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November 26, 2017

Christ the King Sunday

UMC Student Sunday

8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services

St. Luke's — Celebrating 184 Years

1833-2017



St. Luke's United Methodist Church Vision

Welcoming ALL . . .

Caring . . . Serving . . . Growing

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer card and hand it to an usher.

* Asterisk denotes the invitation to stand if able. **Bold text** to be read by the people.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

Prelude

Brian Hughes, organ

Lighting of the Candles: *Bringing the Light of Christ Into Our Worship*

Greeting

Welcome/Announcements/Greetings/Introductions

Introit

“Worship the King”
Roxanne Rollefson, piano & vocal

by Billy Smiley &
Bill George

The Promise Becomes Form

Advent

Thanks be to God for his amazing gift of becoming the begotten Jesus Christ our Lord.

O come, let us adore the Christ

We come to receive the gift of God’s love in Christ and offer the gift of ourselves in return.

Gloria in excelsis deo!

Christ is the light of the world. In Christ we see things as they really are: God by grace offering us forgiveness and the new life of we living as Christ in us. Life as it was meant to be.

Musical Response

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

UMH 211

Christmas

Come and worship, come and worship.

Worship Christ the new-born King!

The Good News of Christmas is that Christ who was born in Bethlehem can be born in us. The hope we share is that to be in Christ is to be a new creation; the power we share is Christ in us. The exciting life we celebrate is life as Christ lived it.

Life as we live in Christ and Christ lives in us.

We hear the Christmas angel the great glad tidings tell.

Musical Response

“Joy to the World”

UMH 246

“Where Children Belong”

Children’s Time

“Jesus Loves Me” (chorus only)

TFWS 2233

Pastor Chuck Layton

UMH 191

Epiphany

The heavens are telling the Glory of God (Psalm 19: 1)

**Lift up your head, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors!
That the King of Glory may come in.** (Psalm 23: 10)

Who is the King of Glory? The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory! (Psalm 24: 10)

**For it is God who has said, “Let light shine out of darkness.” God has shown in our hearts
to give the light of knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.** (II Corinthians 4: 6)

And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord,
are being changed into believers from one degree of glory to another;
for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. (II Corinthians 3: 18)

**Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand,
and let us rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God.** (Romans 5: 2)

To us God has chosen to make know the riches of this mystery,
which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. (Colossians 1: 27)

Musical Response “A Star Shone Bright” on screen
from W&S #3051

The Promise Becomes Sacrifice

Lent

Fellow adventurers in the new life in Christ, I have exciting news for us! Christ died for us
that we might know that God loves us and forgives us.

We come to worship to experience in a new way what this means.

If we dare to accept the grace offered to us in the Cross, we can be free to live life sensitized
with expectation, filled with joy, alive to new possibilities, released from boredom.

That’s how we want to live!

Come then, let us worship the Lord who breaks the ruts of routine, banishes sameness,
and involves us in the great adventure of changing the world.

Offering

Offertory “If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee” arr. Stephen Nielsen
Roxanne Rollefson, piano

Good Friday

When our nights and days are filled with darkness and mourning, help us remember.

**We need to remember that we are your creation and that we are created in your image
and are the reflections of Your Love.**

We remember we have failed in love and friendship. We have tried, but often fail.

**In our darkness, may Your Presence remove our sorrow
and fill us with a new sense of purpose and fulfillment.**

Musical Response

“Were You There” (verses 1, 4 & 5)

UMH 288

Easter

Message

“Christ the Sovereign”

Pastor Chuck Layton

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Jesus said, “I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in Me will live, even beyond life. Whoever believes and lives in Me will never die.

Christ is alive in me!

Jesus said, “Fear not, I am the First and the Last, and the Living One. Behold, I am alive forevermore in and through you.”

Musical Response

“Thine Be the Glory”

UMH 308

The Promise Becomes Fulfillment

Ascension

Jesus has invited us, “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in Me.”

We trust Christ to be the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Jesus said, “I am leaving you with a gift — peace of mind and heart!

The peace I give isn’t fragile like the peace the world gives. Do not be troubled or afraid.”

We have come to worship,

to experience the peace which is more wonderful than the human mind can understand.

