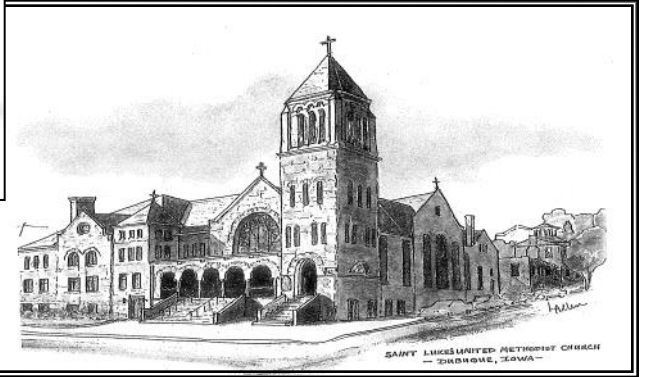


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Chuck's Chat - May 2, 2018

Much of the New Testament, beginning with disputes between the Twelve, and going on through admonitions to churches by John in the Revelation, is devoted to helping the church "hang together." If this were not God's perfect will for the Church, then such passages as chapter four of Paul's letter to the Ephesians wouldn't have been necessary. One small piece of that chapter says:

¹¹ The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³ until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. — Ephesians 4: 11-13

This is a very hopeful statement, looking to that day when "all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God...." But in 2,000 years, it seems that the church has found many more ways to practice disunity than unity.

I have never grieved over-much for the "denominalization" of the Church. I have always believed that God has created us humans with many different temperaments, experiences, and ways of understanding God and the Scriptures. Therefore, it seems not only natural, but actually helpful for people to express their faith through different forms of worship, and different theological emphases. That is easy enough for me to say when it is other people's churches that are dividing. But when we approach a possible breaking apart of my own beloved United Methodist Church, I can't be quite so dispassionate.

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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

Food for the Soul *Saturday at 5:30 p.m.*
Saturday Night Praise *Saturday at 6:00 p.m.*
Sunday Worship Services *Sunday at 8:30 a.m.*
(Communion 1st Sundays) *Sunday at 10:45 a.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
1st Tuesday	5:30 p.m. Invitation & Welcome
2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m. Worship & Celebration
3rd Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Finance
1st Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Trustees
2nd Thursday	6:30 p.m. SPPRC
3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m. UMW Kaleidoscope
4th Thursday	6:30 p.m. Church Council OR Council on Ministries
Quarterly	Care & Compassion

Official UMC Lectionary Texts

- May 6th** 6th Sunday of Easter (white)
 Acts 10: 44-48; Psalm 98 (UM 818);
 1 John 5: 1-6; John 15: 9-17
- May 13th** Ascension Day (white) (Mother's Day)
 Acts 1: 1-11, Psalm 47 (UM 781);
 Ephesians 1: 15-23; Luke 24: 44-53
- May 20th** Pentecost Sunday (red)
 Acts 2: 1-21; Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b (UM 826);
 Romans 8: 22-27; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15
- May 27th** Trinity Sunday (white) & Peace With Justice
 Isaiah 6: 1-8; Psalm 29 (UM 761);
 Romans 8: 12-17; John 3: 1-17

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 Kathy Reid, Nancy Bradley, Vicki Tilson,
 Rhonda Kubik

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That's why I have such hope for the upcoming special General Conference. Shortly after the last regular General Conference, United Methodist News Service reported:

The Council of Bishops announced the call to a special General Conference on Feb. 23-26, 2019, in St. Louis, Missouri.

The special meeting of The United Methodist Church's top lawmaking assembly will be limited to acting on a report by Council of Bishops, based on the proposals from [the Commission on the Way Forward](#). The 32-member commission, appointed by the bishops, has the charge of finding ways for the denomination to stay together despite deep differences around homosexuality.

General Conference, which usually meets every four years, is the only body that can speak for the denomination.

"The Council of Bishops encourages the entire church to continue in deep, unceasing prayer for Holy Spirit breakthroughs for the Commission on a Way Forward and the Special Session of General Conference," said Dakotas-Minnesota Area Bishop Bruce Ough, the president of the Council of Bishops.

