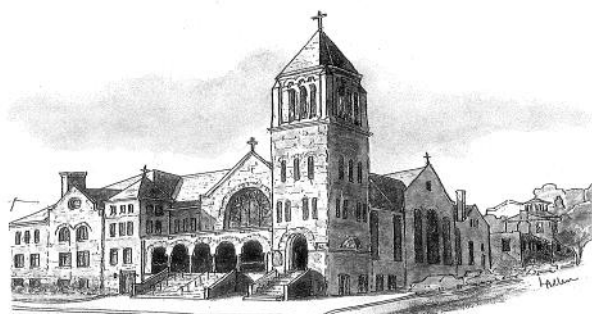


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Chuck's Chat — October 5, 2016

“There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.” This is how the story of a righteous man's descent into a nightmare begins. Job was rich, and loved God. He was righteous and upright. So much so that Satan wanted to destroy him! So much so that God had complete confidence in Job, and allowed Satan to take everything from him: property and children, health, and social standing.

The central question of the story is not why God let all the horrendous, tragic things happen to Job and his family. That's answered early on as a sort of wager between God and Satan. Satan bets that he can make Job curse God. God bets that he can't. The central question isn't even whether Job will curse God. He comes perilously close sometimes, and he does question God, but he never actually curses God.

For me, the central question is: how can Job keep from cursing God when he has lost children, wealth, and health, and now sits scraping the boils on his skin with a shard of pottery while his so-called friends repeatedly tell him that he must have done some great sin to have received this punishment; and his wife tells him to curse God and die already! The book of Job gives this answer: God is all-powerful and can do all things. We mere humans can't begin to understand what God does or allows. Even to question God is to blaspheme. It backs all this up by saying when Job repented of his questioning, God gave him twice as much as he had before.

But as for me, my heart aches for Job. No parent will say that having two children born removes the pain of losing a child. Winning a lawsuit, even against God, with compensatory damages, doesn't wipe out the sting of loss. There has to be a better answer than, “Oops, Do-Over!”

That better answer took the form of Jesus of Nazareth. Sin robs every person of eternal life. And it robs many many people of the joys of this life as well. Sin makes one person hurt or kill another. It makes people do self-destructive things. And even when the person injured did nothing wrong, sin still aggravates the injury.

In creating a mechanism to free us from this pit, God the Mother/Father asked Jesus, the Child of God, to gather the power of sin and death to himself as he died on the cross. This wasn't an angry God punishing a hapless Jesus—it was the Triune God (Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer) experiencing the full terror and pain of injury, shame and death so that its power over us would be broken.

God does not expect us to achieve our own perfection. God offers us the perfection of Jesus Christ. God does not expect us to suffer on our own when life throws terrible things at us. God comes alongside us, and puts embraces us, and bears us up when we can't lift ourselves from our knees.

Friends, in that hour when you feel like cursing God for the pain that you feel, I invite you instead to cry out to the One who knows our pain—the “Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.” He loves us and will be with us.

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 the people who are currently dealing with a recent illness, surgery, injury, or medical concern: **Annette Olson, Marjorie Tayloe, Brittany Drake's parents Robert & Jolene Bastien, John Duggan's friend Jane Scott, Coni Stephenson's brother Jim McCarthy & aunt Peggy Lemke, and Jessica DuBord's friends Lisa & Jeff Digman and their daughter Olivia.**

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

Don Kirschbaum	Carol Pins
Barb Boettcher	Margerie Kreassig
Mary Dempsey	Romayne Schmitt
Sally Wiegand	Jon Hardenbergh
Marian Thomas	

Prayers for people with ongoing health issues:

Edie Bruehahn	Bonnie Jorgensen
Marjorie Tayloe	Ardeth Kirschbaum
Ron Liskey	Kathy Reid
Donna Atkinson	Loretta Bahl
Bruce Liebold	John Duggan
Dianne Fritsch	Eve Hickey
Angela Osterkamp	Bill Brown
A. J. Osterkamp	Mary K. Benefiel
Dee Maahs	Anna Jane Redding
Donna Moss	Jane Thomas
Cindie Thomas	Evelyn Cooper
Brett Cooper	Coni's Diane
Bonnie Crispin	Johnny
Kaye Running	

Prayers of consolation for recently lost loved ones; prayers to the family of: **Scarlett Digman.**

Our prayers also turn to prayers for Peace and Justice around the world. We especially remember all who are currently serving in the armed forces of our country. 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.



