

The Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration

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The Lutheran Church of the Transfiguration

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Website: www.TransfigurationLutheran.org

Office Hours: Monday– Thursday 8:00-1:00

The Reverend Alexander H. Twedt
Rick Knight
Crystal Poston

Pastor
Director of Music
Administrative Assistant

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“Transfiguration is a group of people brought together by love to worship and glorify God through preaching, teaching and studying the Word. We will work for unity among our members by responding to the spiritual and physical needs of our church family, the community and the world. This can be accomplished through the loving grace of God.”

Tithes & Offerings

(as of Sept 21, 2025)

Offering Needed to date	\$240,037
Offering Received to date	\$215,266
Difference	(\$24,771)
2025 Budget	\$350,415
Long Range Fund needed to date	\$16,036
Long Range Fund received to date	\$16,635
Total Long Range Budget	\$21,944

God will always love you! God will never leave you!

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 11 Bible Study	2	3	4
5 8:30 Exec Comm 9 SS 10 Worship 4:45 Confirmation	6	7 6 Jesus Matters 7 LMM	8 11 Bible Study	9	10	11 Church Work Day 9am-11am
12 9 SS, Youth Meeting 10 OUTDOOR WORSHIP 4:45 Confirmation 6:00 Council	13	14 6 Jesus Matters	15 11 Bible Study	16	17	18
19 9 SS 10 Worship 4:45 Confirmation	20	21 6 Jesus Matters	22 11 Bible Study	23	24	25
26 9 SS 10 Worship 4:45 Confirmation	27	28 6 Jesus Matters	29 11 Bible Study 6-7:30 Halloween Happening	30	31	

Prayer Concerns

Members

Barry Alexander	Cynthia Amick	Sheron Bowers
Doris Davis	Tammy Douglas	Adrid Epting
JoAnn Funderburk	Bunny Gable	Laurie Hall
Daryl Johnson	Doris Martin	Sam Matthews
Arlene McWhorter	Lib Monts	Eddie Norris
Shirley Oswald	Nancy Peters	Ginger Price
Phil Price	Sylvia Roland	Janice Shealy
Barbara Smith	Brenda Stewart	Richard Stewart
Wayne Sturkie	Joye Tate	Lavonia Walker
Alan Wilson		

TLC Family In Extended Care & Assist Living

Mary Harmon (*Magnolia Manor, Rm 212*)
 Lib Monts (*Generations of Irmo, Rm 4*)
 Barbara Smith (*Fairforest Grove, Rm 303*)
 Betty Price (*The Pines, Rm 232*)
 Keller Harmon (*NHC, Rm 313B*)

Deployed

Cory Gault

Friends of TLC

Rebekah Tinman (*mother of Lisa Harper & Tammy Douglas*)
 Nancy Tinman (*aunt of Lisa Harper & Tammy Douglas*)
 Albert Pasquino, Jr. (*brother of Helen Smith*)
 Barbara Twedt (*mother of Pastor Alex*)
 Lee Sweem (*son in law of Terri & Barry Alexander*)
 Steve & Sam Fry Arhens (*friends of Michelle Vaughn*)
 Steven Bowen (*son of Willie Bowen*)
 Michael Wyka (*son-in-law of Willie Bowen*)
 Annette Ruffin (*sister of Ken Cousson*)
 George Lee (*friend of TLC*)
 Lorri Sutton (*friend of Nanette & Butch Wooton*)
 Loy Dillon (*son of Lynne & Donny Dillon*)
 Keith Anderson (*friend of Jerry Douglas*)
 Linda & Arnold Howell & Lynn Tony (*family of Rick Knight*)
 Bart Owens (*friend of Mark & Jessica Bonnette*)
 Steve Knight (*uncle of Rick Knight*)
 Joyce Carter (*friend of Frances Skaggs*)
 Doris Carver (*mother of Linda Shuler*)
 Marshall Gates (*friend of Jinny Harper*)
 Clifford Fisher III (*friend of TLC*)
 Lance Lowman (*friend of Marty Barwick*)
 Pamela Frazzitta (*friend of Marcia Wadford*)
 Lorene Stallings (*aunt of Marcia Wadford*)
 Renee Willingham (*sister of Rick Knight*)
 Eddie Porter (*friend of Jerry & Tammy Douglas*)
 Karen & Henry Mixon (*friend of Rick Knight*)
 Kay Floyd (*aunt of Marty Rauls*)
 Louise Oxner (*friend of Marty Barwick*)



