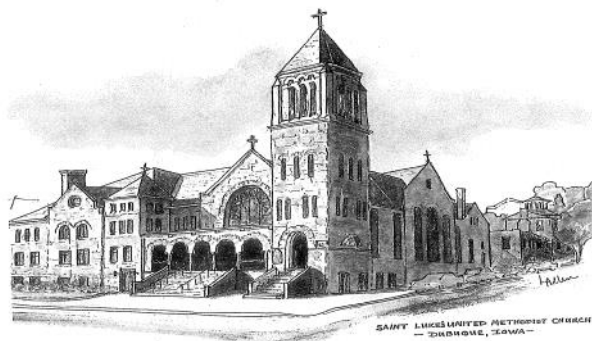


The Chimes

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12:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Chuck's Chat - October 3, 2018



Photo by Ora Uzel

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God loves you. Perhaps the most important part of that sentence is the *period*. It does not say, "God loves you, *but...*" or "God loves you *if...*" It doesn't say, "God *only* loves..." or "God *can't* love...." Some people have known that God loves them since they were little children. For them, it was an easy thing to trust God's love as revealed through Jesus. But some folks have never known that love. Somehow they grew up with the message that they weren't good enough, or strong or beautiful or smart enough. Maybe they did things that hurt other people and now they recognize their own badness. "Surely God can't love me because of how I've lived, what I've done, who I've hurt." Others might have *been* hurt—hurt so badly that they can't trust anyone any more.

Maybe they've been shown the parts of the Bible that talk about sin and hell and death. It's easy to point out how a person hasn't lived up to the standards God has set. So now, they reject God as a vengeful dictator bent on slapping them down. From time to time, all of us need to be reminded: *God loves you. Period.*

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:

Morgan Frazer - recovering from surgery
Hannah (Margie Brown's niece) - high risk pregnancy
Adrian Weiner (relative of Brimeyers) - heart attack
Jon Romaine - lymphoma

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

Edie Bruehahn	Sally Wiegand
Mary Dempsey	Barb Boettcher
Margerie Kreassig	

Prayers for people with ongoing health concerns:

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:

Ken Bauer, Sr. (Mary Jacobsen's brother)
Betty Farcas (Laura Carsten's mother)
David Latham
Jack Dobbert (Coni Stephenson's uncle)

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.



October Birthdays

1 Benjamin Beau	15 Mallory Blum
1 Tony Blum	15 Albert Manders
1 Sue Jones	16 Merrick Hull
1 Ruth Veley	16 Jean Murphy
2 Brittany Blum	17 Daniel Herr
2 Kinzey Johnson	17 Everett Lansing
2 Jeffrey Kartman	17 Elizabeth Lester
3 Barbara Boettcher	19 Liz Lawler
5 Benjamin Jacobson	19 Alice Shirley
5 Chris Kohlmann	20 Amber Blum
5 Paula Pike	20 Vicki Sanderfield
6 Glenna Boughton	20 Linda Watters
6 Janet Efferding	21 Naomi Murphy
6 Brooklyn Goerd	21 Ada Steuer
6 Don Hoover	23 Andrea Beacham
7 Alexis Wand	23 Don Schmitt
8 Nadia Loeppeke	23 Abigail Thorpe
10 Sally Basten	24 Anezka Lungwitz
10 Amanda McTague	24 Blake McKahin
10 Andrew Theisen	24 Bryce Streckwald
11 Rose Hall	25 Logan Kubik
11 Joseph Lewis	26 Rob Kubik
11 Breanna Nelson	27 Jessica DuBord
13 Nick Ashbrook	28 Addison Wright
14 Pam Daack	29 Clarice Leblanc
14 Tyler Schrupf	

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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Reoccurring Meetings	Meeting Name and Time
2nd Monday	6:30 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
Quarterly	Care & Compassion

Weekend Worship

Fall-Spring Worship Services Sunday at 8:30 a.m. &
Communion 1st Sundays 10:45 a.m.
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!**



