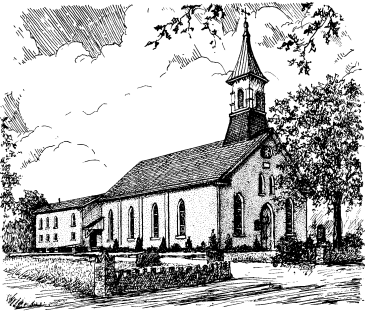


Saint Luke's

United Church of Christ of Trappe

February 2019 Newsletter



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Worship Schedule

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Blended Service 9:30 AM

3rd Sunday of Mo. Healing Service 9:30 AM

Sunday school 3rd Sunday of the month.

REV. JOHN'S MUSINGS.

I wish to share a powerful metaphor about a story that pertains to marriage, love and unity it is found in the book Even In Summer The Ice Doesn't Melt, on p. 118 and the author is David K. Reynolds, Ph.D.,

Once upon a time two molecular compounds planned to be married. Miss Poly Amine, called Polly, was engaged to Mr. E. Poxy Resin, called Paul. They were very happy planning the wedding, but like all couples they had last-minute jitters.

Polly wondered, "Will he recognize my individuality, my needs?"

Paul, too, wondered, "Will she care about my time, my dreams?"

Both wondered, "Will I still be myself?"

Being molecular compounds of principle they accepted their reservations and focused on their love and trust and made a commitment to unite themselves into a larger marital compound. There were still times after the marriage when they thought about their individual identities, but more often they remarked to each other with amazed wonder at how terrific it is to be part of something bigger and more important than the individual parts.

It turned out to be worth giving up some of the self for this greater purpose. In fact, it was downright exhilarating and so self-expanding to do so.

As you guessed, Polly and Paul Resin became epoxy glue when they united their molecules. That means that not only did they stick to each other, they were used to hold other parts of the world together. What a very special task that is for them and for you.

See you in Church! Pastor John

February Scripture Readings

Date	Old Testament	2nd Lesson	Epistle	Gospel
Feb. 3	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	1 Corinthians 13:1-13	Luke 4:21-30
Feb. 10	Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
Feb. 17	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	Luke 6:17-26
Feb. 24	Genesis 45:3-11, 15	Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40	1 Corinth. 15:35-38,42-50	Luke 6:27-38
Mar. 3	Exodus 34:29-35	Psalm 99	2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-36

SERMON SERIES

Looking ahead- -on Feb 17 I will give a sermon in honor of Rev. Dr. John Shelter and being the History Buff he was, I am entitling the sermon '**Hidden Histories of UCC**'



- February 3** "Are You Spiritually Frozen?" Exodus 17:1-7
- February 10** "Janusz Korczak" First Person Proverbs 18:5; John 13:34-35; Titus 2:7; Matthew 7:12
- February 17** "Hidden Histories of UCC" John 17:20-23; Romans 15:5-7
- Beginning of 7 week series on Exploring our "Quiet Internal Roots Of Other Sins"
- February 24** "Bar of Soap and Pride" Genesis 3:17; Philippians 2:3-11

NEW BIBLE STUDY

A new group is forming - 3 Sips Café and Bible Study.

Please join me the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 8:15 - 9:15am before Sunday worship. We will try this time frame out and try several different styles of Bible Study to find out what will work for the group. Our first meeting will be February 10th and the second one will be February 24th. Please mark your calendars and open your hearts and minds for a new learning adventure!!! Please bring your Bible and a purse or a large bag filled with different items for the 1st session. If you have any questions or comments please contact Veronica Hogue at 402-801-9301 or teapotlady3@gmail.com.

TO OUR ST LUKE'S FAMILY

Words cannot express how much we appreciated the dinner and program last Saturday evening. We appreciated the kind words and gifts that were given to us. We will miss our St. Luke's family and being active at church. I hope we can find a friendly church in Aurora but it will never compare to St. Luke's and the loving congregation that we have here.

Thank you for all your love and support that you have given us over the years. We are looking forward to our new life and being close to Greg and Kaycie and our new grand child.

Love and Blessings, Janet and John.



GAME DAY STILL EXISTS

Feel free to join us on the first Thursday of every month at 12:30 in the Parlor for Game Day. We start at 12:30 and go until we drop over from exhaustion. We have many games we can choose from and it's always a fun time. Please think about joining us, DON'T SIT HOME ALONE!

