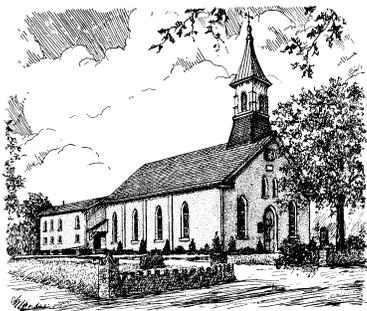


# Saint Luke's

United Church of Christ of Trappe

## November 2018 Newsletter



Rev. John Hogue Office – 610-489-4933 Office email - administrator@stlukestrappe.org www.stlukestrappe.org	<b>Worship Schedule</b> pastorjohn@stlukestrappe.org © 610-291-7497 Blended Service 9:30 AM 3rd Sunday of Mo. Healing Service 9:30 AM Sunday school 3rd Sunday of the month.
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### REV. JOHN'S MUSINGS.

I just wish to thank all the volunteers again for a job well done for our Fall Festival. It was quite a memorable day. As we turn to November, we have several special services planned. Nov. 4 will be All Saints Sunday on which we remember those who have passed on the past year. On Nov. 11 a first person sermon will be delivered to offer the perspective of a Veteran from a soldier's point of view. The third Sunday will be focused on Stewardship and our campaign. Then the last Sunday will mark Christ the King Sunday. I came across this recent paraphrase about wars from the mouth of a child asking about wars.

How Do Wars Begin? . . . . . Source Unknown

A boy once asked, "Dad, how do wars begin?"

"Well, take the First World War," said his father. "That got started when Germany invaded Belgium."

Immediately his wife interrupted him, "Tell the boy the truth. It began because somebody was murdered."

The husband snapped back, "Are you answering the question, or am I?" Turning her back on him in a huff, the wife stormed out of the room and slammed the door as hard as she could.

When the dishes stopped rattling in the cupboard, an uneasy silence followed, broken at length by the son when he said, "Daddy, you don't have to tell me any more; I know now!"

Children speak the truth and witness the actions of us adults. Why not let us model the message of peace, justice and love to those around us. God bless you through the month of November as we walk together with God and see you in Church!

Pastor John

### October Scripture Readings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>2nd Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
Nov. 4	Ruth 1:1-8	Psalm 146	Hebrews 9:11-14	Mark 12:28-34
Nov. 11	Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17	Psalm 127	Hebrews 9:24-28	Mark 12:38-44
Nov. 18	1 Samuel 1:4-20	Psalm 16	Hebrews 10:11-25	Mark 13:1-8
Nov. 25	2 Samuel 23:1-7	Psalm 132:1-18	Revelation 1:4b-8	John 18:33-37
Dec. 2	Jeremiah 33:14-16	Psalm 25:1-10	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13	Luke 21:25-36



**SERMON SERIES**

- Nov. 4 All Saints Sunday/Communion Isaiah 25:6-9; John 11:27  
"What Happens When We Die?"
- Nov. 11 Veterans Sunday John 15:13; Psalm 46:1; Galatians 5:13-26  
First Person "Courage of the Common Soldier"
- Nov. 18 Stewardship Sunday 1 Timothy 6:17; Acts 20:35; Matthew 25:34-40  
"Is it Enough?"
- Nov. 25 Thanksgiving/Christ The King Sunday Rev. 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37  
"Past , Present, Future.."

**CHURCH LIFE THEATRE TRIP**

Time is a wasting, seats still available for the trip to see "The Christmas Carol" at the Dutch Apple Theatre on December 8th. Bus pulls out at 9:00 lunch at 11:00 followed by the show. Deadline is November 2, tickets cost \$75.00 per person. Please join us for this wonderful Christmas story that everyone knows, but is always changing the older you get.

**WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**

Join us on **Wednesday, November 14, 2018,**  
the book title is "The Other Wes Moore" by Wes Moore  
December's book is "The Sweetness Of Forgetting" by Kristin Harmel  
Meet us at 6:00 pm in the Parlor.



**WOMEN'S BREAKFAST**

Come join us on Thursday, November 8th at  
The Spring Ford Diner in Spring City.  
Meet us at 9:00 am at the St. Luke's table.

**COLLEGEVILLE-TRAPPE MINISTERIUM CHOIR**

The CTM Choir is newly formed. While many of their singers attend churches from within the Ministerium, all singers are welcome. The first project will be the "Song Of Shadows" by Joseph Martin. All singers will be asked to commit to at least 2 rehearsals plus final dress rehearsal and 2 performances plus final performance on April 10th. Check out the bulletin board for all dates of rehearsals and performances. Register at [stjames-episcopal.org/ctmchoir](http://stjames-episcopal.org/ctmchoir).