Official UMC Lectionary Texts

- Oct 7th 20th Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
World Communion Sunday
 Job 1:1, 2: 1-10; Psalm 26 or Psalm 25 (UM 756);
 Hebrews 1: 1-4; 2: 5-12; Mark 10: 2-16
- Oct 14th 21st Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
Children's Sabbath
 Job 23: 1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22: 1-15 (UM 752);
 Hebrews 4: 12-16; Mark 10: 17-31
- Oct 21st 22nd Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
Laity Sunday
 Job 38:1-7(34-41); Psalm 104:1-9,24,35c (UM826);
 Hebrews 5: 1-10; Mark 10: 35-45
- Oct 28th 23rd Sunday after Pentecost (green)**
 Job 42: 1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34: 1-8 (19-22) (UM769)
 Hebrews 7: 23-28; Mark 10: 46-52

STAFF

Pastor Rev. Charles (Chuck) Layton
 Children / Youth: Rachel Potter
 Administrative Assistant Ora Uzel
 Custodian Chuck Lynch

CHURCH COUNCIL

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 Social Justice RRS & Terry Stewart
 UMW Marcia Young

At-Large: Coni Stephenson, Chris Becker,
 Kathy Reid, Nancy Bradley, Vicki Tilson,
 Rhonda Kubik

Month of October 2018 Volunteers

Saturday Bread Run

10/6 McGovern
10/13 Hull family
10/20 Marcia Young
10/27 Loveless

8:30 Greeters/Ushers

10/7 TBD
10/14 TBD
10/21 TBD
10/28 TBD

10:45 Greeters/Ushers

10/7 TBD
10/14 TBD
10/21 TBD
10/28 TBD

Saturday Food for the Soul

10/6 Team 2
10/13 Team 1
10/20 Team 11
10/27 Team 3

8:30 Offering Depositor

10/7 Sue Lane
10/14 Dick Landis
10/21 Susan McGovern
10/28 Sue Hattel

10:45 Offering Depositor

10/7 Mark Tilson
10/14 Ruth Veley
10/21 Kathy McWethy
10/28 Rich Young

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

8:30 Liturgist

10/7 Sue Lane
10/14 Sue Lane
10/21 Nancy Hessler
10/28 Lynn Kerker

10:45 Liturgist

10/7 Dan Jacobsen
10/14 Carol Clark
10/21 Nancy Bradley
10/28 Mary Armstrong

Chimer

10/7 Heather Williams
10/14 Ann Duchow
10/21 David Patterson
10/28 R.R.S. Stewart

8:30 Projectionist

10/7 Denny Brimeyer
10/14 Chris Kohlmann
10/21 Denny Brimeyer
10/28 Chris Kohlmann

10:45 Projectionist

10/7 Matthew Hull
10/14 Paul Clark
10/21 Matthew Hull
10/28 Paul Clark

Organist/Pianist

10/7 8:30 Ward	10:45 Barland
10/14 8:30 Ward	10:45 WOT
10/21 8:30 Ward	10:45 Barland
10/28 8:30 Ward	10:45 Barland

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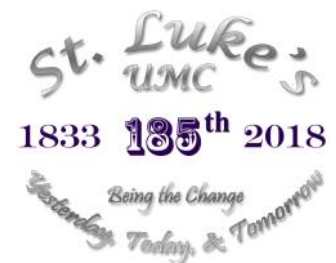
10/7 Mark Beard
10/14 John Hessler
10/21 Ann Duchow
10/28 Bobby Martin

Slides

10/7 Susan McGovern
10/14 Chris Kohlmann
10/21 Matthew Hull
10/28 Paul Clark

10:45 Worship Drivers

10/7 Dan Jacobsen
10/14 Mark Tilson
10/21 Rich Young
10/28 Mike Loveless



Wonderful Wednesday Schedule

5:00-5:45 p.m. Meal Served: \$5 per person; \$15 family
5:25 p.m. Joys & Concerns and Prayer
5:45 p.m. Meal clean-up (helpers needed)

6:00-7:00 p.m. Joyful Noise (3-yr-old to 1st grade)
6:15-6:30 p.m. Singing (3yr-1st) with Heather Williams

5:45-6:30 p.m. St. Luke's Saints—2nd to 5th Grades
Wesley Rm (Laurinda B. & Kelley S.)
6:30-7:00 p.m. Randall Ringers (handbells)—2nd to 5th
Upstairs Music Rm (#203) (Heather W.)