*Help us keep the prayer list updated by keeping us posted on the progress of your friends and family.
 We will remove names from the prayer list after 6 months.
 Please notify the church office if you would like for their name to remain for longer.*



Help us
PACK THE PARK
 for TLC's Outdoor Service

Invite your friends and family and join us
 Sunday October 12th at 10am
 with a picnic will follow.

Drinks will be provided.
 TLC's congregation members are asked to bring
 your favorite meat and side dishes to share.



TLC's Youth Group will meet in the Parlor at
 9:00am on October 12th. All 6th –12th grade
 students are invited to join!

GIVING OPPORTUNITY



TLC will be collecting donations of
 winter hats and gloves for Cayce
 Elementary through the
 month of October.



Dear TLC WELCA Ladies,

Happy Fall! Many thanks to Kristie Marshall for attending the Saxe-Gotha WELCA Conference at Emmanuel Lutheran Church on September 21, 2025. There are several fun WELCA Retreats planned for Fall and you may register at <https://sclrc.com/programs/>. They are:

October 2, 2025-SCLRC Golf Classic-You're invited! Join us at the Ponderosa Country Club (Leesville, SC) for a day of "Good Ol' Lutheran Fun in support of the South Carolina Lutheran Retreat Centers, benefiting Camp Kinard & Coastal Retreat.

October 23, 2025-Laugh, Learn, & Lunch – The Jesus Way-Bring a friend and join us at Camp Kinard for this one-day retreat! We'll spend part of the day walking The Jesus Way, a 1 mile trail that allows individuals the opportunity to pause and reflect along the way.

November 5, 2025-Good News, Good Brews-Hosted by Camp Kinard, this event tells the history of alcoholic beverages in connection with the Church and how Lutherans (and others!) can use this Martin Luther style of ministry to enhance congregational outreach. (This event is 21+)

December 2, 2025-Laugh, Learn, & Lunch-Bring a friend and join us at Coastal Retreat for this one-day retreat! More information about the program theme and registration options will be available soon. Be sure to save the date!

Please consider inviting a friend and attending one of these retreats.

Peace and Love,
Vicki Lewter and Marrett Rawls



Date/Time: October 7, 2025 Tuesday 7:00PM

Devotions: Rick Knight

Program/Event: : Lexington County Update

Food Committee: Jerry Douglas*, Wayne Melton & Rick Knight



October 11, 2025
9am-11am

Weekly Worship Opportunities



Adult Sunday School
each Sunday
beginning at 9:00am



30 Minute
Jesus Matters Service
Tuesday from
6:00-6:30pm



Bible Study with Pastor Alex
Wednesday from
11:00am-12:00pm

TLC's HALLOWEEN HAPPENING TRUNK OR TREAT

October 29th, 2025 , 6:00-7:30PM



The New Hope Circle is looking for volunteers
to set up a Trunk or Treat.

If you are interested, please contact
Vicki Lewter or Stephanie Sturkie.



Are you being called to share your gifts of
encouragement, support, and purpose with TLC?

Volunteer to serve on
Church Council!

Contact Henry Taylor, Sally Smyrl, Scott Sturkie,
or Pastor Alex to learn more.