Since the special session will only deal with the one issue of how the church is going to respond to human sexuality (and more specifically, LGBTQ sexuality) it was necessary to have a starting point. That starting point comes in the form of the report of the Commission on a Way Forward.

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[Members of the Commission on a Way Forward](#) are pictured during their first meeting held in January, 2017.

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Again, United Methodist News Service explains:

General Conference, the denomination's top lawmaking assembly, will have ultimate say on what direction the church takes. Nothing, at this point, is final.

At present, [the denomination's Book of Discipline](#) says that while all people are of sacred worth, the practice of homosexuality is "incompatible with Christian teaching." The book bans the ordination of "self-avowed practicing" gay clergy and the blessing of same-gender unions. However, some individual pastors and conferences — regional units of the church — publicly [disregard those policies](#).

The [commission is focusing on two options](#) that would alter the status quo.

- **The one-church model:** Under this plan, each conference would be able to decide whether to ordain LGBTQ individuals as clergy. Each pastor would be able to decide whether to perform same-sex weddings or unions. Each local church would be able to decide whether to allow same-sex weddings in its sanctuary or receive an openly gay pastor. Those who could not in good conscience participate in same-sex weddings or ordination of LGBTQ clergy would not be required to do so. Central conferences — church regions in Africa, Europe and the Philippines — could maintain their own standards on ordination and marriage. The model would essentially make legal what is already happening in some parts of the connection.
- **The multi-branch model:** Under this plan, United Methodists would share doctrine, services and one Council of Bishops, while also creating different branches. The five U.S. jurisdictions would be replaced by three connectional conferences, each covering the whole country, based on theology and perspective on LGBTQ ministry — progressive, contextual and traditional branches. In this case, contextual means allowing churches flexibility in ministry with LGBTQ people as best fits their mission field. Annual conferences would decide with which connectional conference to affiliate. Central conferences would remain as they are or could choose to affiliate with one of the three connectional conferences. This model likely would require amendments to the denomination's constitution.

"We are seeking to focus more closely on the values that are important to United Methodists — traditional, contextual and progressive," Florida Area Bishop Kenneth H. Carter Jr., one of three bishops serving as commission moderators, told United Methodist News Service. "We did work on the proposals but tried to go more deeply into what is important about them to our mission."

The commission, as a body, has not formed a consensus behind either plan.

To be clear, a "third option", e.g., to maintain the current language of *The Book of Discipline*, is achieved if both of the two proposals are voted down.

My sense is that both of these proposals is flawed. My hope rests not in what humans can do, but in what God *IS* doing. I believe that one reason why The United Methodist Church is still struggling with this issue long after many other "mainline" denominations have decided to split, is that God has something else in mind for us. I rest in the promise of Ephesians 3:20-21: "Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

Dear friends, will you join with me in praying for our beloved church and for the bishops and delegates to the special General Conference?

Shalom, Chuck

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:

Angel Holzauer - health concerns

Mary Manning (Tammy Lynch's aunt) - heart attack

Rick & Hilda Schmitt:

Rick in hospital, house broken into while away
(Tammy Lynch's sister and brother-in-law)

Chase Kreimeyer - 7th hand surgery

Morgan Frazer - recovering from surgery

Amy Schumacher - brain tumor surgery April 19th
(Bruce & Sarah Jo Redding's friend's sister)

Pamela Walgamuth - surgery

(Susan Walgamuth's daughter)

Vicki Sanderfield - employment/advancement

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

Betty Farcas

Sally Wiegand

Barb Boettcher

Edie Bruehahn

Mary Dempsey

Margerie Kreassig

Prayers for people with ongoing health concerns:

Cheri Loveless

Ron Liskey

Peggy Lemke

Brett Cooper

Jeanne Patterson

True Mills

Susan Funke

Johnny

Bonnie Jorgensen

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

Eileen Putschio

(Tammy Lynch's future son-in-law's grandmother)

Brian Fowler (organ refurbisher and maintenance)

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, and the families of police officers. It is in the name of your Son and our Savior that we offer our prayers. Amen.