5:30-6:00 p.m. Wesley Ringers (handbells) (Gr 6-12)
In Sanctuary (David P.)
6:00-7:00 p.m. Impact in MS/HS Room (#201)
(Rachel P.)

5:30-6:25 p.m. St. Luke's Singers Rehearsal in
Downstairs Music Room (Keith R.)
6:15-7:15 p.m. JuBELLation Bell Choir Rehearsal in
Sanctuary (Dave P.)
6:30-6:55 p.m. Wind Ensemble –Downstairs Music Room
7:15-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Downstairs
Music Room (Roxanne R.)

Upcoming Worship Services

- Sat, Oct 6 Blessing of the Animals**
10:00 a.m. Service - church front steps
- Sat, Oct 6 1pm David Latham Memorial Service**
Preceded by 11:00 a.m. visitation
Followed by dinner downstairs
- Oct 7 World Communion Sunday**
8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services
with Communion
- Oct 14** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services
- Oct 21 Cornerstone Sunday & Children's Sabbath**
8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
**10:45 a.m. Children's Sabbath Word on the
Third Contemporary Worship Service**
- Oct 28** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services
- Nov 4 All Saints Sunday**
8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services
with Communion
- Nov 11** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services
- Saturday Night Praise — Every Saturday**
6:00p.m. Praise Service in the Wesley Room
with Communion every first Saturday

CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

Sunday, October 7 at 12:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1755 Delhi St.
Sign-up sheet in South Hall

We continue to be grateful for the participation of St. Luke's congregation in the Dubuque Area CROP Walk. **The generous efforts of many organizations helped to raise \$14,096 in 2017.** As you may recall, Church World Service uses the funds from the CROP WALK to provide resources for education, health care, community development, and emergency relief to more than 30 countries around the world. 25% of the funds raised in Dubuque are returned to assist the needy through the work of the Dubuque Rescue Mission, People In Need and the Dubuque Food Pantry

The 2018 Dubuque CROP WALK will be held on Sunday, October 7 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1755 Delhi Street with free lunch, music, games, and registration at 12:30pm and walk start at 1:00pm. St. Luke's sign-up sheet is on the white table in the south hallway. Donation envelopes are also there and can be put in the large envelope on the white table. If you have any questions, contact Social Justice Chairs R.R.S. & Terry Stewart.



St. Luke's UMC
United Methodist Women
FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

- ✠ **October 4** — Rummage Sale Sorting at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers needed!
- ✠ **October 5** — Rummage Sale at 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bag sale at 1:30 a.m. Hosts needed.
- ✠ **October 5 @ 1:00 pm** — After sale “clean up” — Volunteers needed. Light lunch provided!!
- ✠ **October 18** — **Kaleidoscope 7:00 p.m.** in St. Luke's Fellowship Hall, creating “THINKING OF YOU” gifts for December deliveries. Hostess: Laurinda Brimeyer, Co-Hostess: Betty Martin. Everyone invited to the fellowship evening!

** Beverage tab donations are collected on shelf in South Hallway. Thank you!



UMW Fall Rummage Sale
Friday, October 5, 2018
Main Sale: 8:00—11:30am
Bag Sale: 11:30am—1:00pm

The semi-annual UMW Fall Rummage Sale will be Friday, October 5, from 8:00-11:30am. The Bag Sale will be 11:30am to 1pm, with all you can fit in a provided bag for \$3. Proceeds go to mission work here in Dubuque and overseas. Thank you for your support.

Clean usable items (no furniture, please) for the sale may be brought to the church and placed in the Wesley Room. Do not leave anything in the hallway.

Volunteers are needed for sorting on October 4, beginning at 8:30 a.m. We also need workers the day of the sale, especially at 1:00 p.m. for clean up. A sign up sheet is in the South Hallway.

