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# St. Luke's

## United Methodist Church

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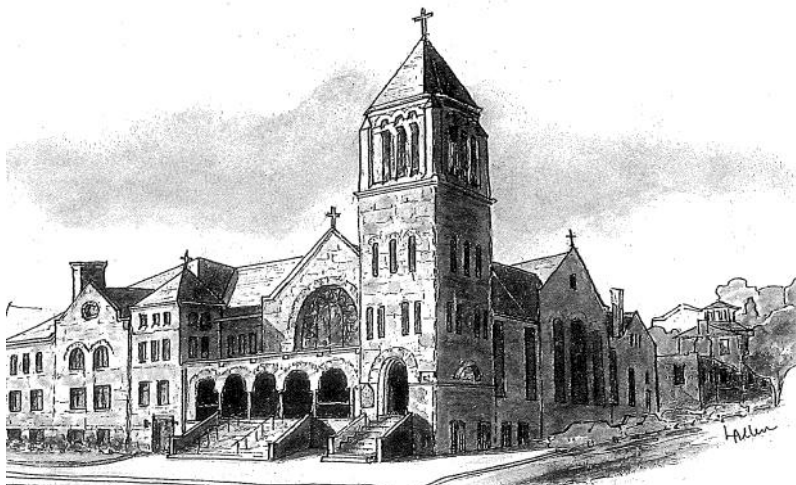
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**December 10, 2017**

**2nd Sunday of Advent**

**8:30 a.m. Worship Service**

St. Luke's — Celebrating 184 Years

1833-2017



**St. Luke's United Methodist Church Vision**

**Welcoming ALL . . .**

**Caring . . . Serving . . . Growing**

If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer card and hand it to an usher.

\* Asterisk denotes the invitation to stand if able. **Bold text to be read by the people.**

**Preparing Our Hearts for Worship**

Journey Into Advent “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” UMH 196  
“He Came Down” TFWS 2085

Introit “Prepare...” by Lloyd Larson  
St. Luke’s Singers Family Choir; Keith Rippe, director

Prelude “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”  
Sylvia Ward, organ

Lighting of the Candles: *Bringing the Light of Christ Into Our Worship*

Welcome/Announcements/Greetings/Introductions

**Called to Worship**

Opening Hymn “Dona Nobis Pacem” UMH 376

Advent Candle Lighting

Reader 1: God of Peace, you created the universe and all that is in it. You created all things and called them good.

Reader 2: God of Peace, you wove into life a beautiful diversity from your infinite palette of creativity. All the creatures that walk or swim, crawl or fly sing praises to you.

**All: We, God’s people, affirm the creation of all things in peace, saying with the psalmist: “God’s salvation is very close to those who honor God so that God’s glory can live in our land. Faithful love and truth have met; righteousness and peace have kissed.” (Psalm 85: 9-10, CEB)**

Reader: On this second Sunday of Advent, we light this candle to remind us that the God of Creation calls us home to be at peace with all we meet.

Advent Response (sung) (verse 2):

**Light the advent candle. Let it shine with peace.  
See the Truth that’s coming and that reign will never end.  
Light the advent candle. Christ is coming soon.**

“Where Children Belong”  
Children’s Time  
“Jesus Loves Me” (chorus only)

TFWS 2233  
Pastor Chuck Layton  
UMH 191

Anthem “Prepare the Way of the Lord” by Lloyd Larson  
St. Luke’s Singers Family Choir; Keith Rippe, director

**Called to Prayer**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer

**Called to Reflection**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40: 1-11  
Psalter Reading: Psalm 85 (sung response) UMH 806  
New Testament Reading: 2 Peter 3: 8-15a  
Gospel Reading: Mark 1: 1-8  
*And all God’s people said:* **Thanks be to God!**

Message “Peace: Be Found at Peace” Pastor Chuck

Hymn “Let There Be Peace On Earth” UMH 431

**Called to Share**

Sharing our Gifts, our Tithes, our Lives

Offertory “Still, Still, Still” Austrian melody  
Sylvia Ward, piano

\* Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 94

Prayer of Dedication

**Sent to Serve**

*Carrying the Light of Christ to the World*

\* Hymn “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” UMH 218

**\* Benediction**

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\* Music from the Tower Chime (*please stand*)

