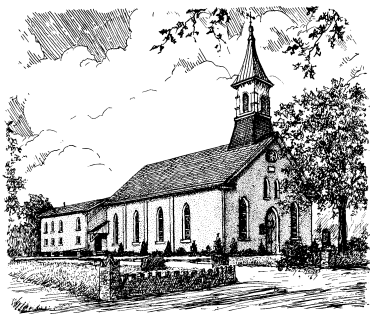


# Saint Luke's

## United Church of Christ of Trappe

### May 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.

We have a busy month in May.

We will be honoring our Confirmands, Sam Koehler and Natalie Krentz. They will giving their statements of faith, planning their service on May 20th. A special touch is they will be serving communion out of their own communion chalices and plates to the congregation.

We will honor all mother's on May 13th.

May 27 will be a first person sermon about the civil war entitled '24 Notes'.

In our community, Trinity UCC will change hands of ministry to Rev. Suzanne on May 31st. We will keep Trinity in our prayers as they give thanks for Martha's leadership and unfold a new leadership.

Nothing is constant. Seems to always be something in motion and ever a gentle reminder the power of the Holy Spirit is stirring us in our faith journey. We often underestimate the Holy Spirit. We often do not talk about the Holy Spirit. In my experience I have witnessed so many powerful events that cannot be explained, except by what I call a God wink. It is then I always thank God for the movement of the Spirit to stir our hearts or the witness of the event. I have seen so many lately, that I had to buy a new journal to record them. Truly a gracious and ever living presence of God we serve! Someday, I hope to be able to write a book about these experiences. Meanwhile, let us celebrate this month of all the blessings and let the spirit stir us to new heights!

See you in church, Pastor John

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If anyone wants to contribute to the perennial flowers along the front of the church on top of the wall to create an inviting curb appeal for people to visit the church, please send your contributions to the church office. (approved by Property )

### May Scripture Readings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>2nd Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
May 6	Acts 10:44-48	Psalm 98	1 John 5:1-6	John 15:9-17
May 13	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26	Psalm 1	1 John 5:9-13	John 17:6-19
May 20	Acts 2:1-21	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Romans 8:22-27	John 15:26-27
May 27	Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalm 29	Romans 8:12-17	John 3:1-17
June 3	1 Samuel 3:1-10	Psalm 139:1-6	2 Corinthians 5:5-12	Mark 2:23-3:6

**SERMON SERIES**



- May 6** "Spring Cleaning For The Soul" - Psalm 51:10, Luke 6:45, Philippians 2:14-15
- May 13** "Real Life Heroes" - Psalm 127:3, Ephesians 6:2-3, Matthew 15:4-6
- May 20** "Here, You Will Always Be Family" - Matthew 22:15-22  
Confirmation Sunday and Communion
- May 27** "24 Notes" - Psalm 119:82, 2 Corinthians 1:3-5, John 15:13  
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- June 3** "Turning Your Darkest Hour Into Your Finest Hour" - Psalm 118:56, James 1:2-4
- June 10** "Let Us Not Be Ashamed" - 2 Timothy 1:12, Romans 1:16-17, 1 Corinthians 1:22-23
- June 17** "Where Have All the Godly Men Gone?" - 1 Timothy 6:2-12, Matthew 6:19-20
- June 24** Guest Preacher

**WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**



Join us on **Wednesday, May 9, 2018,**  
the book title is "We Are All Made Of Stars" by Rowan Coleman.  
Meet us at 6:00 pm in the Parlor  
Our June 13th book will be "White Houses" by Amy Bloom.

**EVENING BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday Night Bible Study group is returning to our two week schedule.  
We are studying 'Psalm 23', and afterwards "The Apostles". Join us for fellowship!  
Meetings are: May 10 and May 24 at 6:30pm.

On April 18, 2018 our long time member Donald Ashenfelter passed away.  
Our prayers go out to the Ashenfelter Family.



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We just learned of the passing of long time members of St. Luke's ,  
Charles (Charlie) and Rae (Kitty) Walker. Charlie died on June 20, 2017  
and Kitty died on September 30, 2017.  
Our prayers go out to the family of these two friends of the church.

- May 5 Bill Leopold
- May 9 Cynthia Brown
- Bob Keyser
- May 10 Linda Boyer
- May 11 Don Wanamaker



- May 20 Pete Leneweaver
- May 22 Bonnie Neiman
- May 26 Linda Miller
- May 28 Leah Keyser
- May 20 Amanda Conrad



### **WOMEN'S BREAKFAST**

Come join us on Thursday, May 10th at  
The Spring Ford Diner in Spring City.  
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 on May 23rd,  
9 am at Café 29 in Collegeville.  
Come and converse with everyone and find out what is  
happening in someone else's world.



### **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Welcome Judy Olcott to our church family! Judy is transferring her membership from  
St. Paul's UCC in Trexlertown, PA.

### **SCRIP CARDS**

Don't forget Scrip gift cards are available year-round at St. Luke's. Look for the new locally tailored order forms at church. Pass one onto your friends or family. Please let Veronica or Melanie know if we can help you order.