(A) Acolyte	(C) Crucifer	(L) Lay Assistant	(P) Projection
October 5	Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost		
Blake Poston (A)	Bailey Poston (C)	Crystal Poston (L)	Scott Sturkie (P)
October 12	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
	Matthew Twedt (C)	Lewis Marshall (L)	
October 19	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost		
Anderson Sturkie (A)	Bradlynn Sturkie (C)	Scott Sturkie (L)	Christy Peters (P)
October 26	Reformation Sunday		
Blakely Bonnette (A)	Emma Sturkie (C)	Susie Bonnette (L)	Micky Sturkie (P)
<i>Acolytes and Crucifers are reminded to be robed at least 15 minutes before worship. If you cannot serve on the date you are scheduled, please help us to find a replacement from the list and then notify the church office: office@TransfigurationLutheran.org or 803-794-3312</i>			

Altar Flowers

Oct 5

Oct 12

Oct 19

Oct 26

Vase 1

Pat Shuler

Marty Rawls

Helen Smith

Bennie Gable

Vase 2

Kathy Cousson

Brenda Redmon

Boyd Wooton

Kay & Mike Lewter

Please note on your check "TLC Altar Flowers." 2025 Altar Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board across from the office. There are numerous dates available. All are welcome to stop by and honor your loved ones by placing flowers and adding beauty to our worship space. The cost of each vase is \$25.00 and can be placed in the offering plate with the note "flowers."

C E L E B R A T E !

October Birthdays

1 Bailey Poston
2 Kathy Brown
2 Sarah Johnson
2 Mike Lewter
2 Delaney Toms
3 Brenda Redmon
3 John Walker
4 Dianne Fulmer
6 Ariel Sorrells
7 Don Aull
7 Ben Langley
7 Kevin Vaughn
8 McKenna Barfield
9 Bobby Corbett
9 Tony Tinman
10 Stacey Shuler
10 Ryan Skeens
11 Cade Dickerson
11 Jaxson Lewter
11 Hayley Stack
13 Harrison Siakor
13 Marcella Siakor
14 Tony Goodwin
14 Scarlett Smith
16 Ken Cousson
16 Anna James Brumfield
18 Sam Matthews
18 Cason Poole

19 Jordan Tinman
21 Trenton Wessinger
21 Barry Alexander
22 Brenda Stewart
22 Matthew Twedt
22 Nanette Wooton
23 Zachary Risinger
24 Rebekah Caughman
24 Banks McGlohorn
24 Zoe Stack
24 Cole Thomas
25 Julie Stewart
26 Marcie Barfield
28 Jake Mullender
29 Robin Tinman
31 Cody Hamilton
31 Randy Summer

October Anniversaries

5 Rev & Mrs Ron Brown
20 John & Doris Brumfield
28 Michael & Vicki Lewter
30 Courtney and Tristan Tucker



Help us fill the calendar!
\$25/Vase
Sign up outside of the church office

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Fixate on God's Grace Instead of Yourself

34 He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it (Mark 8:34-35).

20 And it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. 21 I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing (Galatians 2:20-21).

12 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him (Colossians 3:12-17).

Some Christians fixate on themselves by focusing primarily on getting their dirty little souls into heaven. These individuals believe they must save themselves through their free will decision for Jesus which is the last good work they must do to deserve their crown. After earning their salvation, their focus shifts to using Jesus as a life coach and the Bible as a self-help book to pursue their own self-interest and desires. They then fall face first into the theology of prosperity where they believe God will bless them financially and otherwise as a reward for winning God's love.

Some Christians fixate on themselves by focusing primarily on their personal identity as determinative of God's will. These individuals reduce God's Word to themes and empower themselves to define those themes based on the societal norms, human traditions, and human wisdom to which they subscribe. They do this in order to give themselves permission to pursue their own self-interest and desires. They then fall face first into the theology of religious pluralism where God's word becomes a mere suggestion. This allows them to classify as insignificant, irrelevant, and no longer authoritative those parts of scripture which call them to repentance for their sin.

Instead of fixating on themselves, Christians are to fixate on God's saving grace which forgives sin through the self-sacrificing love of Jesus at the cross. In doing so, Christians, in thanksgiving for God's grace and love, strive to glorify God with their lives by doing God's will as set forth by God's Word. This proper fixation helps alleviate the suffering and misery of others and witnesses to the self-sacrificing love of Jesus which produces hope. This hope transforms unbelievers into believers through the power of God at work in the Holy Spirit to instill, nourish, and strengthen faith in God's grace and love.

Your friend in Christ,

Pastor