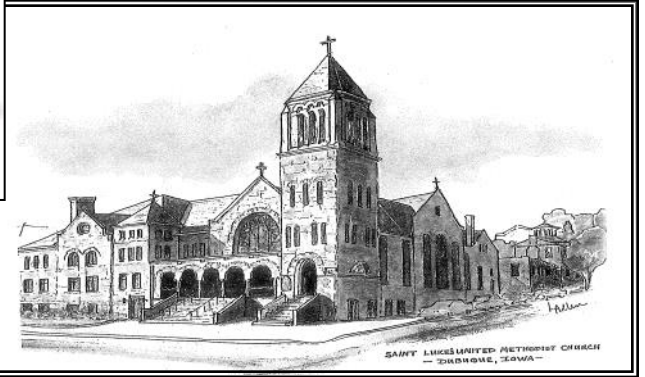


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Dear Church,

On Sunday, I shared with you in worship that we had a leak in the sanctuary. Interestingly, on the week we celebrated the Baptism of Our Lord, the water trickled in right over the Baptism of our Lord window. I understand that this has been a problem for years. Due to the positioning on the north side of the building, the snow piles up forming ice dams. When they melt, the water has nowhere to go but into the roof and down into our sanctuary. It is a problem that stays hidden most of the year. Do not worry! Professionals are on the case.

Sometimes, a problem builds up without us noticing until before we know it more damage is done than we ever thought possible. That seems to be the case in so many of our lives these days. There is the build up of biases, trauma, pain and grief that can spill over into harm. The racism that pervades, our polarization, our selfishness, our addiction to more stuff, money, and media, as well as our allegiance to people and causes who are not God.

One way to mitigate these kinds of build ups and problems in our own lives is to participate in Spiritual Growth opportunities. This Tuesday, January 19th, we will begin a new Bible Study about **The Gospel of Mark**. We will have this class via Zoom from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. If you haven't joined me yet for a virtual Bible Study, this would be a good time to start. Mark is a short Gospel and is action packed. We'll have a good time. Hope to see you there!

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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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

- Jan 17th** 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany (green)
1 Samuel 3: 1-10 (11-20); Psalm 139 (UM854);
1 Corinthians 6: 12-20; John 1: 43-51
- Jan 24th** 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany (green)
Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; Psalm 62: 5-12 (UM787);
1 Corinthians 7: 29-31; Mark 1: 14-20
- Jan 31st** 4th Sunday after the Epiphany (green)
Deuteronomy 18: 15-20; Psalm 111 (UM832);
1 Corinthians 8: 1-13; Mark 1: 21-28
- Feb 7th** 5th Sunday after Epiphany (green)
Isaiah 40: 21-31; Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c (UM859);
1 Corinthians 9: 16-23; Mark 1: 29-39

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United Methodist Women: Marcia Young

Prayers for Our 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:

Mark B. & family - 5yo with leukemia, spread to brain
Sandy P. (Kathy M.'s friend) - breast cancer
Lisa (Bonnie S.'s friend) - bad car accident, serious inj.
Tina & husband (Reid's friends) - Tina: stage 4 kidney cancer, husband fighting leukemia since July
Tom (Bruce R.'s friend) - issues after heart surgery
Reece (Jessica D.'s nephew) - brain bleeding
Mark S. (Judy S's brother) - leukemia treatment
Laura (Coni S's friend) - recovery, pancreatic cancer
Cathy C. (Denny B's sister) - cancer complic., lungs
Janet B. - cancer treatment

Prayers for people in Care Centers:

Lynn K.	Bubs A.	Edie B.
Sally W.	Barb Btchr.	Ruth C.
Betty P.	Judy M.	

Prayers for people with ongoing health concerns:

Sharon C.	Anita G.	Cheri L.
Ron L.	Susan F.	Peggy L.
Johnny	Brett C.	Bonnie J.
Jeanne P.		

Prayers of joy for newborns:

Bence (Janet E.'s great grandchild)
 Parents: Jeremy & Meyers E.

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

Kathy M.'s cousin's **grandson** (18yo ATV accident)

Special prayers for an end to the covid-19 pandemic, the unification of our nation, and continued prayers to heal years of systemic racism. We offer prayers of comfort and support for those who struggle with brain health, disabilities, or impairments that make it 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.