Safe Sanctuary Training
Monday October 15 at 6:30pm - Fellowship Hall
— Required for those working with youth —

If you are working with children, youth or dependent adults in one of St. Luke's ministry areas, it is **required** that you have had *Safe Sanctuary* training within the last five years and always recommended for all volunteers as a refresher. If possible, please let the office know that you plan to attend:

(563) 582-4543 or dbqstluke@gmail.com

Lectionary Bible Study
Thursdays at 10am - Conf Room

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





Volunteers interested in becoming **Greeters and Ushers** scheduled during the 8:10a.m. or 10:45a.m. worship services, are invited to contact Sue Hattel (563-556-1394) for 8:30a.m. worship & Gary and Kathy Reid (563-582-9811) for the 10:45a.m. service.

Greeters and ushers are scheduled for volunteers' available dates. Training will be provided.

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To our church family,

Thank you for the expressions of sympathy and condolence on the loss of Mary's brother, Ken Bauer, Sr. Knowing our entire family is held in our church family's hearts and prayers offers great comfort. You are all greatly appreciated.



Mary and Dan Jacobsen and Family

Terrific Tuesdays

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



- Oct 2** Convivium Urban Farmstead (2811 Jackson)
- Oct 16** Jumble Schoolhouse Café (4945 Asbury Rd)
- Oct 23** 8:30 a.m. Breakfast at Village Inn
10:00 a.m. Sit & Knit in Parlor
- Oct 30** Jitterz
- Nov 6** The Point Restaurant (22370 Rhomberg Ave)



Annual Offering Envelopes

Each year, for those who request it, St. Luke's orders personalized offering envelopes for the following year. Envelopes include your name, address, and a date for each Sunday in 2019 as well as special offerings. To order yours, use the sign-up sheet in the South Hall. If you need to update your contact information with the church, contact the office at:

563-582-4543 or dbqstluke@gmail.com



Blessing of the Pets

October 6, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Front Steps of St. Luke's

Rain or shine; Animals leashed/caged

On the steps of St. Luke's will be the blessing of pets. The gathering will be held rain or shine. Animals must be on a leash or in a cage or container. Rev. Robert Armstrong will preside. The blessing of pets and animals is a remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures which is usually held on or near October 4th. People may bring their animal companions to St. Luke's steps for a special blessing celebrating their bond through life.



IIPPL Executive Director Speaks

Sunday, October 14 at 3:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1755 Delhi St.

The Dubuque Chapter of Iowa Interfaith Power & Light is hosting Iowa IPL Executive Director, Matt Russell on Sunday, October 14 at 3pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Mr. Russell will speak on the religious call to care for our common home. For more information contact Mary Armstrong.



Mr. Russell's talk is part of the series of speakers the Dubuque Chapter has been hosting at their regular monthly meetings. Mr. Russell grew up on a family farm in Anita, Iowa and now operates Coyote Run farm south of Des Moines. He earned a B.A. from Loras College in Dubuque, an M.A. from Iowa State University in Rural Sociology, and has worked for many years at the Drake University Agricultural Law Center. Read more about Mr. Russell here: <https://iowaipl.org/about/staff/>

Prescott Book Fair Needs Volunteers

Our Partner in Education, Prescott School, is looking for some help during their Conferences Book Fair. The dates and times are listed below. Volunteers wouldn't necessarily need to stay the entire requested hours. Whatever time you would be willing to be there would be much appreciated. Please contact Principal Vicki Sullivan to let her know when you can be there. Thank you!

Tue	Oct 16	3:30-8pm	Cashier at book fair
Wed	Oct 17	3:30-8pm	Cashier at book fair
Thu	Oct 18	8am-1pm	Cashier at book fair
Mon	Oct 22	9:30-10:30	Assist with takedown

One to two volunteers for each session would be ideal. Courtney Weydert, our librarian and technology coach, would provide training and directions. No prior experience is required. Thank you for considering!



Bread Run Ministry

A ministry opportunity for early-risers!!!! Teams of two people go to two Hy-Vee locations (Dodge Street and Asbury Square) between 6:30 – 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning to pick up leftover breads, desserts and purchase the milk needed for Food for the Soul ministry. It takes about one and half hours and we will train the new team.

The current Bread Run Group includes – Mike and Cheri Loveless, Dan Jacobsen and Steve Sanders, the Hull Family, Smokey & Susan McGovern, Margie Breese and Marcia Young. Many hands make light work! Join us!

Please contact: Marcia Young 580-9650 or
Dan Jacobsen 580-5156

Black Hawk Chamber Music Festival Two Concerts at St. Luke's UMC!

