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**October 2018**

# THE Flame
CATCH THE FIRE!

## Financial Update

As many of you know, some of the new remodeling projects at St. Luke have been completed. The church has had the new roof put on along with new gutters with Leaf Guard protection. These items were much needed. Thanks to the members of the Board of Trustees for taking care of these needed improvements.

To help fund our remaining projects, several fundraisers are being planned. One of the first fundraising activities will be a silent auction. This will be happening shortly. Watch your bulletin for details. Other fundraising activities are being planned by the fundraising committee and will be announced soon. If you have any ideas about raising funds, please pass them along to one of the members of the Trustees.

The Financial Committee still encourages all the church members to keep the apportionment portion of our budget in mind. We still lag in our payments toward meeting this important part of our budget. We still have 3 months to until the end of the 2018 budget year. Please consider giving towards apportionments for the next three months.

I am sure that most of us think that we talk about money concerns a lot. Actually, our congregational giving has been good, although down a little in the summer, as it always is. With just a little extra giving both towards the general budget, and the upcoming fundraising activities, there is no reason why we cannot reach our 2018 financial goals,

Thank you,

St. Luke Financial Committee

## October 7: Rev Lee Schott - Guest Speaker

Did you know the church is in prison? Women at the Well is our sister congregation, a United Methodist congregation within the walls of the women's correctional institution in Mitchellville, Iowa. The pastor of this ministry, Rev. Lee Schott, will be with us on Sunday, October 7, to share with us about the ten years of weekly worship, supportive community, faith nurture groups, and aftercare we have offered to the women there. Maybe you'll find your own place in prison—in ministry with these women, our sisters in Christ.

We will receive a special offering during worship on October 7th for Women at the Well. Please make checks payable to *St Luke UMC*, with *Women at the Well* in the memo line, and we will forward the total that is given. If you are not prepared to make an offering that day, you are always welcome to make a gift at any time, either through St Luke as directed above or directly to Women at the Well by mail or online at www.womenatthewellumc.org

## Charge Conference

Sunday, October 7 at 2 pm at Grinnell UMC in Grinnell. All committee officers are encouraged to attend. All members are welcome to attend this annual meeting.

## Celebrating 60 years!

The past weekend, the extended Patty family planted a Concolor Fir at St. Luke in honor of Roy and Pat's 60th Wedding Anniversary which was actually January 26, 2018. This tree is located directly west of the can & bottle recycling bin in the north west corner of the parking lot.

Congratulations, Roy and Pat!

It is Charge Conference time at St. Luke. Charge Conference is our yearly meeting to decide the direction that we think God is calling us to in the coming year. These include our goals for the coming year, staff salaries, and the people who lead us and make decisions for us. In the last year, we decided to do some remodeling and maintenance. We replaced the roof, added insulation, and put on new gutters. We also had Vacation Bible School, participated in Take Away Hunger, brought in new members, and shared God's love in the world. St. Luke had a great year.

But, it is also a time of uncertainty for the United Methodist Church. Coming in February, the United Methodist Church will hold a special General Conference to debate and vote on issues surrounding human sexuality. Over several decades, the United Methodist Church has had petitions for the full inclusion of all people, regardless of their sexual orientation, in the life of the church. As it stands, homosexuals may be members of the United Methodist Church, but they cannot serve as pastors. The Church also doesn't allow same-sex marriages to be performed in our churches or by our pastors. Some in the church are happy with this position. Others desire full-inclusion.

For the last four years, a special commission has been tasked with studying this issue and putting forth a proposal/s for our representatives to consider at this special General Conference in February. There are 4 proposals currently being considered, though several more may be coming.

In the midst of this, many in the broader church are worried about what will happen to the United Methodist Church as a result of the decision in February. No matter what is decided, it is likely that some will rejoice, some will lament, and some will leave the UMC.

Regardless of what happens in February, I believe that St. Luke still has a purpose in Newton. We still have a reason to exist. Above all else, whether you are for full inclusion of LGBTQI people in God's church, or whether you believe that they are not living up to God's standards, the work of the church and the grace of the gospel will still be valid. God's love is desperately needed in this world.