- November 4 Beth Spaid
- November 5 Debbie Parker
- November 7 Isaac Hogue
- November 8 Sue Gregory  
Walt Daller III



- November 16 Nancy Leneweaver
- November 17 John Hogue
- November 23 Karl Wolfram III
- November 29 Dorothy Sheppard  
Brody Ruckle

## NEWS FROM MISSIONS

**Fall Festival Gratitude:** Pastor and the Missions team would like to thank everyone who helped make our first Fall Festival a success. Whether you donated to the silent or live auctions, made a homemade goodie for the bake sale, volunteered to help on October 6<sup>th</sup> or simply came and enjoyed, we thank you for your support and participation. **We raised about \$4,500 (before limited expenses for supplies and advertising)!** 90% of that will go to St. Luke's general operating fund to help cover our deficit and 10% will come back to Missions, to pass onto several worthy organizations.

We are actively planning next year's event and welcome your suggestions for changes and improvements. Please feel free to forward your comments to any member of the Missions Team.

With our thanks, Pastor John, Melanie Prudom, Dottie Snader, Kathy Narrigan, Veronica Hogue, Becci Richardson, Linda Boyer and Nancy Lewis

**November Noisy Offering:** On Sunday, November October 11th when we pass the spare change cans, we'll be asking for donations for the men being served by the **Fatherhood Empowerment Center**, a program of the Montgomery County Community Action Development Commission (CADCOM). This free program is dedicated to empowering, educating, supporting and challenging men to become stronger, more positive forces within their own families and communities. Through group meetings and individual counseling sessions, they strive to rekindle the values that allowed men and families to prosper for generations. This provides men the opportunity to communicate with other like-minded men who believe we all have a responsibility and desire to leave a positive legacy for our children.

**Shoebox Update:** It's almost time for our shoeboxes to make their way to some very deserving children around the world. In mid-November the Missions team will deliver our 50 boxes to Valley View Community Church in Audubon, which is the local collection site. They'll be combined with the efforts of other local churches and head for a national distribution center where thousands of volunteers serve annually to inspect and prepare the boxes for international shipping. Every hour work stops for a few minutes to pray for the children who receive the boxes. Thank you for your donations that make this evangelism and discipleship possible.

### **Upcoming Holiday Plans:**

We'll be collecting additional food items for the Daily Bread as it gets closer to Thanksgiving. They are now feeding 500 families a month, a considerable increase from before. This year Missions will buy cases of canned goods on behalf of the church. **We'd like to ask the congregation to focus instead on fresh produce and turkeys. Please stay tuned to the weekly bulletin and email for the deadline to drop off your items.**

And we'll be doing Angel Tags again for the children who receive gifts from the Salvation Army. More information is likely to be available around Thanksgiving.

## THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL

Trinity UCC will be having a Thanksgiving Day Meal for all who are alone or want company on the Holiday. Just bring a dish to share, there is no cost to anyone. Turkey will be provided.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN



BELIEVE IN OUR FUTURE  
Estimate of Giving 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ PA: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ O Weekly O Monthly

For an annual total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Honoring The Past.... Living In The Present.... Creating The Future....

Dear Friends and Members of St. Luke's,

I want to begin by simply saying thank you. Your leadership in generosity contributes to the success of 276 years in our community of faith. Because of your commitment to the ministry of this congregation, we are an effective witness to Jesus Christ. This congregation is grateful for you, and for the example you set for each of us on what it means to be a faithful steward.

Giving to others is such a joy. Being a partner in movements that change the lives of individuals and enrich our community is so satisfying. That is a secret I wish more people could discover for themselves! Our financial gifts do remarkable things when they are transformed into ministry and mission. We were blessed by *how we accomplished our community outreach event of Fall Festival in October. Ask our shut-in families and members who have been in the hospital in need of spiritual support, prayer and pastoral visits.*

Our God is a generous God—A God who has been revealed in Jesus as the One who deeply and passionately loves us. Our God is a God of transformation—who changes us, and through us, changes the world. Please pray and discern in faith to share the love and power of God with others in this year's stewardship campaign.

Each of us will be challenged to take even bolder steps to invest our whole life into becoming the church God is urging and encouraging us to become. It is a time of great possibility for our congregation and the future of its mission.

Again, I thank you for your support. Giving in the manner that you do does not simply happen—it is the result of faith, trust, intentional choices, and a life of discipline. We join you in the hope of creating a culture of generosity that touches every person in our church. Giving is where we find the true meaning and purpose for our lives, a discovery you had already made.

