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Chuck's Chat — September 21, 2016

It has been said that if you can do anything else, do not be a pastor. This is a way of saying that one needs to be called to what can be both a highly rewarding, and a deeply challenging calling; and that a person is a fool who tries to do it without the manifest strong help of God.

I am deeply grateful that I can do nothing else but be a pastor. It calls upon all my gifts and graces. One day I find myself unplugging and cleaning up a toilet, and the next I sit by a hospital bed, listening to fears and hopes, telling a joke and saying a prayer to ease the anxiety of someone going into surgery. I drink coffee at various hangouts of "coffee groups". While there, I check in on what's happening in the world. I meet with a grieving family and listen as they tell about their loved one, so that the next day, I can share those good memories back to them and to those who have gathered with them for the funeral. That evening, I meet with a couple as they prepare for married life. Then there are the meetings! And I try to get out into the community as well, to be the face and heart of God to our neighborhood.

In between, I sit with God's Word open before me, and attempt to listen for the Holy Spirit's leading for the sermon or the Chimes article. I meet with our staff, and we calendar and pray. I pray, and pray some more. I meet with colleagues for prayer and community action. Oh, and there is the paperwork for Charge Conference, the Annual Conference meetings, and other administrative tasks. Then, I screw in a light bulb when Caprice isn't around to do it. I teach, sing, pray, preach, officiate, offer healing and consolation, do a lot of driving, lead worship, and – sometimes – find myself caught up body, soul and spirit in the beauty of worship.

My point is this: Thank you for allowing me to be your pastor. Yes, occasionally I want to pull out a hair or two (but anybody who works with live people sometimes feels that way, right?) But I feel so fulfilled and blessed to be a pastor, and to be YOUR pastor.

It may be that God is calling you to be in ordained ministry. If you feel that tug, I'd love to meet with you and talk about it.

Shalom,

Chuck

Our Caring Community

Lord, as we continue life's journey, we pray for all who are challenged by health concerns, ongoing illness, or disability.

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: **Nicole Beau, John Duggan's friend Jane Scott, Coni Stephenson's brother Jim McCarthy & aunt Peggy Lemke, Bonnie Sanders' mother Rayma Fisher, Jessica DuBord's friends Lisa & Jeff Digman and their daughter Olivia, Haley Rhoads, and Carol Pins.**

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:

Eddie Bruehahn	Sharon Clark
George Sinn	Bonnie Jorgensen
Marjorie Tayloe	Marlin Jorgensen
Ardeth Kirschbaum	Ron Liskey
Judy McKahin	Jeanne Patterson
Kathy Reid	Donna Atkinson
Loretta Bahl	Bruce Liebold
John Duggan	Dianne Fritsch
Eve Hickey	Angela Osterkamp
A. J. Osterkamp	Bill Brown
Mary K. Benefiel	Rick Blasen
Dee Maahs	Anna Jane Redding
Donna Moss	Jane Thomas
Cindie Thomas	Anne Jones
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 and Annie Van Etten.**

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.

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.



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.

	<i>September</i>
1	Sara Albert
1	Rowyn Olson
1	Art Sunleaf
4	Steven Jacobson
4	Caleb Peil-Vannatta
4	Arthur Wiegand
5	Nancy Hessler
6	Richard Young
7	Marlin Jorgensen
7	Lila Menke
8	Aidan Lawler
10	Karen Jubeck
11	Jody Ludowitz
12	Mary Fagen
12	Eleanor Ray
12	Gabrielle Zartman
14	Robert Hinrichs
14	Jennifer Pregler
15	Dale Nederhoff
15	Judy Nemmers
16	Keith Cook
16	Shelbie Ede
16	Jared Gevock

	<i>September</i>
17	Mark Hinrichs
17	Erick Kephart
18	Aidin Bettcher
18	Barbara Bonnett
19	Judy Ellerie
19	Stacie Hinrichs
19	Addison Nauman
19	Cyndie Nelson
20	Kay Martin
20	Annette Olson
20	Randy Schmitt
20	Gene Sliter
21	David Bonnett
21	Kristen Smith
23	Chris Huston
23	Callie Kehoe
23	Chad Leitch
26	Paula Martens
29	Susan Peil
29	Griffin Plumley
30	Joe Nemmers
30	Betty Quade

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

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

Month of September 2016 Volunteers

Saturday Bread Run Driver

9/10/16 Breese/Young
 9/17/16 Schrupf/Rusch
 9/24/16 Cheri & Mike Loveless
 10/1/16 Jacobsen/Sanders

