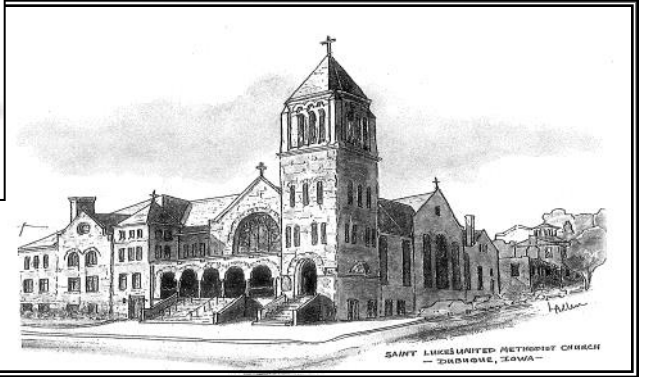


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12:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

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A Word from the Pastor

Growing up in South Texas, a favorite vacation spot was the Gulf Coast. This past week, my family traveled to the very same beach I grew up visiting. We played in the waves, explored the creatures that are exposed by the low tides of the evening and dug countless holes in the sand. The coast is a centering place for me. The vastness of the sky, the power of the waves and the impressive tenacity of the clams reminds me of how intentionally and beautifully God created and creates this world.

For me, feeling the breeze on my face, and watching the wind move over the water reminded me of the Holy Spirit at work in this world. There are times when we move with the spirit, feeling the wind in our proverbial sails. There are times when we face the wind head on, and its cooling presence is refreshing. Then, there are those times when we work against the wind and feel how hard it is when we go against the Spirit's movement. I left the beach feeling reminded of how God is at work in this world, and that work is made more beautiful when we let God's Spirit move among us.

After we left the beach and returned to San Antonio, the horrifying news broke of three shootings in *one* week in our nation. I was reminded how deeply we need God to move among us as we pray, through gun reform, through mental health reform, and through the deep need for leaders and followers who do NOT incite hatred through social media. I heard a beautiful sermon on Sunday in San Antonio by Rev. Holly Gotelli (Alamo Heights UMC) in which she called us to be more than passive observers of peace, but to be MAKERS of peace in our daily relationships and beyond.

So, while it's important to get away and be reminded of God's Holy Spirit at work in the big picture, it's also important to remember that life is more than the observation of the amazing. The call on our life is to be people who pray *and* people who work for good. This week notice God's grandeur where you are. Show some kindness to someone in the margins. Have honest conversations with your loved ones about peace and violence. Do all this in the love of our God, who created the oceans, inspired the tenacity of the clams, and is with the hurting, the grieving, the lost and broken.



May there be peace on earth, and may our connection with God inspire our desire to create Peace with one another.

Peace,

Pastor Stephanie

Pastor Stephanie

Our Caring Community

Lord, as we continue life's journey, we pray for all who are challenged by health concerns and ongoing illness. We know that the awesome God we worship hears the prayers of our lips as well as the prayers of our hearts. We pray for people who are currently dealing with a recent illness, surgery, injury, medical or other concern:

Steve Mercaitis - leukemia, treatments
(Judy Schmidt's cousin)
Paul Clark - recovering from double bypass surgery
Dave Overby - recovering from third back surgery

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

Edie Bruehahn **Sally Wiegand**
Barb Boettcher

Prayers for people with ongoing health concerns:

Jon Romaine **Judy McKahin**
Cheri Loveless **True Mills**
Ron Liskey **Susan Funke**
Peggy Lemke **Johnny**
Brett Cooper **Bonnie Jorgensen**
Jeanne Patterson

Prayers of consolation for those who recently lost loved ones to the families and friends of:

Robert C. "Chuck" Lehnhardt
(Barb Bishop's brother)

Prayers of joy for new born family of St. Luke's:

Jacobsen Francis Hisek
(Dan & Mary Jacobsen's grandchild)

We also offer prayers of comfort and support for those who struggle with brain health, disabilities, or other impairments that make life difficult to support oneself.



Our prayers also turn to prayers for Peace and Justice around the world. We especially remember all those who currently serve in our country's armed forces.

Lord, we ask your special touch of compassion for all the victims of civil discord and war, the families of soldiers, the families of police officers, and all victims of gun violence. It is in the name of your Son and our Savior that we offer our prayers. Amen.

Prayer requests / updates can be sent to:
563-582-4543 | dbqstluke@gmail.com

Happy Birthday to our church family and friends with birthdays this month! May the celebration of life on your birthday be filled with many blessings from our Lord.



