

Welcome TO LOST CREEK!

The “largest church on a gravel road,” Lost Creek doesn’t fit tidily into any one box. Our worship brings “tradition” and “today” into the same room. We’ve been on this rural corner for almost 120 years and continue to do new and exciting things. We are a United Methodist congregation with members from all kinds of faith journeys and backgrounds. We love God with our head, our heart, and our hands. We are an energetic, engaged, and generous bunch of people who care about our community, our nation, and our world.

Our “True North” is to deepen relationships with Jesus Christ, and our mission is to make disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world.

We feel strongly that wherever you may come from, whatever your background, Lost Creek is a place where you can find a path to follow Jesus. Key signposts along that path are illustrated by what we call our “Four Commitments:”

1. A relationship with Jesus Christ as Savior.
2. An infilling of the Holy Spirit.
3. To be engaged in telling your story (evangelism).
4. To be actively involved in at least one area of ministry offered by our church.

We are convinced that while these four commitments do not *completely* describe the Christian journey, they are critical landmarks to deepen our relationship with Jesus.

To Our Guests:

Thank you for joining us this morning! We hope you will see that you have a home and a place here — to encounter God and follow Christ with us. You will find an Information Card in the pew. Please fill it out and drop it in the offering plate. We don’t use this information to bug you — we would just like to get to know you better.

- Nursery care for children under 4 is available for any portion of worship
- Coffee can be found in the Fellowship Hall and at the Coffee Station.
- There is Children’s Church in our Shine Zone during worship for children ages 4 through the end of 3rd grade. Children will leave the Sanctuary together after the Children’s Time and return in time to receive Holy Communion with their families.



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Announcements



Easter Candy Needed!

We are asking for donations of candy for this year’s Easter Eggstravaganza! Your donations have been such a blessing to the kids and community the past few years. All donations can be dropped off in the foyer.



IT’S TIME TO ORDER

Easter Lilies!

If you would like to purchase an Easter lily in honor or memory of someone special, fill out a form in the Foyer. Lilies are \$25 and must be ordered by March 23!

SPEEDERS LUNCH OUTING

THURSDAY, MARCH 12 | 11:30 A.M. | HIDEAWAY

The Speeders will have their monthly gathering at Hideaway Pizza this week! Everyone age 55 and better is welcome to join us for food, fun, and fellowship!

YOUTH MINISTRY INPUT SESSION

MONDAY, MARCH 23 | 5:30 P.M.

As we look to relaunch our Youth Ministry later this year, we are holding an input session for youth and parents. We’ll meet in the Fellowship Hall, and dinner will be provided. Come be part of this exciting time of growth and revitalization!

TWO EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 | 8:30 & 10:15 A.M.

This year, we will have two Easter morning services in our Sanctuary! These identical services offer a chance to worship the risen Christ and invite friends to join you. Be thinking now about which service you plan to attend!

FINAL OSU WESLEY DINNER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25 | 6:00 P.M. | OSU WESLEY

Our last OSU Wesley dinner of the semester will be sloppy joes! Check out the sign-up sheet in the Foyer if you can bring menu items or help serve the meal!

Announcements



Throughout the season of Lent, Lost Creek and area UMCs are raising funds for Rise Against Hunger. You’re invited to give up something small during the season

of Lent and instead put that money toward this effort. Our combined goal is to raise \$10,000 by Easter Sunday. These funds will then be used for a meal packaging event in May, where we will package over 24,000 meals to be sent around the world where food is scarce. You can give via check or through our app!

NEIGHBORHOOD PRAYER WALK SUNDAY, MARCH 29 | AFTER WORSHIP

After worship on Palm Sunday, we have our next Neighborhood Prayer Walk, focusing on homes near our church. In addition to praying, we will hang door hangers inviting them to Easter worship. We need your help in spreading the love of God and the invitation to our church family! Sign up in the Foyer!



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WE’VE MADE IT EVEN EASIER FOR
YOU TO CONNECT WITH LOST CREEK!

You can now use these QR codes to register as a guest, share a prayer request, make your offering or update your contact information. It’s all as handy as your phone!

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL, CONTACT
Ashtyn Ball at 405.377.0927 or aball@lostcreekumc.org

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOME GROUPS, CONTACT
Michael Carpenter at 405.377.0927 or mcarpenter@lostcreekumc.org

This Week

TODAY

- 9:00 a.m. | Sunday School
- 10:15 a.m. | Worship
- 4:00 p.m. | Lay Servant Course

TUESDAY

- 5:30 p.m. | Community Meal

WEDNESDAY

- 5:45 p.m. | Treble Makers Rehearsal
- 6:45 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 9:00 a.m. | Crafty Creekers Retreat
- 6:00 p.m. | Sparkle Moms
- 6:00 p.m. | Finance Meeting

FRIDAY

- 9:00 a.m. | Crafty Creekers Retreat

SATURDAY

- 9:00 a.m. | Crafty Creekers Retreat

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

3.9.26

Haley Jones

3.14.26

Pam Roberson

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026

PRELUDE	<i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i>
WELCOME	Aaron Box
CALL TO WORSHIP	Psalm 21
OPENING HYMN	<i>Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</i> (UMH 400)
PRAYERS	
CHILDREN'S TIME	Pastor Michael Carpenter
SCRIPTURE READING	John 4:4-15 Jennifer Rudd
SONGS	<i>All My Fountains Great Are You, Lord</i>
SCRIPTURE READING	John 4:16-30 Mason Peeper
SERMON	Samaria Pastor Ashtyn Ball
TITHES & OFFERINGS	<i>Amazing Grace</i>
DOXOLOGY	
CHOIR ANTHEM	<i>I Could Sing of Your Love Forever</i>
COMMISSIONING	Sager Brown Mission Team
HOLY COMMUNION	
FOUR COMMITMENTS	
COVENANT OF BAPTISM	
CLOSING HYMN	<i>It Is Well with My Soul</i> (UMH 377)
BENEDICTION	
IN JESUS' NAME	
POSTLUDE	<i>Postlude on Nettleton</i>

NOTES:

Meet the Staff



Michael Carpenter
Senior Pastor



Ashtyn Ball
Associate Pastor



Diann Rudd
Music Ministries

For a complete staff listing, visit lostcreekumc.com/about

CROSS ROADS

Week 3:
Samaria



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