

# 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

An Oak Park  
**EGGSTRAVAGANZA!**  
Saturday, March 28  
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.




**FINAL SUNDAY 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!

## 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!

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 | FRIDAY, APRIL 3 | 6:00 P.M.

For Holy Week next week, we will have a service on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday! Join us for both services to highlight your experience of Easter!

## 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!

# 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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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](mailto:aball@lostcreekumc.org)

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOME GROUPS, CONTACT

Michael Carpenter at 4055.377.0927 or [mcarpenter@lostcreekumc.org](mailto:mcarpenter@lostcreekumc.org)

# This Week

## TODAY

9:00 a.m. | Sunday School  
10:15 a.m. | Worship  
4:00 p.m. | Lay Serant Training

## MONDAY

6:30 p.m. | UWF

## TUESDAY

5:30 p.m. | Community Meal

## WEDNESDAY

5:45 p.m. | Treble Makers Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. | OSU Wesley Dinner  
6:30 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY

9:00 a.m. | Crafty Creekers  
6:00 p.m. | Sparkle Moms  
6:00 p.m. | Administrative Council

## SATURDAY

11:00 a.m. | Easter Eggstravaganza

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### 3.24.26

Jim & Nola Caldwell  
Haley Sylvester  
David Howey

# ORDER *of* WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026

**PRELUDE** *My Hope Is in the Lord*

**WELCOME** Jillianne Tebow

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 130

**OPENING HYMN** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (UMH 57)

**PRAYERS**

**CHILDREN'S TIME** Pastor Ashtyn Ball

**SCRIPTURE READING** Leviticus 19:9-18 | Sharon Kinzie

**SONGS** *At Your Name*  
*All the Poor and Powerless*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 10:25-37 | Eli Kinzie

**SERMON** **The Jerusalem Highway** | Pastor Michael Carpenter

**TITHES & OFFERINGS** *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

**DOXOLOGY**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**FOUR COMMITMENTS**

**AFTERTHOUGHTS**

**CLOSING HYMN** *God of Grace and God of Glory* (UMH 577)

**BENEDICTION**

**IN JESUS' NAME**

**POSTLUDE** *In Joyful Praise*

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## Meet the Staff



**Michael Carpenter**  
Senior Pastor



**Ashtyn Ball**  
Associate Pastor



**Diann Rudd**  
Music Ministries

For a complete staff listing, visit [lostcreekumc.com/about](http://lostcreekumc.com/about)

# CROSS ROADS

Week 5:  
The Jerusalem Highway



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