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 Penny Biedermann | 14 Pam Daack |
| 1 Tony Blum | 14 Tyler Schruppf |
| 1 Sue Jones | 15 Mallory Blum |
| 1 Ruth Veley | 15 Albert Manders |
| 2 Brittany Blum | 16 Merrick Hull |
| 2 Kinzey Johnson | 16 Jean Murphy |
| 2 Jeffrey Kartman | 17 Daniel Herr |
| 3 Barbara Boettcher | 17 Elizabeth Lester |
| 4 Jim Gross | 19 Donald Kirschbaum |
| 4 Brittany Sheldon | 19 Liz Lawler |
| 5 Benjamin Jacobson | 19 Lorelai Madero |
| 5 Chris Kohlmann | 20 Amber Blum |
| 5 Paula Pike | 20 Vicki Sanderfield |
| 6 Janet Efferding | 20 Linda Watters |
| 6 Annika Sunleaf | 21 Naomi Murphy |
| 7 Alexis Wand | 23 Andrea Beacham |
| 8 Nadia Loeppke | 23 Don Schmitt |
| 9 Dwight Vogel | 23 Abigail Thorpe |
| 10 Sally Basten | 24 Anezka Lungwitz |
| 10 Amanda McTague | 24 Blake McKahin |
| 10 Andrew Theisen | 24 Bryce Streckwald |
| 11 Rose Hall | 26 Rob Kubik |
| 11 Joseph Lewis | 27 Jessica DuBord |
| 11 Breanna Nelson | 28 Addison Wright |
| 13 Nick Ashbrook | 29 Clarice Leblanc |

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.

Marcia Dubbels Chair, Care and Compassion

Margie Breese Member, Care and Compassion

We would like to 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.

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

VISION AND 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

<i>Food for the Soul</i>	<i>Saturday at 5:30 p.m.</i>
<i>Saturday Night Praise</i>	<i>Saturday at 6:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sunday Worship Services</i>	<i>Sunday at 8:30 a.m.</i>
	<i>Sunday at 10:45 a.m.</i>

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	6:00 p.m. Finance
3rd Tuesday	4:15 p.m. Care & Compassion
1st Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Trustees
2nd Thursday	6:30 p.m. SPPRC
3rd Thursday	7:00 p.m. Kaleidoscope
4th Thursday	6:30 p.m. Church Council OR Council on Ministries

Official UMC Lectionary Texts

Oct. 9th 21st Sunday after Pentecost (green)
Children's Sabbath
 Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7; Psalm 66: 1-12;
 2 Timothy 2: 8-15; Luke 17: 11-19

Oct. 16th 22nd Sunday after Pentecost (green)
 Jeremiah 31: 27-34; Psalm 119: 97-104
 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5; Luke 18: 1-8

Oct. 23rd 23rd Sunday after Pentecost (green)
 Joel 2: 23-32; Psalm 65;
 2 Timothy 4: 6-8; 16-18; Luke 18: 9-14

STAFF

Pastor Rev. Charles (Chuck) Layton
 Children's/Youth Ministry Mark Beard
 Administrative Assistant Ora Uzel
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Historian Betty Phillips
 Financial Secretary Carol Clark
 Membership Secretary Admin Asst

Worship/Celebration Sue Hattel
 Care & Compassion Marcia Dubbels
 Spiritual Growth & Discipleship
 Nancy Hessler
 Stewardship Dan Jacobsen

CHURCH COUNCIL

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Administrative Committee (Chairs):

Lay Leadership/Nominations Pastor
 Finance Erick Kephart
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 Conference & Global. Otto Krueger
 Social Justice RRS & Terry Stewart
 UMW Marcia Young
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 Nancy Bradley, Gary Reid,
 Matt Crow, Vicki Tilson

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Recording Secretary. Kristen Smith
 Lay Leader Mark Tilson
 Lay Members of Annl Conf Sue Hattel
 Treasurer Amy Schadle

Council on Ministries

Facilitators:

Invitation/Welcome Lisa Viertel &
 Chris Kohlmann

Month of October 2016 Volunteers

Saturday Bread Run

10/1/16 Jacobsen/Sanders
 10/8/16 McGovern
 10/15/16 Matthew & Debi Hull
 10/22/16 Breese/Young
 10/29/16 Schrupf/Rusch

8:30 a.m. Greeters

10/2/16 Redding
 10/9/16 Deb & Sara Albert
 10/16/16 McGovern
 10/23/16 Joe & Kathy Lomax
 10/30/16 Breese/Hattel

