

# The Chimes

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### Office Hours

Monday — Friday  
8:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.  
12:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

## *Chuck's Chat — May 3, 2017*

Here's a fact that makes my mind whirl: this chair I'm sitting on is over 99 percent empty space (in a very simplistic view of the physical properties of atoms). Yet, I don't begin to fall through the chair and keep going on into infinity. Physics—and especially quantum mechanics—tell us why this is so, having to do with how particles are actually probability waves occupying a certain volume of space, how energy binds things together or makes them repel each other, and so on. Let's just say that I'm not a physicist, so when I consider that my behind, which is almost not there (hmm, why does my doctor keep telling me to lose weight then !?) is held up by the chair which is almost not there, my mind whirls!

But here's where this gets spiritual for me! The more physicists learn about the nature of matter and energy, the more they learn that what holds all of physical reality together are very tiny forces acting on atoms. And the closer they get to finding the smallest particle (the "God Particle") and the closer they get to defining the smallest ripple of energy that affects those particles, the closer they get to admitting that something other than "physical reality" is ultimately in control.

I'm not a physicist so I don't have to feel embarrassed to say that I believe what is holding everything together is an energy called *Spirit*.

I wrote all that in order to write this: We humans live our lives convinced that the most real level of existence is the physical. We only believe what we can see. We only trust what we can feel. We only lean on solid walls. But, physics—itself fully concerned with the physical world—tells us that the solid wall is 99 percent not there!

I have come to understand that there is an even more "real" or solid level of existence than the physical. You've heard it called the "kingdom" or "realm" of God. We are invited to enter into this realm by Jesus, and because we were created in the image of God (that is, as *spiritual* beings), we are able to enter it.

Does this mean that the physical reality is bad? Not at all! When God created, the Bible tells us, God looked at creation and said, "That's GOOD!" What it *does* mean, I believe, is that as a result of us humans pulling away from God (sin), we have lost the intimate connection between spirit and matter that was our birthright. We have bought the lie that we are on our own, that we need to pull ourselves up by our own bootstraps, that if there is a God out there, it's the God who wants to condemn us for our physicality and inability to "be" spiritual.

Enter Jesus! Jesus is fully God and Fully human. What can that mean except that it is God's purpose to re-integrate humanity into the full spectrum of reality—spiritual as well as physical. Looked at from this angle, we might think of Jesus' death and resurrection to life as a demonstration that it isn't the physical reality that has ultimate power, but rather the spiritual reality. Life and death are visible in the physical realm, but they are determined in the spiritual realm.

So, as I sit on my almost-not-there chair, I can sit with confidence, knowing that the God who loves me also has the power to make atoms and molecules do what's needed to keep me from crashing to the floor.

*Shalom, Chuck*

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## 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:

**Barb Crites** - stage 4 liver & pancreatic cancer  
**Greg & Anne Sushko** - Greg had long surgery 4/24  
**Margaret Johnson** - struggling with hip pains  
**Susan Funke** - hospitalized after aneurysm

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Betty Farcas</b>    | <b>Marian Thomas</b>     |
| <b>Jon Hardenbergh</b> | <b>Edie Bruehahn</b>     |
| <b>Sally Wiegand</b>   | <b>Mary Dempsey</b>      |
| <b>Barb Boettcher</b>  | <b>Margerie Kreassig</b> |
| <b>Romayne Schmitt</b> |                          |

Prayers for people with ongoing health issues:

|                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Peggy Lemke</b>      | <b>Johnny</b>           |
| <b>Mary K. Benefiel</b> | <b>Brett Cooper</b>     |
| <b>Kaye Running</b>     | <b>Bonnie Jorgensen</b> |
| <b>Jeanne Patterson</b> |                         |

Prayers of consolation for recently lost loved ones to the families of:

**Irma Dennis** (Hattels' friend **Kaye Running**'s mother)  
**Marjorie Tayloe**  
**Elizabeth Justice** (Janet Busch's great-granddaughter)

Prayers of joy for newborns:

**Aubrey Martin** (Betty Martin's granddaughter)  
**Claire Sanders** (Bonnie Sanders's granddaughter)

Our prayers also turn to prayers for Peace and Justice around the world. We especially remember all those who currently serve 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.



