



St. Luke's

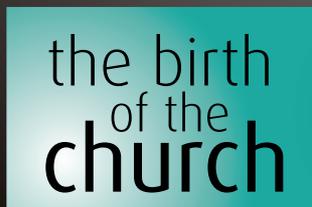
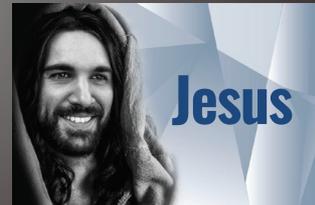
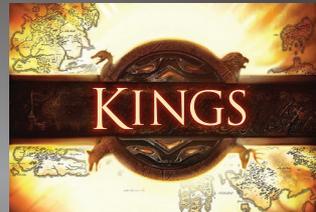
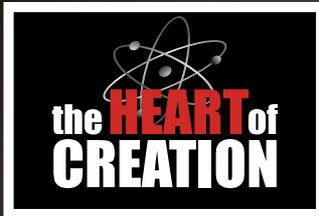
Ministry Catalog

FALL 2019

BINGEWORTHY

The Bible in 10 Episodes

Recommended for you



✓ MY LIST

Begins August 18



One Church. Two Sunday worship experiences.

St. Luke's is an open community of Christians helping people find and give hope through Jesus Christ. We offer multiple worship opportunities designed to meet you where you are in your journey with Christ.



TRADITIONAL | 8:15, 9:30 & 11AM | SANCTUARY
CONTEMPORARY | 9:30 & 11AM | CHAPEL

LGBTQ

St. Luke's is an open community of Christians – and if you are part of the LGBTQ Community, we want you to know that there is a place for you here! If you would like information on LGBTQ specific small groups or groups for parents of LGBTQ children, please contact Mindie Moore for information at moorem@stlukesumc.com.

Connect With Us

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Office Hours: 8:30AM – 5PM, Monday – Friday. Enter through Door 6 or 7 on week days. Our Prayer Chapel, located on the south side of Robertson Chapel, is available for silent prayer and meditation during office hours.

URGENT PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

In case of an emergency, call the church office at 317.846.3404. After office hours, please follow the prompts for connecting with a pastor.

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adult discipleship: GROW

We are an open community of Christians helping people find and give hope through Jesus Christ. We do that by encouraging everyone to do three things:

worship: Attend worship on Sunday morning.

grow: Join a group, find connection with others and grow in your relationship with God.

go: Join a serving team within the church or with one of our partners in the community.



HERE'S HOW TO JOIN A GROUP:

Browse this catalog to see what interests you.

Stop by the *Connect Here* booth outside of worship to help you identify your next step.

Email Susan Fuquay at fuquays@stlukesumc.com with any questions.

Attend *Starting Point* to hear about groups and ask questions – see back cover.



There are six different types of groups. Consider which is best for you:

- 1. Weekly Small Group:** 8-14 people meeting weekly all over our community. This fall join a 10-week group that will be discussing the sermon series, BINGEWORTHY.
- 2. Kitchen Table Group:** 8-10 parents with kids of similar ages meeting monthly for a meal and a short discussion. Our theme this year: Creating a Life of Purpose.
- 3. Long-term Bible Study Group:** 24-week Bible study with daily homework, breaking for holidays.
- 4. Sunday Morning Group:** These meet at either 9:30 or 11AM with a variety of Christian topics.
- 5. Weekday/night Short-Term Groups:** These meet on a variety of Christian topics throughout the week. Many on Wednesday evening.
- 6. Online Groups:** Our digital discipleship involves Facebook Live groups, sermon discussion groups and classes.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Q. Can I attend classes/groups if I'm not a member of St. Luke's?

A. Yes, yes, yes! Feel free to invite friends and neighbors, too.

Q. Do I need to register to attend?

A. If registration is needed it is noted by each class and can be done online (stlukesumc.com/group-finder) or in person at the *Connect Here* booth any Sunday morning. If you have questions, or to register by email, contact Dorothy Eads at eadsd@stlukesumc.com.

Q. When is child care available? Does it cost?

A. Child care is provided at no cost for all Sunday morning and Wednesday night groups/classes with no registration. For other classes/events pre-registration for child care is required.

Q. Where do I get materials for groups/classes?

A. All class materials are available in the *Connections* bookstore. The store is open Sundays from 9:30AM – 12:30PM, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30AM – 12:30PM. Contact Dorothy Eads at eadsd@stlukesumc.com with any questions. Our bookstore is run by volunteers and 100% of profits support St. Luke's Outreach efforts. Class scholarships are available.

SMALL GROUPS



Small groups are intentional places to make new friends who will support you, challenge you and serve alongside you as you grow in faith. There is a place for YOU in a St. Luke's small group!

What's involved?

- Groups launch the week of August 18
- You commit to meet 10 times in the fall (it's ok to miss 1-2). Groups take a break at the end of October and re-launch in January. Between sessions, there will be chances to serve and connect socially.
- You'll discuss the weekly sermons as your initial curriculum.
- Groups are encouraged to serve through our Servolution initiative (see page 49 for more info).
- Each group finds a way to serve twice a year.

How do groups work?

- **HOSTS:** All groups have a host(s) who facilitate discussion.
- **LOCATION:** Groups meet in homes, at St. Luke's, in restaurants, workplaces and online.
- **SIZE:** Groups average 10 – 14 people.
- **DEMOGRAPHICS:** Some are age and stage specific, though most are open to anyone!
- **CHILD CARE:** St. Luke's helps reimburse the cost of child care for groups meeting in homes. Child care is provided at select times for groups meeting at St. Luke's.
- **CURRICULUM:** Take your Sunday morning experience to the next level through sermon discussion or choose from our list of group studies.

How do I sign up?

Visit stlukesumc.com for details, stop by the *Connect Here* booths on Sunday to tell us you're interested, or contact Dorothy Eads at eadsd@stlukesumc.com or 317-846-3404 x332.



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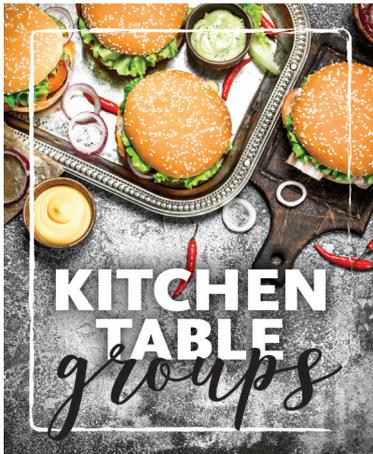


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KITCHEN TABLE GROUPS



Kitchen Table Groups are small groups specifically designed with busy parents in mind. These groups meet once a month in homes or at church while sharing a meal and conversation about topics that shape life and faith. We know that parenting is one of the busiest seasons of life, and we also know how important meaningful friendships are in the middle of the whirlwind.

How do Kitchen Table Groups work?

- **HOSTS:** All groups have a host(s) who helps organize the group and facilitate conversation
- **SIZE:** Groups range in size, but average 8 people.
- **DEMOGRAPHICS:** These groups are made up of parents with kids in a similar age range (1st - 2nd grade, high school and college, etc.). If your kids span different ages, simply pick a group you'd like to join.
- **CHILD CARE:** St. Luke's helps to reimburse the cost of child care during your group. Our hope is that these groups would foster friendships for both adults AND kids!

How do I get involved in a Kitchen Table Group?

Kitchen Table Groups begin in September and run through May. Stop by the Adult Discipleship Fair on August 18 between services to learn more and meet current Kitchen Table Group Hosts!

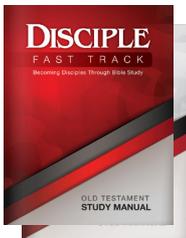
- **SAY HELLO:** After August 18, stop by our *Connect Here* booths any Sunday. We can answer your questions and get you registered.
- **SIGN UP ON YOUR OWN:** Visit stlukesumc.com to check out the content and sign up online.
- **REACH OUT:** Need a little bit more information before jumping in? Just let us know!

Contact Mindie Moore, Director of Adult Discipleship, moorem@stlukesumc.com or 317-846-3404 x 390.

LONG-TERM BIBLE STUDY GROUPS



Over 600 St. Lukers have participated in Disciple Bible Study. This is a powerful way to learn what the Bible says from Genesis to Revelation and how it applies to your life every day. You do not need any previous Bible knowledge. But you do need to commit to strong attendance and homework. It is not a lecture class. It relies heavily on your commitment to reading (2-3 hours/weekly) before you come to class. If you want to understand the Bible and let God transform your life, take Disciple 1 Fast Track. The Old Testament is in the fall, finishing before Thanksgiving, the New Testament is in the winter.



Disciple I – Fast Track

Becoming Disciples through Bible Study: A life-transforming one hour and fifteen-minute class that offers an overview of the Old Testament in the fall and then the New Testament in the winter/spring. A strong commitment to 20-30 minutes of daily reading is needed. Study manuals and a study Bible are needed and available in *Connections* bookstore. Register at stlukesumc.com.

Disciple I Orientation Meeting: Aug 25 or Sept 1 • 10:45 – 11:15AM or 12 – 12:30PM • C115

Sundays, Sept. 8 – Nov. 24 • 10:45AM – 12PM • E213 (Lou McElwain)

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20 • 6:15 – 7:30PM • N101/102 (Susan Fuquay)

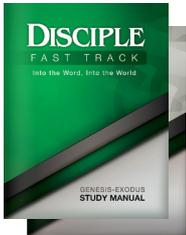
Thursdays, Sept. 5 – Nov. 21 • 10 – 11:30AM • C115 (Scott and Linda Arant)

Disciple I – Fast Track New Testament Only

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20 • 6:15 – 7:30PM • C110 (Monika Nyby)

Becoming Disciples through Bible Study: A life-transforming 12-week, one hour and fifteen-minute class that offers an overview of the New Testament. A strong commitment to 20-30 minutes of daily reading is needed. No previous Bible knowledge is necessary. A study manual and study Bible are needed and available in *Connections* bookstore. Register at stlukesumc.com. Disciple I prerequisite: Old Testament. (Must have 10 participants to hold class.)

LONG-TERM DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY



Disciple II – Fast Track

Into the Word Into the World – This class covers Genesis, Exodus, Luke and Acts. Connections between the Old/New Testaments are emphasized. A study manual and study Bible are needed and available in *Connections* bookstore. Register at stlukesumc.com. Prerequisite: Disciple I.

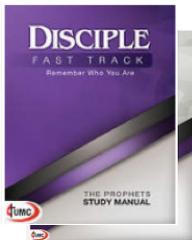
Sundays, Sept. 8 – Nov. 24 • 9:30 – 10:45AM
E212 (Ty King)

Tuesdays, Sept. 3 – Nov. 19 • 1:15 – 2:45PM
N103/104 (Tom Maksym)

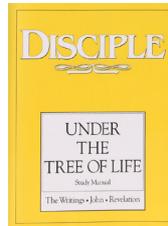
Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20 • 6:15 – 7:30PM
C125 (Jon and Gwen Dossett)

Disciple III – Fast Track

Remember Who You Are – This class covers the prophets and the letters of Paul. A study manual and study Bible are needed and available in *Connections* bookstore. Register at stlukesumc.com. Prerequisite: Disciple I.



Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20
6:15–7:30PM • C122 (Bill Meyers,
Kaylee Vida and Dave Rogers)



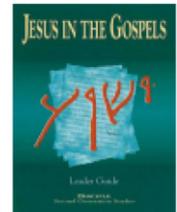
Disciple IV

Under the Tree of Life – This class covers the writings in the New Testament scripture including John, I, II, III John, James, Jude and Revelation. A study manual and study Bible are needed and available in *Connections* bookstore. Register at stlukesumc.com. Prerequisite: Disciple I.

Wednesdays, Aug. 21 – April 29 • 12 – 1:15PM
N101/102 (Heidi Schopmeyer) 32
weeks

Jesus in the Gospels

The overarching aim is to deepen discipleship through better understanding of the Biblical texts and their message. The study helps group members understand that Jesus is rooted in Judaism and the Scriptures of Judaism and that Christianity and the New Testament are rooted in the Scriptures of Judaism – our Old Testament. Register at stlukesumc.com.