Through your trust, the peace of Christ will keep your hearts quiet
and at rest in the promise that Christ is in you.

Musical Response

“Shout to the Lord”
Roxanne Rollefson, piano

TFWS 2074

Pentecost

There’s a new wind blowing...

It’s the wind of the Holy Spirit.

The wind of the Spirit is blowing in our hearts.

**The wind is blowing new life in our hearts
and through our hearts new life to those around us.**

Jesus said, “I am come that you might have life and have it abundantly.”

Therefore, let’s celebrate the new life!

Musical Response “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” (verses 1, 4 & 5) UMH 500
Roxanne Rollefson, piano

Trinity

“You are the light of the world! Let your light so shine
that all may see your works and glorify God.”

**Christ has called us to live the abundant life and to express to everyone everywhere the
adventure of living in fellowship with the Christ.**

The Triune God is at work in you, both to will and work for the good of all.

**We come to worship,
to discover more completely how to cooperate with the Spirit in us and in the world.**

The Triune God knows our need and our potential. It is by the power of the Triune that our
needs are relieved, and our potential realized. Through the Triune God, we are always kept in
Love, always redeemed through Sacrifice, and always called to be the Light of the World.

Musical Response “Holy, Holy, Holy” (verses 1, 2 & 4) UMH 64

*** Benediction**

Carrying the Light of Christ to the World

* Benediction

Children of Light, you’d *better* shine
For the Son of Righteousness comes
Looking for light; looking for *your* light
On that great Day of the Lord

8:30 * Music from the Tower Chime (*please stand*)

Postlude Brian Hughes, organ

10:45 Postlude and Music from the Tower Chime (*please be seated*)

Postlude Brian Hughes, organ

***Note:** Please feel free to use language in worship that is inclusive
and affirms a diverse imagery for God.*

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Upcoming Events for November 26 - December 3

Sunday, November 26 — Christ the King & UMC Student Sunday

8:30 am	Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary
9:30 am	Making “We Care” packages for college students in the Fellowship Hall
9:30-10:45 am	Everyone welcome for coffee in the South Hall
10:45 am	Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary

Monday, November 27

8:00 am	Chimes Deadline
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Tuesday, November 28

9:30 am	Terrific Tuesday at Charlotte’s Coffee House
4:00 pm	4 the People Meeting in the Wesley Room

Wednesday, November 29

5:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday meal, activities, and rehearsals
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Thursday, November 30

10:00 am	Bible Study in the Parlor
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Friday, December 1

7:00 am	Men’s Worship in the Sanctuary
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Saturday, December 2

6:30 am	Bread Run — Smokey & Susan McGovern
5:30 pm	Food for the Soul in the Fellowship Hall — Team 1
6:00 pm	Saturday Night Praise in the Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday, December 3 — 1st Sunday of Advent

8:30 am	Sunday Worship Service with Communion in the Sanctuary
9:30 am	Making “Thinking of You” gifts for homebound in the Fellowship Hall
9:30-10:45 am	Everyone welcome for coffee in the South Hall
10:45 am	Sunday Worship Service with Communion in the Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Advent Celebration in the Fellowship Hall
4:45 pm	Seniors Out & About: Twinkling Lights leave Woodlands


Prayers For This Week's Joys and Concerns


Those in Uniform & Their Families
Our Homebound & Those At Care Centers
Gail Finsel - back surgery
Ron Liskey - surgery

Prayer requests email: dbqstluke@gmail.com
 Prayer listings are listed for two weeks.



Advent Worship Services

- Dec 3** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services with **Communion**
- Dec 10** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service
 10:45 a.m. Worship Service with **Children's Christmas Program**
- Dec 17** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service with **Christmas Cantata**
 10:45 a.m. Worship Service with **Handbells and Choir**
- Dec 24** 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
Christmas Eve Communion & Candlelight Worship Services at:
2:00 p.m. | 7:00 p.m. | 10:45 p.m.
- Dec 31** 10:00 a.m. Epiphany Worship
- Every Saturday:** 6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Praise with Communion every first Sunday

Items Needed for the Food Pantry

Hot chocolate, potatoes, graham crackers, canned fruit, oil, toothpaste, lotion, toilet tissue, garden produce

Items can go in the South Hall shopping cart



December 3 — **THINKING of YOU** activities at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Congregation invited to write personal Christmas **cards** to homebound and preparation of “thinking of you” **gift bags** for December visits and delivery.