**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 Gary Reid         | 18 Carrie Hunold      |
| 1 Luke Viertel      | 18 Ella Kreimeyer     |
| 3 Seamus Foley      | 19 Amy Sunleaf        |
| 3 Alex Gevock       | 21 Ryan Johnson       |
| 3 Dan Jacobsen      | 21 Barb Liskey        |
| 4 Jonathan Fuller   | 22 Rachel Guentherman |
| 4 Bruce Redding     | 22 Nate Kehoe         |
| 5 Deb Albert        | 22 Heather Leitch     |
| 6 Lesley Stephens   | 22 Ron Liskey         |
| 6 Lydia Wilson      | 23 Foster Hull        |
| 7 Alison Hutchins   | 23 Fitzgerald Kephart |
| 7 Alicia Ziskovsky  | 23 Heidi Klein        |
| 8 Tom Glab          | 24 Wayne Hefel        |
| 8 Sue Hattel        | 24 Chloe Plumley      |
| 9 Christopher Purdy | 24 Paige Snitker      |
| 10 Dan Martens      | 25 Nathan Lungwitz    |
| 10 Mary Purdy       | 26 Sally Mihalakis    |
| 11 Jeanne Meloy     | 26 Susan Stone        |
| 12 Margie Breese    | 28 Chris Becker       |
| 13 Marcy Gabel      | 29 Lara Sanders       |
| 13 Ardyne Olson     | 29 Serena Stechman    |
| 13 Natalie Rohner   | 29 Bret Streckwald    |
| 15 Joshua Rusch     | 29 Eliza Sunleaf      |
| 16 Jacob Doty       | 30 Robert Armstrong   |
| 16 Marcia Dubbels   | 30 Ken Booth          |
| 16 Kristin Rohner   | 31 Paul Herman        |
| 17 Betty Martin     | 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.

**Marcia Dubbels** Chair, Care and Compassion

**Margie Breese** Member, 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**

*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](mailto: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   |
| 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 <b>OR</b><br>Council on Ministries |

**Official UMC Lectionary Texts**

- May 7th 4th Sunday of Easter (white)**  
 Acts 2: 42-47; Psalm 23 (UM 134/754);  
 1 Peter 2: 19-25; John 10: 1-10
- May 14th 5th Sunday of Easter (white)**  
**Mother's Day & Blanket Sunday**  
 Acts 7: 55-60; Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16 (UM 764);  
 1 Peter 2: 2-10; John 14: 1-14
- May 21st 6th Sunday of Easter (white), Heritage Sunday**  
 Acts 17: 22-31; Psalm 66: 8-20 (UM790);  
 1 Peter 3: 13-22; John 14: 15-21
- May 28th Ascension Day (white)**  
 Acts 1: 1-11; Psalm 47 (UM 781);  
 Ephesians 1: 15-23; Luke 24: 44-53

**STAFF**

Pastor . . . . . Rev. Charles (Chuck) Layton  
 Children / Youth: Jessica DuBord (intrm)  
 Administrative Assistant . . . . . Ora Uzel  
 Custodian. . . . . Caprice Jones

**CHURCH COUNCIL**

Chair . . . . . Nancy Hessler

**Officers:**

Recording Secretary. . . . . Kristen Smith  
 Lay Leader . . . . . Mark Tilson  
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 Sue Hattel, Nancy Bradley

Treasurer . . . . . Amy Schadle  
 Historian . . . . . Betty Phillips  
 Financial Secretary . . . . . Carol Clark  
 Membership Secretary . . . . Admin Asst

**Administrative Committee (Chairs):**

Lay Leadership/Nominations . . . . Pastor  
 Finance . . . . . Rich Young  
 Board of Trustees . . . . . Mike Loveless  
 SPPRC. . . . . Dave Kubik

**Council on Ministries**

Facilitators:  
 Invitation & Welcome . . . Lisa Viertel &  
 Chris Kohlmann

Worship & Celebration . . . . . Sue Hattel  
 Care & Compassion . . . . . Marcia Dubbels  
 Spiritual Growth & Disc: Nancy Hessler  
 Stewardship . . . . . (vacant)  
 Witness & Service  
 Community Outreach . . . Jennifer Crow  
 Conference & Global. . . . . (vacant)  
 Social Justice . . . . . RRS & Terry Stewart  
 Neighborhood Outreach . . John Hessler  
 UMW . . . . . Marcia Young

At-Large: Matt Crow, Chris Becker, Gary Reid, Lesley Stephens, Steven & Kathy Lamb, Nancy Bradley, Vicki Tilson, Rhonda Kubik

## Month of May 2017 Volunteers

### Saturday Bread Run

5/6/17 McGovern  
5/13/17 Hull family  
5/20/17 Breese/Young  
5/27/17 Rusch/Young