8:30 a.m. Greeters

9/11/16 McGovern
 9/18/16 Bonnett/Phillips/Breese
 9/25/16 Albert/Ashbrook
 10/2/16 Bruce & Sarah Jo Redding

10:45 a.m. Greeters

9/11/16 Watters/Patterson/Conklin
 9/18/16 Watters/Duchow
 9/25/16 Duchow
 10/2/16 TBD

Saturday Food for the Soul

9/10/16 Team 9
 9/17/16 Team 10
 9/24/16 Team 11
 10/1/16 Team 1

8:30 a.m. Ushers

9/11/16 McGovern
 9/18/16 Bonnett/Breese
 9/25/16 Albert/Ashbrook
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 9/18/16 Watters/Duchow
 9/25/16 Duchow
 10/2/16 TBD

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

8:30 a.m. Offering Depositor

9/11/16 Dan Jacobsen
 9/18/16 Sue Lane
 9/25/16 Susan McGovern
 10/2/16 Erick Kephart

10:45 a.m. Offering Depositor

9/11/16 Mike Loveless
 9/18/16 Dick Landis
 9/25/16 Ric Jones
 10/2/16 Cheri Loveless

Chimer

9/11/16 Heather Williams
 9/18/16 Larry Loeppke
 9/25/16 R.R.S. Stewart
 10/2/16 Heather Williams

8:30 a.m. Liturgist

9/11/16 Nancy Hessler
 9/18/16 Sara Albert
 9/25/16 Sue Lane
 10/2/16 Jon Romaine

10:45 a.m. Liturgist

9/11/16 Keith Cook
 9/18/16 Word on the Third
 9/25/16 Dianne Dueland
 10/2/16 Chris Becker

Organist

9/11/16 Chuck Barland
 9/18/16 Jeremy Mims
 9/25/16 Chuck Barland
 10/2/16 Chuck Barland

8:30 a.m. Projectionist

9/11/16 Chris Kohlmann
 9/18/16 Denny Brimeyer
 9/25/16 Chris Kohlmann
 10/2/16 Denny Brimeyer

10:45 a.m. Projectionist

9/11/16 Matt Hull
 9/18/16 Paul Clark
 9/25/16 Matt Hull
 10/2/16 Paul Clark

Acolyte

9/11/16 Sara Albert
 9/18/16 Sara Albert
 9/25/16 Sara Albert
 10/2/16 Sara Albert

Slides

9/11/16 Paul Clark
 9/18/16 Matt Hull
 9/25/16 Chris Kohlmann
 10/2/16 Craig Allen

Worship Driver

9/11/16 Rich Young
 9/18/16 Otto Krueger
 9/25/16 Mike Loveless
 10/2/16 Dan Jacobsen

Videographer

9/11/16 Bobby Martin
 9/18/16 Ron Liskey
 9/25/16 Greg Albert
 10/2/16 John Hessler



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

Online Calendar

The church calendar is now available online! Check it out! Omissions or additions can be submitted to Ora at:

dbqstluke@gmail.com
563-582-4543

Check St. Luke's website for the latest bulletins, issues of *The Chimes*, online calendar, contact information, and even listen to a sermon you missed! If you have something that you would like to see on our website, please call the office at 563-582-4543.

www.stlukesumcdbq.com

International Day of Peace Festival

Rohina Malik "Unveiled"

**Wednesday, September 21st, 7-9pm
Hoffman Hall Theater, Loras College**

In a one-woman critically acclaimed show, Rohina plays five Muslim women in a post-9/11 world sharing tea and uncovering what lies beneath the veil.

Practicing For When Peace Breaks Out

**Thursday, September 22nd, 6-8pm
St. Isidore Catholic Worker Farm
2752 Clay Hollow Road, Cubba City, WI**

What if war and violence actually did end, and peace and justice really did break out all over the world? Join us for a tour of the farm and discussion on communal life and the pursuit of sustainability.

Hmong Refugee and Author Kao Kalia Yang

**Wednesday, September 22nd, 7:00pm-8:30pm
Divine Word College, 102 Jacoby Dr. W, Epworth**

A presentation on how the women in her family held it together through war, flight, and a new life in the U.S.

Hike to Help Refugees

**Saturday, September 24th, 12-2pm
Start at Loras College (by Christ the King Chapel)**

From Loras to UD to Clarke. Proceeds go to the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, providing refugees with life sustaining tools. Suggested Donation: \$20 adults; \$10 students. Register and/or donate online.

