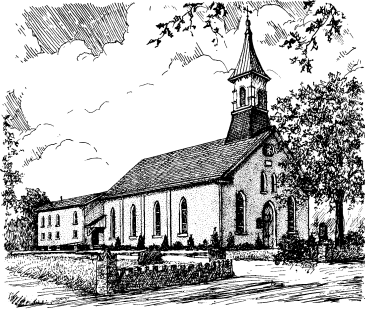


# Saint Luke's

United Church of Christ of Trappe

## October 2023 Newsletter



### Worship Schedule

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Blended Service 9:00 AM

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

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

### PASTORS MESSAGE

As we move closer and closer to the end of 2023, I find my thoughts drifting towards the Christmas season.

After all, very soon we will join with Christians all around the world in celebrating World Wide Communion. A time when we put all our different denomination's and doctrines aside and gather around the table to partake of the and the wine.

I would encourage all of us to think about the future of St. Luke's. What is your personal plan for the church? What would you like to see take place in the life of this congregation and community? Not just to still be around.

Where do you see this church in 5 years? Do you have a goal for the church in 2024?

So, let us discern the Spirit. Let us listen for the voice of God in our lives and how we can be a light to Trappe, Collegetown and the other surrounding communities. Don't be afraid to think outside of the boat. Challenge the status-quo.

You have beautiful facilities. You have the potential to be whatever you want to be with God's help. Both Teresa and I see potential in this congregation. You're welcoming, we must be open to trying things. Don't squash ideas. Don't say, "we tried that, it didn't work" You're a great group of people to be with. A church is only as successful as the members allow it to be!

It is our time now, to continue the ground work that our ancestors have laid before us so long ago and continue the mission of St. Luke's to be the Body of Christ to those whom we come in contact with.

My door is always open.

Be blessed!!

Pastor Gary

### October Scripture Readings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>2nd Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
Oct. 1	Exodus 17:1-7	Psalm 78	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 Thessalonians 2:1-8	Matthew 22:34-46

**MEN'S BREAKFAST**

Meet at Grace's Café on Wednesday, October 25th at 9:00am. Join us to catch up on news of things that are going on in your life.

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**WOMEN'S BREAKFAST**

Spring Ford Diner on Thursday, October 12th. See you there at 9:00am at the round table to check up on everyone.

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**RIDDLES IN 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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**SCHOOL BUS THANK YOU!!!**

It is very refreshing to hear that the synod office has made provisions for the school bus.....

To be sincere to you the school is a model one which has attracted many communities. I have received several invitations to come and build day care schools for them. And I believe the procurement of the bus will help beneficiary communities and surrounding dwellers to harness the full benefits if the facility. I am assuring you that so long as God has spared my life and I am back to ministry I will do everything within my ability to guarantee value for money. Going forward I am volunteering myself as United Church of Christ education director to promote the interest of UCC providing education for rural poor in or outside Ghana. (an ambition I want to fulfill for humanity.

Blessings, PAT

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**ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT**

Church Life is happy to announce that our annual Trivia Night has been scheduled for Saturday, November 4, 2023 at 6:00 pm in Moyer Hall. As a reminder, teams can have up to 6 people. This night is all about fun! There will be six rounds of trivia with a wide array of topics to stimulate everyone's brain. Snacks and fun prizes will be provided. Which team will have the bragging rights of being St. Luke's Trivia Champion for the next year? Will it be your team? Susan Wenrick will serve as the host once again. Look for a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. You are guaranteed to learn at least one new trivia fact and have a great time!

- Oct. 1 Shirley Wanamaker
- Oct.5 Donald Pry III
- Oct.7 Brenda Koehler
- Oct. 15 Bob Carpenter
- Oct. 16 Rachel Mac Elhenny
- Oct. 22 Laura Ann Leopold
- Oct. 23 James Brown



- Oct. 23 Sue Ellen Nolan-Greeby
- Allison Pry
- Oct. 24 Steve Gray
- Brian Parker
- Oct. 28 Brenda Kurtz II
- Oct. 30 Patricia Litka
- Oct. 31 Dawn Salerno

## **SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING THIS MONTH!!!**

"There will be a special congregational meeting on Sunday, October 15, following the worship service to a) vote to approve Reverend Dierolf as stated supply pastor (to cover ourselves if necessary) and b) discuss and vote on expenditure/s for new carpeting on the first floor of the building (minus Moyer Hall and the sanctuary)."

