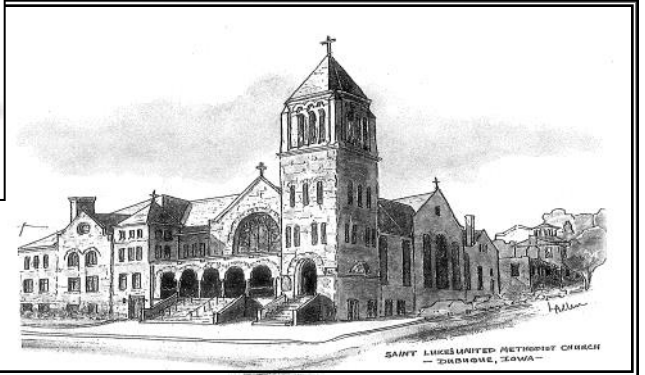


The Chimes

Newsletter

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Dear Church,

Over the past several weeks, we spent time in the book of Exodus. I love this book of the Bible. I love watching as the Israelites wander through the wilderness. I appreciate their shortcomings and empathize with their struggle. I love that Yahweh, the Lord of all Creation, hangs in there with them. I love that God is merciful and compassionate, while also exhibiting the honest emotion of anger. I am so grateful that our God is not some stoic being in the sky, but rather directly affected by humankind.

Through these stories of Exodus, we've had good company in our own walk through the COVID-19 wilderness. We've been reminded that God does not leave us alone, and God provides manna for every moment. This Sunday will be our last week with the Israelites, for now. We will end this Exodus mini-series with Exodus 33, where Moses gets a little testy with God. Moses was worried that he would not be able to handle the responsibilities that lay ahead. When Moses questioned God, this was God's response: ¹⁴ "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

This week, spend some time with Exodus 33: 12-23. Consider the ways that God's presence has been made known to you through these wilderness times. I hope you are experiencing God's abundant grace and God's steadfast faithfulness. Remember, like the Israelites wandering that desert, we never walk alone. God goes with us through every turn.

Peace,

Pastor Stephanie

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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www.stlukesumcdbq.org

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Keep up to date with St. Luke's!

Have a new address, phone, or email?

Want to receive the newsletter
and notices about online services?

Have a new family member to celebrate?!

Contact us at: dbqstluke@gmail.com
or call: **563-582-4543**

Official Lectionary Texts

- Oct 18th** 20th Sunday after Pentecost (green)
Exodus 33: 12-23; Psalm 99 (UM819);
1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10; Matthew 22: 15-22
- Oct 25th** Reformation Sunday
21st Sunday after Pentecost (green)
Deut. 34: 1-12; Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17 (UM809);
1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8; Matthew 22: 34-46
- Nov 1st** All Saints Day (white)
Revelation 7: 9-17; Psalm 34: 1-10, 22 (UM769);
1 John 3: 1-3; Matthew 5: 1-12
- Nov 8th** 23rd Sunday after Pentecost (green)
Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78: 1-7 (UM799);
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18; Matthew 25: 1-13

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Emmy Kubatzke, Staff
Witness & Mission:
Conference & Global:
Robert & Mary Armstrong
Social Justice: R.R.S. & Terry Stewart
United Methodist Women: Marcia Young

Our Caring Community

Lord, as we continue life's journey, we pray for all who are challenged by health concerns and ongoing illness. We know that the awesome God we worship hears the prayers of our lips as well as the prayers of our hearts. We pray for people who are currently dealing with a recent illness, surgery, injury, medical or other concern:

- Peggy** (Coni S's friend) - cancer metastasized
- Dave** (Reids' neighbor) - pain from accident in March
- Kathy C** (Kathy M's friend) - total knee replacement
- Samuel G** (Barb L's father) - 94yo with covid, asympt.
- Jim C** (Bonnie S's relative) - open heart surgery 10/8
- Alice B** (Bonnie S's relative) - respiratory complications
- Janet B** - third cancer, treatment, int. bleeding, tests
- Amy** (Redding's friend's sister) - airlifted to IA Cty 9/20
- Albert M** - detached retina, surgery 9/18
- Bubs A** (Sue L's brother) - leg pain, difficult walking
- Jenny** (Chris K's friend's daughter-in-law) - cancer
- Jim H** (Lynn K's son-in-law) - back surgery

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

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| Edie B. | Sally W. | Barb Btchr. |
| Ruth C. | Betty P. | |

Prayers for people with ongoing health concerns:

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| Anita G. | George R. | Judy M. |
| Cheri L. | Ron L. | Susan F. |
| Peggy L. | Johnny | Brett C. |
| Bonnie J. | Jeanne P. | |

Prayers of consolation for those who recently lost loved ones to the families and friends of:

- Doris Miller**
- Glenna Boughton**

Special prayers for all those greatly affected by the covid-19 pandemic. And continued prayers to heal the years of systemic racism and change hearts and minds toward true equality.

We offer prayers of comfort and support for those who struggle with brain health, disabilities, or other impairments that make life difficult to support oneself. Our prayers also turn to prayers for Peace and Justice around the world. It is in the name of your Son and our Savior that we offer our prayers. Amen.

Prayer requests & updates can be sent to:
dbqstluke@gmail.com — (563) 582-4543



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

- 14 Pam Daack
- 14 Tyler Schrupf
- 15 Mallory Blum
- 15 Albert Manders
- 16 Merrick Hull
- 16 Jean Murphy
- 17 Daniel Herr
- 17 Everett Lansing
- 17 Elizabeth Lester
- 19 Liz Lawler
- 19 Alice Shirley
- 20 Amber Blum
- 20 Vicki Sanderfield
- 20 Linda Watters
- 21 Naomi Murphy
- 21 Ada Steuer
- 23 Andrea Beacham
- 23 Brandon McWethy
- 23 Abigail Sand
- 23 Don Schmitt
- 23 Abigail Thorpe
- 24 Anezka Lungwitz
- 24 Blake McKahin
- 24 Bryce Streckwald
- 25 Logan Kubik
- 26 Rob Kubik
- 27 Jessica DuBord
- 28 Addison Wright
- 29 Clarice Leblanc

November Birthdays

- 1 Kaden Craven
- 1 Amy Schadle
- 1 John Viner
- 2 Judy Genz
- 2 Emerson Glaser
- 2 Alan Hattel
- 3 Barbara Bishop
- 3 Karen McCarthy
- 4 Harlan Doty
- 4 Cathy Schlickman
- 4 Delanie Wright
- 5 Caden Peil
- 6 Asher Klein
- 6 Rebecca McDonald
- 6 Calvin Peil
- 8 Kristine Craven
- 8 Laura Glab
- 8 Jimmy Guentherman
- 8 Argaw Oremo
- 9 Workensh Egoe
- 9 Owen Lawler
- 10 Frank Duchow
- 10 Dana Plumley
- 11 Alice Hoerner
- 13 Morgan Lansing
- 14 Jenni McCann
- 18 Lucas Doty
- 19 Jessica Fuller



Emergency Medical Information Cards

In the event of a personal emergency taking place at church, we recommend you have information readily available at St. Luke's for EMTs when they are called. You can fill out a 5x7 card stored in the church office and copies can be given to EMTs if the occasion arises. Stop by the church office to fill one out.

— **Margie Breese**, Care and Compassion



If you become hospitalized, please let the church office know and designate St. Luke's as your church for hospital admittance. If you would like a prayer request and visit from the Pastor, please let us know.