Participants need both the study manual and Gospel comparison books. Books in *Connections* bookstore.

Sundays, Sept. 8 – May 17 • 9:30 – 10:45AM • E213
(Monika Nyby/Greg Hale)

Thursdays, Sept. 5 – May 28 • 10 – 11:30AM C123
(Rosemary Adams)

SUNDAY MORNING GROUPS**9:30AM ADULT CLASSES**

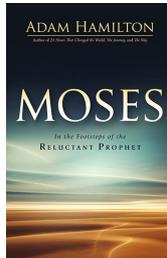
All Sunday morning classes meet weekly and are open to new people at any time.
 More information can be found at stlukesumc.com or the Connect Here booth.

LIFELONG LEARNERS CLASS • N101/102 (Susan Baughman & Brad Davidson)

Class of 50 – 60 year olds, some with children, some empty nesters, couples & singles.

Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet

by Adam Hamilton

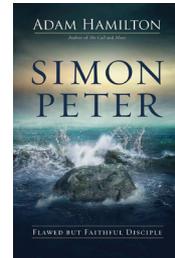


Sept. 8 – Oct. 13

Retrace the life of Moses - from his rescue as a baby to the courts of Pharaoh, his exodus out of Egypt to his gazing on the Promised Land. Combining historical insights, archaeological data and the Biblical text, Hamilton explores how this reluctant prophet grew in his relationship with God and how you can overcome your own hesitancy to act boldly for the Lord. This is a DVD-led study. Book in *Connections* bookstore.

Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple

by Adam Hamilton



Oct. 20 – Nov. 24

We're all searching. Sometimes our questions are complicated, and the answers are difficult. How do we discover and examine the truths that give meaning and purpose to life? Powerful answers are contained in the Apostles' Creed, an early statement of foundational Christian beliefs.

Jesus in the Gospels

Sundays, Sept. 8 – May 19 • 9:30– 10:45AM • E213
 (Monika Nyby/Greg Hale)

See page 8 for full description. Register online. Book available in *Connections* bookstore.

Disciple II – Fast Track

Sundays, Sept. 8 – Nov. 24 • 9:30 – 10:45AM • E212
 (Ty King)

See page 8 for full description. Register online. Book available in *Connections* bookstore.



ON BEING: Communal Ponderings

Meets all year • N103/104 (Betty Brandt)

Conversation based around the weekly American Public Radio show and podcast “On Being,” hosted by Krista Tippet. This exploration of faith, humanity and ideas can be heard locally on 90.1 FM at 9PM on Thursdays or 7AM on Sundays or at onbeing.org.

10:45AM ADULT CLASSES

Disciple I – Fast Track

Sundays, Sept. 8 – Nov. 24 • 10:45AM – 12PM • E213
(Lou McElwain)

See page 7 for full description. Register online. Book available in *Connections* bookstore.

OPEN CIRCLE • N101/102 (Craig Overmyer/ Gary Chambers) Mixed ages & stages



Sermon Discussion

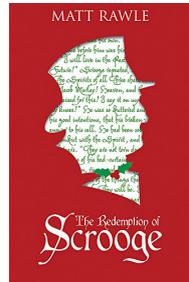
Aug 18 – Oct 20

This fall plan to follow the 10-week sermon series, BINGEWORTHY, in this class. Each week as we walk through the Bible, join in discussion led by Craig Overmyer and Gary Chambers. Attend 9:30 worship and then join this group for discussion. No additional homework. Open to all.

Scrooge

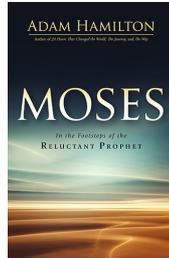
Dec. 1 – Dec. 22

Is redemption possible for Ebenezer Scrooge? Pastor and author Matt Rawle believes so as he discovers the teachings of Jesus in the words of the Charles Dickens classic *A Christmas Carol*. Rawle dives deep into the dark, sad, greedy world of Scrooge and discovers a man in dire need of a second chance. Along with Scrooge, we meet the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future and in the process learn about living with and for others in a world blessed by Jesus. Rediscover and reinvigorate your Christian faith this Advent and Christmas season and look at this familiar classic through the lens of faith. Book in *Connections* bookstore.

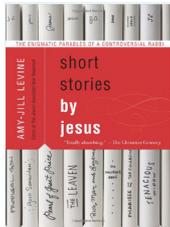
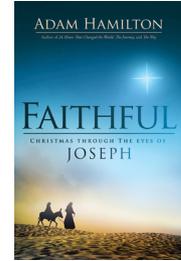


SUNDAY**11AM ADULT CLASSES****ENCORE • Parlor (Teacher: Scott Arant, Class Leader: Patti Davis)***This is a class of older adults who enjoy learning and fellowship. All are welcome.***Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet***by Adam Hamilton***Sept. 8 – Oct. 13**

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**Faithful - Joseph**
*by Adam Hamilton***Dec. 1 - 22**

From his beginnings as a humble carpenter to his all-important role as the earthly father of Jesus Christ, Joseph's place in the nativity story is sometimes overlooked but contains valuable lessons for all of us. Join Adam Hamilton as he examines Christmas through the eyes of Joseph. Absent from much of the biblical narrative, Joseph never spoke a word, but his courageous actions were crucial to the birth of Christ and God's salvation plan for humanity. Book in *Connections* bookstore.

**Short Stories by Jesus***by Amy Jill Levine***Oct. 20 – Nov. 24**

Jesus was a skilled storyteller and perceptive teacher who used parables from everyday life to effectively convey his message and meaning. Life in first-century Palestine was very different from our world today, and many traditional interpretations of Jesus' stories ignore this disparity and have often allowed anti-Semitism and misogyny to color their perspectives. Book in *Connections* bookstore.

NEW PERSPECTIVES**Sundays, 11AM-12PM • N103/104 (Betty Brandt)**

Expect programs based on the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church focusing on human issues. Follow-up by attending the Contemplative Outreach Saturday morning opportunities.

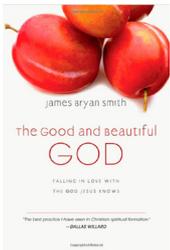
Special Programming – History of Beliefs About Life and Death*Presented by Don Knebel***August 18** – *Darkness and Light: A History of Satan***September 15** – *Sheep and Goats: A History of Eternal Judgment***October 20** – *Fire and Brimstone: A History of Hell***November 17** – *Body and Soul: A History of Heaven*

WEEKDAY/NIGHT SHORT TERM GROUPS

God Talk

Mondays, Sept. 9 – Dec. 16 • 10:15 – 11:30AM
C125 (Sandy Harlan)

Theological conversations connecting the Bible and Christianity with 21st century culture. Participants discuss insights found in writings of contemporary authors with a progressive slant. For anyone searching for a deeper understanding of how faith relates to everyday life. A variety of resources and materials will be used as determined by the class. Email Sandy Harlan at revsandy@sbcglobal.net with questions.



The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love With the God Jesus Knows

Tuesdays, Sept. 3 – Oct. 29 • 12 – 1:15 PM • N103/104 (Tom Maksym)

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 – Nov. 5 • 6:30 – 7:30 PM • C125 (Susan Fuquay)

“God wants me to try harder.” “God blesses me when I’m good and punishes me when I’m bad.” We all have ideas that we tell ourselves about God and how he works in our lives. Some are true, but many are false. James Bryan Smith believes those thoughts determine not only who we are, but how we live. In fact, Smith declares the most important thing about a person is what they think about God. Book in *Connections* bookstore. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com.

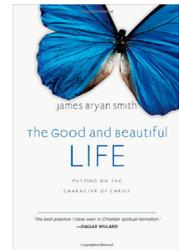
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N103/104 (Tom Maksym)

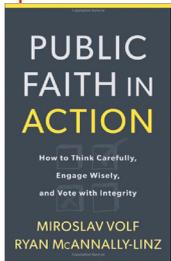
See page 8 for full description. Register online. Book available in *Connections* bookstore.

The Good and Beautiful Life: Putting on the Character of Christ

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20
12 – 1PM • SLC (Susan Fuquay)



“I have never met a person whose goal it was to ruin his or her life. We all want to be happy and we want it all the time.” So begins James Bryan Smith in *The Good and Beautiful Life*. The problem is, he tells us, we have bought into false notions of happiness and success. These self-centered decisions lead us further into the vices that cause ruin: anger, lust, lying, worry and judging. Eventually we find ourselves living a beautifully packaged life of self-destruction. Book in *Connections* bookstore. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com.

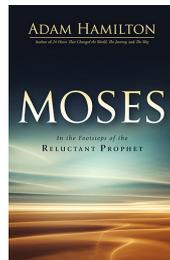
W E D N E S D A Y**CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS** • 9:30 – 11AM • Sept. 4 – Dec. 11 • C124 (Jim Keating)*Mostly retired women & men (contact Jim Keating at jkeating@butler.edu for details)***Public Faith in Action**

Christian citizens have a responsibility to make political and ethical judgments in light of their faith and to participate in the public lives of their communities, from their local neighborhoods to the national scene. But it can be difficult to discern who to vote for, which policies to support and

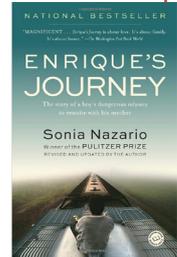
how to respond to the social and cultural trends of our time.

Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet*by Adam Hamilton*

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**Enrique's Journey**

Enrique's Journey recounts the unforgettable quest of a Honduran boy looking for his mother, eleven years after she is forced to leave her starving family to find work in the United States. Braving unimaginable peril, often clinging to the sides and tops of freight trains, Enrique travels through hostile worlds full of thugs, bandits and corrupt cops. But he pushes forward, relying on his wit, courage, hope and the kindness of strangers. As Isabel Allende writes: "This is a twenty-first-century *Odyssey*. If you are going to read only one nonfiction book this year, it has to be this one."

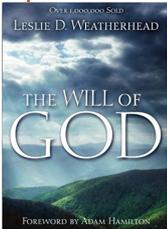


PASTOR'S BOOK STUDY • 10 – 11:30AM • Parlor • no registration required (Sally Pearson)

Mostly retired women & men

The Will of God
by **Leslie D. Weatherhead**

Sept. 4 – Oct. 9 (Rev. Rob Fuquay)



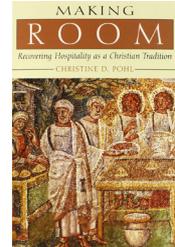
During the tumultuous era of World War II, the city of London shattered under unrelenting bombs dropped by

Nazi Germany. Millions of buildings were destroyed or damaged, tens of thousands of civilians were killed and survivors were left to ask: How can this destruction be part of God's plan? What is God's will in all of this? After City Temple in London was reduced to rubble, Rev. Leslie Weatherhead crafted five sermons on understanding the will of God to help his congregation endure religious doubt as their city – and church – crumbled around them. Weatherhead's sermons were eventually published as *The Will of God*, a resource that has sold more than a million copies and has been a lifeline for grieving persons seeking to understand God's purpose for their pain. Book in *Connections* bookstore.

Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition

by **Christine D. Pohl**

Oct. 16 – Nov. 20
(Rev. Jevon Caldwell-Gross)



Although hospitality was central to Christian identity and practice in earlier centuries, our generation knows little about its life-giving character. *Making Room* revisits the Christian foundations of welcoming strangers and explores the necessity, difficulty and blessing of hospitality today.

Combining rich Biblical and historical research with extensive exposure to contemporary Christian communities – the Catholic Worker, L'Abri, L'Arche and others – this book shows how understanding the key features of hospitality can better equip us to faithfully carry out the practical call of the gospel. Book in *Connections* bookstore.