January Birthdays

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|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Kevin Kienzle | 18 Jesse Stephenson |
| 1 Kim Klinkhammer | 19 Anne Bergfeld |
| 3 Scott Sheldon | 19 Ruth Clark |
| 4 Gloria Herr | 20 Gail Huston |
| 4 Cayleigh Peil | 21 Drake Ludowitz |
| 5 Mike Gacioch | 21 James McGovern |
| 5 Lynn Kerker | 21 Kellee Peil-Roussel |
| 6 Mike Burton | 21 Michael Sanders |
| 8 Denny Brimeyer | 21 Scott Zartman |
| 8 Becky Carr | 22 Benjamin Crow |
| 8 John Vandermeulen | 22 Kathy Reid |
| 9 Miles Gacioch | 24 Jennifer Crow |
| 9 Elizabeth Hefel | 24 Clay Gronen |
| 9 Bonnie Jorgensen | 24 Sandy Horsfield |
| 10 Matt Crow | 25 Bevin Olson |
| 11 Nicole Beau | 26 Aiden Blum |
| 11 Andrew Sanders | 26 Kaylee Olson |
| 11 Breann Streckwald | 27 Brennan Kreimeyer |
| 13 Andrew Crow | 28 Tammy Lynch |
| 15 Nancy Bradley | 28 Barbara Vrotsos |
| 16 Carl Plumley Jr. | 28 Allison Waters-Kutsch |
| 16 Norah Stratton | 29 Gavin Herr |
| 17 Ruth Jones | 29 Richie Lehnhardt |
| 18 Terrie Berry | 31 Lauren Hunold |
| 18 Ronald Ellerie | |



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 Services

(Schedule subject to change)

Sunday, January 17

Second Sunday after Epiphany

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

is.gd/stlukesworship20210117

Sunday, January 24

Third Sunday after Epiphany

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

is.gd/stlukesworship20210124

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Previous Worship Services

Jan 10th — Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Worship Service: is.gd/stlukesworship20210110

Children's Message: is.gd/stlukesyouth20210110

Hymns: is.gd/stlukeshymns20210110

Bulletin: is.gd/stlukesbulletin20210110

Jan 3rd — Epiphany Sunday

Worship Service: is.gd/stlukesworship20210103

Children's Message: is.gd/stlukesyouth20210103

Hymns: is.gd/stlukeshymns20210103

Bulletin: is.gd/stlukesbulletin20210103

Direct links available at stlukesumcdbq.org



January Office Schedule:
Office Closed January 18 & 22
Administrative Assistant will be
out of the office January 19-21.

Volunteer Lists

Saturday Volunteers — Jan 16

Bread Run: Loveless

Food for the Soul: Team 11 (Bettcher)

Volunteer Coordinator: Marcia Young

Food Distribution: Jacqueline M., Margie Brn.

Volunteer Coordinator: Pastor Stephanie

Sunday Chiming

1/17 Ann Duchow 1/24 David Patterson*

1/31 DeLano Cain 2/7 R.R.S. Stewart*

* Also at end of service (normally Ann Duchow)

8pm Evening Chiming

Mon: R.R.S. Stewart Tue, Fri: David Patterson

Wed, Thu: Ann Duchow 2nd Tues: Heather Williams

Sat: R.R.S. Stewart or DeLano Cain

Videography

Ann Duchow 1/10, 1/17 & 1/31

Susan McGovern 1/3 & 1/24

A Blessing of the Home

O God, you once used a star to show to all the world that Jesus is your Son. May the light of that star that once guided wise ones to honor his birth, now guide us to recognize him also, to know you by faith, and to see you in the epiphanies of the daily experiences of our lives. O God of Light, bless this house and those who call it home. May this be a place of peace and health. May we cultivate the gifts and graces you have bestowed, dedicating our talents and works for the good of all. Make this house a shelter in the storm and a haven of rest for all in need of your warmth and care. May we, in this house, and all who come to visit, to work, and to play, remember these things throughout the coming year. May all who come and go here find peace, comfort, joy, hope, love, and salvation, for Christ has come to dwell in this house and in these hearts.

May we be Christ's light in the world. Amen.



St. Luke's UMC
United Methodist Women
FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION



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



St. Luke's Leadership Meeting

**Sunday
January 24**

1-3 pm

Save the Date!

Food for the Soul Masks Needed

Food for the Soul continues to thrive. The grant for freezers has been approved. The old freezers have already been designated for new homes throughout contact with Kathy Hutton at the Food Bank. New freezers are in the process of getting acquired through the hard work and dedication of Mary Purdy and Dan Jacobsen.