December 4 — **Busy Bees Christmas Dessert** at 1:00pm at Bethany Home 1005 Lincoln Ave. Hostess: Ruth Clark. Devotions and tying of quilts for Hillcrest youth. New members welcome.

December 7 — **SAVE the DATE!** Gathering at 7:00pm in St. Luke's parlor. Share (if you wish) appetizers and/or sweets. Christmas music and program: “Emmanuel: God's Gift.” ALL women are invited!

2017 UMW Pledge: Mail or drop off to Treasurer Ruth Veley c/o St. Luke's 1199 Main St., Du-buque, IA 52001



Order Poinsettias!

Sign up by **December 3rd**

On December 17th, we'll fill the front of the sanctuary with poinsettias in honor of or in memory of our loved ones. The poinsettias will be red flowers with gold foil and white bows. Poinsettias can be purchased for **\$16 each**. To order your poinsettias, **sign up on the sheet in the South Hall**. The deadline for ordering is **Sunday December 3rd**. Poinsettias will be purchased from our neighbor, White's Florist.

Bible Study

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.



Meet with Pastor Chuck in the Parlor to talk about scriptures for the upcoming Sunday.

St. Luke's Advent Celebration

Sunday December 3rd

Following the 10:45 Worship Service

Please join us in Fellowship Hall for a Soup Lunch and a Celebration of Advent! Chili and other soups are on the menu along with some very tasty treats. **ALL ARE INVITED!** Families, singles, young and the young at heart! We will have activities including a telling of Advent season stories, cookie decorating, crafts and more! New this year will be "*The Most Interesting Christmas Sweater*" contest. You are invited to wear your



most colorful, out of this world Christmas sweater and win "fabulous" prizes! Hosted by Invitation & Welcome and friends.

Prescott Elementary Soup Luncheon

Tuesday December 19th, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Prescott Elementary, 1151 White Street

Recommended Donation: \$15

Join us for a soup lunch, silent auction, student artwork, and performances! Proceeds benefit Expeditionary Learning and arts programming at Prescott Elementary, including the all-school musical, fieldwork, guest experts, and beyond-the-school-day programs. For more info call: (563) 552-4200. Snow date Wed, Dec. 20th.



Jesus Fund Donations

Our "Jesus Fund" Ministry helps people in need get healthy groceries. Donations can be put into the offering plate as "Jesus Fund."

Red Basket Project

Offer your donation today marked "Red Basket Project" or with the following in the South Hall red basket: **Tampons:** Junior, Regular, Super;

Pantiliners: Always Thin Pantiliners, or any brand medium or heavy absorbency pantiliners.



SENIORS
Out 'n About

Twinkling Lights
Sunday, Dec 3, 2017

Holiday Dinner & Lights Tour

Reservation Deadline: **Monday, November 27th**

Cost: **\$5** (transit & park entry), **order off menu**

We leave **Woodlands** at **4:45 p.m.**

RSVP to: **Shirley H (Woodlands): 937-409-5336**

Terrific Tuesdays

(All at 9:30 a.m. unless noted)



- Nov 28** Charlotte's Coffee House
- Dec 5** Cookie Exchange at St. Luke's
- Dec 12** Location TBD
- Jan 2** AJ's at Hartig's on University

College Thinking of You Gifts



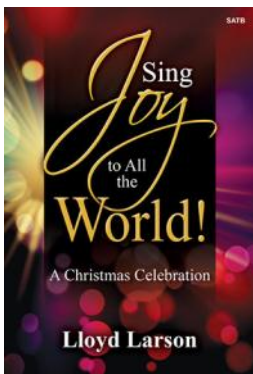
St. Luke's is making "thinking of you" gifts for our St. Luke's family college students this morning at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Stop on by to help make gifts. Next week Sunday at 9:30 a.m. we'll be making gifts for our homebound as well. Stop on by next week if you missed it this week!