Awaiting the Already
by **Magrey R. deVega**

Dec. 4, 11 & 18 (Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross)



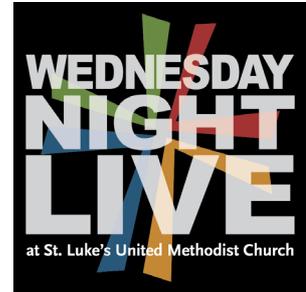
Why do we spend four weeks of Advent pretending that Jesus has not been born when we know full well that he has? *Awaiting the Already* is a study that addresses that question. During this study, you'll discover what parts of the Christmas story come from which Gospel and uncover the tension between the past and the future in your own life. Book in *Connections* bookstore.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

6:15–7:30 PM

WNL continues this fall, and there's lots of activity in the building on Wednesday Nights! Join us for a buffet dinner in the Great Hall from 5:15PM – 6:15PM. Everyone is invited! No reservation is needed. \$5 for dinner (\$20 max per family) and then head to an adult group, ENL, Bridges Out of Poverty or children's programming. Registration is suggested for all adult groups.



CLASSES THAT BEGIN ON AUGUST 21

YOWO (YOga – WORship) *BINGEWORTHY* sermon discussion group

Aug. 21 – Oct. 23 • 6:15 - 7:30PM • Modge (Karla Becker)

Bring your yoga mat! 20 minutes of sermon discussion; 40 minutes of yoga; 15 minutes of prayerful movement; quieting the spirit and fueling the soul while connecting with Jesus through movement, music and prayer. Led by Karla Becker, St. Luke's member and certified Yoga instructor. Register online at stlukesumc.com.



SENIOR SINGLES GROUP

Wednesdays • 5:15PM • Great Hall • \$5 (Sandy Harlan)

Tired of eating alone? Still have extra years of zest? Come join other “self-identified” singles for dinner and great food at a great price! After dinner stay for conversation, join one of our Wednesday night classes or do your own thing. For more information, contact Sandy Harlan at revsandy@sbcglobal.net.

CLASSES THAT BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4



The Five Best TED Talks on Love, Relationships and Marriage

Sept. 4 – Oct. 2 • 6:15 – 7:30PM • C123 (Rev. Jevon Caldwell-Gross & Rev Nicole Caldwell-Gross)



Join Pastors Jevon and Nicole as they walk through

these viral TED Talks and learn together how to strengthen our relationships and marriages.

- 1 The Power of Vulnerability – Brene Brown
- 2 A Better Way To Talk About Love – Mandy Len Catron
- 3 This Is What Enduring Love Looks Like – Alec Soth & Stacey Baker
- 4 Rethinking Infidelity... A Talk For Anyone Who Has Ever Loved – Esther Perel
- 5 Love – You’re Doing It Wrong – Yann Dall’Aglio

Disciple I – Fast Track

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20
6:15 – 7:30PM • N101/102 (Susan Fuquay)

See page 7 for full description. Register online. Book available in Connections bookstore.

Disciple I – Fast Track
New Testament Only

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20
6:15 – 7:30PM • C110 (Monika Nyby)

See page 7 for full description. Register online. Book available in Connections bookstore.

Disciple III – Fast Track

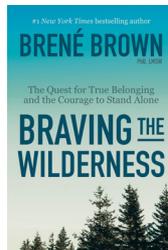
Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Nov. 20
6:15–7:30PM • C122 (Bill Meyer, Kaylee Vida & Dave Rogers)

See page 8 for full description. Register online. Book available in Connections bookstore.

Authentic Manhood:
A Man And His Design
By Men’s Fraternity

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Oct. 9
6:15 – 7:30PM • C124 (Brad Meador)

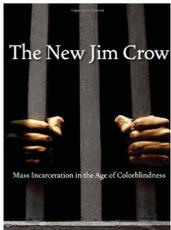
This first volume of 33 starts with meaningful insights into the current state of manhood, which will help men navigate through some realities that have created cultural confusion. It follows by unfolding God’s mandates for all men and offering a clear definition of authentic manhood that will help men on their journey. Each participant will learn the four “faces” of manhood and how to anticipate and transition through the specific seasons of life. Register at stlukesumc.com. No book needed.



Braving the Wilderness (for young adults)
By Brene Brown

Sept. 4 – Oct. 9 • 6:15 - 7:30PM • E212 (Abbie Wineland, Young Adult)

In *Braving the Wilderness*, Brown redefines what it means to truly belong in an age of increased polarization. With her trademark mix of research, storytelling and honesty, Brown will again change the cultural conversation while mapping a clear path to true belonging. Book in Connections bookstore.

CLASSES THAT BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16**The New Jim Crow**
*By Michelle Alexander***Wednesdays, Oct. 16 – Nov. 27 • 6:15 – 7:30PM • Parlor (Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross)**

Once in a great while a book comes along that changes the way we see the world and helps to fuel a nationwide social movement. This book directly challenges the notion that the election of Barack Obama signals a new era of colorblindness. With dazzling candor, legal scholar Michelle Alexander argues that “we have not ended racial caste in America; we have merely redesigned it.” Book in *Connections* bookstore. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com.

**Authentic Manhood: A Man and His Work**
*By Men's Fraternity***Wednesdays, Oct. 16 – Nov. 20**
6:15 – 7:30PM • C124 (Greg Hale)

God created man to work, and His Word instructs men on how to engage and enjoy work. *A Man and His Work* is a six-session Bible study that provides insight into some of the ways men can find both their best fit and fulfillment in work. The study acknowledges the tensions and obstacles that men face in their work-lives and helps them move beyond frustrations and dead ends. No book needed.

Born Catholic, Now Methodist; Am I Going to Hell?**Wednesdays, Oct. 16 – Nov. 20 • 6:15 – 7:30PM**
N103/104 (Tom Maksym)

Discover differences between Catholics & Protestants: sin, guilt, purgatory, hell, finding peace with my beliefs. Led by Tom Maksym, a 50 year Catholic and 15 year Methodist, former teacher and educational publishing executive. Materials provided in class. Come with questions. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com.

THURSDAY

Disciple I – Fast Track

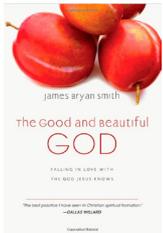
Thursdays • Sept. 5 – Nov. 21 • 10 – 11:30AM • C115 (Scott and Linda Arant)

See page 7 for full description. Register online. Books available in *Connections* bookstore.

Jesus in the Gospels

**Thursdays, Sept. 5 – May 28
10 – 11:30AM C123 (Rosemary Adams)**

See page 8 for full description. Register online. Book available in *Connections* bookstore.



The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love With the God Jesus Knows

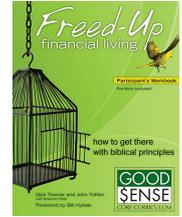
**Thursdays • Sept. 12 – Nov. 7 • 12-1PM
N101/102 • (Susan Fuquay)**

“God wants me to try harder.” “God blesses me when I’m good and punishes me when I’m bad.” We all have ideas that we tell ourselves about God and how he works in our lives. Some are true, but many are false. James Bryan Smith believes those thoughts determine not only who we are, but how we live. In fact, Smith declares, the most important thing about a person is what they think about God. Book in *Connections* bookstore. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com.

Freed Up Financial Living class for Young Adults

**Thursdays, Oct. 17 – Nov. 21 • 6:15 - 7:30PM
E212 (Heather Hitchcock)**

How do we have a different relationship with money and “stuff” while working to have a long-term, secure financial footing? Over 6 weeks, explore what the Bible and our culture say about the five financial areas of life (earning, giving, saving, debt and spending) as you build a plan for yourselves. Purchase book in class.

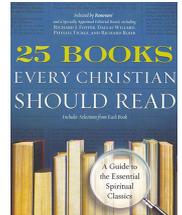


ADDITIONAL CLASSES

25 Books Every Christian Should Read

Meets approximately every six weeks, Wednesday mornings at church. Contact Elisa Jenkins, ejenkins@ballstate.edu for more info.

Tuesdays or Thursdays • 6 – 8:30PM • Meets in homes (Steve Krusie, Sara Cobb). Contact Steve Krusie at steve.krusie@gmail.com for more info.



Well-known Christian contemplatives have compiled a list of 25 influential, classic, pivotal books for Christian discipleship. Points addressed for each book include: overview, why it is a classic, a study guide and more. At each meeting, the class discusses a different book. The group has already read many classics including *The Interior Castle* (St. Teresa of Avila), *Dark Night of the Soul* (St. John of the Cross), *Pensées* (Blaise Pascal), *The Pilgrim’s Progress* (John Bunyan) and *The Brothers Karamazov* (Fyodor Dostoevsky).

This September we will begin with Mary Oliver’s poems, *Discipleship* (Dietrich Bonhoeffer), and *A Testament of Devotion* (Thomas Kelly). Please join us at any point and come for whichever books are of interest to you. Text book in *Connections* bookstore.

SERMON DISCUSSION GROUPS

Join Marquette or The Forum residents in discussing St. Luke's Sunday sermons. No registration required.

MARQUETTE MANOR

*1st & 3rd Fridays • 1PM • Marquette Manor, 8140
Township Line Rd. (lower level Activity Room)*

Questions? Contact class leader, Barbara Furlow,
at barbara.furlow@mac.com.

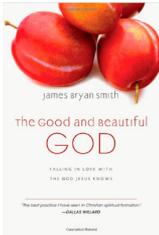
THE FORUM AT THE CROSSING STUDY GROUP

*Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30AM • The Forum, 8505
Woodfield Crossing Blvd. (Charlie Boswell)*

Questions? Contact Charlie Boswell at 317.663.8118.



ONLINE CLASSES & GROUPS



The Good and Beautiful God: Women's group

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 – Nov. 5 • 8:30 – 9:30 PM • Online zoom (Susan Fuquay)

“God wants me to try harder.” “God blesses me when I’m good and

punishes me when I’m bad.” We all have ideas that we tell ourselves about God and how he works in our lives. Some are true, but many are false. James Bryan Smith believes those thoughts determine not only who we are, but how we live. In fact, Smith declares, the most important thing about a person is what they think about God. Book in *Connections* bookstore. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com. Once registered you will be contacted with specifics of how to participate online (Phone, iPad or computer will work).

The Bible, Human Sexuality and the United Methodist Church

Wednesdays, Sept 18 – Oct. 23 • 8:30PM • Online zoom (Ty King)

This is a study developed by Rev. Rob Fuquay and the St. Luke’s congregation for an online format. Limit 12 people.

Register at stlukesumc.com. Once registered you will be contacted with specifics of how to participate online (Phone, iPad or computer will work).

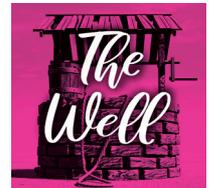
Bingeworthy

**Wednesdays, Aug. 21 – Oct. 16 • 11PM (Eastern Time)
Online zoom Kathy Armington**

This fall, plan to follow the 10-week sermon series, *Bingeworthy*. Each week as we walk through the Bible, join in discussion led by Kathy Armington. Registration suggested at stlukesumc.com. Once registered you will be contacted with specifics of how to participate online (Phone, iPad or computer will work).

The Well

Thursdays, 9PM • Online (Facebook Live) Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross



Women need a place to connect with other women and re-connect with God. We need THE WELL: a weekly virtual gathering for women of all ages to laugh, learn and grow in God together. And the best part? You can join us in your jammies from your living room! “WellWomen” stay connected all week long with weekly “well work” that deepens our connection to God and each other. Ladies, as you’re pouring yourself out in so many different ways, to so many different people – fill up your soul and meet us at THE WELL.

To join this group on Facebook visit facebook.com/groups/423948738428393/

ONLINE CLASSES

BEADISCIPLE.COM

We are pleased to partner with BeADisciple.com, providing quality online Christian education on topics such as church leadership, theology, worship and United Methodism. Courses typically last two or three weeks, and costs range from \$25 to \$100; You will find yourself “in class” (virtually) with individuals from across the country. More information at BeADisciple.com or contact Susan Fuquay, at fuquays@stlukesumc.com.

WOMEN’S RETREAT

The Good and Beautiful
GOD



women's RETREAT:
“falling in love with
the GOD Jesus knows”

Friday, Nov. 15, 5PM – Sunday, Nov. 17, 11:30AM | Wasatch Lake Retreat center, Poland, Indiana

Susan Fuquay & Dr. Robin Chaddock will lead us. Chaddock is an author, teacher, retreat leader and avid craftswoman. She’s been leading workshops for nearly 30 years with an emphasis on spiritual growth, personal exploration and understanding, and incorporating journaling and crafting into self-discovery. She is married to Dr. David Chaddock and has two grown children.