### 8:30 Greeters/Ushers

5/7/17 Albert family  
5/14/17 TBD  
5/21/17 TBD  
5/28/17 9:30 TBD

### 10:45 Greeters/Ushers

5/7/17 Reid/Folsom/Loveless  
5/14/17 Reid/Young  
5/21/17 TBD

### Saturday Food for the Soul

5/6/17 Team 8  
5/13/17 Team 9  
5/20/17 Team 10  
5/27/17 Team 11

### 8:30 Offering Depositor

5/7/17 Nancy Hessler  
5/14/17 Sue Hattel  
5/21/17 Susan McGovern  
5/28/17 9:30 Kephart/Kress

### 10:45 Offering Depositor

5/7/17 Dick Landis  
5/14/17 Mark Tilson  
5/21/17 Kathy McWethy

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

### 8:30 Liturgist

5/7/17 Chad Leitch  
5/14/17 Jon Romaine  
5/21/17 Susan McGovern  
5/28/17 9:30 TBD

### 10:45 Liturgist

5/7/17 Mark Tilson  
5/14/17 Craig Allen  
5/21/17 WOT

### Chimer

5/7/17 Heather Williams  
5/14/17 Larry Loeppke  
5/21/17 R.R.S. Stewart  
5/28/17 9:30 Heather Williams

### 8:30 Projectionist

5/7/17 Denny Brimeyer  
5/14/17 Chris Kohlmann  
5/21/17 Denny Brimeyer  
5/28/17 9:30 Denny Brimeyer

### 10:45 Projectionist

5/7/17 Matthew Hull  
5/14/17 Paul Clark  
5/21/17 Matthew Hull

### Organist/Pianist

5/7/17 8:30 Mims 10:45 Barland  
5/14/17 8:30 Mims 10:45 Barland  
5/21/17 Dr. Jeremy Mims  
5/28/17 9:30 TBD

### Videographer

5/7/17 John Hessler  
5/14/17 Greg Albert  
5/21/17 Ron Liskey  
5/28/17 9:30 Bobby Martin

### Slides

5/7/17 Craig Allen  
5/14/17 Chris Kohlmann  
5/21/17 Matthew Hull  
5/28/17 9:30 Chris Kohlmann

### 10:45 Worship Drivers

5/7/17 Mike Loveless  
5/14/17 Otto Krueger  
5/21/17 Chris Becker  
5/28/17 9:30 Mike Loveless

## *Fabulous Fridays* In Memory of Helen Johnston 2017 Fabulous Friday Concert Series



**Thank you** to Ann Duchow and David Patterson for scheduling 13 weeks of fabulous concerts.

**Thank you** to Frank Duchow for his weekly assistance.

**Thank you** to talented and gifted weekly performers.

**Thank you** to Paul Clark for technology assistance.

**Thank you** to Lynn Kerker and Char Schmitt for coordinating dessert reception in Fellowship Hall after each concert.

**Thank you** to reception assistants Judy Genz, Sue Bettcher, Marcia Dubbels and Terrie Berry.

**Thank you** to everyone who provided weekly "fabulous desserts" and to Sue Lane who coordinated the deliveries.

**Thank you** to Ora Uzel, St. Luke's Administrative Assistant for the programs and assistances.

**Thank you** to Caprice Jones, Custodian.

**Thank you** to ALL who attended (73-165 persons per week) totaling 1,486 persons!

**Thank you** for contributions in the donation basket. (Concerts were free, though freewill donations were accepted).

Over \$2200 was distributed to local ministries of St. Luke's Jesus Fund and People In Need (PIN).

**2017 Fabulous Friday Concert Series was dedicated to the memory of Helen Johnston (1923-2016) one of the originators of Fabulous Fridays in 1992.**

## Upcoming Worship Dates

- May 7** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services  
**with Communion**
- May 14** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Services
- May 21** 8:30 a.m. Special Sunday Worship Service
- May 21** 10:45 a.m. **Word on the Third** Contemporary

### Summer Worship Schedule Begins

- May 28** 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
- Jun 4** 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship **with Communion**

**Every Saturday:** 6:00pm Saturday Night Praise  
with Communion 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays



### Mothers In Action

Thursday May 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.  
St. Luke's Parlor, 1199 Main St.

Do you know? "Every 2 minutes, somewhere in the world, a woman dies from complications during pregnancy or childbirth" (*Healthy Families, Healthy Planet [HFHP] reports*). We'll have a speaker from Hillcrest Family Services - WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) Clinic & Maternal Health Care. Donations of toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap, and hand soap accepted for maternal health care. Laurinda Brimeyer will talk on celebrating the role of mothers in the Bible who saved children's lives! Hosted by St. Luke's UMW, the heart of UMW has always been health care for women and children.