Upcoming Worship Opportunities

(Schedule subject to relative to COVID-19)

Sunday, October 18

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service Online at 10:00 a.m. (live)

Sunday, October 25

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Robert Armstrong preaching

Reformation Sunday

Worship Service Online at 10:00 a.m. (live)

Sunday, November 1

All Saints Sunday

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service Online at 10:00 a.m. (live)

October 2020 Volunteers

Saturday Volunteers — October 17th

Bread Run: Breese/Young

Food for the Soul: Team 8 (Purdy)

Food Distribution: Emily & John Shol

To volunteer, or for schedule changes, for Food for the Soul, contact Marcia Young at: 588-4877

Sunday Chimers

10/18 Heather Williams

10/25 Ann Duchow

11/1 David Patterson

11/8 R.R.S. Stewart

8pm Evening Chiming — Oct 5-17

Mon, 1st Tues & Fri: David Patterson

2nd Tuesday: Heather Williams

Wed & Thu: Ann Duchow

Sat: R.R.S. Stewart

Tech Volunteers

Ann Duchow, videographer

Paul Clark, sound & tech consultant

Denny Brimeyer, slides operation

Previous Worship Services Online

Oct 11th — 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service: is.gd/stlukesworship20201011

Children's Message: is.gd/stlukesyouth20201011

Hymns: is.gd/stlukeshymns20201011

Bulletin: is.gd/stlukesbulletin20201011

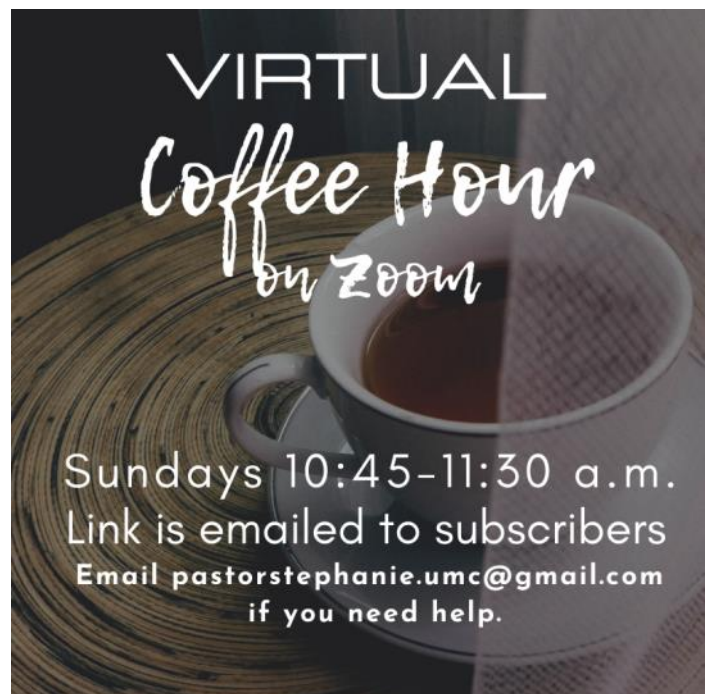
Oct 4th — World Communion Sunday

Worship Service: is.gd/stlukesworship20201004

Hymns: is.gd/stlukeshymns20201004

Online Bulletin: is.gd/stlukesbulletin20201004

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St. Luke's UMC
United Methodist Women
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Pull Tabs From Cans

Support Survivors of Human Trafficking

Donations of **pull tabs** from ALL cans continue to be collected at St. Luke's from beverage cans and now including large "pull tabs" from cat food containers. Tabs should be ALUMINUM. Countless tabs will be redeemed to provide personal items for **human trafficking survivors** recovering in **3 Safe Houses** in Iowa. Ask community friends and businesses to assist with donations!

Church Women United in Iowa is supporting the ministries and needs of the following **Safe Houses** and we invite you to become **informed** about each location and add to your daily **prayers**.

+ **Wings of Refuge** of Iowa Falls area.

www.wingsofrefuge.net

+ **Lila Mae's House** of Sioux City area since 11/2019

www.lilamaeshouse.org

+ **Dorothy's House** of Des Moines area.

www.dorothyshouse.org

Collections may be left in St. Luke's South Hall or call Sue Hattel. Thank you.

