

Saint Luke's

United Church of Christ of Trappe

June 2017 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.

PASTORS LETTER

As I write this letter, we are fast-approaching one of those transition times of the year, both in our daily lives and in the church. With the Memorial Day weekend on the horizon, most of us have begun to look forward to some much-anticipated “down time” that the summer season offers. In the Church, we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost and the gift of the Holy Spirit on June 4th, a celebration that most people see as the dramatic climax to the season of Easter. But is it really a climax, an ending, or is it actually a *new beginning*?

Pentecost means “the fiftieth day” in ancient Greek, a day that commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles fifty days after Christ’s resurrection, and marks the birth of the Christian church. The color of the day is red, signifying the tongues of fire that rested over each of the Apostles’ heads. Pentecost also derives from the Hebrew festival, Shavuot, “the feast of weeks,” which was held fifty days after Passover and celebrated the first harvest of grain in the spring. The events described in *Acts* take place during this pilgrimage festival that attracted many Jews to Jerusalem.

In addition to receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit and marking the birth of the Christian church, the Pentecost event also helps us to conceptualize God as Trinity. As Christians, we have come to understand God in three ways: God as the Creator in nature; God as the Son, made manifest in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus; and God as Spirit, living and active in the world today. The Spirit is evidence that the Christian faith does not limit itself to events that happened in the past, but also concerns itself with the present and the future. The Spirit is God’s creative, animating presence in the church and in the body of Christ, God’s people. Without the Spirit, we would not be able to carry out the mission and ministry of the Church that has been set before us.

That being said, it is important that we recognize that the significance of Pentecost does not end on that day, but continues through the long season after Pentecost, a season stretching from Trinity Sunday to the first Sunday of Advent; a season that is centered on the work of the Holy Spirit in our day-to-day lives as Christians. The season after Pentecost is reflected in the liturgical color of green, the color of *life and growth*. Through the gift of faith that comes only through the Holy Spirit, we have been given the abilities necessary to proclaim the gospel in our daily lives by service to our neighbors. For us, this means that this season of life and growth is the perfect time to concentrate on our Christian calls to evangelism, mission, stewardship, and compassionate care as we focus our efforts to share the gospel message and live out our faith. We’ve been entrusted with Jesus’ mission in the world with lots of work to do and many opportunities available to us to do it! Do you remember that “seed” that I planted a few weeks ago? Have you been thinking about it? **NOW** might be the perfect time! Let’s get busy!!

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Jo

June Scripture Readings

Date	Old Testament	2nd Lesson	Epistle	Gospel
June 4	Acts 2:1-21	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	1 Corinthians 12:3b-13	John 20:19-23
June 11	Genesis 1:1-2, 4a	Psalm 8	2 Corinthians 13:11-13	Matthew 28:16-20
June 18	Genesis 18:1-15	Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19	Romans 5:1-8	Matthew 9:35-10:8
June 25	Genesis 21:8-21	Psalm 86:1-10	Romans 6:1b-11	Matthew 10:24-39
July 2	Genesis 22:1-14	Psalm 13	Romans 6:12-23	Matthew 10:40-42

275TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE



This year St. Luke's will be celebrating it's 275th Anniversary in November. John Kimmich and Nancy Claycomb-Morris are co-chairing the Anniversary Committee which also includes Betsy Fisher, Janet Kimmich, Corie Bowers and Bridgie Daller. Watch for the exciting events that the committee will be planning for 2017.

Check out the Bulletin Announcement page each week for interesting historical facts about St. Luke's
If you have any suggestions for the committee please let them know.

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"BUY A LETTER" CAMPAIGN

..we have put our name on the top of the glass doors at the entrance way, please check it out.

We are asking if you would be interested in buying "into" this idea.

The cost will be \$5.00 per letter.

You can buy one you can buy two or you can buy many more.

Check out the form in the newsletter.

The signage now states:

St. Luke's United Church of Christ

Established 1742.



PROPERTY WORK DAY

We will be spreading mulch on all of our gardens and finishing up weeding of the same.

All hands are welcome, meet at 9:00am on Saturday, June 3rd.

Bring you gardening game on.