Please check the prayer request lists if there are any outdated prayer requests. Send updates or prayer requests 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.



May Birthdays

1 Andrew Kennedy	16 Kristin Rohner
1 Gary Reid	17 Betty Martin
1 Luke Viertel	18 Carrie Hunold
3 Seamus Foley	18 Ella Kreimeyer
3 Alex Gevock	21 Ryan Johnson
3 Dan Jacobsen	21 Barb Liskey
4 Shannon Beard	22 Rachel Guentherman
4 Margie Brown	22 Nate Kehoe
4 Jonathan Fuller	22 Ron Liskey
4 Bruce Redding	23 Foster Hull
5 Deb Albert	23 Heidi Klein
6 Lesley Stephens	24 Wayne Hefel
6 Lydia Wilson	24 Chloe Plumley
7 Alison Hutchins	24 Paige Snitker
8 Tom Glab	25 Nathan Lungwitz
8 Sue Hattel	26 Sally Shearer
9 Christopher Purdy	26 Susan Stone
10 Mary Purdy	28 Chris Becker
11 Jeanne Meloy	29 Lara Sanders
12 Margie Breese	29 Serena Stechman
13 Marcy Gabel	29 Bret Streckwald
13 Ardyne Olson	30 Robert Armstrong
13 Natalie Rohner	30 Ken Booth
15 Joshua Rusch	31 Paul Herman
16 Jacob Doty	31 Abby Tharp

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.

Month of May 2018 Volunteers

Saturday Bread Run

5/5 Rusch/Young
5/12 Loveless
5/19 Jacobsen/Sanders
5/26 Breese/Young

8:30 Greeters/Ushers

5/6 Phillips, Carstens, Breese
5/13 Joe & Kathy Lomax
5/20 TBD
5/27 9:30 TBD

10:45 Greeters/Ushers

5/6 Kathy & Gary Reid
5/13 Kathy & Gary Reid
5/20 Kathy & Gary Reid

Saturday Food for the Soul

5/5 Team 1
5/12 Team 2
5/19 Team 3
5/26 Team 4

8:30 Offering Depositor

5/6 Nancy Hessler
5/13 Sue Hattel
5/20 Susan McGovern
5/27 9:30 Sharon Kress

10:45 Offering Depositor

5/6 Sharon Kress
5/13 Mark Tilson
5/20 Kathy McWethy

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

8:30 Liturgist

5/6 Susan McGovern
5/13 Otto Krueger
5/20 Sue Lane
5/27 9:30 TBD

10:45 Liturgist

5/6 Keith Cook
5/13 Nancy Bradley
5/20 Lynn Kerker

Chimer

5/6 Heather Williams
5/13 R.R.S. Stewart
5/20 Heather Williams
5/27 9:30 R.R.S. Stewart

8:30 Projectionist

5/6 Denny Brimeyer
5/13 Chris Kohlmann
5/20 Denny Brimeyer
5/27 9:30 Kohlmann/Clark?

10:45 Projectionist

5/6 Matthew Hull
5/13 Paul Clark
5/20 Matthew Hull

Organist/Pianist

5/6 8:30 Ward 10:45 Barland
5/13 8:30 Ward 10:45 Barland
5/20 8:30 Ward 10:45 WOT
5/27 9:30 Sylvia Ward

Videographer

5/6 John Hessler
5/13 Greg Albert
5/20 TBD
5/27 Bobby Martin

Slides

5/6 Susan McGovern
5/13 Chris Kohlmann
5/20 Matthew Hull
5/27 Paul Clark

10:45 Worship Drivers

5/6 Mike Loveless
5/13 Mark Tilson
5/20 Chris Becker
5/27 9:30 Dan Jacobsen



Upcoming Worship Services

- May 6** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
with Communion
- May 13** Ascension Day, Mother's Day & Blankets
8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
- May 20** Pentecost & Recognition Sunday
8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services