10:45 a.m. Greeters

10/2/16 Dan & Mary Jacobsen
 10/9/16 Greg & Lorie Foley
 10/16/16 Mike & Cheri Loveless
 10/23/16 Keith & Peg Unangst
 10/30/16 Kerker/Conklin

Saturday Food for the Soul

10/1/16 Team 1
 10/8/16 Team 2
 10/15/16 Lange Family
 10/22/16 Team 3
 10/29/16 Team 4

8:30 a.m. Ushers

10/2/16 Redding
 10/9/16 Deb & Sara Albert
 10/16/16 McGovern
 10/23/16 Joe & Kathy Lomax
 10/30/16 Breese/Hattel

10:45 a.m. Ushers

10/2/16 Dan & Mary Jacobsen
 10/9/16 Greg & Lorie Foley
 10/16/16 Mike & Cheri Loveless
 10/23/16 Keith & Peg Unangst
 10/30/16 Kerker/Conklin

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

8:30 a.m. Offering Depositor

10/2/16 Erick Kephart
 10/9/16 Scott Zartman
 10/16/16 Sue Lane
 10/23/16 Susan McGovern
 10/30/16 Erick Kephart

10:45 a.m. Offering Depositor

10/2/16 Cheri Loveless
 10/9/16 Kathy McWethy
 10/16/16 Sharon Kress
 10/23/16 Mike Loveless
 10/30/16 Ric Jones

Chimer

10/2/16 Heather Williams
 10/9/16 Larry Loeppeke
 10/16/16 R.R.S. Stewart
 10/23/16 Heather Williams
 10/30/16 TBD

8:30 a.m. Liturgist

10/2/16 Jon Romaine
 10/9/16 NA (Children's Sabbath)
 10/16/16 Deb Albert
 10/23/16 Susan McGovern
 10/30/16 Sue Hattel

10:45 a.m. Liturgist

10/2/16 Chris Becker
 10/9/16 NA (Children's Sabbath)
 10/16/16 NA (WotT)
 10/23/16 Mark Tilson
 10/30/16 Dan Jacobsen

Organist

10/2/16 Dr. Chuck Barland
 10/9/16 Dr. Chuck Barland
 10/16/16 Dr. Jeremy Mims
 10/23/16 Dr. Chuck Barland
 10/30/16 Dr. Chuck Barland

8:30 a.m. Projectionist

10/2/16 Denny Brimeyer
 10/9/16 Chris Kohlmann
 10/16/16 Denny Brimeyer
 10/23/16 Chris Kohlmann
 10/30/16 Chris Kohlmann

10:45 a.m. Projectionist

10/2/16 Paul Clark
 10/9/16 Matthew Hull
 10/16/16 Matthew Hull
 10/23/16 Paul Clark
 10/30/16 Paul Clark

Acolyte

10/2/16 Sara Albert
 10/9/16 Sara Albert
 10/16/16 Sara Albert
 10/23/16 Sara Albert
 10/30/16 Sara Albert

Slides

10/2/16 Craig Allen
 10/9/16 Paul Clark
 10/16/16 Matthew Hull
 10/23/16 Paul Clark
 10/30/16 Paul Clark

10:45 Worship Driver

10/2/16 Dan Jacobsen
 10/9/16 Otto Krueger
 10/16/16 Mike Loveless
 10/23/16 Rich Young
 10/30/16 Chris Becker

8:30 Videographer

10/2/16 John Hessler
 10/9/16 Greg Albert
 10/16/16 Ron Liskey
 10/23/16 Bobby Martin
 10/30/16 Bobby Martin

*Check out the table
 in the South Hall for
 opportunities to volunteer!*

Check out St. Luke's website for the latest bulletins, *Chimes* newsletters, the online calendar, and even check out sermons you may have missed!

www.stlukesumcdbq.com

Upcoming Dates

- Oct 8 — 6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Praise
Oct 9 — **Children's Sabbath—Rev Jill Sanders**
8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
Oct 15 — 6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Praise
Oct 16 — **World Communion Sunday**
8:30 a.m. Worship with **Communion**
10:45 a.m. Worship with **Communion**

2016 Dubuque Heritage Festival "Alfred Caldwell's Eagle Point Park"

Friday & Saturday October 7-8, 2016
(for event times see the schedule online)

