

United Church of Christ of Trappe

June 2023 Newsletter

**Worship Schedule**

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Blended Service 9:00 AM

3rd Sunday of Mo. Healing Service 9:00 AM

www.stlukestrappe.org 2nd & 4th Sunday of Mo. Children's Sermon 9:00 AM

CHANGE!!!

What is change, coins as opposed to paper currency*, making or becoming different*? For St. Luke's, it means to replace (something) with something else*. With the resignation of Reverend Morris, we, as a congregation, will hire a pastor who will lead us into the future. Hebrews 13:8 reminds us that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yes and forever."** We are facing change at St. Luke's, but our Lord and Savior will never change.

How does change affect us? Change can evoke many different emotions, fear, anxiety, anger, or excitement, enthusiasm, anticipation. Many of us have been through quite a number of changes, both in our personal lives and as a member of St. Luke's. How we manage change can make or break us as a congregation. In Isaiah 41:13, we read, "For I am the Lord your God, who upholds your right hand, who says to you, 'Do not fear; I will help you.' "**

How can we know that we will remain a strong and faithful congregation? We ask God for guidance, knowing that he loves us and wants the best for us, and trust that he will provide us with what we need. Proverbs 3:5 says, Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding." Proverbs 16:3 tells us to "Commit your works to the Lord, and your plans will be established."**

The Search and Call committee and elders are working together to move St. Luke's through the next phase of our church's life, providing pastoral leadership and care until a new pastor is hired. May we all keep the promise of Jeremiah 29:11 in our thoughts: " 'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.' " ** Please keep St. Luke's in your prayers.

Definitions from Oxford Languages

** Scriptures from the New American Standard version

June Scripture Readings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>2nd Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
June 4	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	Psalm 8	2 Corinthians 13:11-13	Matthew 28:16-20
June 11	Genesis 12:1-9	Psalm 33:1-12	Romans 4:13-25	Matthew 9:1-13, 18-26
June 18	Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7)	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

MISSIONS NEWS

Coming to your mailbox soon..... your special donation envelopes for 2023 will be arriving to your homes shortly. Please remember to use these envelopes throughout the year and don't forget to make a designation on the memo line of your check.

Thank you for your generosity.

	Promotion	Offering
One Great Hour of Sharing	Sun March 12th	Sun March 19th
Strengthen the Church	Sun May 14 th	Sun May 21st
Neighbors in Need	Sun Sept 24 th	Sun Oct 1 st
Christmas Fund	Sun Dec 17th	Sun Dec 24th

CWS Blankets and Tools collection date is Sunday, February 12, 2023. We are so grateful for your kindness and desire to share love and compassion with others.

Every day someone in the world experiences hard times. When difficulties happen, a simple act of kindness can make a difference and you can be the miracle someone was praying for. Be part of that miracle and make a donation.

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THEIR BACK!!!!

Wednesday Wavers are back in full swing. They wave to people on the way to work (or wherever) and make them smile; it starts their day on a good note. Meet them in front of the church at 7:00am, perhaps after they are done there might be coffee and a sweet surprise, you will never know unless you come out and wave!

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WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

We are back at the Spring Ford Diner on Thursday, June 8th. See you there at 9:00am to check up on everyone.



June 3 Greg Kimmich
 June 4 Sean Narrigan
 June 5 Eileen Hughes
 June 6 Stela Suto



June 7 Julia Kelly
 June 8 Sam Koehler
 June 13 Adam Daller
 June 22 Jessica Slaymaker

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

Meet at Grace's Café on Wednesday, June 28th at 9:00am. Join us to catch up on news of things that are going on in your life.



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SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE NEWSLETTER TO KEEP YOUR BRAIN WORKING!!!!

I have and will continue to have Riddles for you to ponder. Don't look at the answers before you answer the riddle!!!! Let me know if you like this new feature

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A Word About Worship: Pentecost, The Coming of the Holy Spirit.

Pentecost is one of the oldest named feasts in the Bible. In the Old Testament, it was a Jewish Festival that took place fifty days after Passover. In the New Testament, however, Pentecost takes on a new meaning.