Join us for a beautiful weekend with women before moving into the holidays!

- healthy meals, coffee bar
- rest and spiritual rejuvenation
- chair massage
- optional workshops: praying in color, praying the hours, vision boards, journaling, outdoor walks and more
- YOWO... (yoga worship)
- Life-changing worship
- laughter, fun and new friends
- limit 60 women
- \$160, scholarship assistance available: Susan Fuquay at fuquays@stlukesumc.com for more information.

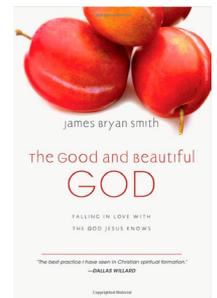
Participants need to take the class or read the book *The Good and Beautiful God* to prepare.

The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love With the God Jesus Knows

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 – Nov. 5 • 6:30 – 7:30 PM • E213

Tuesdays, Sept. 10 – Nov. 5 • 8:30 – 9:30 PM • Online

Thursdays, Sept. 12 – Nov. 7 • 12-1PM • N101/102
(all classes led by Susan Fuquay)



Register today for the retreat at stlukesumc.com.

FELLOWSHIP



VOLLEYBALL

***Mondays, September – May • 6:30 – 8PM
Great Hall (Brent Scott)***

All age levels are welcome. Drop in any time! Contact Brent Scott with questions at brentsc010@att.net.

PICKLE BALL

***Tuesdays & Thursdays, Aug. 6 – Dec. 17
7 – 8:30PM • Great Hall***

Pickle Ball is a paddle sport (similar to tennis and badminton) played as singles or doubles. We'll set-up two courts and invite you to come and try a new sport! Drop in. Contact Dewayne Burkhart with questions at dewayneandmoe@gmail.com.

PEDAL WITH THE PASTOR

(Road cycling group)

Road rides with others from St. Luke's and Rev. Eric B-K, in August, September and October. Contact Dave Duba at Dave@daveduba.com to be added to the list for exact dates and to be added to the Facebook Group.

Our Fellowship Groups are a great way to connect with others over shared interests. Meet new friends, play a favorite sport, or try something new this fall!

TOASTMASTERS

2nd & 4th Tuesdays • 7 – 8:30PM • N101/102

Find your voice! Are you looking to improve your public speaking skills in a supportive environment? At Toastmasters we provide a positive learning experience where members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth. Visit our website for more details at 5187.toastmastersclubs.org. Visit at no cost, but membership fees apply when you join.

TIRED OF EATING ALONE?

Weds; beginning Sept. 4 • 5:15PM • Great Hall • \$5

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ELDERBERRIES (Seniors)

Elderberries enjoy fellowship on the first Thursday of every month with a pitch-in dinner. We also plan lunches, movies, music programs, euchre, Civic Theater, Beef & Board performances, and Dance Kaleidoscope. Elderberries volunteer in the church at the Christmas Bazaar, rummage sale, and by providing supplies for Fair Haven. For more information, call Adra Wheeler at 317-253-4914.

CONNECTIONS

BOOKS & GIFTS

Located near the *Welcome Center* at door #1, **Connections** is your source for books and materials needed for St. Luke's classes and small groups. Its also a place to find unique gifts that show you care, including greeting cards, books, journals, baby gifts, jewelry, fashion accessories, decorative items and seasonal décor.

Connections is run by a team of volunteers and 100% of the profits help fund the missions of St Luke's. A gift bought at **Connections** keeps on giving.



HOURS OF OPERATION:

Sunday 9AM – 12:30PM
Tuesday 9:30AM – 12:30PM
Wednesday 9:30AM – 12:30PM
Open for some special events

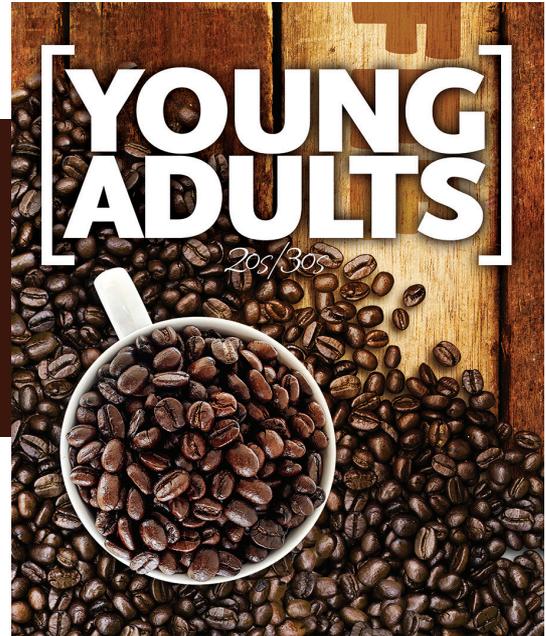
Whether you're fresh out of college, working 9-5, married with 2.5 kids, or somewhere in-between, our 20s/30s ministry has a place for you. Start with coffee, join a group and make a difference!

YOUNG ADULT COFFEE GATHERING

Join us for coffee on Sundays following the 9:30 or 11AM service, outside of Robertson Chapel. This is a great way to meet new friends, connect with familiar faces and find out what's happening in Young Adult Ministry!



Mindie Moore
Director of Adult Discipleship
moorem@stlukesumc.com



FACEBOOK PAGE

If you're on Facebook, be sure to check out our St. Luke's UMC Young Adult Ministries page! You'll be able to connect with others in the group as well as stay up-to-date on the latest events.



MONTHLY GAME NIGHT

Sundays, kicks off August 11 • 6:30PM – 8:30PM
Locations and exact dates vary

Grab your favorite board or card game and snack to share and join us for fun. Whether you like to compare *Apples to Apples* or you're a veteran *Settler of Catan* (or just want to hang out), Game Night is the place for you! Contact Angela Agresti (aagresti@live.com) or visit our Facebook page for specifics.



NEW SMALL GROUP! ALREADY ENOUGH?

September – November

Do you ever feel like everyone else has it all figured out... and you don't? Join us for a new type of Small Group this fall, JUST for 20s/30s, where we explore how to move beyond the false beliefs we all carry to the truth about our identity as people of God. Sign up at stlukesumc.com.

FRIENDSGIVING

November 15 • 6:30 – 8PM • The Lodge

Join us for our annual pitch in dinner! We provide the meat, you bring your favorite Thanksgiving side or dessert to share. Register online and contact Rob Kapaku (robert.kapaku@gmail.com) for more info. Optional *Big Lug* after party!



CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 13 • 6:30 – 8:30PM • Mindie Moore's House

Take a break from the busy holiday season to spend some time with friends! Compete in our ugly Christmas sweater contest and find the funniest pair of socks you can for our first ever Funny Sock Exchange. Register online and email Mindie (moorem@stlukesumc.com) for more info.

St. Luke's men

JAVA JOE'S

Stop by Java Joe's, across from the Chapel, on Sunday mornings for a cup of coffee. Get a copy of *Stand Firm*, a 2-minute daily devotional that we encourage for all men, and find out what's coming next for men at St. Luke's. Guys there can answer your questions and point you to a next step in growing and using your gifts.

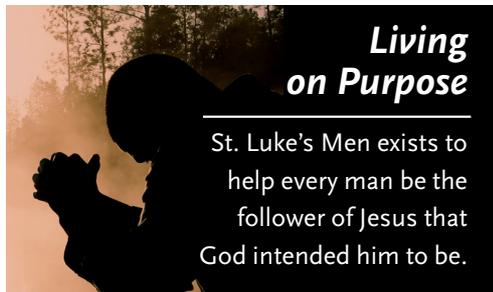
FIRST SATURDAY MEN'S BREAKFAST

8 – 9:30AM • Parlor

Join a gathering of leaders for food and conversation. Learn how to serve and connect with men whose leadership is guiding St. Luke's. No registration needed. Contact Mike Elkin at melkin36@att.net with questions.

SMALL GROUPS

There are a several men's groups that meet weekly to build authentic friendships. See a list at Java Joe's or stop by a *Connect Here* booth on Sunday.



AUTHENTIC MANHOOD: A MAN AND HIS DESIGN



By Men's Fraternity

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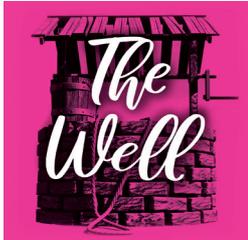


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St. Luke's women



**Thursdays • 9PM • Online
(Facebook Live)
(Rev. Nicole Caldwell-Gross)**

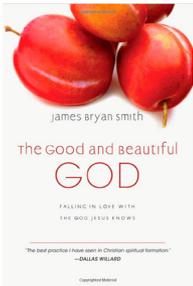
You know one thing we've figured out? We as women do some of EVERYTHING:

leading, working, serving, cooking, cleaning, parenting, adulting, managing, planning, praying, teaching and building, just to name a few! And doing EVERYTHING often leaves us empty, exhausted and alone. We need a place where we can connect with other women and re-connect with God. We need THE

At St. Luke's we believe that faith-filled women make a difference. That's why we cultivate groups, dynamic retreats and classes that speak to the hearts of women and grow their faith as daughters of God.

WELL: a weekly virtual gathering place for women of all ages to laugh, learn and grow in God-together. And the best part? You can join us in your jammies from your living room! "Well Women" stay connected all week long with weekly "well work" that deepens our connection to God and each other. Ladies, as you're pouring yourself out in so many different ways, to so many different people, fill your soul up and meet us at THE WELL. For more information contact Pastor Nicole at caldwellgrossn@stlukesumc.com.

To join this group, visit Facebook and search for "The Well"



THE GOOD AND BEAUTIFUL GOD: FALLING IN LOVE WITH THE GOD JESUS KNOWS

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women's RETREAT: falling in love with the GOD JESUS KNOWS

Friday, Nov. 15, 5PM – Sunday, Nov. 17, | See page 21 for details

united methodist women

UMW FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Sept. 25 –27 • 8AM – 8PM • Sorting and Social

Sept. 27 • 8AM – 12PM • Sorting and Social

Sept. 27 • 6 – 8PM • Member's Sale

Sept. 28 • 8AM – 2PM • Public Sale

Rummage sale proceeds benefit local and global missions. Sign up for a 2-hour shift at <https://tinyurl.com/fallrummage2019>. Questions? Contact Regan Summers at stlukesrummagesale@gmail.com.

UMW FALL FOOD DRIVE

October

Grocery bags will be distributed with suggested items for donations. Please place donations in the wooden bins in the West Passage anytime during the month of October. Food and monetary donations will go to the following pantries: Fletcher Place, First Baptist Church and Crooked Creek Food Pantry. Contact Rachel Blacker at rachel_a_blacker@yahoo.com.

UMW FALL RETREAT

October 12 • 9AM – Noon • Luke's Lodge

Rev. Sarah Renfro, who modeled professionally around the world for several years, will share her very personal and unique testimony. Sarah attempts to expose the myth of media's "ideal beauty" standard, while empowering women to embrace the reflection of the divine within themselves. Breakfast served at 9AM.

CIRCLES

SARAH CIRCLE

1PM • Parlor • open to all women (Pattie Lind at prlind43@gmail.com or 317-873-3648)

September 17: Pat Amrhien, A Sacred Place of Gathering

October 15: Marci Jordan, Mission Trip to Kissy Hospital, Sierra Leone

November 12: Phyllis Newton, Ministry to Women in Prison

December 17: Rev. Regina Proctor, St. Luke's Pastor of Care Ministries

MARY MAGDALENE CIRCLE

6:30-8:30PM • N101/102 • open to all women (Hope Carrol at covehope@icloud.com)

September 16: Elise Womack, founder of the Unleavened Bread Café which serves the homeless and employs ex-offenders

October 14: Judy Jenkins and Stacy Bradfield will present the UMW Reading Program and we will prepare Apple Dumplings for Holiday Bazaar

November 18: Andrea Leadford will talk about the Bridges Out of Poverty program

December 16: Christmas Lunch location 11:30AM – Location to be announced



NEW LIFE CIRCLE

Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19 • 6:30PM • Spiritual Life Center; Nov. 24 • 2PM • N101/102; Dec. TBA (Nancy Hopper at nchopper26@yahoo.com or 317-361-7969)

Attention Single Women... New Life Circle is a gathering of single, divorced and widowed working or retired women. Check out our fall schedule at stlukesumc.com.