### May Friendship Day

Friday, May 5, 2017

9am brunch; 10am program  
Shalom Spirituality Center  
1001 Davis Street



Church Women United host May Friendship Day: "Kindling New Fires of Love." Brunch 9:00-9:50am (\$6, RSVP needed). Program at 10:00am with Celebration, Fellowship of the Least Coin & program speaker: Jamie Theisen of Families First & Kelsey Wade of Department of Human Services "Meeting Children's Needs in Dubuque." Everyone is invited!

**RSVP for brunch by May 1st** at 563-556-1394 (Sue H) or 563-588-4877 (Marcia Y). Main entrance and parking behind building.



### Red Basket Project

Support the Red Basket Project with donations in an envelope marked "Red Basket Project" or donate any of the following in the red basket in the South Hallway: **Tampons:** Junior, Regular, Super; **Pantiliners:** Always Thin Pantiliners, or any brand medium or heavy absorbency pantiliner.



**HEALTH CARE** for women and children is at the "heart" of United Methodist Women today and since UMW was founded in the 1800s...

**May 4** - Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. in St. Luke's parlor and Fellowship Hall. **Speakers:** Gina Dowling and Tammy Bardon from **Hillcrest WIC (Women, Infants, & Children) Clinic and Hillcrest Maternal Health Clinic & Speaker:** Laurinda Brimeyer – **Mothers in the Bible Who Saved Children's Lives** (*Donations of toothpaste, shampoo, bar and hand soap will be accepted for maternal care.*) **Every one is invited.**

**May 5** - Friday at 10:00 am Church Women United hosts **May Friendship Day Celebration** at Shalom Spirituality Center-1001 Davis St. **Speakers:** Jamie Theisen, Families First, Kelsey Wade of Department of Human Services (DHS) " **Meeting Children's Needs in Dubuque**" – **Kindling New Fires of LOVE**. Brunch by reservation (\$6) 9-9:50a.m.

**May 10** - St. Luke's United Methodist Women will provide a **Prescott School Staff Luncheon** during **Teacher Appreciation Week** honoring Prescott teachers and appreciation to the "entire staff" for their dedicated impact on the lives of the students and the Prescott families.

May 18 7:00 pm **SAVE the DATE -- Kaleidoscope!**

"**Thank you**" to 7 fun loving adults who participated in "**Game Night**" on April 20 at Hillcrest Families Services with over **20 Hillcrest youth**. Games including checkers, Yahtzee, Trouble, riddles, Bingo and refreshments were enjoyed by all. UMW is looking forward to this event again in 2018!

**Thank You!**  
**Spring 2017 Rummage Sale**



Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent UMW Rummage Sale. THANK YOU to all of you who: donated your "treasures," helped set up Fellowship Hall, sorted the rummage, worked the day of the sale, made food for the workers, AND to those of you who bought items at the sale. The happy news is that we made about \$620 for our mission work. If you didn't get your things down to the church in time, remember there will be another rummage sale in October. Thanks again!



## Church World Service Blanket & Tool Sundays

The Social Justice team of St Luke's wants the congregation to know about two fast-approaching opportunities to follow our denomination's founder, John Wesley's, admonition that we do all the good we can in every way we can. In addition to St. Luke UMC's many ministries in Dubuque, we are coordinating with CWS (Church World Service) on May 14th, when we will honor our mothers by participating in Blanket Sunday, and on June 18th, when we will honor our fathers by participating in Tools Sunday. 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. Nora McNiff, three years ago at age 4, began helping her grandmother in Marysville, Michigan with their church's Blanket Sunday. Her mom, Shay said "Being the hands of Christ is what I've tried to show her to be. You are Jesus through your actions, not just through your words...be the hands and feet of Christ. That's a big thing in our house, and with Blanket Sunday, that's a great example of how she can do that."

You may use the 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 8 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. Thanks, sisters and brothers in Christ.

### Prescott Elementary & St. Luke's Blood Drive

Monday, May 8th, 2017

1:00pm to 6:00pm

Neighborhood Resource Center at Prescott Elementary



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 13, 2017.

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center

[www.bloodcenter.org](http://www.bloodcenter.org)

### Lectionary Bible Study Thursdays at 10 a.m.



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

### Dubuque Senior Center Now Open

Open Monday through Friday

10:30 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

St. Matthews Church, 1780 White St.

