

United Church of Christ of Trappe

September 2021 Newsletter



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Blended Service 9:30 AM
3rd Sunday of Mo. Healing Service 9:30 AM

Our Work Begins

Hopefully by now you are all aware of the Leadership Retreat in Moyer Hall on Saturday, September 11. Originally, I had planned that this retreat be for the current Elders and members of the Council. After discussing it with the Council I am inviting all members of our church family. If you have not picked up a copy of *The Post Quarantine Church* please do so prior to the 11th. They are available in the church office.

The purpose of the retreat is to explore what kind of church we are going to be coming out of the pandemic. There is no doubt that there will be changes in store. As a church, we want to plan proactively as we explore the possibilities. Much of the work that you will be doing will be extremely helpful to our Assessment Team and to the search committee as they seek out a settled pastor.

The start time for the retreat is 9 AM. We will be finished no later than 3 PM. Lunch will be provided.

This retreat is very important. I hope to see you on Saturday, September 11 as we do the work of being a strong and healthy Body of Christ.

Blessings,
Pastor

September Scripture Readings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>2nd Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
Sept. 5	Proverbs 22:1-2,8-9,22-23	Psalm 125	James 2:1-10,11-13,14-17	Mark 7:24-37
Sept 12	Proverbs 1:20-33	Psalm 19	James 3:1-12	Mark 8:27-38
Sept. 19	Proverbs 31:10-31	Psalm 1	James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9:30-37
Sept. 26	Esther 7:1-6,9-10,9:20-22	Psalm 124	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50
Oct. 3	Job 1:1, 2:1-10	Psalm 26	Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12	Mark 10:2-16

ATTENTION HOMEBOUND MEMBERS!

To all shut-in members at home or nursing homes, and families of the same, please notify the church office with the best day and time I can visit. I have been unable to contact several of you so this would be very helpful. I look forward to seeing you!!!

Pastor Pat

Save the Date!!

Don't forget to save the date for our Leadership Retreat, Saturday, September 11, 9AM-3PM, Moyer Hall. There is a sign up sheet on the Bulletin Board.

COME ONE COME ALL!!!!

We are back into the swing of things here at St. Luke's. Our Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 26th at the Black Rock Pavilion. Church Life is working on some plans that they feel will bring the spirit back to everyone. There is a signup sheet on the Bulletin Board in the Narthex, please check it out and let us now what you will be bringing (besides yourself). Please remember to bring your own place setting, utensils and cup, everything else will be provided. OH, remember to bring your appetite. See you there for our first gathering since 2019!!!!

DAILY BREAD – LOOKING FOR A PERMANENT HOME

The Daily Bread Community Food Pantry remains one of St. Luke's long-time beneficiaries. They are always grateful for the food, household and personal care items our congregation donations as they continue to serve needy individuals and families in our community. In July 2021 they served over 150 households with 432 individuals including adults, children and the elderly.

What you might not realize is that this busy non-profit has moved 3 times in the past 5 years and continues to search for a permanent home. They currently rent a 6,500 sq. ft. building with an additional 3,500 sq. ft. of storage space leased off-site, requiring the shuttle of food and supplies between locations. The current space lacks the necessary amount of cold storage space. Unfortunately, perishable donations are turned away on a regular basis.

The organization's goal is to acquire a 10,000 sq. ft. building to serve as a permanent home, bringing stability to the people they support. It is expected to cost \$1.5 million to acquire and fit out properly. The Friends of Wyeth are currently holding a building fund campaign to raise \$1.0 million and is making great progress. As of the end of July 2021 they are almost 1/3 of the way there.



Sept. 2 Flo Momme
Sept. 5 Corie Bowers
Sept. 6 Samuel Kurtz III
Sept. 7 Jody Ruckle
Donna Horst



Sept. 8 Drew Crafton
Sept. 9 Martha Mensendiek
Sept. 12 Patrick Gregory
Sept. 26 Carl Watters
Sept. 30 Sal Swavely

ST. LUKE'S 2021 MISSIONS PLAN

The (small but mighty) Missions Team met for the first time in many months in January to make plans for 2021. Pastor Pat joined us to learn about our past activities. God wants each of us to be of service to others less fortunate and in need. And there are certainly plenty of needs. Many people have been and continue to be negatively impacted by the global pandemic. Now is not the time to be complacent by any means.

