

# Saint Luke's

## United Church of Christ of Trappe

### Jul./Aug. 2016 Newsletter



Rev. Dr. Kris Peterson – Interim Pastor

**Worship Schedule**

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Blended Service 9:30 AM

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

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Sunday school 3rd Sunday of the month.

#### *From the Interim Pastor*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Over the years I have enjoyed the writings of Brennan Manning. My favorite book of his is called *The Ragamuffin Gospel*. Brennan shares his experience of the grace of God in powerful ways in God's glorious creation. He writes, "We get so preoccupied with ourselves, the words we speak, the plans and projects we need to finish that we become immune to the glory of creation. We barely notice the cloud passing over the moon or the dewdrop clinging to the rose leaves. The ice on the pond comes and goes. The wild blackberries ripen and wither. We don't see the robin's nest outside the kitchen window. We grow complacent and lead practical lives. We miss the experience of awe, reverence and wonder." Manning goes on to say, "for the eyes of faith, every created thing manifests the grace and providence of God."

Can we really "become immune to the glory of creation?" Sad to say, the answer is yes. It is a danger we all face in our fast-paced and busy lives. If we are not careful, we will miss not just the glory of creation but the presence of the Creator found in it.

This summer I invite you to give yourselves the time and space to appreciate the wonders of creation... be it down at the shore, in the mountains, on a lake, in a garden or your backyard. Wherever you go, take in the wonder of it all and let your hearts be lifted in praise to the Maker of heaven and earth.

Blessings on the Journey,

Pastor Kris

#### **July/August Scripture Readings**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>2nd Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
July 3	2 Kings 5:1-14	Psalms 30	Galatians 6:1-6, 7-16	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
July 10	Amos 7:7-17	Psalms 82	Colossians 1:1-14	Luke 10:25-37
July 17	Amos 8:1-12	Psalms 52	Colossians 1:15-28	Luke 10:38-42
July 24	Hosea 1:2-10	Psalms 85	Colossians 2:6-15	Luke 11:1-13
July 31	Isaiah 9:2, 6-7			Luke 2:1-20
Aug 7	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20	Psalms 50:1-8	Hebrews 11:1-3	Luke 12:32-40
Aug 14	Isaiah 5:1-7	Psalms 80:1-2, 8-19	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	Luke 12:49-56
Aug 21	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalms 71:1-6	Hebrews 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17
Aug 28	Jeremiah 2:4-13	Psalms 81:1, 10-16	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	Luke 14:1, 7-14
Sept 4	Jeremiah 18:1-11	Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33

## TRANSITION UPDATE

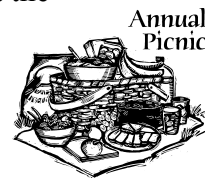
The Search Committee is currently reviewing candidate profiles and will be scheduling interviews. Please keep Jim Narrigan, Nancy Leneweaver, Becci Richardson, Bonnie Neiman and Carrie Krentz, the Congregation, and the individual God is calling to become the next pastor of St. Luke's in your prayers in this time of discernment.

## CHURCH LIFE HAPPENINGS



Our Annual trip to the Reading Fightin' Phillies will be on Sunday, August 7th, we leave the church parking lot at 3:00pm sharp, so mark your calendars. Cost is \$30.00 per person, all you can eat buffet and bus ride with our congenial driver "Bob". Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Checks are to be made out to St. Luke's UCC and payment is due June 26th.

Our Rally Day Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 11th at the Upper Providence Park on Black Rock Road. Service at 10:00am, Picnic to follow. Remember to bring your own place settings, your eating utensils and drinking cups. If you like ambiance bring a table cloth for your table.



## WEDNESDAY WAVERS



Come out at **7:00AM** every Wednesday morning starting Wednesday, June 1st. until the Wednesday after Labor Day. We need your "lovely" arms waving and "SMILING" faces greeting everyone on their morning travels. Afterwards we gather for coffee, snacks and fellowship. Everyone is welcome to join us.

