

# St Luke UMC

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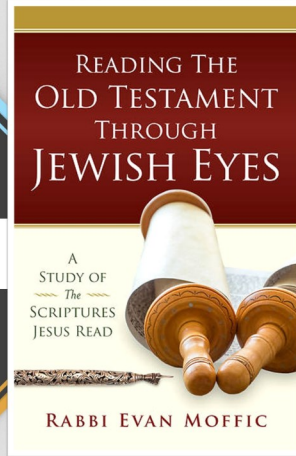
# THE BI-WEEKLY Flame CATCH THE FIRE!

**NEW**

## Monday Night Zoom Study Group

January 31 - February 28

Books are \$13  
Sign up TODAY!



### New Monday Night Study Group

We will be starting a new Monday Night Study via zoom on January 31 at 6:30 pm. This study will be 5 weeks long and will go through February 28. The book we will be reading is "Reading the Old Testament through Jewish Eyes" by Rabbi Evan Moffic. Books are \$13. If you are interested in joining this study you can sign up at the servant's counter or let the office know.



## 5th Sunday

# WORSHIP-IN-SERVICE

## Food Insecurity Event

Sunday, January 30, 2022

### January WORSHIP-IN-SERVICE Event

Be ready to bring your \$30 and join us on January 30 for our WORSHIP-IN-SERVICE Food Insecurity Event. On the morning of January 30, our worship will be packing meals for Take Away Hunger and turning some of those meals into burritos that Robyn Taylor will take to the homeless in Newton throughout the winter.

We are halfway to our goal and thank you for all you do, and for your participating in this exciting ministry opportunity at St Luke UMC.

Monday Night

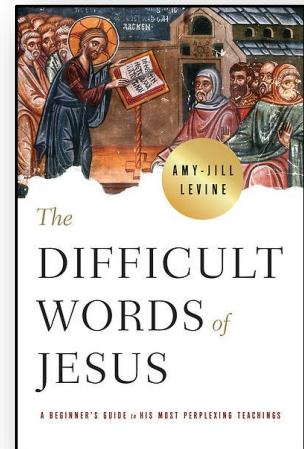
# LENTEN Study

March 7 - April 11

Books are \$13  
Sign up TODAY!

### Lenten Study

We will be having a Monday Night Lenten Study via zoom starting March 7 at 6:30 pm. This will be a 6 week study going through April 11. We will be reading the book "The Difficult Words of Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine. Books are \$13. Sign up at the servant's counter or contact the office if you are interested in joining this study.



"Though we cannot think alike,  
may we not love alike?"

—John Wesley



## January MMDC Mission Trip

**MMDC Trip News** ~ St. Luke has a team of 14 folks heading off to Midwest Missions Distribution Center on January 23rd through the 26th. We will be preparing and assembling kits, building school desks, and whatever other jobs they ask us to do. The results of our work there will be disbursed throughout the world as needed. The network of needs assessment and transportation used by the staff is as remarkable as it is faith filled. The center has a small handful of paid staff and the bulk of the work is done by volunteers. During the few years we have been going we have seen the center grow warehouse by warehouse. All of the building and equipment is funded by gifts and no money has ever been borrowed. It is good to be involved in their mission. We are grateful for the vision of this place, grateful for the work done there, grateful for the support swelling from St. Luke and surrounding churches. We ask that you please pray for our team of volunteers going to Midwest Missions Distribution Center in January as they prepare and travel on this mission for God's Kingdom.



## Fill the Moolah Tube For Heifer International

### THIS IS NO ORDINARY GIFT!

Giving an animal is like giving someone a small business, providing wool, milk, eggs and more. Animal donations can provide families a hand up, increasing access to medicine, school, food and a sustainable livelihood.

Dan West founded Heifer International in 1944 with the "teach a man to fish" philosophy. That philosophy still inspires their work to end world hunger and poverty throughout the world once and for all.

For more information about Heifer International, visit their website at: [www. Heifer.org](http://www.Heifer.org).

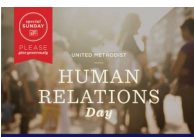


## Human Relations Day January 16<sup>th</sup>

*"What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" - Micah 6:8b*

Human Relations Day is an opportunity for United Methodists to share in seeking justice for our neighbors. On this day, congregations are given the unique opportunity to join with individuals, groups, businesses, community organizations and residents to heal the wounds of social inequality. The special offering supports neighborhood ministries, community advocacy and work with at-risk youth.

Human Relations Day encourages us to be the hands and feet of Jesus and to stay on the side of those whom others choose to forget.



## Discover Hope Supper Club

St. Luke has committed to providing the evening meal for Discover Hope the first Tuesday of every other month. Our next meal will be on February 1, 2021. We will be serving chicken corn chowder, cornbread, a relish tray and yellow cakes with peaches for our February meal. If you would like to sign-up to provide food, monetary donations or to help serve there will be a sign-up sheet on the servant's counter. All donations need to be put in the church kitchen by January 30th. Please contact Joyce Stonehocker or Peg Ehler with any questions.



# HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Message us your request.  
[prayer@stlukenewton.com](mailto:prayer@stlukenewton.com)

## Student Ministry Newsletter

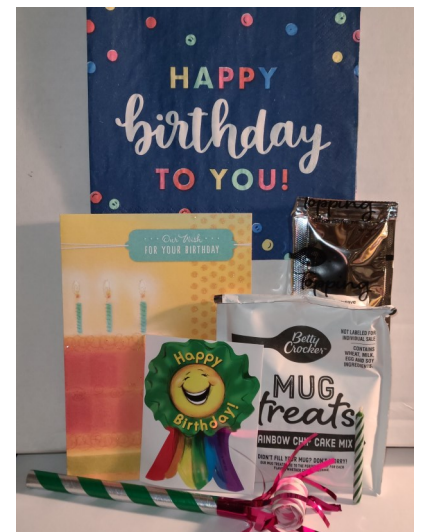
Our college students are going back to classes and we are sending them lots of good luck prayers for their spring semester. In addition, SEVERAL of them are celebrating their birthdays this month and they are receiving a fun little surprise treat from their friends at St Luke. We pray that there are many good things in store for them in the coming year!

Zoe Smith  
January 4th

Nathan Jennings  
January 8th

Gatlin Chambers  
January 26th

Angel Gallagher  
January 28th



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	
Jan. 16	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	Corinne Kleppe
Greeters (2)	Mike & Barb Kaldenberg
Reader	Amy Murphy
Acolyte	
Keyboard	Jan Lewis
Projection	Peg Ehler
Care Core	Karen Clark, Joyce Stonehocker
Coffee Time	Amy Murphy
Counters (2)	

Jan. 23	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	Doug & Jenna McIntyre
Greeters (2)	
Reader	Rose Evans
Acolyte	
Keyboard	Jan Lewis
Projection	Peg Ehler
Care Core	Barb Kaldenberg
Coffee Time	
Counters (2)	

Jan. 30	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	N/A
Greeters (2)	
Reader	N/A
Acolyte	
Keyboard	Bev Thomas
Projection	
Care Core	Tamara Lloyd, Jenni Patty
Coffee Time	
Counters (2)	

Feb. 6	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	
Greeters (2)	
Reader	Emily McConkey
Acolyte	
Keyboard	Bev Thomas
Projection	Peg Ehler
Care Core	Barb Swihart, Amy Murphy
Coffee Time	
Counters (2)	

## Worship Assistants For January & February

We are looking for volunteers to be worship assistants for the months of January & February. If you would like to volunteer you can email the church office at: [worship@stlukenewton.com](mailto:worship@stlukenewton.com), use the sign-up sheets on the coffee counter or you can add your name to our new online sign-up sheet. Here is the link to sign up online:



<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LV73f57IkMBVLyocfiFvS7GsvYM03YPBSzoXUhXQL7s/edit?usp=sharing>

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Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon.

Isaiah 58:10 (NLT)

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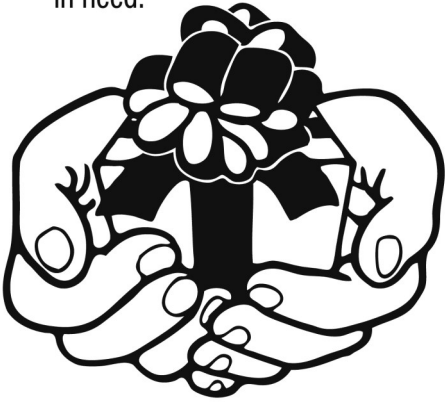
### Worship Assistants

Please find a sub or trade if you cannot do it as scheduled. Then contact the church office so we can print correct names.



# Golden GIVING

Live out Jesus' golden rule by preparing gift bags for people in need.



## What you need:

- Gallon-size zip bags
- New socks
- Hand warmers
- Bus fare or tokens
- Bottled water
- Nonperishable food
- Toiletries and first-aid items
- Paper and markers

## What you do:

1. Gather supplies, using the ideas above. Fill bags to make care packages.
2. Write notes or draw pictures for recipients, placing one in each bag.
3. Zip bags and keep them in a vehicle to distribute. Or deliver them right away to people in need (or to sick or homebound people, nursing home residents, a homeless shelter and so on).
4. Pray that God will use your gifts to help and encourage each recipient.

# Puzzle!

Match each clue with the correct biblical dreamer.  
Use the Scripture hints if needed.

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1. This person's brothers were irritated to hear of certain dreams.
  2. Angels went up and down a ladder in this person's dreams.
  3. This person dreamed about skinny cows eating fat cows.
  4. After an unpleasant dream, this person warned a loved one to avoid Jesus.
  5. This person saw a statue whose feet were smashed by a stone.
  6. A dream warned this person (plus family) to flee to Egypt.
  7. This person saw a vine produce grapes, with juice squeezed into a cup.
  8. A dream warned about Herod's evil plan.

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- A. Pharaoh  
(Genesis 41:17-21)
  - B. The Magi  
(Matthew 2:12)
  - C. Jacob  
(Genesis 28:12)
  - D. Pharaoh's cupbearer  
(Genesis 40:9-11)
  - E. NT Joseph  
(Matthew 2:13)
  - F. OT Joseph  
(Genesis 37:9, 11)
  - G. Pilate's wife  
(Matthew 27:19)
  - H. Daniel (Daniel 2:31-35)

Answers: 1. F, 2. C, 3. A, 4. G, 5. H, 6. E, 7. D, 8. B