August Birthdays

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Rhonda Kubik | 21 Jeanne Updegraff |
| 1 Lisa Viertel | 22 Debi Hull |
| 2 Maura Lawler | 22 Joshua Manders |
| 2 Cheri Vahl | 22 Charlene Metsker |
| 4 Landon Schmitt | 22 Odin Stechman |
| 5 Mike Basten | 22 Sheena Streckwald |
| 5 Marissa Ede | 22 Vinny Williams |
| 6 Kenaniah Stechman | 24 Greg Foley |
| 6 Vicki Tilson | 24 Matilda Gacioch |
| 9 James Gabel | 24 Evalee Klein |
| 10 Becky Doty | 24 Collin Lawler |
| 11 Larry Loeppeke | 24 Rex Piercy |
| 13 Emilie Flanigan | 25 Ashley Duschen |
| 13 Amy Schmitt | 27 Jaydn Basten |
| 15 Jodi Johnson | 27 Aubrey Kehoe |
| 15 Jane Manders | 27 Kinnick Kehoe |
| 16 Margaret Johnson | 28 Lisa Wiegand |
| 17 Heather Demaio | 28 Lisa York |
| 17 Robert Glab | 29 Franklin Miller Jr |
| 18 Julia Manders | 29 Olivia Schmitt |
| 18 Heather Williams | 29 Kelley Schrupf |
| 20 Cole Beecher | 30 Adam McWethy |
| 20 Madeline Roling | 31 Bubs Atchison |
| 21 Jackson Glaser | 31 Steven Moody |



Emergency Medical Information Cards

In the event of a personal emergency taking place at church, we recommend you have information at St. Luke's that is readily available for EMTs when they are called. You can fill out a 5x7 card stored in the church office and copies can be given to EMTs if the occasion arises. Stop by the church office to fill one out.

Margie Breese, Care and Compassion

We request that **if you become hospitalized, please let the church office know.** Also, please designate St. Luke's as your church when filling out hospital admittance information. If you would like a prayer request, please let us know.



VISION & MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. The MISSION of St. Luke's United Methodist Church is to feed souls, grow faith in God and make a difference in the lives of our congregation, our neighbors and our world.

The VISION of St. Luke's United Methodist Church is: Welcoming ALL... Caring... Serving... Growing



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Weekend Worship

Fall-Spring Worship Services Sunday at 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Communion 1st Sundays
Summer Worship Services Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Food for the Soul Saturday at 5:30 p.m.
Saturday Night Praise Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

Parking: Street metered parking (Mon.-Fri.)
 Free lot parking/street metered parking (Sat.)
 Free Handicap & street parking (Sun.)

Do you have a name change or a new address, phone number, or email address? If so, please remember to inform the St. Luke's office at dbqstluke@gmail.com or by calling 563-582-4543. **Thank You!**



Reoccurring Meetings	Meeting Name and Time
2nd Monday	6:00 p.m. Worship & Celebration
1st Tuesday	5:30 p.m. Invitation & Welcome
3rd Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Finance
1st Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Trustees
2nd Thursday	6:30 p.m. SP/PRC
3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m. UMW Kaleidoscope
4th Thursday	6:30 p.m. Church Council OR Council on Ministries
Qtrly 3rd Tues	4:30 p.m. Care & Compassion

Official UMC Lectionary Texts

- Aug 11th 9th Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23 (UMH 783);
 Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16; Luke 12: 32-40
- Aug 18th 10th Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
 Isaiah 5: 1-7; Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-19 (UMH 801);
 Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12: 49-56
- Aug 25th 11th Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
 Jeremiah 1: 4-10; Psalm 71: 1-6 (UMH 794);
 Hebrews 12: 18-29; Luke 13: 10-17
- Sep 1st 12th Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
 Jeremiah 2: 4-13; Psalm 81: 1, 10-16 (UM803);
 Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14

STAFF

Pastor Rev. Stephanie Schlimm
 Children / Youth: David Ploenzke
 Administrative Assistant Ora Uzel
 Custodian Chuck Lynch

CHURCH COUNCIL

Chair Nancy Hessler

Officers:

Recording Secretary. Kristen Smith
 Lay Leader Gary Reid
 Lay Members of the Annual Conference Sue Hattel, Amy Schadle
 Treasurer Amy Schadle

Historians Betty Phillips, Barbara Bishop, and R.R.S. Stewart
 Financial Secretary Carol Clark
 Membership Sec. Mark & Vicki Tilson