We are also asking for those who are mass producing cloth masks if they could make masks for our Food for the Soul guests. Like many hygiene products, these can be as difficult to come by as food. Our guests need masks so we can allow them into our pantry during winter to collect food (and to warm up). If you have further questions about mask specifications, contact Mary Purdy.

Thinking of You Joy!

- **Thank you** to 17 St. Lukers who wrote Christmas greetings sent in December to 33 people beloved by St. Luke's.
- **Thank you** for the donations of lovely Christmas cards. Recipients each received at least 17 written greetings.
- **Thank you** to Paul Clark and Ora Uzel for beautiful photos of St. Luke's altar and chancel at Christmas. The photos included were provided by St. Luke's United Methodist Women.
- **Thank you** to Dick & Zo Landis for donations of their homemade jam.
- **Thank you** to the volunteers who delivered Thinking of You bags.

What a **JOY** to share love and happiness with our St. Luke's extended family, who continue to be in our thoughts and prayers in the new year!

Fabulous Friday Concert Series

Due to the ongoing health crisis and closure of St. Luke's church building, the Fabulous Friday Concert series will be taking a year off. We look forward to seeing you again in 2022.

Ann Duchow and David Patterson
Fabulous Friday co-chairs



St. Luke's will still accept donations for the Jesus Fund (for grocery assistance) and People In Need (for utilities assistance) if you would like to send a donation made out to St. Luke's with the fund you would like to donate to in the memo. These ministries provide vital assistance for many families throughout the year.

Thank you for your support!

Food Pantry Donation Ideas

Soup & crackers, ravioli, Spaghetti O's, chili, canned meats, ramen, PB&J, hot cocoa. Shampoo, laundry soap, liquid hand soap, facial tissue.

Items can be dropped off at the church.

Call ahead: 563-582-4543



In Memory of... & in Honor of...

Jesus Fund (grocery fund assistance to those in need)

From Gary & Kathy Reid in memory of Our Parents

From Barbara Liskey in memory of my parents, Samuel & Margaret Jane Griffin

From Robin O'Connor in memory of Courtland & Velma Hillyard

From Andrea Beacham and Larry Loeppke in honor of Paul & Carol Clark



Food for the Soul (St. Luke's free meal program)

From Sue & Al Hattel in memory of Samuel & Margaret Jane Griffin, parents of Barbara Liskey, grandparents of Marley Liskey

From Larry Loeppke and Andrea Beacham in honor of Mary Purdy



People In Need (utilities fund assistance to those in need)

From Gail & Alice Hoerner in memory of Joel Hoerner (Gail's son)

Prescott Elementary

(assistance to Prescott)

From Robin O'Connor in honor of the Ben O'Connor family and the Tim Hull family.



Red Basket Project

The Red Basket Project was created to provide those in need with access to free menstrual hygiene products at sites throughout the city. You can send a check to St. Luke's with a memo for "Red Basket."

In Memory of... & in Honor of...



Poinsettias (Poinsettias donated, front of church)

From Margie Breese in memory of John & Alyce Breese (parents) and in memory of Alan Breese (brother)

From Lori Boughton in loving memory of Roy & Betty Rieder (parents) and in loving memory of Brett Harrelson

From Keith & Peg Unangst in memory of Malachey Monahan

From Bob & Lanora Miller in memory of Daniel W. Miller (son)

From Rachel & James Guentherman in memory of Leah Vander Meulen (grandmother) and in memory of Janette Stanton (grandmother)

From Alan & Sue Hattel in memory and honor of Al's Family and in memory and honor Sue's Family.



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Children's & Youth Update

As the new year begins and we continue doing ministry in a pandemic, I plan to take a bit of a different turn with our youth plan for the first few months!

Right now, I am scheduling 1-on-1 Zoom calls with children and youth! I am working on connecting regularly with all of our students in a more personal way, so that students are having their spiritual needs met!

personalized
games 1-on-1
fun!

To connect with our youth in better ways, I'm opening these Zoom calls up to all topics and platforms! I have servers for games (Minecraft and Among Us, anyone?) and plenty of other ways to connect with students of all interests. I would love to enjoy some of your youth's favorite things along with them.

So with this, we will be taking a small break for a few weeks from regular Sunday evening meetings. If any youth or children would like to schedule a 1-on-1 call, please reach out to me and we can set up a time!

— Emmy Kubatzke
Director of Children's, Youth, and Media Ministries

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