**Dubuque Food Pantry Annual
Christmas Basket Give Away**
Donate before December 13th



Each year the Food Pantry gives out hundreds of food baskets to needy families. St. Luke's will be assisting in this project in two ways:

1. Donate a ham from 3 lbs. to 5 lbs. in size and bring to the church before December 13th. Use the **sign-up sheet in the South Hall** to add your name, information, and which fridge it's in.
2. Donate non-perishable items before December 13th. Bring non-perishable items (stuffing mix, canned fruit, canned vegetables, soups, ramen noodles, brownie or cake mixes) and put in the **shopping cart in the South Hall**.



Save The Date! A GIFT OF JOY AWAITS YOU!!

The St. Luke's Singers & Friends Are Pleased To Present....

Sing Joy To All The World!

A Christmas Celebration By Lloyd Larson

Sunday, December 17, 2017

8:30 am Worship Service

St. Luke's United Methodist Church

So....Are you prepared?.....

As the seasons change, leaves fall, chilling temperatures...All reminders that the season of Christmas is just around the corner and how fortunate we have the season of Advent to prepare...Prepare ourselves to receive this incredible gift of Joy!

The St. Luke's Singers & Friends would like to share through song an uplifting Christmas Cantata celebrating this gift of joy, "Sing Joy To All The World!" "Sing Joy To All The World!" a Christmas Celebration of songs that celebrate the promise that joy comes to those who wait; following such long darkness the breaking of dawn brings us all incredible everlasting joy! The Cantata shares many familiar carols & original melodies ranging from contemplative to celebratory.

St. Luke's Singers & Friends invite all singers to come sing with us!

Rehearsals are Wednesday evening at 5:30 pm in the Music Room, lower level:

Nov. 22nd, 29th; Dec. 6th & 13th

Two additional rehearsals will be **Sunday December 10th at 1 pm** in the Music Room and **Saturday December 16th at 9 am** in the Sanctuary. Music books and a listening CD are available.

Interested? Thinking about it or have questions, please contact Keith Rippe, Director at: (563) 599-0528 or kr725@mchsi.com

As recipients of this incredible joy we are called to share the "Good News" with everyone! We ask each of you to invite and bring guests to St. Luke's on December 17th as **ALL ARE WELCOME!** This is a wonderful way to invite others to "step inside" St. Luke's at 12th & Main and to share the gift of incredible Joy this Christmas Season with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers.

We look forward to sharing this Christmas Celebration with you...
"Joy To All The World!"

St. Luke's Singers & Friends

Keith Rippe, Director

Sylvia Ward, Accompanist

Laura Carstens & Dave Kubik, Narrators



Our Worship Specialists

	<u>November 26, 2017</u> 8:30 a.m.	<u>November 26, 2017</u> 10:45 a.m.
Greeters	Betty Phillips, Margie Breese	Kathy & Gary Reid
Ushers	Margie Breese, Sue Hattel	Kathy & Gary Reid
Acolyte	—	—
Children's Time	Pastor Chuck Layton	Pastor Chuck Layton
Offering Depositor	Sue Hattel	Rich Young
Liturgist	Terry Stewart, Sue Hattel, Sue Lane	Rev. Robert & Mary Armstrong
Communion Steward	—	—
Organist/Pianist	Brian Hughes	Brian Hughes
Chimer	R.R.S. Stewart	R.R.S. Stewart
Slides	Paul Clark	Paul Clark
Projectionist	Chris Kohlmann	Paul Clark
Videographer	Bobby Martin	—
Worship Driver	—	Rich Young
	Saturday, November 25	Saturday, December 2
Bread Run	Dan Jacobsen & Steve Sanders	Smokey & Susan McGovern
Food for the Soul	Team 11	Team 1

Music Directors

St. Luke's Singers — Keith Rippe **Children's Music** — Heather Williams
Chancel Choir — Roxanne Rollefson **Chimers** — Larry Loepke
Bell Choir Director — David Patterson **Word on the Third** — Praise Team
Wind Ensemble coordinator — Sue Hattel

Lead Organist: Dr. Chuck Barland

Pianist/Organist: Sylvia Ward