In light of this, I am calling for us to gather together several times over the next few months. The reason for these gatherings are twofold. First, I think we need to discern our purpose. Why do we exist as a church? Would Newton miss us if we were not here? What are the most essential parts of church and what are optional?

Out of this conversation will come the basis for how we respond to the second part. If we have solid reasons for our existence, then no matter what happens in February, we will find a way to carry on with God's mission for us.

The second part of our gatherings will be to have conversations about the General Conference. We will share our questions. We will share our concerns. We will talk about scripture and what it is trying to tell us in this matter.

These conversations are for those who care about St. Luke and its mission in the world. They are for those who care about the United Methodist Church. They are for those who care about what God wants for the world. They are for you.

I believe that we can have these conversations and respect each other, even if we don't agree. I believe that we can love each other into deeper relationships, even if we aren't sure what to think about this. Come and see.

There are four conversations planned before the February conference. The dates for these are Oct.22, Nov. 5, Dec. 3, and Jan. 14. They will all be held at St. Luke at 7pm.

Pastor Chad Jennings

## Updated Look

Have you seen the new wall in our sanctuary? We now have a more modern, warmer feel. Thanks to Pastor Chad, Jeff Murphy and Corinne Kleppe for sharing your talents with us on the construction of the new wall.

## All Saints Sunday

**Sunday, November 4**

We will be recognizing and remembering people from our families that have died in the past year. Please send a digital picture with the person's name to the church by October 17 in order for your family member to be recognized.

**October Salvation Army Food Pantry Request**

Soup and Crackers

## United Methodist Women

1:15 pm
St Luke UMC

*"He (Solomon) said, 'O Lord, God of Israel, there is no other God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart…'"*
1 Kings 8:23 NRSV

Program: Sacred Places With God and Neighbors by Pat Patty
Hostess: Martha Stewart
October 19-21: Mission U, Iowa Valley Conference Center, Marshalltown

**Please Pay All Pledges And Present All Bills**

## Sunday School Mission offering Now – December 2018

Tornados, hurricanes, floods, fires and lava, natural disasters that displace families and businesses. Through UMCOR's Disaster Relief fund, we are able to aide the victims of these disasters. Our funds pooled together with the gifts from others provide materials, food, assistance, human-power, and so much more to those in need. Our Sunday School Mission offering for the last 4 months of the year ( 2-5th Sundays ) will be split between national and international disaster relief.

As always the First Sunday of every month the Sunday school offering goes toward our Sunday school administration and supplies.

Corinne Kleppe, NOW – Missions Chair

## Diaper Sewing Days

We will be sewing baby diapers for UMCOR layette kits on Monday and Tuesday, October 15th and 16th in the church Fellowship Hall from 9 am-4 pm. Bring your sewing machine, some light colored thread, and basic sewing tools or you can come help us by cutting, pinning, or pressing. We will have a light potluck for lunch. This will be a time of fellowship and production. Feel free to come one or both days for as much as you are able or like. Sign-up at the Servant's Counter. See you there!

## News from our Librarian ~ Karen Clark

*Bad Girls of the Bible,* can we learn something from these 10 women? You bet we can! Liz Curtis Higgs has written this book for exactly that reason. We think highly of the good girls in scripture, but when we search ourselves we might be more likely to find selfishness, deception, or pride instead and guess what! We can find those qualities in women of the Bible and we can learn from their mistakes. You will find humor and honesty in these pages as Liz teaches women of all ages how to live in stories based on the lives of 10 ancient women from the Bible. Read about Eve, Potiphar's Wife, Lot's Wife, The Woman at the Well, Delilah and more. It is enlightening, fun, challenging, and might be life-changing. Check it out at our little library in the corner.

## Ingathering Shipping and Toothpaste fund offering Sunday, October 28

On Sunday October 28th we will collect an offering for the Ingathering shipping costs and toothpaste fund. We are asked to give money with each hygiene kit toward the purchase of toothpaste, and for shipping costs of each kit. Our goal for the noisy offering on October 28thwill be $3 per Ingathering Kit. Prior to the offering Corinne will be able to count the number of completed kits that will be going to Ingathering. This will help us determine how much we should be sending for toothpaste and how much we should be sending for shipping.

The 2018 Ingathering will be held on Saturday November 3rd. If you are interested in attending or if you are simply available to deliver our kits, please let Corinne know.