UMW READING GROUP

4th Mondays • Parlor • 7 – 8:30PM

Join St. Luke's ladies for a lively book discussion each month. This group is open to all women; newcomers welcome. Look for book selections in the monthly UMW Newsletter or contact Jennifer Todd at jtoddosu@aol.com.

PROJECTS WITH A PURPOSE

2nd Thursdays • 10AM – 1PM • C124 and 4th Thursdays • 6:30-8:30PM • N101/102 starting August 22 • open to all women (Regansummers@hotmail.com)

“Projects with Purpose” is St. Luke's newest UMW circle working on projects supporting the UMW mission, directly helping women and children. Come for projects and fellowship. Bring a sewing machine, fabric scissors and pins.

UMW HOLIDAY BAZAAR

November 9 • 9AM-3PM • Great Hall

Here's your chance to Christmas shop and serve all in the same day! Grab a friend and serve. Over 140 vendors selling high quality hand-made jewelry, clothing, holiday decorations and more. One of the largest Holiday Bazaars in the area. Arrive early to grab the yummy cinnamon rolls! Lunch and home baked goods available! Admission is FREE! All proceeds benefit women, children and youth organizations.

Service Opportunities

Candy Dipping – Tuesday, Nov. 5

Pie Baking Day – Thursday, Nov. 7 (Betsy at betsyamirhanzeh@yahoo.com)

Prep Day – Friday, Nov. 8

Holiday Bazaar – Saturday, Nov. 9th (Stacyb1330@gmail.com or 317-371-2531)

Questions? Contact Lori Chambers at lochambers@sbcglobal.net or 317-696-6965.

ANNUAL UMW CHRISTMAS INSTALLATION DINNER

December 9 • 6:30PM • Fellowship Hall • \$5

All women of St. Luke's are invited to attend the Annual UMW Christmas Installation Dinner. A musical program will be presented by Pam Close, principal violinist for St. Luke's Orchestra.

spiritual life center



The Spiritual Life Center ministry will now be known as the *Community for Contemplation and Justice*.

When you see this icon,  you will find opportunities to make the connection between contemplation and justice.

SUNDAY MORNING



ON BEING:

Communal Ponderings

Sundays, 9:30 – 10:30AM

N103/104 (Betty Brandt)

Conversation based around the weekly American Public Radio show and podcast “On Being,” hosted by Krista Tippett. This exploration of faith, humanity and ideas can be heard locally on 90.1 FM at 9PM on Thursdays or 7AM on Sundays or at onbeing.org.

NEW PERSPECTIVES

Sundays • 11AM – 12PM • N103/104 (Betty Brandt)

Expect programs based on the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church focusing on human issues. Follow-up by attending the Contemplative Outreach Saturday morning opportunities.

Special Programming – History of Beliefs About Life and Death

Presented by Don Knebel

August 18 – Darkness and Light: A History of Satan

September 15 – Sheep and Goats: A History of Eternal Judgment

October 20 – Fire and Brimstone: A History of Hell

November 17 – Body and Soul: A History of Heaven

PRAYER/ CONTEMPLATION



CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP SERVICE

*1st Wednesdays • 6:15 – 7:15PM • Chapel
(Rev. Regina Proctor & Betty Brandt)*

September 4 – *Healing*

October 2 – *Communion*

November 6 – *Taizé*

December 4 – *Prayer*

Contemplative worship is an opportunity to still our internal busyness, allowing us to settle deeply into our spiritual center. Contemplative worship moves us into prayer and communion with God before going out to engage the world in our work and relationships. Expect music, silence, devotional reading and lots of candles to accompany each theme. Follow up by registering at stlukesumc.com to receive the Spiritual Life Center e-news.

ALL CITY TAIZÉ

Sunday, September 8 • 5 – 6PM

*Trinity Episcopal Church, 3243 N. Meridian St,
Indianapolis (Betty Brandt)*

Congregations that bring Taizé services to our community come together once a year to offer a joint service of chants, prayers, readings and silence. A time to join with others who value contemplative worship.



CENTERING PRAYER ON-GOING GROUP

*Mondays, 4 – 5PM • Spiritual Life Center
(Judy Homer)*

The goal of Christian centering prayer is to be open to God at the deepest soul level. Expect to sit in silence as a group for 20 minutes to enrich your personal practice. Follow-up by attending a Social Action meeting.

CONTEMPLATIVE OUTREACH CENTERING PRAYER MORNING

4th Saturdays, September – November

8:45 – 11:30AM • N101/102 (Betty Brandt)

Expect an opportunity to practice Centering Prayer, view selected videos, share in small groups and close with Lectio Divina. All fall presentations will be selections from *A Taste of Beauty, Truth and Wisdom* with talks by both Fr. Thomas Keating and Fr. Richard Rohr. Free will offering with no registration required.



BIBLE JOURNALING FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1st Saturdays, Sept to Dec • 10AM – noon

Spiritual Life Center • \$5 for craft supplies (Robin Chaddock & Jacquie Reed)

Bible journaling, a cross between scrapbooking, journaling and Bible study, is a creative and fresh way to explore Scripture. Dig deeper into God's work, find what speaks to you and use craft supplies to express it. Come when you can! Follow up by attending a Creation Care meeting.

LABYRINTH RETREAT: GRATITUDE OVERFLOWING

Saturday, Nov 23 • 9:30 – 11AM • Fellowship Hall, registration suggested, no fee (Dhyana Raynor)

It's the time of year to reflect and sink into gratitude. This labyrinth retreat offers you the opportunity to do just that. Our trained labyrinth facilitator will bring searching questions and wisdom to the morning. Experienced and new walkers are welcome! Register at stlukesumc.com.

NEW YEAR'S EVE LABYRINTH WALK

Dec 31 • 6 – 8PM • Fellowship Hall (Betty Brandt)

Take ½ hour this New Year's Eve to thoughtfully review the year and look forward to 2020. Walking the labyrinth is the perfect way to slow down and contemplate. If you are new to labyrinth walking, brief introduction is provided. Enter through front doors.

MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

3rd Tuesdays • 7 – 8:30PM • W120 (Larry Paxton)

This group welcomes all men wanting an informal small group experience. Discussions center on continuing faith journeys, spiritual practices, interfaith experiences and making the Bible pertinent for life in our current culture. Questions? Call Larry Paxton at 317-873-2415 or email ldrpaxton@indy.rr.com.

BOOK STUDIES

SUNRISE WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

Wednesdays • 7 – 8:30AM • Parlor (Betty Brandt)

Start your day with friends, prayer, light breakfast and stimulating discussion. Check website for titles.

NEW EARTH COMMUNITY

Thursdays • 7 – 8:30PM • N103/104 (Sandy Chaney)

Expect to read and discuss innovative spiritual books. Check website for titles.

TUESDAY WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL BOOK STUDY

Tuesdays • 11:30AM – 1PM • Spiritual Life Center (JoAnne Waeltz)

Fiction and non-fiction books with spiritual themes. Check website for titles.

YOGA

YOGA FOR STRESS

Mondays • 9:30-10:45AM • N103/104 • 8 session package/\$96; walk-in/\$15 (Marsha Pappas)

GENTLE YOGA

Mondays • 5:30 – 6:30PM • N103/104 \$8 (Carol Holden)

COMMUNITY YOGA

*Tuesdays • 6 – 7PM
The Modge • \$8
(Vickie Hague)*



ART MINISTRY

STUDIO 3 ART MINISTRY GATHERING

Thursdays • 10AM – 12PM • C122 (Linda Etherton)

Artists creating in any medium are welcome to this supportive, friendly group. Some field trips scheduled throughout the year. Contact j.etherton1@juno.com.

IDENTITY ART GALLERY EXHIBITS/RECEPTIONS

(Jenny Godby)

August – Ann Kartholl with pressed flowers
September – Photos from Israel and Jordan
October – Lori Ball, Women of Steel metal work
November – Photos and memorabilia from Veterans

CROCHET GUILD

*1st Saturdays • 10AM – 12PM • N103/104
(Jenni Webb)*

Learn to crochet and contribute to on-going projects.



Betty Brandt
 Spiritual Life Center Director
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HEALING MINISTRY

WALKING THE MEDICARE MAZE

Sept. 30 • 6:30 – 8PM • Parlor • no registration or fee

Medicare A, Medicare B, Medicare D, Medicare Advantage, Medicare Supplement. What are they and how are they different from one another? How do I choose? When do I choose? Come hear an unbiased overview. No specific insurance plans or carriers will be highlighted and no one will try to sell you anything. Presenter: Jim Chesterfield. He became an employee benefits professional after 25 years of buying, implementing and managing benefit programs for companies in Central Indiana.

HEALING PARTNERS' MINISTRY

By appointment: healingministries@stlukesumc.com

“Hands on” healing sessions for those experiencing stress, physical, emotional or spiritual pain. Come be surrounded by the love of God.

11TH ANNUAL SOUP AND SPEAKER SERIES

Wednesdays in Oct. • 12 – 1:15PM • Fellowship Hall • no registration • lunch donations appreciated

Expect a yummy simple lunch and speaker on a variety of topics.

October 2 – Dr. Ann Collins: *Lessons of the Blue Zones*.

October 9 – AWOL...*All Worthy of Love*; an organization that reaches out to men and women enslaved by street prostitution.

October 16 – Deanna Nibarger, Social & Emotional Behavior Coach for Washington Township Schools on Focused Attention Practices.

October 30 – Hammered dulcimer and percussion mini concert with artists Sarah & Doug Haag, known as Rhythmwood Drive.

CREATION CARE MINISTRY



CREATION CARE MEETINGS

*2nd Sundays • 12:15 – 1:30PM • N103/104
(Ben & Caitlin Church)*

Help St. Luke's take better care of God's creation through services, education and events. Follow up by visiting our art gallery and experience the healing blessings the artists give us.



REINVENTING POWER DOCUMENTARY

Friday, September 6 • 7 – 9PM • Parlor

Hear directly from the people whose lives were changed because of the clean energy economy as the movie tells the backstory of clean energy from innovation to installation. Follow up by attending Centering Prayer Group to restore your spirit.

VEGETARIAN/VEGAN LUNCH

*Sunday, September 29 • 12:15 – 1:30PM
Great Hall*

Avoiding meat is a gift to God's creation. Bring a labeled vegetarian or vegan dish to share, experience an interesting video and speaker and meet new people. Can't bring a dish? Bring \$5!

PET BLESSING

*October 13 • 4 – 5PM • Door #7 (Regina
Proctor)*

All pets are welcome!

INTERFAITH RELATIONSHIPS

BUILDING DIVERSE COMMUNITIES

*6 – 8PM • Fellowship Hall • registration required,
\$10/person for dinner*

September 20 – Tibetan Community

November 1 – Mexican Day of the Dead celebration

Experience and celebrate the diversity of our community by building relationships with people from different racial, religious and ethnic communities. Food, music and games. Appropriate for middle school and older youth.

FRIENDS IN FAITH

*3rd Saturdays • 11AM – 12:30PM • Spiritual Life Center
(Fatime Ceri)*

Expect intimate interfaith round table discussions about topics of religious and cultural relevance. Make friends with someone from a different religious tradition!

FESTIVAL OF FAITHS – EMBRACING RELIGIOUS DIVERSITY

*September 22 • 1 – 5PM • Veterans Memorial Plaza • no
registration or fee (Center for Interfaith Cooperation)*

The Festival of Faiths showcases the congregations and organizations that are making Indianapolis a diverse and fascinating city. Expect entertainment, drumming circle, informational booths, food, spiritual practices and more. Walking St. Luke's sponsored labyrinth is one of the opportunities.

EXPLORING RELIGION AND MYSTICISM

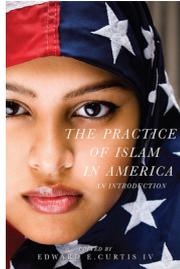
*2nd Thursdays • August – November • 10AM – 12PM
Parlor (Association of International Women)*

Expect a different interfaith speaker each month followed by lively discussion.