Postlude “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”  
Sylvia Ward, organ

*Note: Please feel free to use language in worship that is inclusive  
and affirms a diverse imagery for God.*

***St. Luke's United Methodist Church***  
***Upcoming Events for December 10 - December 17***

**Sunday, December 10 — 2nd Sunday of Advent**

8:30 am	Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary
9:30 am	Adult Sunday School / Families in Faith
9:30-10:45 am	Everyone welcome for coffee in the South Hall
10:45 am	Sunday Worship Service with Children's Christmas Program

**Monday, December 11**

8:00 am	Chimes Newsletter Deadline
6:00 pm	Dubuque for Refugee Children in the Wesley Room
6:30 pm	Worship & Celebration Meeting in the Conference Room

**Tuesday, December 12**

9:30 am	Terrific Tuesday at Oak Park Place with Betty Phillips
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**Wednesday, December 13**

5:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday meal, activities, and rehearsals
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**Thursday, December 14**

10:00 am	Bible Study in the Parlor
6:30 pm	SP/PRC Meeting in the Conference Room

**Friday, December 15**

7:00 am	Men's Worship in the Sanctuary
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**Saturday, December 16**

6:30 am	Bread Run — Margie Breese and Marcia Young
5:30 pm	Food for the Soul in the Fellowship Hall — Team 3
6:00 pm	Saturday Night Praise in the Fellowship Hall

**Next Sunday, December 17 — 3rd Sunday of Advent**

8:30 am	Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Christmas Cantata, <i>Sing Joy to All the World!</i>
9:30 am	Adult Sunday School / Families in Faith
9:30-10:45 am	Everyone welcome for coffee in the South Hall
10:45 am	Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Chancel Choir & JuBELLation Ringers



## *Prayers For This Week's Joys and Concerns*



**Those in Uniform & Their Families**  
**Our Homebound & Those At Care Centers**  
**Family of Beverly Puccio** - passed away  
 (Food for the Soul regular)  
**Eugene Ridanpaa & Family** - cancer  
 (Coni Stephenson's sister's friend's father)  
**Mike Tandy** - appendectomy (Coni's nephew)  
**Verla Perry** (Vicki Tilson's mom) - health issues  
**Kirsten** (Margie Brown's niece) - risk pregnancy  
**Julie** (Margie Brown's sister) - health issue

Prayer requests email: [dbqstluke@gmail.com](mailto:dbqstluke@gmail.com)  
 Prayer listings are listed for two weeks.



### **Advent Worship Services**

- Dec 17** 8:20 a.m. Worship Service with Christmas Cantata  
 10:35 a.m. Worship Service with Handbells and Choir
- Dec 24** **9:50 a.m.** **Sunday Worship Service**  
**Christmas Eve Communion & Candlelight Worship Services at:**  
**2:00 p.m. | 7:00 p.m. | 10:45 p.m.**

### **Upcoming Worship Services**

- Dec 31** **10:00 a.m.** **Epiphany Worship**
- Jan 7** **Baptism of the Lord Sunday**  
 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services with Communion
- Jan 14** **UMW & Human Relations Sunday**  
 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
- Jan 21** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
 10:45 a.m. Word on the Third Contemporary Worship Service
- Jan 28** 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services

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

## **Dubuque Food Pantry Annual Christmas Basket Give Away**



**Donate before December 13th**

Each year the Food Pantry gives out hundreds of food baskets to needy families. St. Luke's will be assisting in this project in two ways:

1. **We need 4 more hams!** Donate a ham from 3 lbs. to 5 lbs. in size and bring to the church before December 13<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheet in the South Hall. Add your info and which fridge it's in
2. Donate non-perishable items before December 13<sup>th</sup>. Bring non-perishable items (stuffing mix, canned fruit, canned vegetables, soups, ramen noodles, brownie or cake mixes) and put in the shopping cart in the South Hall.

### **Alternative Advent Market**



Social Justice will have a table for Dubuque for Refugee Children in the south hallway as part of the Alternative Advent market between the two services and for about 15 minutes after the second service. The table will have beautiful shawls, scarves, and headbands from Limitless Horizons, an organization that works with the women of the Ixil area of Guatemala, marketing their hand-woven goods worldwide, allowing them an opportunity to earn a livable wage through their art.