## St Luke Family Falling into Fun Festival & Chili Cook-off Sat, November 3 @ 5:30 pm

"Families" of all sizes and all ages are invited!
Chili Cook-Off Contest! (Monetary votes will determine the winner. Donations to Missions)
Photo Booth!
Fun inter-generational activities and games!
Bon Fire & S'mores! (Bring your lawn chairs)
Hay Ride!

Sign up sheet will be available on the Servant's Counter for crock pots of chili and sidedishes.

For Questions, contact Jenna McIntyre or Pam Smith.

## Want a printed copy of the Newsletter?

Printed copies of the Newsletter are available at the church. They can be found on the table by the church office.

## My Story

A multitude of hummingbirds fluttered around the feeder in what looked like a choreographed dance. As one bird moved back, a new bird took its place. Soon they will begin their flight south, but for now they feed…and they prepare for their long journey.

The beauty and intricacy of nature amazes me. Every creature has a purpose – yes, even the mosquitoes and spiders and snakes. Every creature has its own choreographed dance. And every creature is important in God's plan.

Jeremiah 8: 7a & b *"Even the stork in the sky knows her appointed seasons, and the dove, the swift and the thrush observe the time of their migration."*

I wish we could "dance" as the people of God, with that same beauty as the hummingbirds danced around that feeder. But even in our own clumsy way… if we can put aside our disagreements and differences… I pray we can "dance" and praise our Lord – TOGETHER.

1 Chronicles 16: 8-12 *8"Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. 9 Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. 10 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. 11 Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always. 12 Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced."*

1 Chronicles 16: 31-33 *31"Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!" 32 Let the sea resound, and all that is in it; let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them! 33 Let the trees of the forest sing, let them sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth."*

Corinne Kleppe - Editor

## Adult-2 Class

The Adult-2 Class is reading and discussing the book entitled, *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover. It is an unforgettable memoir about a young girl who, kept out of school, leaves her survivalist family and eventually goes on to earn a PhD from Cambridge University.

If you are looking for a Sunday School class with variety and topical studies, this would be a good class in which to participate. There is always room for more to join the discussion.

St. Luke & Seasons of the Spirit

**BIBLE STUDY**
Sunday School Class
meets 9:15 a.m. in the choir room

## A Way of Exclusion

*Speaking persistently when we face barriers that block us or others from community and discipleship*: Mark 10:46-52

Contemporary empathy

The story of blind Bartimaeus is one of the culture of exclusion due to a person's illness or disability. Bartimaeus had lived his life on the "fringes" of Jericho's society. There was the thought that living with an illness or disability was somehow the fault of the person afflicted; that their *faith* was lacking.

There are people of great faith, today, who live with physical and mental disabilities. In 2018 do we still believe these persons are the way "they are" because of an issue of their *faith*? Of course, not.

How do our individual public statements sharing how much we are "blessed" make others feel; those persons who will *never, ever* have similar "blessings" due to life circumstances? Do we exhibit *empathy* when we express our gratitude in terms of *how much* **we** *are blessed*; or is our public expression a reminder to some others of how they will **never** experience those things for which we are saying to others, "**I** am blessed."

Yes, we are always pleased for others' "blessings," but how much more appropriate to express our *thanks* in terms of **feeling gratitude** (coming from us, directed to God), instead of assuming God has *blessed only us* (a gift from God to us).

The Seasons of the Spirit **Bible Study** Class meets Sunday mornings at 9:15 to read about and discuss issues related to each week's prescribed lectionary readings. As a "new" Sunday school year has recently begun, please feel welcome to come join in the learning - every Sunday morning - after the 8 o'clock service, or before the 10:30 service!

Below are the lectionary scriptures that the Sunday school class participants will be learning about each week in October. Consider taking the time to read these scriptures at home!

### ◊ Lectionary Readings for October 2018 ◊

•**October 7: Mark 10:2-16** | Tough Questions Along the Way
*To receive God's enfolding love and extend it to those who are vulnerable.*

• **October 14: Mark 10:17-31** | Finding Our Way
*To explore living fully into the reign of Go with all its joys and risks.*

• **October 21: Mark 10:35-45** | A New Way
*To explore how greatness grows out of serving, rather than personal privilege.*

• **October 28: Mark 10:46-52** | The Way of Exclusion
*To speak persistently when we face barriers that block us or others from community and discipleship.*

## Days For Girls

The October meeting of Days For Girls will be held on October 25 from 9 am - 2 pm at 1st Presbyterian Church, Newton. More people to help make kits are always welcomed. Days For Girls kits are helping to improve the lives of teen-aged girls and women around the world.