St. Luke's United Methodist Women Social Action

— Love in Action

Chiming Videos

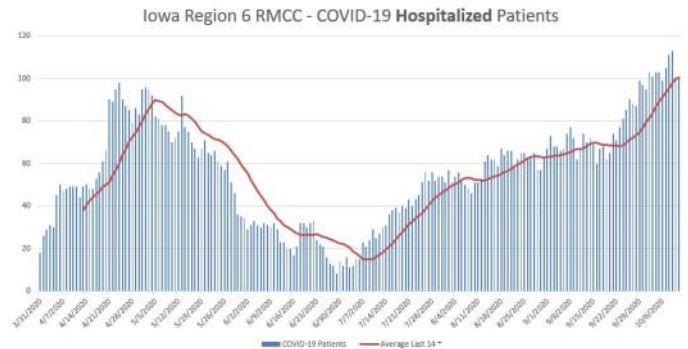
Lead Chimer, R.R.S. Stewart has offered recordings of St. Luke's Tower Chime in action over the last few months. See these links to view her performances:

August: <https://is.gd/stlukeschiming2020August>

July: <https://is.gd/stlukeschiming2020July>

June: <https://is.gd/stlukeschiming2020June>

May: <https://is.gd/stlukeschiming2020May>



COVID-19 Status — Level 3: Red

Worship: Sunday Online Worship

Building Access: Closed. Staff working on site.

Food For the Soul: Take-out and outdoor pantry.

St. Luke's Re-Entry Protocol Document:

is.gd/stlukesreentryprotocol

Mission Recognition: Monica Da Cunha Kehren

On Saturday September 19 prior to preparing St. Luke's Food for the Soul (FFS) weekly "take out supper meals," **Monica Da Cunha Kehren** was recognized for her service



by St. Luke's United Methodist Women president, Marcia Young and our pastor, Rev. Stephanie Schlimm.

Monica is the Host of FFS and coordinates meal distribution throughout the year with weekly rotating volunteer teams. A Special Mission Recognition pin and certificate honors Monica who has dedicated time and effort to service. A financial gift in honor of Monica, has also been given by St. Luke's United Methodist Women to national UMW for mission work to help empower and improve the lives of women, youth and children in the United States and around the world.

"If one part (member) suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Amen." — 1 Corinthians 12:26 (NIV)

Two Opportunities to Give

1. CROP HUNGER WALK: CROP Hunger Walks are community based events which raise funds to support the global mission of Church World Service. This organization transforms communities through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. In 2019, St. Luke's UMC raised \$600 for CROP walk. As a whole community, the congregations of Dubuque were able to raise \$12,908 to help fight hunger globally and locally.



For the safety and well-being of all involved, the CROP Walk Committee of Dubuque Area Congregations United has decided to postpone our planned October 2020 CROP Hunger walk to April 2021.

Our local recipients, the Dubuque Rescue Mission, the Dubuque Food Pantry, and People in Need, have said they can survive until then without our usual fall contributions. **However, the national sponsor of CROP Walk, Church World Service, is in great need of funds now**, as they also provide resources to those affected by hurricanes. Since they were unable to hold events this spring and summer, they were \$250,000 short at the beginning of August.



2. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR): UMCOR is the not-for-profit global humanitarian aid organization of the United Methodist Church. Their mission is to alleviate human suffering whether caused by war, conflict or national disaster with open minds and hearts to all people. Their workers are known all over the world for their compassion, leadership, expertise and guidance in recovery efforts. **The Iowa Ingathering** helps provide supplies to the Midwest Mission in Illinois and monetary donations abroad. Hygiene Kits are \$14 each and School Kits \$13 each.