Sunday October 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Silvius Leopold Weiss — A reconstruction by Jeffrey Cohan (baroque one-keyed flute) and Oleg Timofeyev (baroque lute) of early 18th-century sonatas by Sylvius Leopold Weiss, the most famous lutenist of the 18th century, for which only an incomplete manuscript remains.

Sunday October 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Flute, Viola & Guitar — Early 19th-century trios from Beethoven's time with violist Christine Rutledge, University of Iowa professor and early viola specialist, Oleg Timofeyev on early 19th-century guitar and Jeffrey Cohan on an 8-keyed flute made in London in 1820.



**Suggested donation \$15, \$20, \$25 -- 18 and under free
All are welcome regardless of donation.**

More information at: www.bhcmf.org/dubuque
Accessible entry in the rear of the building.

Items Needed for the Food Pantry

Potatoes, Sugar, Mac & Cheese, Tuna, Cooking Oil,
Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Garden Produce



Items can go in the
South Hall shopping cart.

NEEDED Meal Assistants for Wonderful Wednesdays

Chef Matt Crow has agreed to coordinate and prepare Wonderful Wednesday meals again this year for St. Lukers of ALL ages during the school year, IF additional "meal assistants" help him make the meals possible!

- Assistants are needed (Sept. 19—May 15) when school is in session and would arrive between 3:30-4:00p.m. to assist with meal preparations and clean-up, usually concluded by 6:00 p.m.
- Meals served at 4:50p.m. with community prayers of joys and concerns (\$5 per person/\$15 per family)
- Call Matt Crow at 563-564-2798 or email him at mcrow1521@gmail.com to volunteer.

JFON Annual Fundraiser

**Saturday October 6 at 11:30am to 2:00pm
Clark Alumni House, Coe College, CR**

Please join us at a fundraising benefit to support immigration legal services program of Iowa Justice for Our Neighbors (JFON, a United Methodist Immigration Ministry). Your financial support will enable Iowa JFON to continue serving children and families in need.

Keeping Families Together Program

11:30pm Lunch Reception; 12:15pm Music & Dance - Bhutanese Comm. of East Iowa; 12:15pm Keeping Families Together Report - Ann Naffier; 12:30pm Award Ceremony - Doris Knight;
1:00pm Keynote Speaker - Deepa Iyer

IowaJFON.org/annual-fundraising-event/



Parking Spot Available

The church parking lot has a spot available for rent at \$35 per month. Rental is for weekdays 8a.m. to 5p.m. Please spread the word! If someone you know would like to rent a spot, have them note their license plate information; make, model, color of their car; and contact information. Then contact the church office at: 563-582-4543 or dbqstluke@gmail.com

The Potter's Wheel

The series the youth are going through right now is titled "Not a Fan." Throughout the series, they are learning the difference between being a fan of Jesus and being a true follower or disciple for Jesus. Often-times Christians are stuck in the area of being a fan and don't even realize they are a fan. They go through the motions of reading their Bible, praying, maybe have a Christian tattoo, but they don't have an intimate relationship with Jesus.



Going through this with the youth we are talking about making the decision to wholeheartedly follow Jesus. When you make this decision to follow Jesus, Luke 9:23 speaks volumes. It says, "Then he said to them all: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.'" What does it really mean to deny yourself? We think it means that we are no longer living for our personal desires, but God's desires for our lives. We have so much more to live for when we are a follower of Jesus compared to being a fan.

We are called to give up everything we have, to follow Jesus. We are not supposed to only give God access to part of our lives and close the door on money and not let God be part of that. God wants all of you. Jesus didn't hold anything back when He died on the cross for us.

This topic can be rather conflicting in your own heart, but when you have a group of people around you that you can trust, they can help you through it. Being a fan is not a bad thing if you recognize it and are actively pursuing becoming a follower of Jesus.

Upcoming Events:

October 4: Bring your Bible to school day (more info at: bringyourbible.org)

October 7: Acolyte Training (during Sunday School)

October 21: Children's Sabbath

~Rachel Potter, Children's and Youth Director

Address
Service
Requested

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Dubuque, IA 52001*



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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.