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A Life Worthwhile Dr. Albert Einstein

"Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile."

February 1 Judy Olcott
February 4 Betty Murphy
February 5 Grant Lloyd
February 7 Kim Gray



February 8 Jeanne Knauer
Cam Narrigan
February 21 Mitzie Oxenham
February 22 Cassidy Keyser
February 25 Sam Kurtz II
February 28 Jim Kelly

NEWS FROM MISSIONS

Things to think about – our Craft, Food and Silent Auction show, (not called Fall Festival anymore) that will take place at the end of September, we need to start thinking in preparation for that day. Can you help us with the following:

Find Baskets to fill the items for Silent Auctions and we **need ‘filler’ (shredded paper)** to fill them

Most Importantly----Seek Vendors who would be willing to **donate new items** for the silent auction

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.

CHRISTIAN MUSIC WINTER JAM FESTIVAL

Christian Music Groups include - Newsboys; Danny Gokey; Mandisa; Newsong; Ledger; Holly; Dan Bremnes; Ty Brasil; Munc Drive. The program will last over 2 1/2 hours.

Doors open at 6:00pm, Concert begins at 7:00pm

Santander Arena – Reading

February 14, 2019

\$15 at the Door

FINANCE CORNER NOVEMBER 2018

INCOME:

Endowment Transfers	\$34,227.00
Facility Donations	\$ 2,639.00
Offerings	\$ 8,575.00
Other Income (what would get lumped together in this number would be Church Life, Missions, Miscellaneous, Interest and Technology. Anything other than the above 3 categories)	\$ 94.00

TOTAL INCOME **\$46,681.00**

EXPENSES:

Payroll (total of all types for Pastor, Custodian, Music Director, Secretary + PayChex fees)	\$13,611.00
Property	\$ 3,787.00
Utilities	\$ 2,285.00
Other Expenses (Anything other than the above 4 categories. Includes Administration, Christian Ed, Church Life, Hospitality, Insurance, Missions, Technology, Worship, etc.)	\$20,857.00

TOTAL EXPENSE **\$53,971.00**

NET INCOME / LOSS **(-7,289.00)**

Moment for Missions

It's Shoe Box collection time again. This year we are going to focus on one age group. We are planning on collecting for children ages 10-14. We will be having Christmas in July and will fill our boxes. We filled 50 last year and hope to do the same again this year. The shipping fee has gone up from \$7 to \$9 a box at anytime you may place a shipping fee in the offering plate please indicate your donation is for shoebox shipping. Please start checking all the clearance racks when you go shopping to find that treasure for each of the boxes. Please pray for the children as you are shopping that the items you purchase are for a particular child.

Here are some ideas for the Shoeboxes.

Each Box should include:

toothbrush, 1-washcloth & bar of soap, 1- comb/brush

other possible items:

Socks, Underwear, Hair Bands/Clips, Sewing Kits/ Sewing Scissors material for hand sewing
Small tackleboxes with fishing equipment (must fit in a shoe box),
Deodorant, Nail Clippers, Small tool Kits (must fit inside a shoe box),
Small garden tools (must fit inside a shoe box), Solid Color Tee-shirts,
Sweatpants/ Leggings ball caps, winter hats and gloves, fashion scarves,
Small notebooks, 24 pack crayons, Pencils/ pencil sharpeners, Pens/ Markers, Colored Pencils, Book Markers,
Small Stuffed Animals (Beanie Babies work great), Small tissue packages, small wipe packages,
Small Q-tip packages, Small Plastic Water Bottles, Small foldable or purse size umbrella,
Tote bag/ Laundry Bag (foldable must fit in a shoebox), inflatable ball/with pump,
Clothespins and clothesline, Small broom with dustpan, tennis ball/ bouncy ball, Silly Putty, Small Lego kits,
Flashlight with extra batteries, Calculator, Plastic reusable silverware, Plastic reusable dishes,

Any wow item that touches your heart (make sure it fits into a shoe box)

If you have any questions please ask someone on the missions team.

Blessings and happy hunting/collecting!!!
The Missions Team

NOISY OFFERING

February 10, 2019

This months noisy offering will be donated to SuperKIDS of Montgomery County. This organization helps abused, neglected and abandoned children with extra support not funded by foster care and other government programs. Every dollar donated is used to fund special items and/or programs for Montgomery County children in need.