HOW TO DONATE: If you wish to make a donation of kits to either Church World Service or UMCOR, please write a check to St. Luke's for the number of kits you are donating towards, and write either:

- "**CROP**" on the memo line for **Church World Service**, or
- "**Ingathering**" on the memo line for **UMCOR**.

The deadline to donate is Monday November 2, 2020.

On Saturday, November 7, 2020, a donation check from St. Luke's to CWS/CROP will be mailed to them and a donation check from St. Luke's to UMCOR will be taken to Ingathering.



St. Mark Partnership & Food Giveaways

Last Wednesday we started a new food ministry program partnering with St. Mark Youth Enrichment. The plan is to provide a box of food to 10 families in a St. Mark's program that they identify as most food insecure. A St. Mark's intern came to St. Luke's to pack the food we obtained at St. Stephen's Food Bank free or at nominal cost.

This week's box contained cereal, a half gallon of orange juice, a bag of apples, 15 beef franks, buns, 3 cans of pork & beans, 4 packets of beef stew, 1 - 40 oz. jar peanut butter, 1 can of peaches, 1 can of green beans, 1 loaf of bread and 2 lbs. of mozzarella cheese.

Statistics this week indicate that 1 in 3 children in the US does not receive adequate food to sustain growth and brain function. That increase from 1 in 4 is due to the depression secondary to the pandemic. Our food ministries are all funded by donation and grants. If you would like to donate to fund purchases at the food bank, indicate your donation to go to the Food Program.



Creative Generosity During Covid-19

During this time of great uncertainty, Pat Hefel, co-leader of the Busy Bees Fellowship Group of St. Luke's United Methodist Women has found ways to continue to use her creative gifts to serve those in need. Pat's generosity of time and fabric resulted in her donation of 297 cloth bags. The bags will be blessed at St. Luke's during our worship service on October 25th. The bags will be packed into boxes and transported to First UMC of Cedar Falls. They will be delivered at the Mission Ingathering site by Robert and Mary Armstrong on November 7.

The one-handed cloth bags were made with sturdy fabric and a provided pattern. (New denim, corduroy, sailcloth, med-heavy drapery and light weight upholstery fabric are among suggested fabrics that may be used.) Each unfilled cloth bag is valued at **\$6.00 each** and the total donation to Mission Ingathering for the 297 bags from St. Luke's is valued at **\$1,782**.

Mission Ingathering is a ministry of the Iowa Conference of the United Methodist Church. The 5 Iowa sites will look different this year due to COVID 19 concerns and restrictions. Only drive-through for collections and no in-person events within the churches. The Iowa Conference is partnering with Midwest Mission Distribution Center (MMDC) in Pawnee, Illinois this year. These bags will be filled with donated school items at MMDC and will become school bags to be distributed to areas nationally and globally recovering from disasters. MMDC is an affiliate of United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR).

Thank you to Pat Hefel, seamstress and Robert and Mary Armstrong, transporters, for being creative and generous during COVID-19!

Church World Service Thanks St. Luke's

Recently we sent a check to Church World Service for \$855 we raised in May and June. \$500 was donated for blankets and hygiene kits and \$355 for tools. Thank you for your donations!



UPCOMING CHILDREN'S & YOUTH EVENTS

Youth Group:

FEAR FACTOR

Youth group resumes meeting on Oct. 25th, just in time for some spooky, Halloween-themed activities! This means... Fear Factor: Youth Group Edition!

Join us on **Oct. 25th, 5:30-7PM**, for a youth group Fear Factor Team Challenge! Bring your friends, build your team, prepare for some slimy, gross, and scary games and challenges. Whichever team has the most points at the end, WINS!

See you there... You're in for a SCARE!



Advent Activities:

Christmas isn't too far away and that means Advent! We are planning for some fun, Christmas-y Advent activities including Sunday School lessons and a Christmas Program! Both will be adaptable for in-person and virtual, depending on the circumstances when we begin to meet. First Sunday of Advent is November 29th, so stay tuned for more announcements before then!



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