Please plan to be with us for Commitment Sunday on **November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to turn in your commitment cards as an offering to God.** Not only will we offer our estimates of giving for next year, but we will join together in a church-wide *special blessing of Coffee Hour/Brunch* to celebrate the abundance of our God.

Generously,

Rev. John Hogue and Finance Team

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Join the men of the church for a get together breakfast on Wednesday, November 28th,  
9 am at Café 29 in Collegeville.

Come and converse with everyone and find out what is  
happening in someone else's world.



## MISSIONS NOISY OFFERING

The month of October the “noisy” offering was \$50.04 for CWS shipping of shoe boxes.

## ST LUKE'S FIRST WOMEN'S RETREAT

The first Women's Retreat “Fill Your Cup” was a success.

The 23rd Psalm was to topic and it brought up much discussion among the participants.  
This would be a wonderful annual event so that more and more women could get involved.

Let Bev and/or Judy know how you feel about continuing this event.

**COMMUNITY SENIOR MEAL**  
**WEDNESDAYS AT NOON**

*All seniors are invited to attend!  
Call the Church Office at (610) 489-4223  
on Mondays to make reservations.  
Cost: \$5.00.*

**Location: Trinity Reformed Church UCC  
Hendricks Room  
532 East Main Street  
Collegeville, PA 19426**

**Don't eat alone - join us!**



# November Sunday Leader Schedule



**Church Access Volunteers** - Volunteers are needed to open and close the church on Sundays. Please see **Beverly Spaid** to schedule and review tasks. If you wish to be an usher/greeter please see **Janet Kimmich** or sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

## 9:30 Blended Service

	<u>Lay Leader</u>	<u>Children's Time</u>	<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Nov. 4	Corie Bowers	Pastor John	Leah Keyser	
Nov. 11	Veronica Hogue	Pastor John	Nancy Leneweaver	
Nov. 18	Isaac Hogue	Pastor John	Kim Gray	
Nov. 25	Sue Linkenhoker	Pastor John	Carrie Krentz	
Dec. 2	Scott Koehler	Pastor John	Leah Keyser	

## Sunday Leader Scheduling Note

If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, **please find a replacement** by switching dates with someone on the schedule and contact the church office as soon as possible so we may make note of the change. **If you are unable to find a replacement, please contact the church office and we will be happy to do so.**

**Articles for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office by Wednesday. Newsletter deadline for the December Newsletter is November 23rd and mailing is November 26th.**

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## PRAYER LIST

**People in need of prayers:** Carl Watters, Charlie and Kathy T., Joan Z., Judy Groff, Linda Miller, Nick Iacorinno, Randy and Sue Davidson, Russell and Nancy Morris.

**People with on-going conditions and prayer needs:** Barbara and Mark Nieweg, Betty Murphy, Debbie Parker, Eli and Ella Vivian, Elsa and Victor Thomas, Evelyn and Jimmy, Fred Litchert, Greg Kimmich, Jack Murphy, Mike Richardson, Mitzie Oxenham, Nancy Lewis, Rod Bowers, Shirley Prudom, Tim Heiser and Tricia White Heiser, Tom Hairston.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 12:30 Games  7:30 GANON	2 10:00 LMM  6:00 Wedding Reception MH	3 9:00 Property Work Day  <b>TURN BACK YOUR CLOCKS!</b>
4 <b>ALL SAINTS COMMUNION</b> 9:30 Blended Service	5  7:00 Cemetery 7:00 Boy Scouts	6  6:30 Worship and Music	7  7:00 Endowment 7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	8 9:00 Women's Breakfast  7:00 Finance 7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 GANON	9  10:00 LMM	10
11 9:30 Blended Service  Noisy Offering	12  7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Church Life	13 9:30 Bible Study  6:30 Church and Ministry 7:30 Council	14  6:00 Book Club 7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	15  7:30 GANON	16 10:00 LMM  6:00 Grange Thanksgiving Dinner	17  Private Birthday Party
18 9:30 Blended Service Healing Service	19  7:00 Boy Scouts 7:30 Property	20	21  7:00 Choir 7:00 College Woods 7:00 Orchestra	22  7:30 GANON  	23 10:00 LMM  <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	24  Boy Scout Wreath Making Day - MH
25 9:30 Blended Service	26  7:00 Boy Scouts <b>NEWSLETTER MAILING</b>	27 9:30 Bible Study  7:30 Facilities and Use	28 9:00 Men's Breakfast  7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	29  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 GANON	30	

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# **November Newsletter**

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## **St. Luke's Mission Statement**

**Centered in God,  
guided by His Word,  
we share Christ's love with all.**