Summer Schedule Begins: One service each Sunday
9:45 am Hymn Sing precedes services

- May 27** Trinity Sunday, Peace With Justice Sunday
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Jun 3** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Jun 10** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Every Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Praise
with Communion every first Sunday

Mother's Day Blankets Sign-up by May 6th

In addition to St. Luke UMC's many ministries in Dubuque, we are coordinating with CWS (Church World Service) for Blanket Sunday, on Mother's Day, 13 May. We're privileged to have these opportunities for Christian service, and ask for your participation by donating towards the blankets and hygiene kits CWS distributes. The blankets and hygiene kits provide life-saving warmth and protection to victims of natural disasters, poverty, wars, and disease in every corner of the world. Last year over 200,000 kits and blankets were distributed throughout the U.S. and the world.



You may use envelopes provided in the bulletin and place them in the offering plates, or use envelopes provided in South Hallway and turn them in to the church office by **Monday the 7th of May** to be included on the Blanket & Hygiene Kit Donation list that will be in the program on Mother's Day. If you are donating in honor of someone, please write "in honor of _____" on the envelope. Blankets can be paid for by cash or check. Checks can be made out to St. Luke's UMC with "CWS Blanket Sunday" on the memo line (if you want it to count towards your St. Luke's pledge) or to Church World Service with "Blanket Sunday" on the memo line. If you are donating in honor of a living person, you can take the "in your honor" cards & envelopes to give to them, also in the South Hallway.

Terrific Tuesdays

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

- May 15** Convivium Urban Farmstead
- May 22** 8:30 am Breakfast at Village Inn
10:00 am Sit & Knit in St. Luke's Parlor
- May 29** One Mean Bean



May 3 St. Luke's UMW General Meeting - 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Program: "God's Word: The Sacred Space for Encountering God." Coordinator: Laurinda Brimeyer. Guests are always welcome.

May 4 May Friendship Celebration (10:00 a.m.) & Brunch (9:00 - 9:50 a.m.) at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church @ 1755 Delhi St. Progra: "Well Being of Children & Youth" Celebrating Fellowship of the Least Coin. * **Brunch (\$5) Reservation** to Barb Rank 312-304-4037. Pay at event. Church Women United ecumenical gathering. All invited.

May 7 Busy Bees at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Host: Marcia Young. Devotions, dessert and tying of quilts for Hillcrest residential youth.

May 9 Providing **Prescott Elementary School Outreach Staff Luncheon**

* On April 19 in the Hillcrest Community room, six St. Luker's hosted 31 youth and 4 staff at the **Youth Activity NIGHT** of games, snacks and conversation!



Prescott Elementary & St. Luke's Blood Drive

Mon, May 7 — 1:15pm to 5:45pm
Neighborhood Res. Ctr at Prescott

To sign up, call Prescott School at 563-552-4200 or Mike Loveless at 563-584-9235. All donors must bring photo ID. Eat before donating and bring photo ID. Last date you donated elsewhere must be before March 12, 2018.

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center
www.bloodcenter.org



Youth Director Opportunity

St. Luke's is seeking a Children and Youth Director to strengthen the discipleship, fellowship and faith of our congregation and be able to reach out to welcome and create safe and life giving spaces for children, youth and families.

This is a full time position. Please see the website for a full description: [Children and Youth Director Description](#)

Letter Carriers Food Drive

Saturday, May 12, 2018
Leave items at your mailbox!



The National Association of Letter Carriers would like to ask your help by donating non-perishable food items. Just leave the items by your mailbox on Saturday May 12th and carriers will return them to the local community.

May Friendship Day

Friday, May 4th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church ELCA

1755 Delhi Street (accessible, off street parking)

Church Women United host: "Reaching for Wholeness: In Gratitude for God's Presence." Celebration, Fellowship of the Least Coin & program speaker Natalie Romeo-Martyn, Hillcrest Care Coordinator of Integrated Health & Home will talk about the "Well Being of Children & Youth." Everyone is invited! Beverage tabs accepted.

