

# Saint Luke's

## United Church of Christ of Trappe

### October 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.

#### REV. JOHN'S MUSINGS.

While the Book of Revelation is hard to understand for the common person, for one who has studied it over and over, I continue to find new insights. The passage of Revelation 21:5 “And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” This is from the NRSV translation. Without question, all things are new in perspective in my new setting and for our family. Slowly, we are getting settled and most importantly, establishing relationships and connections into the community. The one aspect no matter where we live, while the surroundings and culture may change, human nature doesn't. We all have 'old things' we tend to hold on to. Some people deal with addictions of some sort. Some people have 'old things' that fill their heart with fear. Those 'old things' are destructive habits that often brings death to our hopes and dreams. We all know of someone who have unhealed memories that causes sorrow and inflicts pain on our human soul. If you know someone who is going through these 'old things', have them practice this simple spiritual exercise. Whatever 'old things' that are a bondage to your past, read and affirm Revelation 21:3. Repeat as many times as necessary. When you begin to sense the reality of God's loving presence with you, hear God say, “I am making all things new!”. This spiritual exercise may be helpful to you as a daily discipline until the awareness of God's deliverance and healing permeates your heart and calms your spirit. Then read Revelation 21:5 and with a grateful heart, declare to our living God, yes God, you are making all things new!. See you in church! Rev. John



OCTOBER 15, 2017 is Jersey Day during Worship!  
Wear your favorite jersey of your NFL team during church.  
If you are not a football fan, then wear your favorite baseball jersey!  
Would that be the Phillies by chance?  
If you are neither, what about Hockey or basketball?  
If you are totally not into sports, wear your favorite hoodie or sweater. This is a fun and simple way we can support our teams and have fun at church!!

#### October Scripture Readings

Date	Old Testament	2nd Lesson	Epistle	Gospel
Oct. 1	Exodus 17:1-7	Psalm 78:1-4	Philippians 2:1-13	Matthew 21:23-32
Oct. 8	Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20	Psalm 19	Philippians 3:4b-14	Matthew 21:33-46
Oct. 15	Exodus 32:1-14	Psalm 106:1-6,19-23	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14
Oct. 22	Exodus 33:12-23	Psalm 99	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10	Matthew 22:15-22
Oct. 29	Deuteronomy 34:1-12	Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34-46
Nov. 5	Joshua 3:7-17	Psalm 107:1-7,33-37	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13	Matthew 23:1-12

## **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 RAFFLE TICKET" CAMPAIGN**

For our 275th Anniversary we will be having a raffle on a Queen Size Yellow Star Pattern quilt, hand stitched by a member of Pastor John's former church in Nebraska.

The quilt will be displayed in the Narthex each Sunday.

Tickets will be \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00, proceeds will go the Kitchen fund.

Please consider buying some tickets starting September 1st  
to win a most beautifully hand stitched Queen Size quilt.

Drawing will be at the Luncheon on November 5, 2017

## **OCTOBER SCRIPTURES AND SERMONS**

- 10/1 Hebrews 11:6; Matthew 13:1-23 "Ready to Plant Seeds?"  
10/8 2 Chronicles 16:9; 1 Peter 2:16; Ezekiel 33:1-9  
"Increasing in Measure"  
10/15 Luke 18:1; Romans 8:26, 32-34; Mark 9:24; Colossians 1:15-23  
"No One Likes Know It Alls"  
10/22 1 Corinthians 9:19-27; Galatians 5:16-26; James 1:19-21  
"Having Self-Control or We Spit up Hairballs"  
10/29 Luke 21:10-19; Revelation 1:9, 2:2-3, 9, 3:10, 13:10, 14:12  
"Standing Firm and Steadfast in Slippery Times"



## **WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB**

Join us on **Wednesday, October 11, 2017.**

with the book title "The Book of Summer: A Novel" by Michelle Gable .

Meet us at 6:00 pm in the Parlor

Our November book will be "Sisters of the Sari" by Brenda L. Baker.

October 1 Shirley Wanamaker  
October 5 Ester Wolfram  
Donald Pry III  
October 7 Brenda Koehler  
October 14 Diane Gambone  
October 15 Rae Walker  
Bob Carpenter  
October 16 Rachel MacElhenny



October 22 Laura Ann Leopold  
October 23 Jim Brown  
Sue Ellen Nolan-Greeby  
Allison Pry  
October 24 Steve Gray  
October 28 Brenda Kurtz  
October 30 Pat Litka  
October 31 Dawn Salerno



### **WOMEN'S MONTHLY BREAKFAST**

Come join us on the second Thursday of October  
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, 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.