July 3 Ashley Salerno  
July 5 Janet Kimmich  
Roy Linkenhoker, Jr  
Mike Duncan, Jr  
July 6 Millie Hopson  
July 7 Jacob Conrad  
July 8 Charlie Walker  
July 19 Gordon MacElhenny  
July 22 Kellen Kissinger  
July 23 Anne White  
Joan Carl  
Becci Richardson  
Lauren Brand

August 2 Randy Davidson  
Matthew Neiman  
August 4 Roberta Servey  
August 7 Natalie Krentz  
August 10 Rod Bowers  
August 16 Roy Linkenhoker, Sr.  
Ken Hughes  
Eva Dietrich



August 19 Sue Davidson  
Sue Linkenhoker  
August 20 Scott Spaid  
August 23 Ed Oxenham  
Stacia Ridge  
Maisie Kissinger  
August 24 Adam Kitka  
Kelly Gray  
August 27 Michael Narrigan  
August 30 Kaitlyn Koehler



## WOMEN'S MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Come join the women of St. Luke's at 9:00am on the second Thursday of the month at Spring Ford Diner in Spring City.  
Just ask for St. Luke's table and we will see you there.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Join the men of the church for a get together breakfast, the 4th Wednesday of each month at 9 am at Café 29 in Collegeville. Come and converse with everyone and find out what is happening in someone else's world.



## PATRIOTIC HYMN SING



To celebrate the birthday of our country, St. Luke's will be having a patriotic hymn sing at the beginning of the service on July 3, 2016 (the service will still end by 10:30am). Come decked out in your red, white and blue!!

## SPECIAL MUSIC



## MAKE YOUR JOYFUL NOISE

During the summer months you are invited to share your musical talent (voice, piano, musical instrument) with the Congregation.  
Sign-up sheet is on the hall bulletin board for the  
Sundays through September 4, 2016.



## CHRISTMAS IN JULY



Sorry to say in July there is no snow on the ground, only hot days. But at St. Luke's we are celebrating "Christmas In July." During worship on July 31 we will sing our favorite Christmas Carols and hear The Christmas Story once again. The St. Luke's Women's "Chorus" will sing again this year. We will rehearse on July 31st at 9:00am.  
All women are invited to sing!!!

A special coffee hour with Christmas Cookies will follow the service. You are also invited to display your Christmas/Winter collections of angels, Santas, nativities, bells, cardinals, snowmen, etc.  
A sign up sheet to bring cookies and/or your collection is on the bulletin board.



## **WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**

Please come and join us on **Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 6:00pm** to discuss the book "My Grandmother Asked Me To Tell You She's Sorry" by Fredrik Backman. You must purchase your own copy of the book or get it at the Library. Our September Meeting will be on September 14th at 6:00pm, book TBD.

**Thank God for...** is a column for you to contribute outstanding achievements by our members in and out of the church or any other moment you want to Thank God for.... Please consider letting us know about your Thank God moment.



For all those who worked on the Prayer Garden and all of the grounds around the church by weeding, mulching, etc. Everything looks so fresh and clean.

## **RECENT GRADUATES**

We pray God's richest blessings on these recent graduates as they pursue their dreams.

### **High School**

Kelly Gray graduated from Perkiomen Valley High School and will be attending Penn State University, majoring in Elementary Education.

### **College**

Cameron Narrigan graduated from the University of New Hampshire in Durham with a degree in Business Management. He is presently looking for a position in business.

## **LET'S COLOR**

Coloring books are no longer just for the kids. In fact, adult coloring books are seen everywhere these days. Coloring has the potential to reduce stress, create focus and bring mindfulness. Just like meditation, coloring allows us to switch off our brains from other thoughts and focus on the moment.



Coloring enthusiasts claim that coloring makes them feel calmer, mentally clearer, happier and more relaxed.

