cease
And all be prayer and praise
His reign shall know no end
And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet

Verse 4
Crown Him the Lord of love
Behold His hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight
But downward bends each burning eye
At mysteries so bright

George Job Elvey, Godfrey Thring, Matthew Bridges
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Country Santa
Collecting through Dec. 8th

Please look over the following list and help us make children happy this year by donating toys and other items to Country Santa.

Baby: ages 0-3
Building blocks, shape sorters, musical toys, board books, stuffed animals(new)

Young Explorers: ages 4-7
Dolls and accessories, action figures, art supplies, Lego sets, beginner games.

Growing Interests: ages 8-12
Sports equipment, craft kits, board games, science kits, puzzles.

Teen Favorites: ages 13-18
Make-up, manicure sets, hair dryers, curling irons, wallets, watches, tools, headphones and gift cards.

Please drop-off donations on the table with the Christmas tree in the fellowship hall. You may also make a monetary donation mark on check Country Santa, and we will shop for you.