Enter through the alley behind St. Matthews

The Dubuque Senior Center serves a hot lunch daily. To reserve a meal please call 563-543-7065 by noon the previous day. It may be possible to receive a lunch without calling; but reservations are recommended. Patrons over 60 may leave a donation; those under 60 are required to pay \$8.28. For more info call: **Colleen at 563-543-7065**

### St. Luke's Garden Projects

St. Luke's Garden Projects were recently featured in Iowa Interfaith Power & Light's newsletter. To read the full article, check out this link:



[iowaip.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/St.-Lukes-Methodist-Success-Story.pdf](http://iowaip.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/St.-Lukes-Methodist-Success-Story.pdf)

### Items Needed for the Food Pantry



#### Food items

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

Items can go in the South Hall shopping cart.

Food pantry donations help stock the shelves each month at the Dubuque Food Pantry. It is through people like you that the Food Pantry is able to respond to emergency needs in our community. Each month the food pantry serves between 275-350 households. Thank you for making it possible for us to continue this ministry!



### Emmaus Reunion

Thursday May 4th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.  
Grace Point Church, 3100 Windsor Ave.

Reunite with your Emmaus Community the first Thursday of the month. 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.



## Social Principles: The Natural World

*(Part of a series from the 2016 edition of The Book of Resolutions, which contains the text of all resolutions or pronouncements on issues approved by the General Conference currently in force. These documents represent the official position of the UMC.)*

**4. Global Climate Stewardship** — We acknowledge the global impact of humanity’s disregard for God’s creation. Rampant industrialization and the corresponding increase in the use of fossil fuels have led to a buildup of pollutants in the earth’s atmosphere. These “greenhouse gas” emissions threaten to alter dramatically the earth’s climate for generations to come with severe environmental, economic, and social implications. The adverse impacts of global climate change disproportionately affect individuals and nations least responsible for the emissions. We therefore support efforts of all governments to require mandatory reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and call on individuals, congregations, businesses, industries, and communities to reduce their emissions.

**5. Space** — The universe, known and unknown, is the creation of God and is due the respect we are called to give the earth. We therefore reject any nation’s efforts to weaponize space and urge that all nations pursue the peaceful and collaborative development of space technologies and of outer space itself.

*(next issue: Science and Technology)*



### Vacation Bible School 2017

**Mon-Fri June 19th - 23rd**  
**Dinner at 5:30 p.m.**  
**Program 6:00-8:00 p.m.**  
**St. Luke’s UMC**

It’s time to start talking about Vacation Bible School again! This year St. Luke’s is the host church, and Westminster Presbyterian Church will be joining us. Our theme this year is the Maker Fun Factory!!

It’s time to look for volunteers. If you are interested in helping out you can sign-up in two different ways: Sign-up online at [vbspro.events/p/4b46f2](http://vbspro.events/p/4b46f2) and be sure to note in the comments section where you would be willing to help out; or paper sign-up forms are available in the South Hallway. Completed forms can be put in the offering plate or the church office.



### Terrific Tuesdays

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

**May 16** Café Fraiche  
**May 23** 8:30am Breakfast at Village Inn  
10:00am Sit & Knit at St. Luke’s Parlor  
**May 30** One Mean Bean

### DeLano Cain Oboe & English Horn Recital

**Friday May 12, 2017 at 7:30**

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**

**1755 Delhi Street, Dubuque**



Freewill donations are suggested and will be used for tuition at three music camps this summer. If you have any questions, please direct them to DeLano at:

**delanodc13@gmail.com or (773) 495-3992**

**delanocainmusic.weebly.com**



**Dubuque’s Memory Café**  
**Every 2nd Thursday of the Month**  
**May 11, 2017 - 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](mailto:jadeangelica@gmail.com) or **563-582-4724**



### Host an Exchange Student

Emerald Johnson, local coordinator for Iowa Resources for International Service (IRIS) is looking for families in Eastern Iowa who might be interested in hosting international scholarship exchange students for the 2017-2018 school year.

Our website is [www.iris-center.org](http://www.iris-center.org) we place students from Africa, the Middle East and Southeast Asia for one school (August arrival, June return). They receive an allowance to help with their social activities, families are volunteers who agree to provide meals, and household necessities, and include the students in all family activities while they are here. We need to place students ASAP so that we can secure their school placement.

For more information, contact Emerald at:  
[emerald@iris-center.org](mailto:emerald@iris-center.org) or [563-505-5956](tel:563-505-5956) (cell)



***“Music for the Mountain”***

**Sunday, May 28, 2017**

**St Luke’s Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary**

**6:30 Dessert Bar**

**7:00 Music and Song by Jeremy & Craig**

**\$25 each or 2 for \$40**

***All proceeds go to St. Luke's  
Mountain Top Mission Trip***



**Return  
Service  
Requested**

***St. Luke's United Methodist Church  
1199 Main Street  
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