Questions? Contact Rose Evans or Karen Clark.

## MMDC Mission Trips

This coming winter we have two work trips scheduled at Midwest Mission Distribution Center at Chatham, IL, January 20-23, 2019 and February 24-27, 2019. It is time to think about signing up to go. There are opportunities for people of all skill levels, from sorting, counting, and assembling kits, to sewing, woodworking, sewing machine repair and more. If you are willing to go, they will find a job for you! You will be impressed when you see the scope of the work done there and hear about the world wide network they have developed for mission work.

We will be staying on site in the dorm and preparing some of our own food while at the center. We will travel Sunday afternoon, work 2 1/2 days and travel home Wednesday. There is some financial commitment and a deposit of $62 (payable to MMDC) is needed by December 31. Contact Karen Clark with questions or comments. Sign up at the Servant's Counter to reserve a place on either or both of these trips.

Yes! Be looking for the St. Luke ***SILENT AUCTION*** to begin soon! Please think about what you could offer to help raise funds for the projects about which we have recently learned from our trustees, among which is altar carpet, insulation and ceilings in the educational wing, parsonage flooring and carpets, along with other targeted renovations.

A display table will be set up soon in the narthex on which you may place your **silent auction bids**. We will be looking for donations of new or gently-used items, orders for food, hosting lunches or other experiences, etc.

Please leave a message with Carolyn at st.luke.activities@gmail.com, Pastor Chad, or our administrative assistant, Shirley, regarding donations.

## Hygiene Kits for Ingathering 2018

HYGIENE KITS help disaster victims reclaim their dignity and self-respect and are used as teaching tools with children. When people can maintain personal hygiene, their overall health improves. Please include $1 per kit in the Thanksgiving Ingathering check delivered to the site. It will be used by the UMCOR Depot to purchase toothpaste.

*Ingathering Kits*

- 1 new hand towel (15"x25" up to 17"x27")
- 1 new washcloth
- 1 bath-sized bar of soap in wrapper (3 oz. or larger) No Ivory or Jergens
- 1 large, sturdy comb (longer than 6 inches)
- 1 new toothbrush in original sealed wrapper, not child-sized
- 10 band aids (3/4"-1")
- 1 metal nail file or fingernail clipper (no emery boards or toenail clippers)

Kits or kit items can be placed in the Ingathering basket on the Mission table. All kits are due by Sunday, October 21.

## Mission Coalition Pie Sale

Saturday, November 3 from 9 am - 2pm at McCann Center. The pie sale is held in conjunction with the McCann Flea Market. St Luke is responsible for providing 10 double-crust pies. Sign-up at the Servant's Counter.

## Jasper County CROP Hunger Walk

Did you know that most people who don't have safe drinking water or enough food to eat live in an impoverished country?

Church World Service is an organization that helps families and communities with seeds, tools and training to grow nutritious food and with solutions for safe water. The money raised by CROP Hunger Walks goes towards ending hunger in local communities and around the world.

The Jasper County CROP Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, October 7. Meet at the Jasper County Courthouse Lawn to register at 1:30 pm. The walk begins at 2 pm. Refreshments will be served at St Stephen's Episcopal Church following the walk.

Want to be a part of the fund raising? Donation envelopes can be found on the Servant's Counter.