SuperKIDS donations can provide Tutoring, laptops, sports equipment, after-school activities, prom, educational trips, musical instruments and more.

DAILY FOOD PANTRY CURRENT NEEDS

Personal Care Items, Canned Meats, Canned Vegetables, Soup, Any Beans, **Dry Cat Food
And any other items you wish to donate will be greatly appreciated.

****This item can't be purchased with Food Stamps**

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Join the men of the church for a get together breakfast on Wednesday, January 23rd,
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 January the "noisy" offering was \$35.14 for Geiger Memorial Church.

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Come join us on Thursday, February 14th at
The Spring Ford Diner in Spring City.

Meet us at 9:00 am at the St. Luke's table where all the ladies are wearing RED.



MOVIE NITE AT ST. LUKE'S

Title of Movie: Blindsight

Join us on February 23rd at 7:00pm

Bring your own snacks and we will provide drinks

The storyline features Michael Oher, an offensive lineman who was drafted by the Baltimore Ravens of the National Football League (NFL). The film follows Oher from his impoverished upbringing, through his years at Wingate Christian School (a fictional representation of Briarcrest Christian School in Memphis, Tennessee), his adoption by Sean and Leigh Anne Tuohy, to his position as one of the most highly coveted prospects in college football, then finally becoming a first-round pick of the Ravens.

Sandra Bullock went on to win the Academy Award for Best Actress, as well as the Golden Globe Award for Best Actress and the Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by a Female Actor in a Leading Role. The film also received an Academy Award nomination for Best Picture, in the first year that the rules required a mandatory number of ten (previously five) Best Picture nominations, with the nomination considered a surprise by the producers; the Academy later changed their mandatory requirement to now allow "up to" ten nominations.

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Ascent to the Truth Thomas Merton

"The whole road is ordinarily traveled in darkness. We receive enlightenment only in proportion as we give ourselves more and more completely to God by humble submissions and love. We do not first see, then act; we act, then see. It is only by the free submission of our judgment in dark faith that we can advance to the light of understanding. And that is why the man who waits to see clearly before he will believe never starts on the journey."



February 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>
Feb. 3	Sue Linkenhoker	Pastor John	Leah Keyser	Joan and bob Keyser
Feb. 10	Beverly Sapid		Nancy Leneweaver	Isaac & Nethanel Hogue
Feb. 17	Sue Kelly	Pastor John	Carrie Krentz	
Feb. 24	Becci Richardson	Pastor John	Leah Keyser	Isaac & Nethanel Hogue
Mar. 3	Kathy Narrigan	Pastor John	Nancy Leneweaver	

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 March Newsletter is February 19th and mailing is February 22nd.

PRAYER LIST

People in need of prayers: Carl Watters, Charlie and Kathy T., Joan Z., Judy Groff, Linda Miller, Nick Iacorinno, 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, Randy and Sue Davidson, Rod Bowers, Shirley Prudom, Tim Heiser and Tricia White Heiser, Tom Hairston.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 10:00 LMM	2
3 9:30 Blended Service	4 7:00 Cemetery 7:00 Boy Scouts	5 9:30 Bible Study 6:30 Worship & Music	6 7:00 Endowment 7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	7 12:30 Games 7:00 Finance 7:30 GANON	8 10:00 LMM	9 8:00 Grange Flea Market 5:00 Boy Scout Sleep-over
			PASTOR VACATION			
10 8:15 Bible Study 9:30 Scout Sunday - Blended Service Noisy Offering - SuperKIDS	11 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Church Life	12 6:30 Church and Ministry 7:30 Council	13 6:00 Book Club 7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	14 9:00 Women's Breakfast  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 GANON	15 10:00 LMM	16
17 9:30 Blended Service Healing Service	18 6:30 Missions 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:30 Property NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	19 9:30 Bible Study	20 7:00 College Woods 7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	21 7:30 GANON	22 10:00 LMM NEWSLETTER MAILING	23 7:00 Movie Nite "Blindside"
24 8:15 Bible Study 9:30 Blended Service	25 7:00 Boy Scouts	26	27 9:00 Men's Breakfast 7:00 Choir 7:00 Orchestra	28 7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 GANON		

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