Administrative Committee (Chairs):

Lay Leadership/Nominations Pastor
 Finance Ruth Veley
 Board of Trustees Kristen Cadman
 SPPRC. Susan McGovern

Council on Ministries

Facilitators:
 Invitation & Welcome
 Lisa Viertel & Chris Kohlmann
 Worship & Celebration Sue Hattel

Care & Compassion Margie Breese
 Spiritual Growth & Discipleship
 Zo Landis
 Service & Giving (vacant)
 Witness & Mission
 Community Outreach John Hessler
 Conference & Global
 Rev. Robert & Mary Armstrong
 Social Justice RRS & Terry Stewart
 UMW Marcia Young

At-Large: Coni Stephenson, Kathy Reid, Rhonda Kubik, Nancy Bradley, Dick Landis

August 2019 Volunteers

Saturday Bread Run

8/3 Hull family
 8/10 Loveless
 8/17 Jacobsen/Sanders
 8/24 Breese/Young
 8/31 TBD

10:00 Greeters/Ushers

8/4 Gary & Kathy Reid
 8/11 *Volunteers needed*
 8/18 *Volunteers needed*
 8/25 *Volunteers needed*
 9/1 *Volunteers needed*

10:00 Liturgist

8/4 Cheri Loveless
 8/11 Mountain T.O.P.
 8/18 Cheri Loveless
 8/25 Nancy Bradley
 9/1 Rev. Robert Armstrong

Saturday Food for the Soul

8/3 Team 1
 8/10 Team 2
 8/17 Team 3
 8/24 Team 4
 8/31 Team 5

10:00 Offering Collector

8/4 Kathy McWethy
 8/11 Susan McGovern
 8/18 Keith Unangst
 8/25 Scott Zartman
 9/1 Gary Reid

10:00 Projectionist

8/4 Denny Brimeyer
 8/11 Chris Kohlmann
 8/18 Matthew Hull
 8/25 Arboretum
 9/1 Denny Brimeyer

(For changes in the Food for the Soul schedule, contact Marcia 588-4877 and notify the office.)

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8/4 Heather Williams
 8/11 R.R.S. Stewart
 8/18 Ann Duchow
 8/25 Arboretum
 9/1 David Patterson

Slides

8/4 Susan McGovern
 8/11 Chris Kohlmann
 8/18 Matthew Hull
 8/25 Arboretum
 9/1 Chris Kohlmann

10:00 Worship Drivers

8/4 Mark Tilson
 8/11 Mike Loveless
 8/18 Mike Loveless
 8/25 Dan Jacobsen
 9/1 Mark Tilson

Organist/Pianist

8/4 Chuck Barland
 8/11 Heather Williams
 8/18 Chuck Barland
 8/25 TBD
 9/1 Chuck Barland

Summer Early Bulletin Deadlines:

Normal: Thursdays
Exception: Tuesday August 20
 (for August 25 bulletin)

Food Pantry Needs

Crackers, hamburger helper, canned meats, peanut butter, potatoes of any kind, sugar, mac & cheese, tuna, vegetable oil; Deodorant, bar soap, facial tissues, laundry soap, dish soap

Items can go in the South Hall shopping cart.



Upcoming Worship Services

- Aug 11** 10:00 a.m. Mountain T.O.P. Worship Service
- Aug 18** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Aug 25** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
at the Dubuque Arboretum
SAVE the DATE!
- Sep 1** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with Communion

Autumn Return to Two Services

- Sep 8** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service
10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Saturday Night Praise — Every Saturday
6:00 p.m. Praise Service in the Wesley Room



Youth Director's Office Hours

Week of August 4, 2019

Mon	Aug 4	7:00 am - 9:00 am
Tue	Aug 5	7:00 am - 9:00 am
Wed	Aug 6	8:00 am - 10:00 am 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Thu	Aug 7	7:00 am - 9:00 am
Fri	Aug 8	8:00 am - 1:00 pm

David Ploenzke — (563) 258-3185 c



Celebrating Birth!

Grandparents Dan & Mary Jacobsen would like to share in celebration of the birth of their grandchild Jacobsen Francis Hisek, son of Derek & Callie (Jacobsen) Hisek, born on July 26th.