Reminder: We need a minimum order of \$150 per week to help defray the shipping costs

### **JUST A REMINDER**

Join us on the first Thursday of each month at 12:30pm for fun with games in the Parlor.  
A game will be picked out for the day by all who attend. Hopefully we can pick 2 or 3 depending on the amount of people who are here. Bring a brown bag lunch and we will eat together and then play the afternoon away. Hope to see you then.

### **FLUTE CONCERT**

Veronica Mascara will be bringing her students to St. Luke's for a Flute Concert on Saturday, May 26 at 2:00pm in the Sanctuary. Veronica had her students here when she was in the area and now comes to us several times each year and plays during our services. Please come and join us for her beautiful music.

**IDEAS FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES**

**Health & Beauty:** Toothbrush, dental floss, band-aids, wipes, soap, comb/brush, manicure set, headbands, washcloth/towels. **New clothes:** Gloves/mittens, scarf, flip flops, socks, underwear, shoes, ball cap, pants, sunglasses, pants, shirt. **School Supplies:** Pencils w/sharpener, pens, ruler, scissors, stickers, colored pencils, crayons, coloring books, sticky notes, stamp w/ink, small note pad, glue sticks, tape, water color set, markers, highlighters, journal/notebook, index cards, small picture books - young child. **Toys:** Dolls, tops, jacks, soccer ball w/ manual inflatable pump, toy binoculars, small dry erase board w/markers, play dough, whistles, kazoo, small stuffed animals, balls (bounce/tennis) finger puppets, silly putty, matchbox cars, fishing kit, puzzles, miniature chess/checkers, slinky, yo-yo, small Frisbee, kaleidoscope, toy truck/boat, small musical item - harmonica or records. **Miscellaneous:** Purse, wallet, compass water bottle, solar flashlights, drawstring backpacks, travel sewing kits, folding umbrella, friendship bracelets, tape measure, gardening trowel/gloves, silly curly straws, sippy cups/lids.

**DO NOT SEND: Candy, gum, liquid soap, war related toys, anything w/camo, anything w/snakes or spiders, medication, vitamins, seeds, food.**

*Look for the tub in the narthex in which we can collect the toys and ideas for collecting toys for various age groups. Let's try for a goal of 50 boxes!*

**CHURCH LIFE**

On **Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 4:00** we will be having our Women's Tea. If you wish hats and gloves may be worn to set off the occasion. Our entertainment will be "The Lady and her Tramps". Come join us for a day of friendship, tea and entertainment. Let's see who has the best hat of the day, and how many different tea flavors you can enjoy.

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Start thinking about the Fightn' Phillies, we will be going to the game on **Sunday, July 15th** for a 2:05 game. Bus driver "Bob" will be pulling out of the St. Luke's parking lot at 12:00 Noon, you don't want to miss this mode of transportation or you will have to drive yourself. The cost of this adventure is \$30.00 per person.

**EMERGENCY/HOSPITAL INFORMATION**

Due to several "happenings" here at St. Luke's we would like to create a directory for Emergency Contacts. This would be kept very confidential but will be used by the Pastor to contact next of kin if there is an emergency or a hospitalization. In order for us to be abreast of "things" we would like to start this Emergency Contact directory.

**NOTICE:** When someone is being admitted or is already in the hospital, please contact the Pastor at 610-489-4933. Privacy laws prohibit hospitals from continuing to inform a church or pastor. Thank you for your help in this request. Please be aware that the Pastor would like to do visitations but needs to know when someone has entered a hospital and what hospital they have been admitted into.

It is frustrating for him when he hears that "so-and-so" has been in the hospital or is in a hospital and he is unaware of the situation. Also family deaths should be shared with the Pastor.

Please help us in our endeavor.

## **NOTES FROM WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

### **LOCKING THE CHURCH DOORS**

After looking into and discussing this subject, Worship Committee recommended to Council that the church doors be locked during services. It was decided that an usher will stay in the narthex for 15 minutes after the service begins and then lock the doors and come into the Sanctuary. Council agreed to this and it will begin on **May 6th**

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### **RED GERANIUMS**

Confirmation will take place on **May 20th** which is also Pentecost Sunday and the color is RED. We would like to have red geraniums to decorate the church for that Sunday just as we have lilies for Easter and poinsettia for Christmas. There will be a form in the bulletin for you to fill out and the cost will be \$5.00. Thank you for supporting this endeavor.

**Please be aware that there will be NO Healing Service on this Sunday.**

### **MISSIONS NOISY OFFERING**

The month of April the “noisy” offering was \$63.10 and was matched from Missions, \$123.00 went to the Phoenixville Clinic.

May Noisy Offering will be May 13th and the beneficiary of our May Noisy Offering will be Orion Communities. Orion offers hope for individual and families experiencing hardship due to poverty, disability or illness by building bridges that lead to self-reliance. They believe every person deserves shelter, food, clothing, transportation and access to healthcare.

