

St Luke UMC

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THE BI-WEEKLY Flame CATCH THE FIRE!

New Choir Room Ceiling and Lights

A big thank you to all of those who shared their time and talent to help paint, install lights and work on the ceiling in the choir room. A special thanks to Mike and Barb Kaldenberg and Karin Mills for painting, Mike O'Brien for light installation and to Jeff Murphy for ALL he does at the church. We appreciate each and every one of you!

Here are some picture of the updated choir room. You can see the new ceiling tiles, light fixtures and the fresh paint featuring a new blue accent wall. Feel free to stop in and see the updates if you haven't already.



Smart Cookie

Our college-age youth have experienced a year like none other. We want to celebrate their success and encourage them during their finals week by sending them some encouragement and a little taste of home with a variety of homemade cookies! There is a sign-up to make cookies and cards for everyone to sign for each student. Thank you for your support and prayers for our young members!



2021 Graduates

We are gathering names for any graduate (high school or college) of our St Luke family. Please call or email the office and give us the name of your graduate ASAP, to be sure they are included. We would also like to include a photo of the graduate if at all possible. Thank you.



"If you find it in your heart to care for somebody else, you will have succeeded."

—Maya Angelou



Missionary Support

We are working on our Covenant of support for Jane Kies. In the past several years those funds have come from the 2nd through 5th week Sunday School offerings. Without those offerings being taken, we need to remember to give to support our missionaries. Currently we have given \$135 of our \$300 covenant. Will you help us raise the remaining \$165?



In the most recent newsletter from the Kies family, Jane talks about how the Africa University staff is developing meaningful relationships online while ensuring that the 51 students in the English program (This is where Jane works) have the help they need to learn English.

Once we have met the \$300 covenant for Jane Kies we will be raising funds for La Fundicion de Cristo/Christ's Foundry in Dallas, Texas. Our own Amy Spaur is the pastor of this bilingual congregation. Amy's mother, Marianne told me recently that Amy's congregation is having to meet away from their own church building at this time. This is due to water damage from 5 broken waterlines during the extreme cold and winter storms that crippled Texas in February. They are not used to having that type of weather for sustained periods of time the way we are here in Iowa.



Let's get Jane's covenant completed so we can turn our funds toward helping Amy's congregation in Texas.

Corinne, NOW missions

St Luke News

We would like to thank everyone who so graciously donated food and all those who helped to prepare the food for our April Discover Hope meal. We greatly appreciate the generosity of our St Luke family. We wanted to mention that Discover Hope has an ongoing needs list. The current items on the needs list are: stick butter, 12oz plastic cups, kleenex and napkins. They will also gladly take any clean disposable food containers with lids. Items can be dropped off at Discover Hope or you can leave them labeled in the church kitchen and Peg Ehler will deliver them.



Joyce Stonehocker and Peg Ehler

Our deepest sympathies and prayers go out to Amy Murphy and her family on the difficult loss of her sister, Connie Herriges.

Hold in prayer Diane Chadwick and family on the difficult loss of her husband, Jack Chadwick.



Vacation Bible School Save the Dates: July 19-23, 2021



Calling VBS Volunteers!

At this time, we're planning on hosting in-person VBS July 19-23. If you are interested in volunteering, here are the areas we need help:

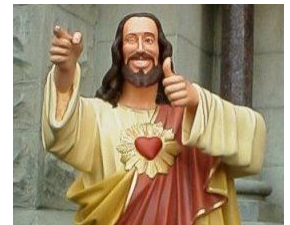
- 3-4 year olds
- Pre-K
- 1st-2nd grade
- 3rd - 4th grade
- 5th-6th grade
- Snacks
- Registration
- Music
- Recreation
- Crafts
- Drama (help with the set and acting)



Please email (annericleonard@gmail.com) or call (641-521-2463) Ann Leonard if you are interested in helping.

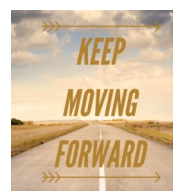
**GOD WANTS YOU
TO RAKE HIS YARD!
AND PICK UP STICKS
- FILL HOLES -
SEED BARE SPOTS.**

**SATURDAY APRIL 17TH
9:00 AM**



Keep Moving!

As they proudly processed across the stage to receive their diplomas, each graduate heard two messages from the principal: "Congratulations!" (in a loud voice) and "Keep moving" (in a whisper). Although the administrator was merely trying to facilitate the flow, she was actually offering sound advice to the young adults: Don't stop or stagnate! Proceed from here and continue learning. This is the beginning, not the end, of a journey. Keep moving!



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	
April 18	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	Corinne Kleppe
Greeters (2)	Rose Hartschen
Reader	Wendy Jennings
Keyboard	Jan Lewis
Projection	Ben Leonard
Care Core	Joyce Stonehocker, Karen Clark
Counters (2)	

April 25	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	
Greeters (2)	Mike & Barb Kaldenberg
Reader	Wendy Jennings
Keyboard	Bev Thomas
Projection (1)	Peg Ehler
Care Core	Barb Kaldenberg, Jenna McIntyre
Counters (2)	Rose Evans, Barb Kaldenberg

May 2	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	
Greeters (2)	
Reader	
Acolyte	
Keyboard	Bev Thomas
Projection (1)	
Care Core	Barb Swihart, Amy Murphy
Counters (2)	

May 9	9:30 AM
Ushers (2)	
Greeters (2)	
Reader	
Acolyte	
Keyboard	Bev Thomas
Projection (1)	
Care Core	Jenni Patty, Lisa Marston
Counters (2)	

Worship Assistants For April & May

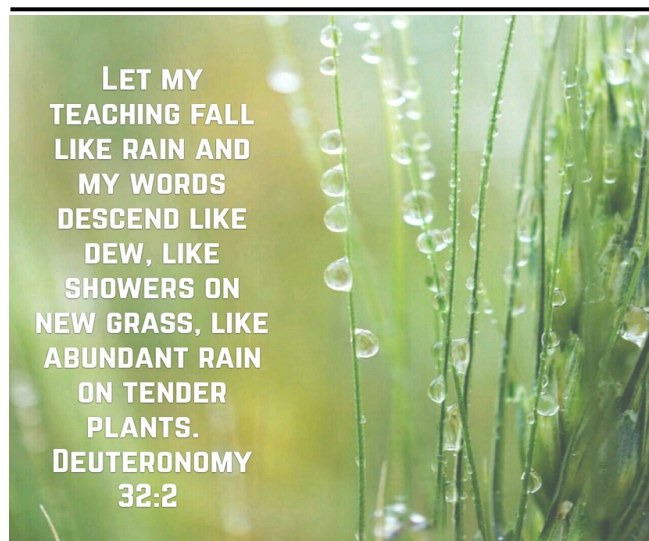
We are continuing with our worship assistant sign-up. We want our church family to feel as safe and comfortable as possible worshipping indoors so we are asking for volunteers at this time.



If you would like to volunteer you can email the church office at: worship@stlukenewton.com, use the sign-up sheet on the Coffee Counter or you can add your name to our new online sign-up sheet. Here is the link to sign up:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LV73f57IkMBVLyocfiFvS7GsvYM03YPBSzoXUhxQL7s/edit?usp=sharing>

Starting in May we will be adding a reader and an acolyte to the sign up sheet. We appreciate everyone who has so willingly volunteered to help during this time. Thank you!



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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.



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