Children's & Youth Family Meeting

Wednesday, August 7, 2019
Dinner: 5:00pm — Meeting: 6:00pm
Fellowship Hall

Bring the whole family! Join us for a meeting with Pastor Stephanie and Youth Director David Ploenzke including children, youth, and parents. We hope to engage in fellowship as well as come to understand what the children, youth, and parents of St. Luke's are excited about in their walk with God. Please join us!!

Thursday Bible Study

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.
Conference Room



Join Pastor Stephanie to take a closer look at the scriptures for the week.



Thank You!
from Peggy Unangst

Dear St. Luke's Members,

You have overwhelmed me with your many prayers, blessings, delicious "care packages," visits, and cards of encouragement. I cannot thank you enough for all your concern and kindness. You definitely have enriched my life.

Sincerely, Peggy Unangst

Thank You!
from Betty Phillips



My thanks and appreciation to everyone who sent cards and notes to me when I was in the hospital and at Stonehill. They were appreciated and enjoyed.

I also appreciated the birthday cards I received.

Thanks so much, Betty Phillips

Terrific Tuesdays

(9:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

- Aug 13** Convivium Urban Farmstead
- Aug 20** Starbucks at Dodge Hy-Vee
- Aug 27** 8:30 a.m. Breakfast at Village Inn
10:00 a.m. Sit & Knit in Parlor
- Sep 3** Starbucks at Asbury Hy-Vee

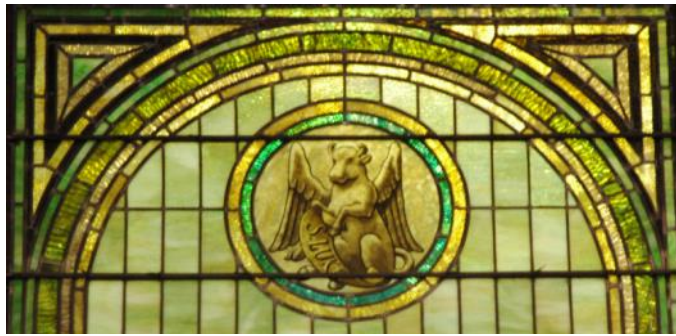


Underwear for Kids
Donations needed!

There is ongoing need for new children's underwear both at the St. John's Open Closet and in the schools. Please help by purchasing children's underwear sizes



3-14 for all genders. Bring it to the church and put it in the blue tote in the South Hall. It will be delivered to St. John's for their Open Closet free clothing giveaway and when they receive calls from schools. If you make donations by August 18th, students can receive these important donations before their first day of school.



Windows of Opportunities
Volunteers Needed!

- ✦ **Videographers** to video worship services during 10:00 a.m. summer services and 8:30 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. services September through May. Training provided. Scheduled on available dates. Contact Paul Clark with questions.
- ✦ **Greeters & Ushers** during 10:00 a.m. summer worship services. Contact Sue Hattel at 556-1394.
- ✦ **Paid Position – First Service Organist/Pianist** from September through May, and pianist for Wednesday evening choirs. Contact Susan McGovern, SPPRC, and stop by the church office for an application.
- ✦ **Paid Position – Second Service Choir Director** from September through May, including leading Word on the Third's contemporary music service. Contact Susan McGovern, SPPRC, and stop by the church office for an application.
- ✦ **Paid Position – Nursery Assistant** to help in the nursery. We are looking for someone with a heart for children to serve in the nursery on Sunday mornings, as well as Wednesday evenings during the school year. Contact Susan McGovern, SPPRC, and stop by the church office for an application.



St. Luke's UMC
United Methodist Women
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SAVE the DATES!

Understanding our Community...

You are invited

Understanding Homelessness

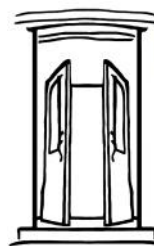
Thursday, September 5th, 2019 — 7:00 p.m.
Hosted in St. Luke's Sanctuary

Understanding Homelessness of Women & Families in Dubuque. Community discussion!
"DOORWAYS of HOPE for the HOMELESS"
 Speaker: Ann Lorenz of *Opening Doors*.

Church Women United - Human Rights Day

Friday, September 6th, 2019 — 9:30 a.m.
Dubuque Arboretum — Porch

9:30 a.m. Meet & Greet. Speaker: **Megan Ruiz:**
 Executive Director of Presentation Lantern Center:
 "Equity & Advocacy for our Immigrant Brothers and Sisters." **Church Women United** hosts **2019 Human Rights Day.** Celebration at 10:00 a.m.