## Charge Conference

Sunday, October 7 2-3:30 pm
@ Grinnell United Methodist Church

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| OCTOBER | 1 | 2 | 3<br><br>6:30 pm<br>Praise Team<br>7:15 pm<br>Choir Practice | 4<br><br>**6:30 pm Trustees meeting** | 5<br>PEO Garage Sale<br>Fellowship Hall | 6 |
| **7 8/10:30 Worship - Communion Guest Preacher - Rev Lee Schott** <br>9/11:30 Fellowship<br>9:15 Sunday School Classes for all.<br>2 pm Charge Conference @ Grinnell UMC | 8 <br>SHARE Orders due. | 9 | 10<br><br>6:30 pm<br>Praise Team<br>7:15 pm<br>Choir Practice<br><br>7 pm Page Turners Book Club | 11 | 12 | 13<br> <br>Wedding |
| **14**<br>**8/10:30 Worship**<br>9/11:30 Fellowship<br>9:15 Sunday School Classes for all. | 15 | 16<br>**Diaper Sewing Days 9 am - 4 pm**<br><br>**NO Council Meeting** | 17<br>**Photos due for All Saints Sunday**<br><br>6:30 pm<br>Praise Team<br>7:15 pm<br>Choir Practice | 18<br><br>7pm Quilt Guild - F Hall<br><br>7 pm NAMI - Choir Room | 19 | 20<br>7:30 am SHARE Pickup @ 1st UMC |
| **21**<br>**19 8/10:30 Worship**<br>9/11:30 Fellowship<br>9:15 Sunday School Classes for all.<br>6 pm ICIW @ Mitchellville | 22<br><br>**7 pm "Our Purpose" Conversation** | 23<br>**6:30 pm SPRC Meeting**<br><br>7pm Mission Coalition | 24<br><br>6:30 pm<br>Praise Team<br>7:15 pm<br>Choir Practice | 25<br>9am-2pm Days For Girls @ 1st Presbyterian Church | 26 | 27 |
| **28 8/10:30 Worship - Ingathering Noisy Offering**<br>9/11:30 Fellowship<br>9:15 Sunday School Classes for all.<br> | 29 <br>**5th Monday Supper for CFUM @ Trinity UMC** | 30 | 31 <br>**8:30 am Collate Newsletter**<br><br>**No Praise Team**<br>**No Choir Practice** | | | |

**Read Calendar closely for events not appearing elsewhere in Newsletter. Thank you.**

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

| October 7 | 8 AM | 10:30 AM |
|---|---|---|
| Ushers | Larry/Darlyne Howard | Mike/Kleo O'Brien |
| Greeters | Bill/Linda Hotger | Karen Clark |
| Reader | Jenni Patty | Leslie Maach |
| Acolytes | Ron Lisk | Kleo O'Brien |
| Nursery | Parents take turns | Pat Patty |
| Keyboard | Bev Thomas | Jan Lewis |
| Special | | |
| Projection | Brad Patty | Jacob Murphy |
| Fellowship | Peg Ehler | Wendy Jennings |
| Care Core | Jenni Patty | Amy Murphy |
| Communion | Ann Leonard Counters: | Deb Stoulil/Russ Leix |
| **October 14** | **8 AM** | **10:30 AM** |
| Ushers | Dick/Pam Stiles | Corinne Kleppe/Katie Jones |
| Greeters | Brad/Jenni Patty | Sue Crook |
| Readers | Bruce Maach | Pat Patty |
| Acolytes | Ron Lisk | Ushers |
| Nursery | Parents take turns | Doug McIntyre |
| Keyboard | Bev Thomas | Jan Lewis |
| Special | Abby Jennings/Linda Benton | Abby Jennings/Linda Benton |
| Projection | Ethan Pageler | Carolyn Cook |
| Fellowship | Rose Hartschen | Pat Patty |
| Care Core | Jenni Patty | Lisa Marston |
| Counters | | Brad Patty/Jan Lewis |
| **October 21** | **8 AM** | **10:30 AM** |
| Ushers | Chuck Springer/ Dave Miller | Bruce/Leslie Maach |
| Greeters | Larry/Darlyne Howard | Rose Evans |
| Readers | Jan Lewis | Amy Murphy |
| Acolytes | Ron Lisk | Michelle O'Brien |
| Nursery | Parents take turns | Mikey Carter |
| Keyboard | Bev Thomas | Jan Lewis |
| Special | Chancel Choir | Chancel Choir |
| Projection | Peg Ehler | Wendy Jennings |
| Fellowship | Jean Schnell | Carolyn Cook |
| Care Core | Joyce Stonehocker | Karen Clark |
| Counters | | Barb Kaldenberg/ Rose Evans |
| **October 28** | **8 AM** | **10:30 AM** |
| Ushers | Jean Schnell/Tamara Lloyd | Dennis/Pam Smith |
| Greeters | Ann/Ben/Caleb Leonard | Doug/Jenna McIntyre |
| Readers | Dale Dorrell | Katie Jones |
| Acolytes | Ron Lisk | Abby Jennings |
| Nursery | Parents take turns | Volunteer Needed |
| Keyboard | Bev Thomas | Jan Lewis |
| Special | Praise Team | Praise Team |
| Projection | Brad Patty | Carolyn Cook |
| Fellowship | Tamara Lloyd | Karen Clark |
| Care Core | Barb Kaldenberg | Marianne Spaur |
| Counters | | Pat Patty/Russ Leix |