INTERFAITH BOOK STUDY “The Practice of Islam in America”

*Sept. 14 & 28 and Oct 12 & 26 • 10:30AM – noon • C115
registration suggested
(Zehra Turker)*

Local professor and author, Edward Curtis, introduces readers to the way Islam is lived in the United States, offering vivid portraits of Muslim American life passages, ethical actions, religious holidays, prayer, pilgrimage, and other religious activities. It takes readers into homes, religious congregations, schools, workplaces, cemeteries, restaurants—and all the way to Mecca—to understand the diverse religious practices of Muslim Americans.



SOCIAL ACTION



SOCIAL ACTION MEETINGS

*1st & 3rd Thursdays • 9 – 11AM • Unleavened
Bread Café, 3003 N. Central (Scott Severns & Don
Reed)*

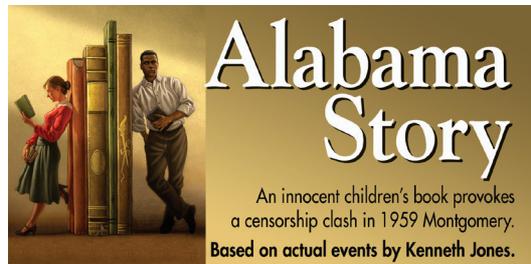
Expect speakers, conversation and networking on crucial topics such as redistricting, mass incarceration, voting rights, etc. Follow up by attending 1st Wednesday Contemplative Service.

RACIAL JUSTICE

“ALABAMA STORY” PLAY AND TALK BACK

*Oct. 27 • 2PM • Center for the Performing
Arts, Carmel • specially priced tickets for faith
community members, contact brandtb@
stlukesumc.com*

An Indiana native who becomes state librarian of Alabama finds her life and livelihood at risk when a controversial children’s book crosses her desk. The innocent tale of a white rabbit marrying a black rabbit is angering politicians in the Civil Rights era. But will Emily Reed give in to demands to have the book burned? Meet history’s forgotten hero of free speech in the Indiana premiere of a fact-inspired, highly theatrical new American play brimming with humor, heart and humanity.



RACIAL INEQUALITY: Truth, Acknowledgement, Reconciliation

*Nov. 4 • 7 – 8:30PM • Fellowship Hall (Spirit and
Place Festival event)*

Panel discussion of the social justice journeys of each of the 4 church communities represented. Hear goals, challenges and actions of faith-based social change work especially in the field of racial inequality. Audience table discussion and take aways. Opportunity to learn from each other.

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GROWING IN PRAYER TEAM:

Throughout the Bible, there are many times when God challenges us to have faith and believe that all things are possible with Him. Prayer unleashes the greatness of God. If we are even more diligent in lifting to God our hopes and dreams for our lives, St. Luke's, our community and all we serve, will experience the most amazing transformation. What are your hopes and dreams for St. Luke's? For your life? For our community? *"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen."* Ephesians 3:20-21. For more information and how to join the Growing In Prayer Team, please contact Sara Cobb, sbcobb@indy.rr.com.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Mondays • 6 – 7PM • Spiritual Life Center

Meet with others diagnosed with, or caring for someone with, cancer to give and receive encouragement and hope. Positive, uplifting spiritual support offered weekly. For more information contact Laura at marinel@stlukesumc.com.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

***2nd Sundays • 9 – 11AM • Main Office
Conference Room***

Contact Mary Connors at stlukeshealthministry@gmail.com with questions.

BLOOD DRIVE

October 13 • 9AM – 1PM • Great Hall

Please have a light meal, plenty to drink and bring your ID.

CPR CLASS

November 2 • 8:30AM – Noon • N101 • \$25

To register, contact Mary Connors at stlukeshealthministry@gmail.com.

SUPPORT GROUPS

CHRONIC PAIN SUPPORT GROUP

3rd Mondays • 6:30 – 8PM, N101

Contact Dr. Meg Frazer at Margaret.l.frazer@pfizer.com.

DIVORCE CARE

Mondays, starting September 9 • 6 – 7:30PM • N101

Divorce is painful, stressful, confusing and isolating. Divorce Care helps you face these challenges and move forward with your life. \$20 fee includes the book. Scholarships available. Register at divorcecare.org or email Regina Proctor at proctorr@stlukesumc.com.

SINGLE MOMS SUPPORT GROUP

*First Wednesdays beginning September 4
6:15 – 7:30PM • C115 (Laura Marine)*

Are you a single mom? Would you like to meet other single mothers who can support and encourage you? We discuss topics such as finances, self-care, parenting, emotional support and spiritual growth. Register online or contact Laura Marine, marinel@stlukesumc.com or 317-846-3404, 343. Free childcare available with registration.

SINGLE DADS SUPPORT GROUP

*First Wednesdays beginning September 4
6:15 – 7:30PM • E213 (Kevin Davis)*

Are you a single dad? This group is here to support you through the roller coaster challenges of fatherhood as a single parent. We will gather to discuss some of the challenges that are unique to single fathers, while providing support and celebrating milestones together. Register at stlukesumc.com or contact Kevin Davis, Davisk@stlukesumc.com or 317-846-3404, ext. 326. Free childcare available with registration.

SINGLE & PARENTING CLASS

*Wednesdays, September 11 – Dec. 18 (except first
Weds.) • 6:15 – 7:30PM • E213 (Kevin Davis)*

Participants learn how to access the hope, help and healing that God offers through working through a workbook, discussion and videos. Single-parenting topics include, concern for children, how divorce affects children, finding rest, money management, parenting skills, responding to adversity, emotional and spiritual help, dealing with anger and anxiety, addressing the hearts of your children, addressing co-parenting challenges, and improving communication. Register at stlukesumc.com or contact Kevin Davis at davisk@stlukesumc.com or 317-846-3404, 326. Free childcare available with registration.



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SUPPORT GROUPS

RESOLVE

2nd Mondays • 6:30PM • E212

For couples struggling with infertility. Contact Debbie Lawrence at 317-289-3300.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Tuesdays • 1 – 3PM • Luke's Lodge

Knit or crochet prayer shawls for those who need to be wrapped in prayer. Contact Helen Vriesman at 317-439-6346.

BABY BLANKET MINISTRY

If you would like to crochet or knit newborn baby blankets or donate yarn, please contact Laura at 317-846-3404 or at marinel@stlukesumc.com

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT

St. Luke's offers a small group for parents who are raising a child with special needs. We gather for study, sermon discussion, service projects, outings and family fun. Childcare is provided. For more information contact Patrice Smith at smithp@stlukesumc.com

SUPPORT FOR THOSE IN GRIEF

H.U.G.S. SPOUSAL LOSS GROUP

Sundays • 2 – 4PM • Parlor

Contact Jan Kirk at jangraykirk@comcast.net.

H.U.G.S. FELLOWSHIP

4th Sunday • 4:30 – 6PM

Pitch-in or restaurant fellowship open to anyone who has had a loss. Contact Jan Kirk at jangraykirk@comcast.net.

HOPE (PREGNANCY/INFANT LOSS)

HOPE provides one-on-one and group support. Please contact us if we can help, via Facebook (Hope Group Indy) or info@hopegroupindy.com.

DAD'S GROUP

Tuesdays • 7AM • Hilton North, 82nd & Shadeland

Thursdays • 7AM • Bob Evans, I-65 & Southport Rd. (south side group)

Breakfast and discussion for fathers who have lost a young adult son or daughter. Contact Rick Larrison at 317-966-8049.

MEN'S GROUP

Thursdays • 1PM • Luke's Lodge

Support for men who have lost their wives. Contact Bob Shive at rlshive@yahoo.com.

GRIEFSHARE

June 26 – Sept. 18 • 6:15 – 7:30PM • Parlor

Sept. 18 – Dec. 11 • 3:30 – 5PM • Parlor

A loving support group for people who are grieving the death of a family member or friend. The workbook is \$20. Scholarships are available by calling Mary Katherine at 317-846-3404. Register at griefshare.org. Childcare available upon request. Participants may join at any time.

GRIEF & THE HOLIDAYS

November 17 • 2 – 4PM • Fellowship Hall

Helpful tips on how to survive the holidays without your loved one. No charge, but registration is required at griefshare.org or by calling Mary Katherine at 317-846-3404. Childcare will not be available.

BROOKE'S PLACE

Mondays and Thursdays • 5:30 – 9:30PM • East Passage

Support for grieving children. To register, call 317-705-9650.

OUTSIDE GROUPS/EVENTS MEETING AT ST. LUKE'S LUPUS FOUNDATION SUPPORT GROUP

*4th Wednesdays • 7PM • Main Office
Conference Room*

Contact Carol Adams at adamsca@me.com.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Sundays • 5PM • W125

Help for those struggling with the addiction of gambling. Contact Libby Schooley at libbybtk599@comcast.net

GAM-ANON FAMILY SUPPORT

Sundays • 5PM • Main Office Conference Room

Support for the families who have a family member struggling with a gambling addiction.

AA GROUPS

Tuesday • 5:30 PM • W125 (inside door #4)

Tuesdays and Thursdays • Noon • W125

AL-ANON MEN'S GROUP

Thursdays • 6 – 9PM • Parlor

Contact Mike Hertel at 317-255-8720 or mrh1950@comcast.net

SAA (SEXUAL ADDICTION)

Mondays • 4:30PM • W125

Wednesdays • 6:30 – 7:30PM • W125

Wednesdays • 5:30PM • W125

Fridays • 7AM • W125

children

EARLY YEARS MINISTRY SUNDAY MORNINGS

Birth – PreK/Jr K

All children register and check in at the Children's Welcome Area.

Nursery is available for all Sunday morning services. We are open 15 minutes before and after each worship service. Children potty trained to 3 years and up will attend their grade-level Small Groups at 9:30 and 11AM while children birth thru 3 years will remain in the nursery.

Your child will experience Bible stories and learn about God's forever love through play, music, crafts and discussions with their small groups and in large group worship in our Treehouse room.

WEDNESDAY JAM! (Jesus and Me)

Wednesdays • E124 • 6PM – 7:45PM



As part of our churchwide Wednesday Night Live, we invite parents to bring their children, birth through 5! They will enjoy music, play, stories and art.

DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT

November 16 • 5 – 7:30PM • Great Hall • \$5 includes drive-in movie and dinner

Preschoolers (ages 3-5 and potty trained) are invited to their very own drive-in movie night! Children bring their home-made box cars and park them at our "drive-in" for a movie, pizza dinner and loads of fun while parents head out for a date night (or stay for one of the best volunteer jobs ever)!

ELEMENTARY MINISTRY SUNDAY MORNINGS

Elementary (K – 4)

K-4 programming is available every Sunday at 9:30 and 11AM. Children enjoy an exciting & interactive large & small group experiences!

SPECIAL NEEDS SMALL GROUP

3rd Sundays • 4 – 5:30PM • Parlor

St. Luke's provides a small group for families raising children with special needs. These gatherings range from meaningful discussions to fun outings. We are a fun-loving group of special families with special children, spending special time together. If you are looking for meaningful connections with others in a similar journey, our small group invites you to join us. Childcare is always provided. For more information contact Patrice Smith at smithp@stlukesumc.com.



FALL KICKOFF

Aug. 11

All age level promotions will take place on Aug. 11. Children will be dropped off to their new small groups before making their way to the Clubhouse for an exciting large group experience!!



CLUBHOUSE LIVE

K-6TH GRADE

Following the optional dinner in the Great Hall at 5:30PM on Wednesdays, your child can participate in hands-on activities, games, media and participate in the clubhouse worship team. Register at stlukesumc.com.

3RD GRADE BIBLE RETREAT

Sept. 20

This exciting and informative overnight workshop is designed to teach 3rd graders how to read and use their Bibles independently. They can expect to learn important Bible study methods and tools that will make their personal Bible exploration more meaningful. Children will learn through games, interactive stations, illustrations and receive a special journal to use as a Bible study tool. Meals provided. Register at stlukesumc.com. Bibles will be presented in worship on Sept.22.