Items Needed for the Food Pantry



Rice, ketchup, brownie mix, sugar, ramen, graham crackers, dish soap

Items can go in the South Hall shopping cart.

Windows of Opportunity



- Communion Steward for 8:30 am worship / 9:30 am summer worship. Training provided. Set up of communion elements prior to worship once a month. Contact Sue Hattel 556-1394 for details.

- Fabulous Friday desserts needed for the remainder of the concert series. Sign up in South Hallway. Minimum of 4 desserts per week needed.
- Volunteers to record worship once a month. Contact Bobby Martin or church office. Training provided.
- Volunteers to make recorded DVD'S for distribution to homebound. Contact Bobby Martin or church office. Training provided.
- Volunteers to run the audio and projector during a worship service. Contact Paul Clark or the church office. Training provided.
- Create name tag plates for members.

Vacation Bible School Registration



Vacation Bible School 2018

Monday June 25th - Thursday June 28th

5:30 p.m. Family Dinner | VBS 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church

To sign-up for Vacation Bible School, go to:

wpcdbq.org/gods-big-backyard-registration-form/

Congratulations 2018 Graduates!

High School

Megan Lynch will graduate from the Alternative Learning Center, receiving her diploma from Hempstead High School. Megan's mother is Tammy Lynch.



College



Briana R. Basten will graduate from Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton, Wisconsin with specialty as a Dental Hygienist. Briana's parents are Mike and Sally Basten.

John Hefel graduated in December with a Master of Science in Project Management degree from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. John is a Test Lab Supervisor at John Deere PEC, Waterloo. John's parents are Wayne and Celeste Hefel.



Clarice LeBlanc will graduate from Coe College with her Bachelor of Arts degree and has accepted a position as an Auditor at RSM in Dubuque.

Nadia Loeppke will graduate from the University of Iowa with a double major in International Studies and Spanish, with a minor in French. She is graduating a member of Phi Beta Kappa, with honors and high distinction. She will be working as a Cultural Assistant with the Spanish government this fall. Nadia's parents are Larry Loeppke and Andrea Beacham.



Kelli Miller will graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in December with a Masters of Library and Information Studies degree. She is working at the Stoughton library and plans to continue her career as a youth services librarian.

Jennifer Quigley will graduate with a Doctor of Theology degree from Harvard University. She plans to teach at Drew University in New Jersey this fall. Jennifer's is the child of Dan & JoAnn Quigley and the daughter-in-law of John & Nancy Hessler.



Spencer John Washburn will finish his Doctor of Philosophy in Earth and Environmental Sciences this spring at Rackham Graduate School at the University of Michigan. He will be employed by the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, Edgewater, Maryland. He will continue his work in [mercury research](http://mercuryresearch.org). Spencer is Bobby and Kay Martin's son-in-law having married Kalli (Martin) at St. Luke's in 2014.

Perennials Day!

Saturday, May 12 — 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Dubuque Rescue Mission Garden

Join us to plant some trees and shrubs to provide fruits and nuts to the Mission! You will learn about perennial plant site selection, preparation, proper planting, and plant care! We will also be covering the benefits and uses of some unique perennials such as paw-paws, elderberry, and goji! There will also be some snacks and refreshments. Please note, registration is required for this event so we can plan appropriately. To register, email Ashley at ashley@dbqrescue.org with your name and number.



Thank you to NAMI Dubuque and Sustainable Dubuque for their support in enhancing the healing elements of our garden space for community members facing mental health issues, poverty, and homelessness. None of these events would be possible without their partnership.

Please feel free to Ashley with any questions or to register. Ashley Noonan, Garden Manager, Dubuque Rescue Mission: 563-583-1304.



Donate to the Jesus Fund

St. Luke's Jesus Fund offers vouchers for healthy groceries to those in need. Please consider a donation to the "Jesus Fund."

