

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.



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:
lostcreekumc.org

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 Nathan’s office.

MESSY CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 | 9:00 A.M.

For Sunday School next Sunday, our children will be doing something called “Messy Church.” Children will move between several hands-on stations doing activities, building crafts, and more to gain a deeper understanding of the Sea of Galilee before we discuss it in worship. This would be a great opportunity for the children to bring a friend to enjoy this unique, hands-on experience!

IF:STILLWATER GATHERING

SATURDAY, MARCH 7 | 6:00-10:00 P.M.

You are invited to the local streaming of the Dallas-based IF:Gathering Christian conference at Lost Creek. This night of prayer, worship, and teaching is totally free!

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!

2026 BELIZE MISSION

JUNE 26 - JULY 5

Our mission to Corozal and Libertad, Belize, is starting to get organized, and it is time for folks to sign up! The cost is \$500 for the mission, \$600 for flights, and \$400 for the ending vacation days in San Pedro. We have plenty of spots available and would love to have you join us this summer as we share the love of Christ with the children of these communities!

For more information, reach out to Pastor Michael or Scott McMurry.

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!

TREBLE MAKERS CHILDREN’S CHOIR

WEDNESDAYS | 5:45 P.M. | SANCTUARY

The Treble Makers will be making a joyful noise again soon! Rehearsals begin this week, and they will perform in the Palm Sunday service on March 29. Children 2nd grade through Middle School are welcome to join!



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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

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT HOME GROUPS, CONTACT

Michael Carpenter at 4055.377.0927 or mcarpenter@lostcreekumc.org

This Week

TODAY

- 8:00 a.m. | Men's Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. | Sunday School
- 9:00 a.m. | Lost Creek 101
- 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
- 6:00 p.m. | Wesley Foundation Dinner
- 6:45 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

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

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

2.22.26

Stan Moffat

2.23.26

Emmerson Hurst
Sandy Marshall

ORDER *of* WORSHIP

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

PRELUDE	<i>Be Not Afraid</i>
WELCOME	Jillianne Tebow
CALL TO WORSHIP	Psalm 63
OPENING HYMN	<i>Take My Life, and Let It Be</i> (UMH 399)
PRAYERS	
CHILDREN'S TIME	Pastor Ashtyn Ball
SCRIPTURE READING	Exodus 16:1-5 Heather Spiva
SONGS	<i>Heaven Fall Down</i> <i>No Longer Slaves</i>
SCRIPTURE READING	Matthew 4:1-11 Jennifer Rudd
SERMON	The Wilderness Pastor Michael Carpenter
TITHES & OFFERINGS	<i>In Christ Alone</i>
DOXOLOGY	
CHOIR ANTHEM	<i>On the Banks of the Promised Land</i>
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	The Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)
HOLY COMMUNION	
FOUR COMMITMENTS	
AFTERTHOUGHTS	New Member Reception
CLOSING HYMN	<i>I Have Decided to Follow Jesus</i> (TFWS 2129)
BENEDICTION	
IN JESUS' NAME	
POSTLUDE	<i>Recessional</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 1:
The Wilderness



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United Methodist Church