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE

Dec. 24 • 2PM • Sanctuary

See the story of the first Christmas come to life as the Children's Ministry provides a family-friendly Christmas Eve service. This traditional service is for children of all ages.



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WEEKDAY EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

Weekdays, 9AM – 1PM, September – May

St. Luke's Early Childhood Program provides age-appropriate, play-based learning experiences. We offer high-quality opportunities for growth in cognitive, social, emotional and physical development in a loving, Christian environment. Qualified, passionate, experienced, loving staff members are dedicated to building confidence in each child's educational journey; nurturing the whole child while being supportive and committed to families.

St. Luke's is unique to other Indianapolis-area programs. We provide an opportunity for children of all ability levels to relate socially to each other, learn from each other and play together. In addition to skill development, our philosophy is that acceptance of people with differences begins at an early age. This is a special opportunity to develop the foundation for Christian attitudes towards individual differences throughout the child's life.

St. Luke's ECP serves children 10 months to 5 years old (by 8/1 of the current school year). Contact Carol Whitsitt at whitsittc@stlukesecp.com or Julie Tomaszewski at juliet@stlukesecp.com for more information or to schedule a tour! Come: play and learn with us!



SAVE THE DATE! PRESCHOOL SUNDAY 'FUNDAY'

OCTOBER 6, 2019

Please join our weekday Early Childhood Program (preschool and parent's day out) at St. Luke's UMC the morning of Sunday, October 6 to meet our staff, children and learn about our program during worship. Besides attending one of the church services, join us for brunch in the Great Hall, a silent auction and other fun activities! This is a wonderful fundraising event you won't want to miss!



Carol Whitsitt

Director of Weekday Early
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Julie Tomaszewski

Assistant Director of Weekday
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children's music

The St. Luke's Children's Music Program offers a variety of choir programs. These groups will perform in the services at St. Luke's and at other outreach opportunities. In addition to these programs, the elementary Sunday School worship time is filled with music that relates to their curriculum. To participate in these groups, please register at stlukesumc.com. See page 15 for more information on Wednesday nights.

GENESIS AGES PRESCHOOL – K

Sundays • 10:30 – 11:15AM • C123

Music activities include movement, playing rhythm instruments and singing. This group will perform in both contemporary and traditional services throughout the year. This group is led by Donita Murphy-Sims, a Developmental Play Therapist with Indiana First Steps.

KIDZSING 1ST – 4TH GRADE

Sundays • 10:30 – 11:15AM • E208

Music activities include singing with a few instruments added. This group of musicians will sing in both the traditional and contemporary services. Directed by Karen Alessandrini.

CLUBHOUSE LIVE

K-6TH GRADE

Wednesdays • 6 – 7:30PM • Clubhouse

Following the optional dinner in the Great Hall at 5:15PM, your child can participate in hands-on activities, games, media and participate in the clubhouse worship team. Register at stlukesumc.com.



MIDDLE SCHOOL MUSIC

5TH – 8TH GRADE

Sundays • 10:45 – 11:30 • Luke's Lodge

Join a choir to learn music to share in worship services. Directed by Amy Thornburg. Or share your instrumental gifts in our new band. To register for this group, go to stlukesumc.com.



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Donita Murphy-Sims

Developmental Play Therapist
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Amy Thornburg

Director of Middle School Choir
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all youth activities

FUZE WKND

September 13 – 15

A new kind of in-town retreat where we fuse together 5th – 12th grade for worship and teaching. Middle and High School students will separate for games and activities, and spend the whole weekend in their small groups building relationships and growing deeper in their faith together. This year's theme is "Priceless," where we will discuss the story of the Samaritan woman. Going along with the theme, we'll also have opportunities for students to play *The Price is Right!* Pastor Jevon will be our speaker, and Matt Bays will lead our students in worship. Cost is \$70 for the entire weekend so we hope every student will sign up! Sign up at stlukesumc.com or contact our youth staff if you have questions or want more information!

PUMPKIN DELIVERY

Sept. 25 • 3 – 7PM

Pumpkins arrive Sept. 25th! Be sure to sign up to help unload the truck and sell pumpkins throughout the month. We will provide the supplies and dinner! Sign up at stlukesumc.com or contact our youth staff if you have questions.



PUMPKIN SALES

Sept. 26 – Oct. 31

Selling pumpkins is an easy and fun way to earn scholarship money to be used towards mission trips, retreats and other youth activities. Shifts are available every day in October after school and on the weekends. Sign up at stlukesumc.com or contact our youth staff if you have any questions.

middle school

SUNDAY MORNING

YOUTH GROUP

9:30 – 10:30AM • Luke's Lodge

At 9:30AM we offer programming for Middle School students meeting in Luke's Lodge! Each Sunday students experience worship, games, large group teaching and small groups with dedicated Small Group Leaders.

CONFIRMATION

Begins Aug. 11

Confirmation is a major milestone in the life of a middle schooler, and it is our privilege to offer this opportunity in 7th grade. Come to our parents' meeting and open house at 10:45AM in the Lodge to hear more about Confirmation and to sign up your student!



PARENT MEETINGS & OPEN HOUSE

Aug. 11 • 10:30AM

While we don't shut down for the summer, our fall patterns "kick off" again on August 11! We encourage all students to come meet Small Group Leaders, and for parents to join us all in the Lodge at 10:30 after worship services. We'll hold a brief parents' meeting, give parents all the paperwork forms for the upcoming year, and of course, give time for parents to meet the amazing adults who will invest in their teens over the next year!

MIDDLE SCHOOL OVERNIGHTER

Dec. 20 – 21 • 7:30PM – 7:30AM

Our annual overnigher is a fun time for students to bring their friends and celebrate finals being over with a fun night! We'll have worship, teaching, a midnight jump session at SkyZone, bake cookies at 3AM and lots of ways for students to connect with one another. Cost is \$30 and is all-inclusive!



Heather Kenison
Director of
Student Ministries
kenisonh@stlukesumc.com

MIDDLE SCHOOL invite night

It's back! *Invite Night* is an on-campus event open to our 5th – 8th grade students and their friends in the community. We always begin and end at the Lodge with snacks, worship, teaching and shenanigans all evening long!

We hope you'll invite your 5th – 8th grade friends! Events are only \$5, but guests are free! Contact Heather at kenisonh@stlukesumc.com with any questions.

MESSY GAMES

Aug. 16 • 6:30 – 9:30PM • Luke's Lodge

Even though school is in session, we're going to pretend like it's still summer! We'll have water games, water slides, snow cones, some messy games and a grill-out! Dress in clothes you can get wet or messy!

MISSION IMPOSSIBLE

Sept. 27 • 6:30 – 9:30PM • Luke's Lodge

Crazy team-building game that takes over the campus and build-your-own pizzas! Dress in all black for this covert operation!

FALL PARTY

Oct. 25 • 6:30 – 9:30PM • Luke's Lodge

Hayrides, pumpkin painting & catapulting, costume contests, Scary-oke, hot cocoa and s'more! Dress in your most fantastic costume!

PJS & PANCAKES

Nov. 22 • 6:30 – 9:30PM • Luke's Lodge

Movies, fort contests, fresh popcorn, nail-painting, pillow fights and a pancake bar. Dress in your favorite PJs and bring some fort-building supplies!

high school

The New High School Ministry Programming kicks off August 11



SUNDAY MORNINGS
Students worship together with their friends (or family) and gather before and after in the HIGH SCHOOL HUB.



SMALL GROUPS
Meet during the week – on your own time, own turf. You get an ENTIRE HOUR and get truly connected to a small group.



MONTHLY EVENTS
These tie the whole group together, often with a missional purpose. Retreats get better, events get better.

WORSHIP

- Students worship together with their friends (or family)
- HS Section in 9:30AM Contemporary

HIGH SCHOOL HUB

- High school-only (C124) before and after services with time to reflect and hang out.
- Fun food and games every week!

SERVING

- Opportunity to serve in many ways on Sunday morning: Worship team, Chancel choir, communion, tech, usher, greeter, scripture reader, orchestra, children's or middle school ministry, etc.

OWN TURF, OWN TIME

- Small groups get to pick when & where they meet.
- More inviting and accessible for new people.
- More time for small groups to have fun together!

OWN GROUP

- Students choose their own groups!
- Students can continue current small groups or start new ones.

OWN CONTENT

- High School-specific teaching videos that are top-notch.
- Content made for high schoolers to have great small group discussion

YOUR EVENTS

- We are listening to high schoolers and want what YOU want! Some of your ideas: Bringing back "Invite Nights," but for High School with a new name, Nerf Nights, Sardines, Overnights, SkyZone, serving together, etc.

YOUTH FUZE WKND

- New weekend-long local retreat designed to get 60 HS students to attend.
- Big worship and games, activities around the city, service projects
- Designed to launch small groups

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Mission trips, local service days, camps and summer meetups!



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SUNDAY AM HS HUB

Join us on Sunday mornings in our High School Hub located in C124. This will be the go-to spot for high school students to gather with their friends before and after service to engage in fellowship, discuss the sermon and even grab a waffle! We have the room from 8AM – 12:30PM so come early, stay late and we'll see you in the Hub!

GET INVOLVED IN A SMALL GROUP

We have high school small groups meeting throughout the week and weekend in various locations across the city. These groups are designed to be a tight-knit group of friends. Interested in being involved in a High School small group? Let Travis know and we will get you connected to one if you aren't already.

HIGH SCHOOL activities & retreats

FALL KICK OFF AT THE LODGE

August 11

YOUTH FUZE WKND

September 13 – 15

FALL PARTY AT THE LODGE

October 20

FALL RETREAT AT EPWORTH FOREST

November 2 – 3

CHRISTMAS PARTY + OVERNIGHTER

December 21 – 22



college parent connections



*If you have a college-age child, we want to connect with you!
Check out these opportunities:*

COLLEGE PARENT GATHERINGS

Connect with other parents of college students at our fun and relaxed quarterly gatherings! Dates and locations vary; contact Travis Bannon at bannont@stlukesumc.com for specific information.

CARE PACKAGE ASSEMBLY

Lend a hand and send some love! We assemble care packages three times a year. Email Travis Bannon at bannont@stlukesumc.com for more information on how you can be involved!

travel

OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY

MAY 31 – JUNE 9, 2020

Join Pastor Rob and Susan Fuquay and travel to the charming hamlet of Oberammergau, Germany and enjoy a performance of the Passion Play. This depiction of the trial, suffering and death of Christ is performed once every ten years, keeping the terms of a promise the townspeople made to God after they were spared from the plague in 1633. Today, many of Oberammergau's residents still take part in this powerful work of art featuring dramatic performances, beautiful music and choral accompaniment.



Following the play, we will take a beautiful tour of Switzerland.

For a complete itinerary and more information, email Bob Zehr at rdzehr@traveltoremember.net.



outreach

Join the **SERVOLUTION!**

St. Luke's mission is to mobilize 1,000 volunteers, complete 100,000 hours of hands-on service and raise 1 million dollars for mission in our community and around the world! You can enlist by joining a St. Luke's serving team, serving with one of our partners or giving to our missions and outreach. For more information please contact Pastor Nicole and we'll meet you on the mission field!



Bridges is a multi-faceted strategy to move people from poverty to progress. We do this work through Luke's Leaders, ENL and *Getting Ahead* curriculums.

LUKE'S LEADERS

Luke's Leaders equips at-risk Washington Township youth with adaptive life and leadership skills to navigate life's challenges and thrive. Students will come to St. Luke's after school once a week for 8 weeks. Luke's Leaders launches September 10 and volunteers are needed to support this new program in many ways. For more information and to get involved, contact Andrea at leadforda@stlukesumc.com.

GETTING AHEAD

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Oct. 30

6-8PM (9-week class)

Getting Ahead supports individuals who live in Washington Township and are experiencing hardship. We share information about current resources and the best ways to problem solve effectively, plan for the future and share ideas for building a thriving life. This safe learning environment will help you discover how finances and economic class work for the purpose of making a stable and secure life for yourself and your family. For questions or to sign up, contact Andrea at leadforda@stlukesumc.com.