Missions' 2021 goals are to enable St. Luke's church family to continue to demonstrate our faithfulness through continued aid to our local community, country and the world. In spite of the COVID virus that requires social distancing precautions. We'll all have to remain safe, healthy and flexible this year for sure.

Please mark your calendars for the programs shown below. We are assessing the feasibility of a possible contact-less, drive-through fundraiser of some type. Plus an event to assemble disaster or hygiene kits which we'd envision doing with another church or non-profit organization.

Stay tuned for specific information in the coming months! As always, thank you for our continued support and generosity. Let us know if you have any questions or suggestions. We would love to welcome new members since we've lost a few recently. Many hands make light work as we share God's love with others.

Missions Team: Melanie Prudom, Kathy Narrigan and Linda Boyer

Timing / Date(s)	Program	Beneficiary
Sun, Oct 3 rd	Neighbors in Need & Worldwide Communion	UCC
Mid-late November	Turkeys & perishable/fresh food collection	Daily Bread Food Pantry
Late Nov – early Dec	Angel Tags	Salvation Army
Month of December	Christmas Fund	UCC

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NEIGHBORS IN NEED – COMING UP NEXT

On Sunday, October 3rd -- as part of World Communion Sunday -- we will accept Neighbors in Need "Unfailing Love" offerings focused on supporting organizations and projects that are serving immigrant neighbors and communities. Two thirds are used by UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to provide funding grants to UCC churches and organizations leading justice initiatives, advocacy efforts and direct service projects in their communities. [Justice & Local Church Ministries - United Church of Christ \(ucc.org\)](#) One third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). [Neighbors in Need Special Mission Offering - United Church of Christ \(ucc.org\)](#) Please use your designated offering envelope. Or be sure to make a note on your check indicating the purpose of Neighbors in Need. Thank you!

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Daily Bread Looking for a Permanent Home - Building Fund (con't)

You can help secure the future and continue to help our community by donating. Make out a check payable to Daily Bread Community Food Pantry and write "Building Fund, Friends of Wyeth", 3938 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426. Debit or Credit Card or PayPal. Visit the Building Fund's donation page on their website and type Friends of Wyeth in the note area. **Building Fund- Daily Bread Community Food Pantry.** Of course, if you write a check to St. Luke's and designate Daily Bread's Building Fund, we will be happy to pass on the donation on your behalf. Your generous assistance is greatly appreciated.



September 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 **Brenda Kurtz** 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>
Sept. 5	Tom Lloyd			
Sept. 12	Sue Linkenhoker			
Sept. 19	Jim Narrigan			
Sept. 26	Corie Bowers			
Oct. 3	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 October Newsletter is September 23rd and mailing is September 27th.

PRAYER LIST

People in need of prayers: The Dallar Family, Nancy Leneweaver, Linda Miller, Nick Iacorinno, Amy Miller.

People with on-going conditions and prayer needs: Barbara and Mark Nieweg, Betty Murphy, Casey S., Debbie Parker, Eli and Ella Vivian, Elsa Thomas, Greg Kimmich, Jack Murphy, Mike Richardson, Mitzie Oxenham, Nancy Lewis, Rod Bowers, Tim Heiser and Tricia White Heiser.

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2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features.
3. Select "St. Luke's United Church of Christ of Trappe" as your charity.
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 9:30 Service in Sanctuary with Rev. Morris And also on Zoom	6 	7 10:00 Bible Study	8 7:30 Audubon Symphony	9 7:00 Finance	10	11 9:00 Leadership Retreat
12 9:30 Service in Sanctuary with Rev. Morris And also on Zoom	13 7:00 Missions	14 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Elders 7:30 Council	15	16	17	18 9:30 Dallar Visitation 11:00 Funeral Service
19 9:30 Service in Sanctuary with Rev. Morris And also on Zoom	20	21 10:00 Bible Study	22	23 7:30 Toastmasters	24	25
26 10:00 Service at Black Rock Park with Rev. Morris and also on Zoom hopefully 11:00 Church Picnic	27 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	28 10:00 Bible Study	29 NEWSLETTER MAILING	30		

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St. Luke's Mission Statement

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