We will be meeting at St. Luke's on July 23rd and August 27th from 9-11am for fellowship and coloring (pencils, gel pens, sharpies and coloring books will be provided. You may also bring your own).

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.



# July/August Sunday Leader Schedule



**Church Access Volunteers** - Volunteers are needed to open and close the church on Sundays. Please see **Janet Kimmich** to schedule and review tasks.

## **9:30 Blended Service**

	<b><u>Lay Reader</u></b>	<b><u>Children's Time</u></b>	<b><u>Nursery</u></b>
July 3	Kathy Narrigan	Becci Richardson	Sue Kelly
July 10	Tom Lloyd	Sue Kelly	Nancy Leneweaver
July 17	Jim Narrigan	Scott Koehler	Kim Gray
July 24	Sue Linkenhoker	Pastor Kris	Brenda Koehler
July 31	Scott Koehler	Nancy Leneweaver	Carrie Krentz
August 7	Bev Spaid	Becci Richardson	Leah Keyser
August 14	Corie Bowers	Sue Kelly	Nancy Leneweaver
August 21	Brenda Koehler	Scott Koehler	Sue Kelly
August 28	Sue Kelly	Pastor Kris	Kim Gray
Sept. 4	Becci Richardson	Nancy Leneweaver	Brenda Koehler

## **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 September Newsletter is August 17th and mailing is August 25th.**

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## **PRAYER LIST**

**People in need of prayers:** Charlie, John K., Kim McDowell, Linda and Doug Miller, Michele Basare, Mike Richardson, Shirley Prudom, Sue and Roy Linkenhoker, Sr., Theresa.

**People with on-going conditions and prayer needs:** Arbutus Curvey, Barbara and Mark Nieweg, Betty Murphy, Bill Loftus, Debbie Parker, Eli and Ella Vivian, Elsa and Victor Thomas, Fred Litchert, Greg Kimmich, Jack Murphy, Judy Claycomb, Mitzie Oxenham, Nancy Lewis, Rod Bowers, Tim Heiser, Tricia White Heiser and Tom Hairston.




# JULY



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 10:00 LMM	2
3 9:30 Blended Service PATRIOTIC HYMN SING	4 OFFICE CLOSED <i>Independence Day!</i>	5  7:30 Church and Ministry	6  7:00 Endowment 7:00 Financial Freedom Inc	7  7:00 Finance 7:30 Gamblers	8 10:00 LMM	9
			Corie Vacation			
10 COMMUNION 9:30 Blended service	11  7:00 Cemetery  7:00 Boy Scouts	12  7:30 Council	13  7:00 Green bar 7:00 College Woods	14 9:00 Women's Breakfast  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	15 10:00 LMM	16 1:00 Private Party
	Pastor Kris Vacation		and	Corie Vacation		
17 HEALING SERVICE 9:30 Blended Service w/Peter Deterline	18  7:00 Boy Scouts 7:30 Property	19  6:30 Worship and Music	20	21  7:30 Gamblers	22 10:00 LMM	23 9:00 "Mini" Coloring Retreat
Pastor Kris Vacation and Corie Vacation				Corie Vacation		
24 9:30 Blended Service	25	26  4:00 Missions	27 9:00 Men's Breakfast	28  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	29 10:00 LMM	30
		Corie Vacation				
31 CHRISTMAS IN JULY 9:30 Blended Service						
Corie Vacation						



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00 Cemetery	2 7:30 Church and Ministry	3 7:00 Endowment 7:00 Financial Freedom Inc.	4 12:30 Games 7:00 Finance 7:30 Gamblers	5 10:00 LMM	6
		DRAMA KIDS SUMMER CAMP				
			Corie Vacation			
7 9:30 Blended Service 3:00 Fightn' Phillies  A Trip to the Ball Game 	8  7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Church Life	9 9:00 Women's Bible Study Breakfast 7:30 Council	10  6:00 Book Club	11 9:00 Women's Breakfast  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	12	13
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## **July/August Newsletter**

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

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