### **Easy Home Composting**

We try to compost all our food scraps at St. Luke's, but did you know you can compost at home? If not, please take a look at the display from Iowa Interfaith Power & Light in the South Hallway on how you can sign-up to compost with the City of Dubuque.

If you have any questions, find a Green Team member: Mary Armstrong, Rev. Robert Armstrong, Jennifer Crow, Sue Hattel, Mary Purdy, R.R.S. Stewart, Terry Stewart & Marcia Young.

## Prescott Elementary Soup Luncheon

Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup>, 11am to 1pm  
Prescott Elementary, 1151 White Street  
Recommended Donation: \$15



Join us for a soup lunch, silent auction, student artwork, and performances! Proceeds benefit Expeditionary Learning and arts programming at Prescott Elementary, including the all-school musical, fieldwork, guest experts, and beyond-the-school-day programs. For more info call: (563) 552-4200. Snow date Wed, Dec. 20th.

## Items Needed for the Food Pantry

Hot chocolate, potatoes, graham crackers, canned fruit, oil, toothpaste, lotion, toilet tissue, garden produce

Items can go in the  
South Hall shopping cart



## Advent 2: Peace

Our emphasis this week is PEACE. Too often we think of peace as simply the absence of war or conflict. But God's peace (in Hebrew, *shalom*) is actually the *presence* of life—life as it is meant to be, life in all its fullness, life in God. So while we may long for a world free from conflict, what God actually promises is a world full of life. A ruler born in a palace would know comfort, but a savior born in a manger knows, from the very beginning, life. A ruler who puts up with evil in order to “keep the peace,” to keep the wheels of government running smoothly, is not the same as a savior who sees evil in the temple and turns over the tables to restore peace and purity and prayer. And a ruler who finds “peace through strength” and conquers the world in order to keep it in line, cannot be compared to the one who, in weakness and submission, voluntarily gives up life so others can have it. Peace is always positive: not the absence of anything bad, but the presence of everything good.

## 2018 Prayer Partners



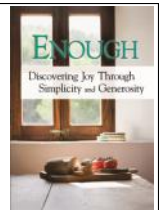
Would you like to have or be a prayer partner for 2018? Becoming a prayer partner gives you the opportunity to be in a supportive community with another member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church. Anyone may be a prayer partner. United Methodist Women are equal opportunity pray-ers!

In addition to daily prayer, a card may be sent as a remembrance on a birthday or other special occasion. The identity of prayer partners are usually revealed during December.

If you would like to be a Prayer Partner for 2018, please fill out the forms found on the table in the back of the sanctuary and leave the form in the church office. Any questions, please call Marcia Young 580-9650.

## Estimate of Giving

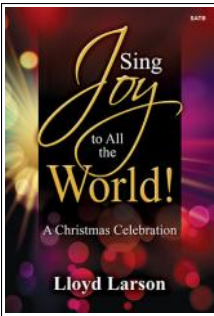
There is still time to return your **Estimate of Giving**. If you need a fresh blank form, please let us know and we'll send you one.



## Iowa Interfaith Power & Light



It's time for St. Luke's to renew its membership in the Dubuque Chapter of Iowa Interfaith Power & Light, which is a city-wide Green Team for religious organizations that want to be more sustainable. If you wish to help St. Luke's cover its covenant fee, please put it in an offering envelope with "I IPL" written on the outside. This will be put into the Social Justice account for paying for our next year's membership.



## Sing Joy To All The World!

A Christmas Celebration by Lloyd Larson

**Sunday, December 17, 2017**

**8:20 am Worship Service**



As the seasons change, leaves fall, chilling temperatures...All reminders that the season of Christmas is just around the corner and how fortunate we have the season of Advent to prepare...Prepare ourselves to receive this incredible gift of Joy!