### **A Word About Worship**

Please Join Us to Celebrate World Wide Communion  
Sunday, October 1st at 9:00am in the Sanctuary.

The first Sunday in October is known as World Communion Sunday or World Wide Communion Sunday. It's a time when Christians around the world celebrate oneness in the body of Christ.

Did you know the idea originated in Pennsylvania?

According to the Presbyterian Church USA website, World Communion Sunday began at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA in 1933. The Presbyterian Church eventually adopted the idea as a denominational practice in 1936. According to the website, "The concept spread very slowly at the start.

People did not give it a whole lot of thought. It was during the Second World War that the spirit caught hold, because we were trying to hold the world together. World Wide Communion symbolized the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense.

It emphasized that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the globe. During the service, Christians in every culture receive communion to remember and re-affirm Christ as the Head of the Church.

As we share communion on that day, we recognize that we are part of the whole body of believers. During that time, we gather with other denominations and congregations, whether they are gathered in grand cathedrals, mud huts, outside on a hilltop, in meetinghouse, storefronts or sanctuaries like ours we all celebrate Jesus and the life he has given us.





# October 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>
Oct. 1	Tom Lloyd			
Oct. 8	Jim Narrigan			
Oct. 15	Corie Bowers			
Oct. 22	Sue Linkenhoker	Nancy Leneweaver		
Oct. 29	Bev Spaid			
Nov. 5	Kathy Narrigan			

## 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 24th and mailing is October 27th.**

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## PRAYER LIST

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

**People with on-going conditions and prayer needs:** 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.

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## SOMETHING NEW TO THE NEWSLETTER!!!

1. There is a word in the English language in which the first two letters denote a man, the first three letters denote a woman. The first four letters of this word mean someone great, and the whole word together means a great woman. What is the word?
2. What fills up a room but never takes up any space?
3. One evening, a woman shoots her husband. Next, she holds him underwater for several minutes. Finally, she hangs him. Later that evening, they enjoy a nice dinner together. How is this possible?
4. I am not known until I am measured. You miss me when I am gone. What am I?

(Answers on next page, NO PEEKING!!!)



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 Service in Sanctuary w/ Rev. Gary Dierolf 10:00 Coffee Hour	2 7:00 Troop 113	3 7:00 Finance	4	5 7:00 Troop 39 7:30 GANON	6	7
8 9:00 Service in Sanctuary w/ Rev. Gary Dierolf	9 7:00 Troop 113 7:00 Missions 7:30 Church Life	10 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Elders 7:30 Council	11 7:30 Orchestra	12 9:00 Women's Breakfast 7:00 Toastmasters 7:00 Troop 39 7:30 GANON	13 3:00 - 5:00 Set Up For Reception	14 Fachs Reception
15 9:00 Service in Sanctuary w/ Rev. Gary Dierolf 10:00 Annual Congregational Mtg.	16 7:00 Troop 113 7:30 Property	17 10:00 Bible Study	18 7:30 Orchestra	19 7:00 Troop 39 7:30 GANON	20	21
22 9:00 Service in Sanctuary w/ Rev. Gary Dierolf Children's Sermon	23 7:00 Troop 113	24 10:00 Bible Study NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	25 9:00 Men's Breakfast 7:30 Orchestra	26 7:00 Toastmasters 7:00 Troop 39 7:30 GANON	27 NEWSLETTER MAILING	28
29 9:00 Service in Sanctuary w/ Rev. Gary Dierolf	30 7:00 Troop 113	30 10:00 Bible Study				

- Riddle answers:
1. Heroine.
  2. Light
  3. She took his picture, developed it, and hung the print up to process
  4. Time

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

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