OPENING DOORS

Maria House • Teresa Shelter
 Francis Apartments

Empowering Lives

Doorways of Hope for the Homeless
Understanding Homelessness in Dubuque

Thursday, September 5th, 2019 — 7:00 p.m.

Hosted in St. Luke's Sanctuary
1199 Main Street, Dubuque
(accessible alley entrance)

Presenter: Ann Lorenz

Development & Marketing Director, Opening Doors

Join us for a community discussion!

Hosted by United Methodist Women

Donations accepted: Diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6), baby wipes, pull-ups, paper towels & liquid laundry detergent.



Join the Dubuque Chorale
No auditions required!

Do you enjoy choral singing? The Dubuque Chorale is beginning rehearsals for our 2019-20 season! Our first rehearsal begins at **7:00 p.m. on August 22** at Grandview United Methodist Church, 3342 John Wesley Dr, Dubuque, IA. No auditions are required -- just come and give us a try! If you have questions, check our website at dubuquechorale.org or call Mary Beth Ferring at: 580-6229.

St. Luke's Worship and Potluck Picnic
Sunday, August 25th 10:00 a.m.
9:50 a.m. Gathering Music - Americana Dixie Band
Dubuque Arboretum - Packard Pavilion
3800 Arboretum Drive — Rain or Shine

St. Luke's will gather for worship and a picnic potluck (following worship), "rain or shine," at the Packard Pavilion at the Dubuque Arboretum. Special music by the Americana Dixie Band.



Bring a lawn chair, a dish to share, and tableware. Beverages provided. **Guests are invited!** Worship together in God's creation!



Habitat Work Continues...

St. Luke's has been in a covenant relationship with Dubuque & Jackson Counties Habitat for Humanity for many years, including financial support from St. Luke's as well as meals for at least four builds.

Volunteers from the local Habitat for Humanity are continuing renovation of a former duplex at 1100 Roosevelt Road, off Peru Road, into a single family home. Completion is projected for November. The future owners will be a single mother, Tricia with four school age children. They have been waiting for 2 years for this and are so excited! Blessings to all as we team together on remodeling this duplex into a home for this family in need.



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED
2019 Human Rights Day

THE TIME IS NOW!
"Unite to Serve"

FRIDAY, September 6, 2019

Arboretum Porch – Visitor Center
3800 Arboretum Dr. (accessible)

9:30 am Meet & Greet Megan Ruiz
Gathering – Lite Bites

10:00 am Celebration - Music
Program: "Equity & Advocacy for our Immigrant Brothers and Sisters"

Speaker-Megan Ruiz, Executive Director
--Presentation Lantern Center--

Contact 563-556-1394 ALL are Welcome

Jesus Fund Report

In July, the Jesus Fund broke a record for funds dispersed in a single month (and in a single day July 21st), with around twice the recipients compared to the average month. Your donations help the Jesus Fund stay operational so people get that extra assistance they need to afford groceries. Thank you for your support!



Month	Households	Adults	Kids	Total	Dispersed
Jul	38	63	66	129	\$1,120
Jun	25	25	40	65	\$700
May	18	32	31	63	\$580
Apr	21	38	37	75	\$700
Mar	11	20	8	28	\$260
Feb	28	40	59	99	\$930
Jan	13	16	21	37	\$340

A Moment of Youth...

Hi Church!

In case I haven't met you yet, my name is David Ploenzke, Children's and Youth Director here. I have been very excited and have enjoyed getting to know each and every one of you here at St. Luke's.

I grew up as a pastor's kid in the United Methodist Church so for me, it has been refreshing to come back. Just a little bit about me, I have lived in Dubuque 3 years now since graduating from UD. I enjoy exercising, watching movies, and am a big Packers and Cubs fan.

And I love working with youth and children. The joy they bring to my life is a reminder to not take life's stress so seriously, and that I should always live in each moment fully, as "the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Luke 18: 16b NIV).

I'd also like to give a final reminder that this **Wednesday, August 7**, we will be having a dinner and meeting with parents and their youth/children to get to know them a little better and to see what excites them in youth ministry here at St. Luke's. **Dinner will be from 5:00 – 6:00 PM with the meeting from 6:00 – 7:00 PM.**

If you can only make a portion of it, please still come! I hope to see you all there as we continue to grow the future of St. Luke's!

Respectfully,

David Ploenzke



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Requested

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To receive your Chimes via email, send a message to dbqstluke@gmail.com. If you know someone who would like to receive The Chimes, please contact the church office.