Member R.R.S. Stewart, who is an Architectural Historian when she's not Social Justicing, will be assisting with the free tours that are part of the "Caldwell in Dubuque" Heritage Festival Taking place at Eagle Point Park this weekend. The tours are **Saturday October 8th** from **9:30am to 12:00pm and 2:00pm to 5:00pm**, with presentations on Caldwell between **noon and 2pm**. For more information, R.R.S. can be contacted at rrs3z@virginia.edu or visit:

heritageworksdbq.com/festival



- Oct 6 Rummage** sorting 8:30am (donations accepted)
Oct 7 Rummage Sale: 8:00am–1:00pm; Bag Sale at 11:30am. "Clean up" following a light lunch for workers!! — Volunteers needed!
Oct 8 Meet the new Methodist Bishop Laurie Haller of the Iowa Annual Conference at Decorah at UMW Conference meeting. Ask Sue for info.
Oct 20 Kaleidoscope at 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Creating "**Thinking of You**" items for December delivery! Hostesses: Laurinda Brimeyer & Betty Martin. Devotions: Terrie Berry.



Lectionary Bible Study Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Meet with Pastor Chuck Thurs at 10am in the Wesley Room to discuss scriptures for the upcoming Sunday.

Bible Study will not meet October 6th.

UMW Rummage Sale

October 7th
8:00am to 11:30am
Bag Sale 11:30am to 1:00pm



St. Luke's United Methodist Women's Fall Rummage Sale will be Friday, October 7, from 8:00-11:30 and the Bag Sale from 11:30-1:00. All of the profits go to our mission work, both at home and overseas.

We are looking for **people to help**. We will be sorting rummage on Thursday, beginning at 8:30. Workers are needed the day of the sale. People are especially needed for clean-up on October 7, after 1:00. Sign up clipboards can be found in the South Hall.

Baby Shower for Capria Jones

Sunday October 9th — 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
In the Fellowship Hall

It's a Girl! You are invited to a Baby Shower for Capria Jones! Come and meet one of the newest members of the St. Luke's family and her proud parents, Caprice and Treva. A light brunch will be served. If you would like to bring a gift, the family is registered at Target. Given by the Families and Faith Adult Sunday School Class.



2017 Mountain T.O.P. Meeting

Sunday Oct. 16th at Noon
Fellowship Hall, St. Luke's UMC

Join us for the next Mountain T.O.P. Meeting. Direct questions to Dan Jacobsen:

319-480-0921 cell | djacobsen@yo-ho.com

Invitation & Welcome Presents...

Getting to Know Our New Pastor "Creative Casserole Cookoff" & Game Night Fellowship Hall, St. Luke's UMC Sunday October 16th at 4:30 p.m.

St. Lukers of all ages are invited to meet Pastor Chuck and enjoy great food and games! Are you known for your famous "casserole" or "hot dish"? Or maybe you've seen all those wonderful new recipe ideas online? Here's your chance to share them! Teams are welcome. Also plan to bring a favorite board game to share after the meal.

To help us plan, there is a sign up sheet in the South Hall. Please share what you plan to bring (casserole, salad or dessert) so we can plan for numbers. **Sign up deadline is Friday, Oct. 14.** Prizes will be awarded by our Culinary Casserole Judges! Questions? Contact Keith Rippe:

kr725@mchsi.com or 563-599-0528

We look forward to seeing you there!

Your Invitation & Welcome Team

Chris, Lisa, Alicia, Julie, Art, Darren & Keith

Come Make a Joy-Filled Noise!
St. Luke's Singers / Family Choir
Rehearsals at 5:30-6:10pm on Wednesdays
Perform at 8:30am Sunday Services

Join us and sing in the choir that enhances 8:30 worship services on Sundays. There is ALWAYS room for more singers, and if you have been blessed with the gift of song, please share it and sing with us! We practice Wednesday evenings 5:30-6:10pm downstairs in the Choir Room. All are welcome! Questions? Hesitant? Interested? Contact a singer or Director, Keith Rippe at:

kr725@mchsi.com | 563/599-0528

Update Your Information

Please remember to update your contact information with the church if you change your email, phone, or address:

dbqstluke@gmail.com | 563-582-4543

Thanksgiving Ingathering
Saturday, November 5, 2016

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is the not-for-profit global humanitarian aid organization of the United Methodist Church. Our mission is to alleviate human suffering caused by war, conflict, or natural disaster, with open minds and hearts to all people. Our workers are known all over the world for their compassion, leadership, expertise, and guidance in recovery efforts.