The St. Luke's Singers & Friends would like to share through song an uplifting Christmas Cantata celebrating this gift of joy, "Sing Joy To All The World!" "Sing Joy To All The World!" a Christmas Celebration of songs that celebrate the promise that joy comes to those who wait; following such long darkness the breaking of dawn brings us all incredible everlasting joy! The Cantata shares many familiar carols & original melodies ranging from contemplative to celebratory.

As recipients of this incredible joy we are called to share the "Good News" with everyone! We ask each of you to invite and bring guests to St. Luke's on December 17th as **ALL ARE WELCOME!** This is a wonderful way to invite others to "step inside" St. Luke's at 12<sup>th</sup> & Main and to share the gift of incredible Joy this Christmas Season with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers.

We look forward to sharing this Christmas Celebration with you... "Joy To All The World!"

St. Luke's Singers & Friends; Keith Rippe, Director; Sylvia Ward, Accompanist;  
Laura Carstens & Dave Kubik, Narrators



### Advent Lessons & Carols

**Sunday, December 10 at 4:00pm**

**Wartburg Seminary**

**Loehe Chapel**

**333 Wartburg Place, Dubuque**

You're invited to advent lessons and carols with a reception and caroling following from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.



### Terrific Tuesdays

*(All at 9:30 a.m. unless noted)*

- Dec 12** Oak Park Place with Betty
- Jan 2** Molly's Silver Screen Canteen
- Jan 16** Starbucks at Asbury Hy-Vee
- Jan 23** 8:30 am Breakfast at Village Inn  
10:00 am Sit & Knit in the Parlor

### Starlight Carols

**Sunday, December 10 at 7:30pm**

**Emmaus Bible College**

**Marble Chapel**

**2570 Asbury Road, Dubuque**



The Emmaus Bible College Music Department will present *Starlight Carols*, a choral concert celebrating the Christmas season, on Sunday, December 10th at 7:30 p.m. in the Emmaus Marble Chapel. Admission is free. We would like to extend a warm invitation to you to join us for this special evening!

### Jesus Fund



Due to overwhelming demand, our "Jesus Fund" is regularly **out of funds**. This ministry helps people in need get healthy groceries by providing them vouchers to Eagle's grocery, especially when government food benefits don't stretch to the end of the month.

Donations can be given in envelopes put into the offering plate labeled "Jesus Fund" (make check to St. Luke's). Your help keeps the Jesus Fund ministry functioning to add that extra little bit of food security people need.

## Our Worship Specialists

	<u><b>December 10, 2017</b></u> <b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<u><b>December 10, 2017</b></u> <b>10:45 a.m.</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	Les & Sue Bettcher	Gary & Kathy Reid, Bruce & Linda Watters
<b>Ushers</b>	Les & Sue Bettcher	Gary & Kathy Reid, Bruce & Linda Watters
<b>Acolyte</b>	Sara Albert	Sara Albert
<b>Children's Time</b>	Pastor Chuck Layton	Pastor Chuck Layton
<b>Offering Depositor</b>	Rich Young	Otto Krueger
<b>Advent Lighters</b>	Denny & Laurinda Brimeyer	Crow family
<b>Liturgist</b>	Otto Krueger	Rev. Dianne Christopher
<b>Communion Steward</b>	—	—
<b>Organist/Pianist</b>	Sylvia Ward	Dr. Chuck Barland
<b>Chimer</b>	Larry Loeppke	Larry Loeppke
<b>Slides</b>	Chris Kohlmann	Chris Kohlmann
<b>Projectionist</b>	Chris Kohlmann	Paul Clark
<b>Videographer</b>	Greg Albert	—
<b>Worship Driver</b>	—	Otto Krueger
	<b>Saturday, December 9</b>	<b>Saturday, December 16</b>
<b>Bread Run</b>	Hull family	Margie Breese & Marcia Young
<b>Food for the Soul</b>	Team 2	Team 3

### **Music Directors**

**St. Luke's Singers** — Keith Rippe

**Children's Music** — Heather Williams

**Chancel Choir** — Roxanne Rollefson

**Chimers** — Larry Loeppke

**Bell Choir Director** — David Patterson

**Wind Ensemble coordinator** — Sue Hattel

**Word on the Third** — Roxanne Rollefson

**Lead Organist:** Dr. Chuck Barland

**Pianist/Organist:** Sylvia Ward