### **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, October 7, 2017 at 9:30.**

Coffee and snacks will be available. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.



**When: October 8 at NOON      Where? St.Luke's Prayer Garden**

**Why? Because we Love all God's creatures**

Bring your neighbor and their animals, all your animals and we will bless them for the joy they bring into our lives.

If you do not have a live animal, bring your stuffed animal.

### **2018 CROP WALK**

Sunday, October 15th, registration 12:30pm at Trinity UCC and the walk begins at 1:00pm. You do not have to walk the total distance. Our local contribution is going to the Daily Bread organization.

### INSPIRATIONAL MOMENT

While Hurricane Irma may be about to wreak havoc on the homes and properties of Florida and surrounding states, the storm has also provided a reason for people to come together in meaningful ways.

One such scene unfolded in front of a TV news reporter who captured the moment on her phone.

Pam Brekke had traveled almost 30 miles to buy one of the 200 generators just shipped to the hardware store in Orlando, Florida yesterday in preparation for expected power outages.

Pam was next in line at the Lowe's store to purchase one of the gas-powered generators when she was told that the final unit went to the customer standing in front of her in line. She broke down in tears.

For medical reasons, her father relies on an oxygen pump that requires electrical power. Suddenly, a total stranger, Ramon Santiago, saw her crying, and walked over to insist that she take his.

She pulled the generous man into an embrace and cried even more, as Ramon soothed her.

That's when WFTV's Nancy Alvarez pulled out her phone and captured the moment. The touching video spread on social media and Alvarez and Lowe's got together to plan a reward for Santiago. Today the store presented him with a new generator.

### GOOD NEWS!!

Chocolate lovers, rejoice! There is now a fourth kind of chocolate to enjoy outside of dark, milk, and white.

Barry Callebaut, the world famous Switzerland-based chocolate manufacturer, has just announced the creation of "ruby chocolate": a pinkish treat that is made from the Ruby cocoa bean.

The delicious breakthrough was announced last week during a launch event in Shanghai. The release was arranged so that it occurred 80 years after the introduction of white chocolate.

The chocolatiers describe the ruby cocoa flavor as intense, smooth, and rich in berry flavors - but no fruity flavorings or chemicals are added for the unique taste.

"The fourth type in chocolate offers a totally new taste experience, which is not bitter, milky or sweet, but a tension between berry-fruitiness and luscious smoothness," says the company. "The bean has a specific set of attributes, which Barry Callebaut managed to unlock through an innovative process that took many years to develop."

The company said that they developed Ruby chocolate through extensive experimentation at their 28 R&D centers in Europe. Barry Callebaut representatives expect that the new candy will be a great success as it is gradually released around the world.



## October 28 Family Fun Night/Trunk or Treat Time: 6:00 pm



**Games— Family Feud, Bingo, Pumpkin Painting, Dress Up in Costumes  
Scavenger Hunt for children and another Hunt for older kids and Adults.**

**We will also have Hot dogs available for you to enjoy.**

**You know there is always food at St. Luke's.**





## MULLY

The story of Charles Mully is a story of faith and sacrifice. It is an inspiring story confirming our broken world with a healing message. It's being shown in Oaks Movies on October 3, 4 & 5. The movie is entitled "MULLY".

## IN GRATITUDE AND THANKSGIVING

Pastor John and Missions Committee thanks everyone for their generous donations for the Hurricane Buckets. Also to Stela and Emeric Suto for their generous help. We successfully filled our 25 buckets with cleaning materials and coordinated the response from Linfield and Royersford UCC congregations. We also collected \$825.00 for Church World Services for additional buckets and supplies. Your outpouring of support will be greatly appreciated by victims of storms in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean.



**WE DID IT!!!**



## **MISSIVE FROM MARTHA**

(occasional notes from our missionary in Japan)

To get to know Martha, check out her page on the UCC Global Ministries page:

[http://www.globalministries.org/martha\\_mensendiek](http://www.globalministries.org/martha_mensendiek)

In an email Martha recently wrote:

. . . "I have a very special regard for your church and appreciate your support throughout the years. I am happy to hear that you now have a new full time minister and it is good to know more about him (and his family) . . . I have recently been given additional responsibilities at our University and so am busier than ever. Part of the reason for this is that my salary now comes from the University and not the Global Ministries. This is due to financial constraints of our UCC Global Ministries, and so it helps that the University pays my salary. I am still on the UCC Pension and health care, and I am still considered a missionary but the change has meant that the University expects more out of me in terms of administrative responsibilities and committee work in addition to teaching and being involved in chapel and other Christian activities, advising students, etc. Of course, I continue to be involved with the Bazaar Cafe Ministry and the hotline for foreign women as well, because besides teaching that is really my life work as a missionary . . . I do appreciate so deeply your Church's continued commitment to global mission and to my ministry in particular. . . ."