The Iowa Ingathering helps provide approximately \$4 million in supplies shipped from the Sager Brown Depot each year. UMCOR Supply kits help to care for the most vulnerable people during times of crisis. They also help to sustain everyday life by providing basic necessities to people who lack ready access to essential supplies. These kits provide vital support for the work UMCOR does throughout the world.

By donating financial gifts to purchase kit supplies, you make a direct and tangible difference in sustaining people's lives. St. Luke's will be taking a financial gift to the Ingathering. Following is a list of the cost for the kit supplies to donate accordingly. Slips with this information will be available on the back table of the Sanctuary throughout the month of October. Leave in the offering plate on Sunday or send to the church office.

Health Kits	UMCOR	\$12 each
Sewing Kits	UMCOR	\$28 each
School Kits	UMCOR	\$11 each
Layette Kits	UMCOR	\$45 each
Baby Jackets/Sweaters	UMCOR	\$ 6 each
Tailoring Kit	INP	\$14 each
Layettes	INP	\$20 each
Local Knitting Kits	INP	\$15 each

Seniors Out & About
Meandering to
Manchester

Wed. November 9th



Shopping in Manchester, Iowa and lunch at Berry's Bread Basket



Leave Woodlands: **10:45 AM**
 Cost: **\$5.00** (transportation only)

Order off the Menu

Registration Deadline: **Wednesday, November 2nd**
 RSVP **Marcia Dubbels** at **582-6634**

Turn in sign up note at St. Luke's, or sign up on sheet at Woodlands (Shirley Herzog Apt 213 will collect money).

VSO Fall Festival Craft and Bake Sale

Saturday October 8th, 10am-2pm

Bethany Home, Lower Level

1005 Lincoln Ave. Dubuque, IA 52001

Turkey & dressing, sandwiches, chips, dessert, and drinks will be available for purchase! Sponsored by the Bethany Home Volunteer Service Organization (VSO).

Chaos, Solitude, and Community
Spiritual Academy Retreat

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat, Indianola, IA

October 24-27, 2016 & October 27-30, 2016

Registration Deadline: October 7th

Chaos, Solitude, and Community: Spiritual Practices for Ordinary Christians, a 3-day retreat at Wesley Woods. In the midst of the chaos of our lives, can we find solitude and community? Find out more at:

wesleywoodsia.org



Terrific Tuesdays

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

- October 6** 8:30 am Rummage Sale sorting
- October 7** 8:00 am Rummage Sale, Fellowship Hall
1:00 pm Cleanup, Fellowship Hall
- October 18** Charlotte's Coffee Shop
- October 25** 8:30 am Breakfast at Village Inn
10:00 am Sit & Knit, Parlor
- November 1** Jitterz
- November 15** Starbucks at Dodge Hy-Vee
- November 22** 9:00 am Make pumpkin pie filling, FH
10:00 am Sit & Knit, Parlor
- November 29** Starbucks at Asbury Hy-Vee

St. Mark Youth Enrichment Summer 2016 Heroes Academy Learning in Action

87 students were impacted from over 50 different families by the 7 week summer learning program hosted by St. Mark Youth Enrichment at Youth Center's facilities on Locust Street and at the Boys and Girls Club just a few doors away from St. Mark's.

This year focused on literacy and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) components themed around health, wellness, and mindfulness. 43% of students identify as racial minority, and 70% of students receive free or reduced priced lunch.

12 certified teachers, 9 para-educators, and 2 from Americorps participated in educating the children. These qualified, compassionate staff developed curriculum based on best practices to fit each group's developmental levels and needs and to enrich each weekly literacy theme with hands on experiences to bring learning to life!

17 Reader-Volunteers from St. Luke's United Methodist Church worked with the students by reading to groups of kids in half-hour presentations during the mornings and afternoons of the June and July sessions of the learning program. On the average there were at least 6 children that were listening to Volunteer Readers for 30 minutes during

18 different sessions that impacted children's lives in a positive way in our neighborhood.

We want to thank those that volunteered and we hope this kind of effort can continue in future summers as a cooperative effort between our Church and our neighborhood Youth Center.

Thanks to the support from people like you, 81% of students maintained or increased their literacy skills over the summer. On average the students increased their literacy skills by 14%. Most students lose about two months of grade level equivalency in mathematical computation skills over the summer months. Low-income students also lose more than two months in reading achievement, despite the fact that their middle-class peers make slight gains.

Summer 2016 was definitely a success, as evidenced by the measured academic growth and social-emotional growth. Experiences that provide a sense of well-being that is invaluable; believing in one's self and learning to trust others builds the foundation necessary for learning to take place! A foundation that opens the door for students to climb to new heights! **Thank you!**

Mission: St. Mark Youth Enrichment provides innovative programs and services that cultivate the educational and social-emotional growth of youth and families.