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## St Luke News

Our sympathies go out to the family and friends of Phyllis Head and Eloise Anthony on the loss of their loved one.

Many thanks to Roy Patty and Ron Lisk for keeping the church lawn trimmed and looking good throughout the past year. Also, thank you to the crew who have kept our flower beds and planters looking nice this growing season. Our plant tenders this year have been: Pat Patty, Carolyn Cook, Karen Clark, Hiap Thongvanh, Jean Schnell, Leslie Maach, Jenni Patty, Barb Kaldenberg, and Lori Leix.

Thanks to congregations like ours throughout the country, Church World Service has been able to distribute over 20,000 CWS blankets to others in the first half of 2018. Thank You for your support.

## Advent Study

The season of Advent will soon be here. Make your Advent more meaningful by being a part of an Advent study group. Watch for news regarding the Advent Study and join a group.

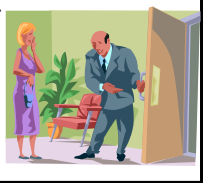
## Charge Conference

Charge Conference

Sunday, October 7
2-3:30 pm
Grinnell United Methodist Church

## 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.



## A Special Blessing for those with October Birthdays

October 2: Sue Anderson
October 5: Sharon Swarts
October 7: Barb Pherigo
October 8: Josie Swihart
October 9: Dean Stonner
October 14: Jean Schnell
October 15: Angel Anderson
October 18: Patrick Murphy
October 20: David Thongvanh
October 21: Ella Hendershot, Myron Rhone
October 22: Quinton Guillaume
October 26: Doug Spaur
October 27: Linda Hotger

If your birthday is missing or incorrect, contact the office.

## SHARE Food Program

Buying discounted groceries through SHARE is an easy way to stretch your food budget. You can check out and order online for the program at www.SHAREIOWA.com, or call First UMC "SHARE boxes" can be ordered by Monday, October 8 and picked up at First UMC on Saturday, October 20, between 7:30-8:30 am, when you can also order and pay for the next month.

## Newsletter

If you know someone that would like to receive the monthly Newsletter via email, please send their name and email address to the church office to be placed on the email list, at: Worship@StLukeNewton.com.

"You said dress up as a Bible character ... and my character is Leviathan."

## Delivery Person Needed

Corinne Kleppe is looking for someone to deliver all the school and hygiene kits we have collected the past few months to the Ingathering being held at Greenfield or Cedar Falls on Saturday, November 3.

Talk to Corinne if you are willing to take the kits and turn in the forms for St Luke.

*Ingathering Kits*

## God's left hand

A 6-year-old and his grandma went for a walk one autumn day. "Look at the gorgeous leaves!" Grandma exclaimed. "Just think, God painted each one of them just for us!"

"Yep," said her grandson, "and he did it left-handed."

Perplexed, Grandma asked, "Why do you think God used his left hand to create all this beauty?"

"Because," said the boy matter-of-factly, "we learned in Sunday school that Jesus sits on God's right one."

## PUZZLE

# From the heart

We all need people who share godly wisdom with us.

***Directions:*** *First, unscramble the bold letters to spell another word for "pal." Write that word in the first empty row. Then move the words under each bold letter to that letter's new column. The result will be Proverbs 27:9, NIV.*

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| to | bring | Perfume | incense | and | joy |
| Perfume | | | | | |
| of | the | the | and | heart, | pleasantness |
| the | | | | | |
| advice. | their | a friend | from | springs | heartfelt |
| A friend | | | | | |

Answer: F R I E N D; Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice. Proverbs 27:9, NIV