CHURCH LIFE IS AT IT AGAIN

I know its early BUT our annual Fight'n Phillies game will be **Sunday, August 6th**. This year we will be going to an early game. Mark your calendars to meet the bus leaving at **12:30pm SHARP**.

Again we have the buffet and this year tables under the pavilion. Watch for the sign up sheet later.



WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Please come and join us on **Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 6:00pm**
for the "Us" by David Nicholls .

You must purchase your own copy of the book or get it at the Library.

June 3	Greg Kimmich
June 4	Sean Narrigan
June 5	Eileen Hughes
June 6	Don Ashenfelter
June 7	Julia Kelly
June 8	Sam Koehler



June 8	Sam Koehler
June 13	Adam Daller
June 18	Nathan Koehler
June 21	Judy Claycomb
June 22	Jessica Slaymaker
June 25	Madeline Krentz



WOMEN'S MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Come join us on the second Thursday of June at The Coconut Grove Bistro in Trappe.
Meet us at 9:00 am at the St. Luke's table.

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.



TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



The women of St. Luke's meet each month on the second and fourth Tuesday at 9:30am for Bible Study. We are continuing our series learning more about Jeremiah. We have a time for coffee and snacks and fellowship followed by Bible study, discussion and prayer. Please join us when ever you can. You do not need to be an expert in the Bible; we all learn together as God grants us His guidance. If you are interested in coming, please call me so I can provide the lesson material for you.

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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 gathering on **Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 9:30**. Coffee and snacks will be available. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Sponsorship Form
Door Letters
Cost: \$5.00 per Letter

Name	Quantity	Dedication (Circle or complete)
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Checks should be made out to St. Luke's Church.
Please return checks and order forms to Church Office



June 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

	<u>Lay Reader</u>	<u>Children's Time</u>	<u>Nursery</u>
June 4	Sue Kelly	Scott Koehler	Kim Gray
June 11	Becci Richardson	Nancy Leneweaver	Brenda Koehler
June 18	Kathy Narrigan	Becci Richardson	Carrie Krentz
June 25	Tom Lloyd	Scott Koehler	Leah Keyser
July 2	Jim Narrigan	Sue Kelly	Sue Kelly

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 July Newsletter is June 21st and mailing is June 23rd.

PRAYER LIST

People in need of prayers: Anne White, Alfred Kurtz, Harry Neiman, Linda Miller, Maureen T., Michele Basare, Shirley Prudom, Shirley Wanamaker, Susan Wenrick, Theresa,
The Daily Bread Community Food Bank

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, Mike Richardson, Mitzie Oxenham, Nancy Lewis, Rod Bowers, Tim Heiser, Tricia White Heiser and Tom Hairston.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 8:30 Donut for Dads, Bright Spot 12:30 Games 7:30 Gamblers	2 8:30 Donuts for Dads, Bright Spot	3 9:00 Work Day 9:30 Coloring Retreat
4 PENTECOST SUNDAY COMMUNION 9:30 Blended Service	5 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Cemetery	6 5:30 Drama Kids 7:30 Church and Ministry	7 7:00 Endowment	8 9:00 Women's Breakfast 7:00 Finance 7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	9	10
				Pastor Jo PSEC Conference		
				Corie on Vacation		
11 TRINITY SUNDAY 9:30 Blended Service	12 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Church Life	13 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 Drama Kids 7:00 Bright Spot Graduation 7:30 Council	14  6:00 Book Club	15 5:00 Historical Society Dinner 7:30 Gamblers	16	17 11-5 Boy Scout Eagle Scout Ceremony
Pastor Jo Conf.						
Corie Vacation						
18 9:30 Blended Healing Service 11:00 Coffee Hour 	19 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:30 Property	20 5:30 Drama Kids 6:30 Worship and Music	21 3:00 275th Anniversary Mtg. 7:00 Green bar 7:00 College Woods NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	22 7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	23 NEWSLETTER MAILING	24
25 9:30 Blended Service	26 7:00 Boy Scouts	27 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 Drama Kids	28 9:00 Men's Breakfast	29 7:30 Gamblers	30	

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St. Luke's Mission Statement

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