Dubuque's Memory Café

May 10, 2018 - 10am to Noon
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
1755 Delhi Street, Dubuque



Discover a safe, supportive, and engaging environment designed specifically for individuals with memory loss from Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia and their caregivers. Join us in a friendly place where people can interact, enjoy social time, find support, share and celebrate without feeling misunderstood. A Place for Friendship: Dubuque's Memory Café is that place.

There is no fee to attend and pre-registration is not required. For more information or with questions about the program contact Rev. Dr. Jade Angelica at jadeangelica@gmail.com or 563-582-4724



Emmaus Reunion

Thursday May 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Grace Point Church, 3100 Windsor Ave.

We meet the first Thursday of each month. Please reunite with your Emmaus Community and welcome our new candidates. The reunion will be a time of prayer, fellowship, and celebration of God's love for us, and the spirit of Christ in ourselves and in one another.

Summer Camps for All Ages

Camp Guides for Iowa Conference summer camps arrive this month and will be available for distribution. View them online now at: <https://www.iaumc.org/camps>



There is a camp for everyone. Friends of campers are welcome to attend, too. Scholarships are available. Transportation concerns can be addressed. The earlier application is made the better.

For more information phone Rev. Alice Shirley at: 618-367-0922 or visit the website provided above.

Bridget Pasker Cello Recital

Sunday May 6, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
1755 Delhi Street

Bridget's cello was irreparably damaged recently. This recital is being presented as part of a fundraiser to help her replace the damaged instrument (which insurance covered only the cost of repair—not replacement). Her online fundraiser is igg.me/at/bridgetnewcello and her email address is bridget.pasker@gmail.com. Even if you feel you cannot donate much or anything at this time, you are welcome to come to the recital. Bridget would love to see you!

The public is invited and free will donations will be accepted. A reception will follow in the HTLC Living Faith Center.

Lectionary Bible Study

Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.



Meet with Pastor Chuck in the Conference Room to discuss scriptures for the upcoming Sunday.

Red Basket Project

This project was created to provide women and young girls with access to free feminine hygiene products at sites throughout the city, including schools. St. Luke's is one of the sites.



There is no designated funding for this project at St. Luke's so it is dependent on donations. **Please consider donating funds or products including:**

Tampons: Regular or Super;

Pantiliners: Always Thin Pantliners, any brand medium or heavy absorbency pantiliner, or any brand heavy absorbency pantliners.

These products are packaged into packets and provided in the women's restroom in the lower level of the church outside the fellowship hall. At least 10 packs are taken per week. Thank you for your past donations and we ask you to continue to donate. Lack of these products impacts school and work attendance for women.

St. Luke's Garden Ministry opportunities

It has been 8 years since we started our garden ministries, another of our outreach efforts to address food insecurity and injustice. Over the years, we have had many, many volunteers and participants from our community, which is how our ministries demonstrate "being church" in our community and how we model discipleship.

Although we no longer are planting the large church garden at the Purdy acreage, we still have two garden ministry projects. They are the Wading Pool Garden project and our Edible Landscape project. The Wading Pool Garden project is a program to provide a child size wading pool as a container and the soil, seeds and plants for the recipient to grow fruits, vegetables or herbs. The Edible Landscape project is a green effort to use urban space to grow food rather than to leave vacant or to mow.

We need the help of parishioners to continue these important ministries. You do not need to be a gardener to be able to help with



the many tasks. These are some of the tasks for which we seek your help:

- Plant seeds and tend plants at the Dubuque Rescue Mission greenhouse. Times will be determined according to need.
- Assist with the Wading Pool Garden Fair this Saturday morning, May 5th.
- Be a Garden Guide for a new wading pool gardener or at one of the Residential Group homes.
- Help plant and tend the St. Luke's parking lot edible landscape and other areas, as needed and harvest produce from any area of our edible landscape.

Sign up sheets are on the South hallway. If you have any suggestions, questions or donations for our garden ministries, please call or email:

Jennifer Crow: 563-564-2176,
jjcrow24@aol.com or

Mary Purdy: 563 590 5313,
mary_purdy@hotmail.com

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