**Songs and Poems of Peace at the
Historic District Coffee House**

**Saturday, September 24th, 7:30pm-10:00pm
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 1699 Iowa Street**

For musicians and listeners alike, a welcoming and peaceful environment where performers are invited to make music about peace. Bruce Schmidt (608-348-5099) and Linda Niemann (563-590-9095) are coordinating, including time for "walk-ins." No cover charge!

Sing for Peace: Evensong Service

**Sunday, September 25th, 7-8pm
St. John's Episcopal Church, 1458 Locust Street
By Dubuque Area Episcopal Peace & Justice Fellowship.**

Peace & Burritos at Presentation Lantern Center

**Monday, September 26th, 3:30-6:30pm
Suite LL5-1, 900 Jackson Street**

Complimentary virgin piña coladas, chips & salsa, and a gallery of immigrant-contributed musings on peace on display inside the open house and burritos for sale at the Adobo's food truck outside.

Full schedule of events at:
www.dbqdayofpeace.org

Day of Peace Community Events

The Social Justice Co-Chairs are also members of the Day of Peace organizing committee. Since its 1981 inception, the United Nations International Day of Peace has marked humanity's personal and planetary progress toward peace. The celebration has grown to include millions of people in all parts of the world. In our seventh year, Dubuque's Festival Celebrating the UN International Day of Peace 2016 is focusing on women leading the way to resolve disputes nonviolently and to achieve understanding and justice for everyone globally and locally. Events are listed to the left, and check out the website for a complete calendar and resources:

www.dbqdayofpeace.org



Dedication to Ralph

**Saturday October 1st at 11:00am
Linwood Cemetery**

Linwood Cemetery will be dedicating the Ralph Montgomery Memorial Marker, thanks to countless donations, including those by St. Luke's. Ralph was a former slave freed by the Iowa Supreme Court's first ruling in 1839.

Featured speakers include: Chief Justice Mark Cady (Iowa Supreme Court), Pam Jochum (President, Iowa Senate), Anthony Allen (President, Dubuque NAACP), and Kevin Lynch (Mayor Pro Tem, City of Dubuque).

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

Upcoming Dates

September 24th—10:00 a.m. Blessing of the Pets

September 24th—6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Praise

**September 25th—8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship Service
10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship Service**

October 1st—6:00 p.m. Saturday Night Praise

**October 2nd—World Communion Sunday
8:30 a.m. Worship with Communion
10:45 a.m. Worship with Communion**

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.

3rd Annual Blessing of the Pets

Front Steps of St. Luke's UMC
Saturday September 24, 2016 at 10:00am

"The animals of God's creation inhabit the skies, the earth and the sea. They share in the fortunes of human existence and have a part in human life." (UMBOW) To honor, bless and celebrate our furry, feathered and scale-covered friends we invite you to a blessing of the pets. Under the portico in case of rain. Please be sure all animals are leashed or contained so all can enjoy the event!



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- Oct 3 Busy Bees** at 1:00pm at St. Luke's Fellowship Hall. Devotions, dessert and tying of quilts for Hillcrest residential youth. All "willing hands" are welcome to join in fellowship and creating comfort for others! Questions contact Marcia Dubbels at 563-582-6634.
- 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: Terry Berry.



Seniors Out & About Stella's in Stockton Tuesday October 11

Shopping in Stockton, Illinois and lunch at Stella's Restaurant.

Leave Woodlands: **10:15 AM**
Cost: **\$5.00** (transportation only)

Order off the Menu

Registration Deadline: **Tuesday, October 4**
RSVP **Marcia Dubbels** at **582-6634**



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

Creative Casserole Cook Off & Game Night Fellowship Hall, St. Luke's UMC Sunday October 16th at 4:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE! OCTOBER 16TH!! St. Luke's Invitation and Welcome Team invite all to a fun autumn event: the "Creative Casserole Cook Off" and "Game Night," an opportunity to "get to know" Pastor Chuck.
More details to come!

Taste of St. Luke's Ministry Fair

Fellowship Hall, St. Luke's UMC
Sunday September 25th — 9:00am to 10:30am

Thinking about joining a group or ministry area but not sure how? Want to know more about getting involved at St. Luke's? Interested in education and small groups? Join us for a "Taste" of opportunities for service, ministry and fellowship at St. Luke's. The "Taste" will include light breakfast items, coffee and juice. See you there!



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.

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 9, 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.

How can YOU help? Several ways!

Bring items for the sale. Remember one person's rummage may be another person's treasure! Items may be placed in the fellowship hall. If the door is locked, please see someone in the office for a key. Please do NOT leave rummage in the hallway and/or just inside the door. Thank you!