### **SERVIDE OPPORTUNITY**

You might wonder from time to time goes on behind the scenes at St. Luke’s. We all see what happens on Sundays. But what about Monday through Saturday? Not sure why or how things get done? Are you curious about who does what? How are decisions made? Here’s your chance to get find out. In June there will be two openings for Deacons on Church Council. If you would like more information about serving in that role, please see Sue Linkenhoker or Melanie Prudom from the Nominating Committee as soon as possible.

### **LENTEN OFFERING**

This year all of the Lenten Offering has been designated and sent to Family Services of Montgomery County.

### **AUDUBON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

The Audubon Symphony Orchestra uses Moyer Hall each week to hold their weekly rehearsals. Each year they entertain us with 2 free concerts.

This Spring they will be playing for us on **Friday, May 18th at 8:00** in Moyer Hall. Please come and hear the wonderful music that they work so hard to give back to us.



# May 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>
May 6	Sue Linkenhoker	Pastor John	Leah Keyser	
May 13	Becci Richardson	Pastor John	Nancy Leneweaver	
May 20	Kathy Narrigan	Pastor John	Kim Gray	
May 27	Tom Lloyd	Pastor John	Carrie Krentz	
June 3	Jim Narrigan	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 May Newsletter is April 20th and mailing is April 25th.**

## PRAYER LIST

**People in need of prayers:** Bill Leopold, The family of Don Ashenfelter, Esther Wolfram, 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, Judy Claycomb, Mike Richardson, Mitzie Oxenham, Nancy Lewis, Shirley Prudom, Tim Heiser and Tricia White Heiser, Tom Hairston.

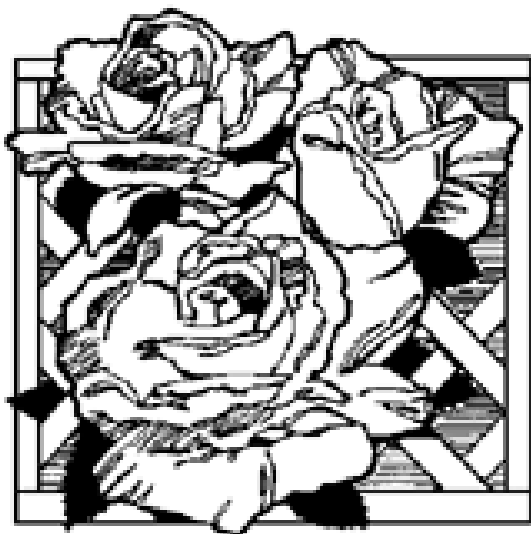


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b>  5:30 Drama Kids  <b>6:30 Worship and Music</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>7:00 Choir</b> <b>7:00 Confirmands</b> 7:00 Orchestra	<b>3</b> <b>12:30 Games</b>  <b>7:00 Finance</b> 7:30 Gamblers	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>4:00 Ladies' Tea</b>
<b>6</b> <b>9:30 Blended Service</b>	<b>7</b>  <b>7:00 Cemetery</b>  7:00 Boy Scouts	<b>8</b> <b>9:30 Bible Study</b>  5:30 Drama Kids  <b>6:30 Church and Ministry</b> <b>7:30 Council</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>6:00 Book Club</b>  <b>7:00 Choir</b> 7:00 Orchestra	<b>10</b> <b>9:00 Women's Breakfast</b> 10:00 Bright Spot Mother's Tea  <b>6:30 Bible Study</b>  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	<b>11</b>  10:00 Bright Spot Mother's Tea	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> <b>9:30 Blended Service</b> <b>Noisy Offering Sunday</b>  	<b>14</b>  7:00 Boy Scouts <b>7:00 Church Life</b>	<b>15</b>  5:30 Drama Kids	<b>16</b>  <b>7:00 Choir</b>  <b>7:00 Confirmands</b> 7:00 College Woods	<b>17</b>  7:30 Gamblers	<b>18</b>  8:00 Audubon Symphony Orchestra	<b>19</b>
<b>20 PENTECOST SUNDAY COMMUNION</b>  <b>9:30 Blended Service CONFIRMATION</b>	<b>21</b>  <b>6:30 Missions</b>  7:00 Boy Scouts <b>7:30 Property</b>	<b>22</b> <b>9:30 Bible Study</b>  5:30 Drama Kids  <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>23</b> <b>9:00 Men's Breakfast</b>  <b>7:00 Choir</b>  7:00 Carriage Ridge Home Owners	<b>24</b>  <b>6:30 Bible Study</b>  7:00 Toastmasters 7:30 Gamblers	<b>25</b>  <b>NEWSLETTER MAILING</b>	<b>26</b>  2:00 Veronica Mascara Flute Concert
<b>27</b> <b>9:30 Blended Service</b>	<b>28 OFFICE CLOSED</b>  7:00 Boy Scouts   <b>Memorial Day</b> <i>Remember Those Who Gave Their Lives</i>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>  10:00 Bright Spot Donuts for Dad  <b>7:00 Choir</b>  7:30 Gamblers		

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## **May Newsletter**

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

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