ENGLISH AS A NEW LANGUAGE

Wednesdays, Sept. 4 – Dec. 11 • 6-7:30PM

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities with ENL classes at St. Luke's! Speaking a foreign language is not necessary to be an instructor or peer leader. Having teaching experience helps but is also not necessary. Volunteer as an instructor, peer leader or a childcare provider. Classes follow the Washington Township school calendar. For more information or to volunteer, contact Andrea at leadforda@stlukesumc.com.

OUTREACH EVENTS

CARS AND COFFEE

Aug 17 • 9AM – 12PM • St. Luke's

Attention all car guys and car gals! Bring your modifieds, classics and muscle cars and connect with other car fanatics from around the city! Coffee and donuts provided. No registration needed but come and learn about our St. Luke's Car Show and new Fuel for Faith ministry coming May 2020!

FEED THE 5,000

THANKSGIVING SERVICE DAY

Nov. 29 • 11AM – 1PM

Celebrate Thanksgiving by giving back with your St. Luke's community! Volunteer opportunities include meal prep the week of Thanksgiving and meal delivery and serving on Thanksgiving day. Save the date and contact Rachel for more information at rachelp@stlukesumc.com.

ANGEL TREE

Shopping Day: Dec 15

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! If you would like to help with the planning, contact Rachel at rachelp@stlukesumc.com. Watch for more information about serving to make the Great Hall come to life as the St. Luke's Department Store!



OUTREACH PARTNERS

FOOD INSECURITY

CROOKED CREEK

FOOD PANTRY

Weekly Service Opportunities,

Tuesday – Friday, Eskenazi Health

Center Pecar, 6940 Michigan Rd.

Crooked Creek Food Pantry serves an average of 100 families a week. Volunteers are needed especially on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30-6PM. Sign up online at stlukesumc.com or contact Stephen Claffey at saclaffe@icloud.com.

FLETCHER PLACE

COMMUNITY CENTER

FPCC seeks to ease suffering of persons living on the southeast side of Indianapolis. St. Luke's and FPCC have enjoyed a long relationship with serving hot meals for breakfast and dinner. Volunteers are needed for meals as well as delivery teams from St. Luke's to FPCC's thrift store for clothing and household items. Contact Andrea Leadford at leadforda@stlukesumc.com to sign up to serve.



I LOVE MY CITY SERVICE DAY

Saturday, September 14 • Indianapolis

Join your St. Luke's family and friends as we gather 1,000 servants of all ages and send them out into Indianapolis (and beyond) to serve and give back together. Save the date and get ready to show some love to our city! To learn more, email outreach@stlukesumc.com.

FEED EVERY ONE

Feed Every One matches volunteers with a desire to serve the community in a small way by transporting unsold food from area grocery stores to Indianapolis shelters. Most volunteers are needed on Sunday afternoons to deliver food. Volunteers who have SUVs would be a perfect fit. Contact Lori Chambers for more information at lochambers@sbcglobal.net.



HOUSING & STABILITY FAMILY PROMISE

November 24 – December 1 • Luke's Lodge

Family Promise is a network of local congregations whose efforts help homeless families return to housing. The Indianapolis chapter has over 30 churches that form a network to host families each week of the year. We will convert the Lodge into living quarters and will need approximately 100 volunteers for varied responsibilities and to make our guests feel welcome. Email Bob Dillingham for more information at robertdillingham@yahoo.com

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Habitat for Humanity helps bridge families in poverty to home ownership. Volunteer to serve in our October build and keep a watch out for our 2020 Lenten service project where together we will build a home as a congregation in partnership with Arbor Homes. Contact Andrea Leadford at leadforda@stlukesumc.com for more information.

SERVANTS AT WORK (SAWS)

SAWs provides freedom for Indiana wheelchair citizens who have become prisoners in their homes. Volunteers may join ramp-building teams on Saturday for 4-6 hours to install each ramp or the pre-fab team that meets on Thursdays to build the frames. Contact Paul Snyder at psnyder1@indy.rr.com.

DOVE RECOVERY HOUSE

The Dove Recovery House is committed to empowering women to become substance-free, self-sufficient and healthy by providing safe housing, quality programming and above all, hope for their future. Volunteers are needed to help with mentorship; donations of hygiene items are needed and can be brought to the main office anytime. Contact Lori Chambers for more information at lochambers@sbcglobal.net.

OUTREACH, INC

Outreach, Inc. helps homeless youth find a more stable life. Volunteers needed to teach driving lessons, cook meals, work in the clothing pantry and spend time with homeless youth during “drop in” hours. Contact Jennifer Wolfe at jwolfe66@gmail.com.

SON FOUNDATION HOSPITALITY HOUSE

The SON Foundation Hospitality House provides temporary lodging for cancer patients, caregivers and families who travel to Indianapolis for extended medical treatment. Volunteers are needed to clean, mow and prepare meals. Donations of hygiene and household items are always needed.

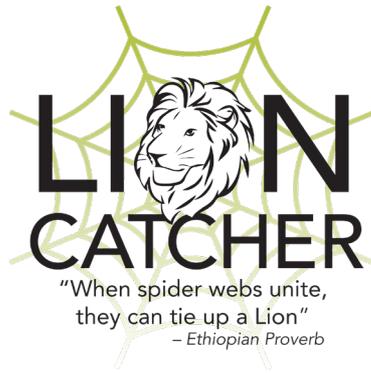
EDUCATION PROJECT TRANSFORMATION

Project Transformation connects children, college students and churches. Children from low-income communities are connected with college interns and local churches in need of revitalization. Connection of all three helps to improve the academic, physical and spiritual needs of children. Volunteers are needed to tutor and read with the children, provide meals for interns and help with family fun nights. Contact Sarah Fuquay at Fuquay@ptindiana.org for more information.

LION CATCHERS: TUTORING AND MENTORING

8AM – 6PM • Fox Hill Elementary

Lion Catchers is a community-based program that focuses on youth development in the Crooked Creek neighborhood. St. Luke's has been the primary source of volunteer tutors to Fox Hill Elementary School for several years. If you are interested in tutoring, contact Tom Lange at tom.c.lange@gmail.com.



EAST 10TH UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTER

The center provides a safe place where the spiritual, emotional, educational and physical needs of children, youth and their families are responded to in a holistic way. Volunteers are needed to read to the children or provide after-school tutoring. If you work downtown, this is a great opportunity to add an hour of service to your week. Contact Cathy at cbneal@gmail.com for more information.

INDIANA CENTER FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

ICCF supports families by improving mental wellness to children, adolescents and families affected by child abuse, children with social, emotional and behavioral needs and life challenges. Volunteers are needed to assist in administrative office help, landscaping and leading studies for parent enrichment. Contact Sandi French at sfrench@mhai.net.



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INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIPS

ZANMI FONDWA

Zanmi Fondwa supports Haitian families in finding economic opportunities, stable housing and education. If you are interested in getting involved or going on a mission trip, contact Buffy Perkins at buffy@zanmifondwa.com.

HEARTS AND HOPE FOR HAITI

Hearts & Hope for Haiti provides formal educational opportunities, medical care, nutrition, shelter and works to improve the physical and community environment for the poor, distressed and underprivileged people in Haiti. Medical service trips are offered annually to assist and train the doctors at ALOM Clinic. Contact Gary and Kay Walla at garywalla@aol.com.

UMOJA

UMOJA works for justice and alleviating suffering for orphans and vulnerable children in western Kenya. St. Luke's will be traveling to east Africa in 2020. For more information on this trip, please contact outreach@stlukesumc.com.

SIERRA LEONE HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL PARTNERS

SLHEP provides medical and primary education leaders of the UMC in Sierra Leone. Volunteers are needed to consult on organizational development, marketing, administration and financial management.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT UNITE INDY

If you would like to follow the Holy Spirit's leading to your next volunteer experience, UNITE INDY is the place to visit. We provide an entire universe of volunteer opportunities to St. Luke's members by connecting you directly with hundreds of urban churches and ministries serving those in need right here in our own community. Contact Jim Cotterill at jc@uniteindy.org.

weddings

PRE-MARRIAGE SEMINAR

August 24 • 9AM – 4PM • Parlor

Getting married or thinking of heading in that direction? Join our pre-marriage seminar (a requirement of all couples getting married at St. Luke's) to learn about communication styles, conflict resolution, and how to start your marriage on the right foot! Pastor Jevon and a licensed marriage and family counselor will lead the seminar with plenty of time for reflection with your partner and group discussion. Breakfast and lunch included. This seminar costs \$75 per couple to attend but is included in the wedding fee if a couple is already planning their wedding at St. Luke's. Contact Wedding Coordinator, Rachel Purviance at rachelp@stlukesumc.com with questions or to register.



St. Luke's Sanctuary



St. Luke's Robertson Chapel

worship & the arts

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP VOCALISTS AND MUSICIANS

If you enjoy the music of Chris Tomlin, Kirk Franklin or Brooklyn Tabernacle... or perhaps enjoy hymns that have stood the test of time (with a twist), come share your gifts with us! Contact Matt Bays at baysm@stlukesumc.com for more information.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP REHEARSALS

CHANCEL CHOIR

Thursdays • 7:30 – 9PM • Choir Room

New members always welcome. Love of singing required. Choral experience helpful! Contact Jeff Rogers at rogersj@stlukesumc.com for more information.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

See page 43 for full offerings

NEW SONG

Tuesdays • 7:30 – 9PM • Choir Room

Women's choral ensemble by audition. Sing once per month in Traditional services. Contact Katie Kouns at kounsk@stlukesumc.com for information.

ORCHESTRA

Thursdays • 7 – 8:45PM • Sanctuary

Plays monthly in Traditional services. Contact Bob Zehr at zehrb@stlukesumc.com or Margaret Spilker at spilker@stlukesumc.com for details.

WESLYAN RINGERS

Wednesdays • 6:30 – 8PM • E210/211

Advanced handbell ringing ensemble, playing for Traditional service monthly.

JOYFUL RHYTHMS

Thursdays • 6:30 – 7:30PM • E210/211

Handbell ensemble for ringers of all ages and stages. Contact Dawn Fitch at fitchd@stlukesumc.com.



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Christmas at St. Luke's

CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

*Friday, Dec. 6 • 7:30PM • Sanctuary
& Saturday, Dec. 7 • 4PM & 7:30PM • Sanctuary*

LONGEST NIGHT

Monday, Dec. 16 • 7PM • Chapel

LIVE NATIVITY

Saturday, Dec. 21 • 4 & 6PM • Sanctuary

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES (NEW TIMES)

*Tuesday, Dec. 24
2PM • Children's Service • Sanctuary
4 & 6PM • Contemporary Service • Chapel
4, 6 & 8PM • Traditional Services • Sanctuary
11PM • Communion Service • Chapel*



new HERE?

*Welcome!
We're happy
to see you!*



EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP CLASS

*Sunday, Aug. 25 or Nov. 17 • 12:15 – 3:15 PM • Parlor
Wednesday, Oct. 9 • 6:15 – 7:30 PM • Parlor and Oct.
16 • 6:15 – 7:30 PM • E212*

Understand the purpose of the church and learn about the United Methodist church. Hear the story of St. Luke's and discuss what it means to be a member of this local congregation. Explore discipleship next steps in faith and service. Learn the process for formally joining St. Luke's. Some attend this session ready to affiliate with the church while others make the choice after attending this class. Lunch will be served for the Sunday classes. Dinner is available for the Wednesday classes beginning at 5:30PM in the Great Hall for a \$5 donation. Child care available upon request. Register at stlukesumc.com.



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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH TOUR

*Tuesday • Aug. 27, Oct. 22, or Nov. 19
6:30 PM • Main Office*

Did you know that St. Luke's has a small prayer chapel off Robertson Chapel? Have you wondered about the meaning of the various stained-glass windows throughout the building? Are you curious about the building on the northeast corner of the parking lot called Luke's Lodge? Whether you're new to St. Luke's or you've been coming for a while, join with others to explore our facilities and learn a bit of our history as well. Tour Guides: Susan and Roger Frick.

STARTING POINT

*2nd Sunday of the Month
Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, or Dec. 8
10:45 – 11:15AM or 12:15 – 12:45PM, C115*

For those new to St. Luke's, gain an orientation to St. Luke's and leave with recommended next steps to help you find your place within the church.