Tiffany Windows

Our volunteer tour guides are available from 8am to 11am, Mon, Wed, & Fri of each week until the end of October.

Visitor numbers this summer:

September	605	July	838
August	1,025	June	457



Immigration Reform Prayer Service

Saturday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m.
Sisters of the Presentation
2360 Carter Road, Dubuque, IA

In communion with our immigrant brothers and sisters, please join us for a prayer service in support of Immigration Reform. Sponsored by The Voices of Younger Women Religious, Sisters of the Presentation, and Sinsinawa Dominicans. Hosted by Sr. Christin Tomy, OP, christintomy@gmail.com and Sr. Mary Therese Krueger, PBVM, krugsmt@gmail.com Part of the U.S./Mexico Border Convergence, October 7-10, 2016.

Prescott & St. Luke's Blood Drive

Monday, November 14th

1:00pm to 6:00pm

**Neighborhood Resource Center
at Prescott Elementary**



To sign up, call Prescott School at 563-552-4200 or Michael 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 September 19, 2016.

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center
www.bloodcenter.org

23rd Annual and Grand Finale Images & Information Style Show

Monday, October 17, 2016 at Grand River Center
5:30pm: Info & Auction 7:00pm: Style Show

Promoting awareness and celebrating survivorship of breast cancer, proceeds benefit tri-state survivors. Join us for fun and facts as we showcase new fall fashions. Information booths, silent auction, and cash bar at 5:30 pm. Style show 7:00 pm. Dessert, coffee. Tickets are \$20 at the door, or \$15 in advance at Amirage Salon, DBQ Fashions, Discovery Shop, and Tri-State Vein Center.

From Mark's Desk

A blast from the past! Looking to get the group together for an event next spring. Watch for more information coming soon! Here's one from a few years ago:

THE BIG DAY OF SERVING

On May 4, 2013, youth and their adult leaders from eight Christian denominations and twenty-two individual churches plus local support staff met in Dubuque and experienced the joy of serving others by being the "Hands of Christ" as they improved our community. The Big Day of Serving is a nationwide event that has occurred in the spring and fall in which Christian youth serve to lend a helping hand in many communities. The Big Day Board thanks our 245 volunteer youth and leaders, 30 sponsors and 63 local support staff for making The Big Day of Serving such a success in 2013!

THE BIG DAY OF SERVING
a one-day youth mission event

On May 4, 2013, 245 youth and their adult leaders from 8 Christian denominations and 22 individual churches plus 63 local support staff met in Dubuque and experienced the joy of serving others by being the "Hands of Christ" as they improved our community. The Big Day Board thanks our volunteer youth and leaders, sponsors and local support staff for making The Big Day of Serving such a success!

Sponsors
Partner Level
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Thrivent Financial
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Asbury Eagles Club
Hy-Vee
Village Inn
Friend Level
Premier Bank
Alliant Energy
Doug & Karen Horstmann
Plane Art
Little Buddy
A Y McDonald
Portzen Const
Scott Liebfield-Amerprise
M-K Matts Transmissions
G&J Kremer-Farm Bureau
Steve Buchheit-Insurance
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Rainbo Oil
Bird Chevrolet
Town Clock Inn
Key West True Value
Advance Auto Parts
Dr Pepper Snapple Group
Paul & Joyce Scherner

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Union Presbyterian, Lost Nation, IA
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First Christian, Winterset, IA
St. Albert the Great, Sun Prairie, WI
Reformation Lutheran, Blanchardville, WI
Ankerly Presbyterian, Hawley, IA
Westminster Presbyterian, Heddon, WI
Westminster Presbyterian, Dubuque, IA
First Christian, Sterling, IL
Platteville United Methodist, Platteville, WI
Holy Trinity Lutheran, Dubuque, IA
Waupun United Methodist, Waupun, WI
New Hope Lutheran, Parley, IA
St. Peter Lutheran, Dubuque, IA
Ruchi Patel, Raymore, MO
Bridge Christian Community, Dubuque, IA
First United Methodist, Maquoketa, IA
Federalist, Wauconda, IL
Lord of Life Lutheran, Asbury, IA
Fredville Lutheran, Cedar Falls, IA
Hope Evangelical, Dubuque, IA

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And, remember to look for God sightings daily.

On God's Belay,
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