For Christians, Pentecost takes place 50 Days after Easter. Acts 2:1-4 describes the original event: When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Pentecost is also sometimes called Whit-Sunday. On Whit-Monday in the year 1835 the name of our church was changed from The Reformed Church at Providence to St. Luke's Reformed Church to honor the period of time the church served as a hospital during the Revolutionary War. The color of Pentecost is red. Red represents the Holy Spirit and the tongues of fire from the scriptures. Feel free to wear your red on May 28th, if the Spirit moves you.





June Sunday Leader Schedule



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

9:00 Blended Service

	<u>Lay Leader</u>	<u>Children's Time</u>	<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
June 4	Sue Linkenhoker			
June 11	Corie Bowers	Pastor		
June 18	Bev Spaid			
June 25	Kathy Narrigan	Nancy Leneweaver		
July 2	Tom Lloyd			

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 22nd and mailing is June 26th.

PRAYER LIST

People in need of prayers: The Dallar Family, Linda Miller, Wanamaker Family, Nick Iacorinno, The Family of Amy Miller, Boyer Family, Richardson Family.

People with on-going conditions and prayer needs: Linda Miller, Barbara and Mark Nieweg, Betty Murphy, Casey S., Debbie Parker, Eli and Ella Vivian, The Kimmich Family, Jack Murphy, Mitzie Oxenham, Nancy Lewis, Rod Bowers, The Evans Family, Tim Heiser and Tricia White Heiser.

SOMETHING NEW TO THE NEWSLETTER!!!

Riddles to ponder:

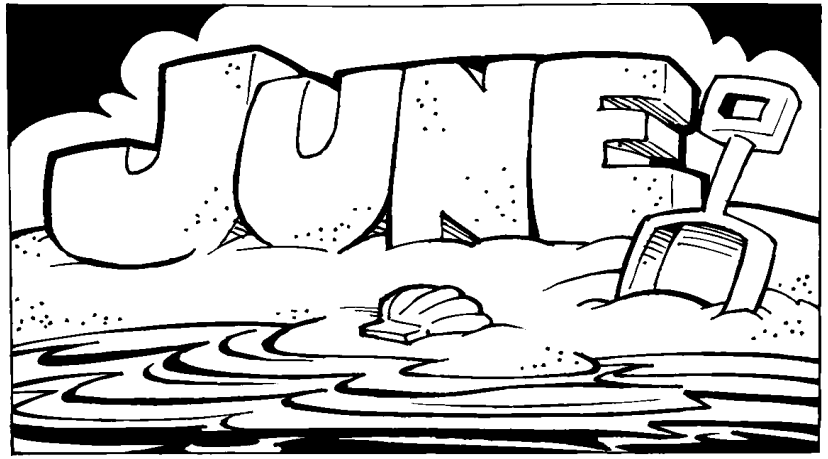
What room do ghosts avoid?


Why is Europe like a frying pan?

David's father has 3 sons, Snap, Crackle and _____?

You live in a one story house made of redwood. What color would the stairs be?

(Answers on next page, no peeking!!!)



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Corie on Vacation	2	3 12:00 Wine Tasting at Evansburg Winery
4 9:00 Service in Sanctuary Corie on Vacation	5 7:00 Troop 113	6 10:00 Bible Study	7	8 9:00 Women's Breakfast 7:00 Troop 39 7:00 Finance 7:30 GANON	9	10
11 9:00 Service in Sanctuary,	12 7:00 Troop 113 7:00 Missions 7:00 Church Life	13 10:00 Bible Study	14	15 7:00 Troop 39 7:30 GANON	16	17
18 9:00 Service in Sanctuary 	19 7:00 Troop 113 7:30 Property	20 10:00 Bible Study	21	22 7:00 Troop 39 7:30 GANON	23 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	24
25 9:00 Service in Sanctuary Children's Sermon	26 7:00 Troop 113	27 10:00 Bible Study NEWSLETTER MAILING	28 9:00 Men's Breakfast 7:30 Orchestra	29	30	

Riddle answers:

1. The Living Room
2. Because it has Greece at the bottom
3. David
4. What stairs? You live in a one-story house

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St. Luke's Mission Statement

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