In Christ's Peace, Martha





# September 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>
Oct. 1	Scott Koehler	Pastor John	Nancy Leneweaver
Oct. 8	Sue Linkenhoker	Pastor John	Kim Gray
Oct. 15	Sue Kelly	Sue Kelly	Carrie Krentz
Oct. 22	Becci Richardson	Pastor John	Leah Keyser
Oct. 29	Kathy Narrigan	Pastor John	Nancy Leneweaver
Nov. 5	Tom Lloyd	Pastor John	Kim Gray

## 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 November Newsletter is October 25th and mailing is October 27th .**


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## PRAYER LIST

**People in need of prayers:** Al S., Alfred Kurtz, Anne White, Don Ashenfelter, Harry N., Linda Miller, Maura K., Maureen T., Megan Orza, Michele Basare, Sue Davidson, Theresa

**People with on-going conditions and prayer needs:** Arbutus Curvey, Barbara and Mark Nieweg, Betty Murphy, 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 and Tricia White Heiser, Tom Hairston.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 WORLD WIDE COMMUNION</b> <b>9:30 Blended Service</b>	<b>2</b> <b>7:00 Cemetery</b> <b>7:00 Boy Scouts</b>	<b>3 10:00 LMM</b> <b>5:30 Drama Kids</b>	<b>4</b> <b>7:00 Confirmation</b> <b>7:00 Endowment</b> <b>7:00 Choir</b> <b>7:00 Orchestra</b>	<b>5 12:30 Games</b> <b>7:00 Finance</b> <b>7:30 Gamblers</b>	<b>6 10:00 LMM</b>	<b>7 9:30 Retreat Coloring</b>
<b>8 9:30 Blended Service</b> <b>12:00 Blessing of the Animals</b>	<b>9</b> <b>7:00 Church Life</b> <b>7:00 Boy Scouts</b>	<b>10 10:00 LMM</b> <b>5:30 Drama Kids</b> <b>6:30 Church and Ministry</b> <b>7:30 Council</b>	<b>11</b> <b>7:00 Choir</b> <b>7:00 Orchestra</b>	<b>12 9:00 Women's Breakfast</b> <b>7:00 Toastmasters</b> <b>7:30 Gamblers</b> <b>Trappe Ministerium</b>	<b>13 10:00 LMM</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15 JERSEY DAY</b> <b>9:30 Blended Service</b> <b>12:30 Crop Walk</b>	<b>16</b> <b>7:00 Boy Scouts</b> <b>7:30 Property</b>	<b>17 10:00 LMM</b> <b>5:30 Drama Kids</b> <b>6:30 Worship and Music</b> <b>Corie Off</b>	<b>18 3:00 275th Anniversary Mtg.</b> <b>6:00 Book Club</b> <b>7:00 Confirmation</b> <b>7:00 Choir</b> <b>7:00 Green bar</b> <b>7:00 College Woods</b> <b>7:00 Orchestra</b>	<b>19</b> <b>7:30 Gamblers</b>	<b>20 10:00 LMM</b>	<b>21 10-2 Scouts Recruiting (Rain Date)</b>
<b>22 9:30 Blended Healing Service</b>	<b>23</b> <b>6:00 IT Meeting</b> <b>7:00 Boy Scouts</b>	<b>24 10:00 LMM</b> <b>5:30 Drama Kids</b>	<b>25 9:00 Men's Breakfast</b> <b>7:00 Orchestra</b> <b>7:00 Mission Mtg.</b> <b>7:00 Choir</b> <b>Nov. Ursinus Assoc NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>26</b> <b>10:00 Halloween, MH - Bright Spot</b> <b>7:00 Toastmasters</b> <b>7:30 Gamblers</b>	<b>27 10:00 LMM</b> <b>10:00 Halloween, MH - Bright Spot</b>	<b>28 6:00 Halloween Party &amp; Games</b>
<b>29 REFORMATION SUNDAY</b> <b>9:30 Blended Service</b>	<b>30</b> <b>7:00 Boy Scouts</b>	<b>31 10:00 LMM</b> <b>5:30 Drama Kids</b> 				

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## **October Newsletter**

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

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