We are looking for **people to help.** We will be sorting rummage on Thursday, October 8, beginning at 8:30. Workers are needed the day of the sale. People are especially needed for clean-up on October 9, after 1:00. Sign up clipboards can be found in the South Hall.

Come to the sale and buy, buy, buy!

Thank you in advance for your support!

2016 CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday October 2nd

Registration at 12:30pm, Walk at 1:00pm

Holy Trinity Lutheran, 1755 Delhi Street

This year's theme is "Change the World. Bring the kids." Church World Service (CWS) was founded in 1946 and is a cooperative ministry of 37 Christian denominations and communions affiliated with the National Council of Churches in the United States, providing sustainable self-help, development, disaster relief, and refugee assistance around the world. The CWS mission is to eradicate hunger and poverty and to promote peace and justice at the national and international level through collaboration with partners abroad and in the US. The largest fund-raising events for Church World Service are CROP (Christian Rural Overseas Program) Hunger Walks.

A unique aspect of CROP Hunger Walks is that Church World Service doesn't receive all of the money raised; 25% of the money donated is given to local hunger fighting. This year, that 25% will be split among these local agencies: Dubuque Food Pantry, Dubuque Rescue Mission, and PIN (People in Need).

Additionally, those sponsoring a walker can specify whether Church World Service or an alternative global

hunger-fighting agency will receive the remaining 75% of the donation. The Social Justice subcommittee of St. Luke's Witness & Service Committee organizes St. Luke's participation. For those interested in walking, Walker Donation envelopes will be available at St. Luke's.

Since 1995, Dubuque CROP Hunger Walk has raised nearly \$345,000. In 2014, 18 congregations and organizations raised \$20,223.60.

The 20th Anniversary Dubuque CROP Hunger Walk will take place on Sunday October 2nd. Registration starts at 12:30pm and the walk starts at 1pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran, 1755 Delhi Street. Maps of the route and other CROP Hunger Walk / CWS information will be on Bulletin Boards around St. Luke's.

Social Justice Co-Chairs: Terry & R.R.S. Stewart
countess14@hotmail.com | (563) 583-4419



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

Piano Concert with John Nilsen

Center Grove United Methodist Church

Thursday, September 22 at 7:00pm

Internationally-known Pianist John Nilsen will present a free concert and share his story. Reception after the concert with meet and greet with John. Call Pastor Steve Lamb with questions at: 563-599-6230.

Spiritual Academy Retreat

Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat, Indianola, IA

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

Chaos, Solitude, and Community: Spiritual Practices for Ordinary Christians 3-day retreat at Wesley Woods

wesleywoodsowa.org



Terrific Tuesdays

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

- September 27** 8:30 am Breakfast @ Village Inn
10:00 am Sit & Knit, Parlor
- October 4** Molly's Silver Screen Canteen
- October 18** Charlotte's Coffee Shop
- October 25** 8:30 am Breakfast @ Village Inn
10:00 am Sit & Knit, Parlor

Book Discussion: Braiding Sweetgrass

Sinsinawa Mound, WI

Tuesday, October 4th at 6:30 p.m.

Discussion of Robin Wall Kimmerer's book *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants*. Kimmerer offers "a braid of stories meant to heal our relationship with the world."

Botanist and member of Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Kimmerer writes on natural history, ecology, and Native American culture. No registration, no fee.

Book copies available at Sinsinawa Book Shop and at River Lights Bookstore. Info: eric.anglada@gmail.com

Donate to the Jesus Fund

Our "Jesus Fund" Ministry, headed by Kathy Lamb, helps local people in need to pay for their groceries with food vouchers for Eagles grocery. Please consider donating to help this ministry.

From Mark's Desk

Greetings,

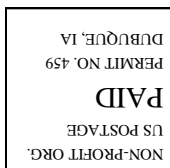
Well, it is official, we are back to two services on Sunday, Sunday school has started, Wonderful Wednesday is in full force, and we haven't even talked about elementary, middle, high school or college! How could we ever keep track of all the things we need to do? The answer is with our handy cell phone or our laptop computer. We all have to keep track of more and more tasks than ever before these days.

Which brings me to my schedule. Because I am only part-time, I wanted to let you know when I am available in my office. Monday and Tuesday from 7:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. and Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. If you would like to meet in the evening, I'm usually available on most Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. Please feel free to contact me by phone or email to set-up an appointment. You can also catch me on Wednesday night at church for Wonderful Wednesday or on Sundays.

And, remember to look for God sightings daily.

On God's Belay

Mark



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