



## St. Luke's United Methodist Church

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August 22, 2010

13th Sunday after Pentecost



(♦ All are invited to stand.)

(Resource Key: UMH—United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS—The Faith We Sing)

### WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE

(Please register your attendance.)

**PRELUDE** "Oh Jesus, I Have Promised" *Lucy Ann Wariner*

(Please observe this time as an opportunity for silent prayer and meditation.)

### GREETING \*

**Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace.**

**Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land  
with your healing love.**

**Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance,  
and to bow to one another in real forgiveness.**

**By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts  
and consume the pride and prejudice which separate us.**

**Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out our fear,  
and bind us together in that unity**

**which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

♦ RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

♦ OPENING HYMN, No. 451 UMH "Be Thou My Vision"

### CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

#### UNISON PRAYER\*

**O God, you are the hope of all the ends of the earth,  
the God of the spirits of all flesh.**

**Hear our humble intercession for all races and families on earth,  
that you will turn all hearts to yourself.**

**Remove from our minds hatred, prejudice, and contempt**

for those who are not of our own race or color, class or creed,  
that, departing from everything that estranges and divides,  
we may by you be brought into unity of spirit, in the bond of peace.  
Amen.

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

### ♦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, No. 886 UMH

"The World Methodist Social Affirmation"

**ANTHEM** "The Giving" *Zach Brandt, soloist* {8:30 & 11:00}

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

**OFFERTORY** "Meditation on 'How Great Thou Art'" *John Carter*

### ♦ DOXOLOGY, No. 94 UMH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** {8:30 & 11:00}

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON**, Psalm 71:1-6

### ♦ HYMN, No. 261 UMH "Lord of the Dance"

**SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON**, Luke 13:10-17

**TODAY'S MESSAGE** "Rejoice or Criticize" *Douglas Gestwick*

**SERVICE OF THE TABLE, No. 17 UMH** "Setting A" {9:45}

[Please come to the nearest communion station, and stand to receive the bread and cup. A server will place the bread in your hand, after which you dip the bread into the chalice and partake. After receiving, return to your seats, or kneel at the rail, for meditation and prayer. Notify an usher if you need assistance, or if you need to receive the sacrament at your seat. Please remember to place your monetary gift at the kneeling rail to support our Good Samaritan Fund that assists needy friends and neighbors in York County and Poquoson.]

### ♦ CLOSING HYMN, No. 2172 TFWS "We Are Called"

[During the singing of the closing hymn, you are invited to kneel at the altar in prayer. If you would like one of the pastors to pray with you, look at them. They will come to you.]

### ♦ GOING FORTH WITH THE LIGHT

### ♦ BENEDICTION

### ♦ POSTLUDE "Fughetta" *David Lasky*



**Our Military especially**

**those deployed:** Calvin Anderson, David Cluxton, Scott Glass, Ben Liles,  
Paul Mowery, Mike Sherman, Traci Shoffner

**Pray that churches across the nation will recognize  
and minister to these military needs.**

**Acolytes:** (8:30) C.J. Omweg and Maddie Wagner **Crucifer:** Laura Gestwick  
(11:00) Elaina McCoulskey and Kara Parr **Crucifer:** Jessica Campbell

**Shepherd Ministry:** Ken and Jeri Engebretson

**The flowers at the altar are presented by Terri Knight in memory of  
Robert Knight who died August 16, 2008.**

**Attendance on August 15, 2010**

Worship – 458

**Capital Campaign Update**  
We have raised \$1,740,400.00 toward the building campaign  
so far with 218 families and individuals contributing.

**Vision Statement**

Christian disciples called to transform  
our community and world through God's love.

**Mission Statement**

We, the members of St. Luke's United Methodist Church,  
are an inclusive, Christ-centered community of faith, seeking through  
worship, prayer, service, education and fellowship to respond creatively  
to God's call to welcome, love and care for others.

**St. Luke's Ministry Team**

Ministers.....	The People of St. Luke's
Presiding Bishop.....	Charlene P. Kammerer
District Superintendent.....	Myrtle Frances Hatcher
Senior Pastor.....	Douglas Gestwick
Associate Pastor.....	Clara Gestwick
Director of Discipleship Ministries.....	James A. Pace
Business Manager.....	Bill Boyer
Communications Coordinator.....	Megan Collins
Director, Youth Ministries.....	Nate DeHart
Director, Preschool.....	Diana Donnelly
Director, Nursery Ministries.....	Svjetlana Mastilovic
Director, Music Ministries.....	Gordon Parr
Organist-Accompanist.....	Mark Smeland
Administrative Coordinator.....	Joyce Wilson

## ST. LUKE'S IN ACTION – August 22

TODAY	9:45	Sunday School for all ages
	11:00	Young Adult Sunday School Class (rm 29)
	11:00	Prayer Ministry Team (room 4 – all are invited to join)
	5:00	Middle School Fellowship of Clay
	6:30	High School Fellowship of Clay
TU	11:00	Staff Meeting
THU	6:30	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	7:00	<b>Financial Peace University Preview (see article)</b>
	7:00	Staff Parish Relations Committee meeting
FRI		<b>Youth Beach Day Trip</b>
SAT	7:00	God & Grits Men's Bible Study
SUN	4:30-5:30	<b>Rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders Parents meeting (rm 21)</b>



### Passionate Worship

***Do you like to read the Bible?*** If so, here's a great opportunity for you. Volunteer to be a Scripture reader on Sunday morning! The 'mission' is simple: a printed script, which includes the 'Scripture lesson(s)', will be sent to you a few days in advance for your review. Also, the 'script' will be on the lectern on Sunday for your use. If you are interested, *contact Elizabeth Lyon (757) 833-7939, or sign up* in the notebook at the Hospitality Desk in the Narthex.

### Radical Hospitality

**Fellowship Time** in the courtyard - please join us between services and have refreshments and fellowship with other parishioners.

**Our Community Carnival** is coming Sunday, September 12th from 3:00-7:00 PM! Invite your friends and neighbors. We are looking for our small groups to host a carnival game or booth. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board at the "T," there are opportunities for everyone to participate!

**Open House Month** - September is Open House Month in the United Methodist Church and this year we want to have a "September Miracle." We want each of you to invite at least one unchurched friend to come to St. Luke's with you in September.

**Ministry Bulletin Boards** - We are having themed bulletin boards for the month of September. We have taken down the old bulletin boards (if you want your materials they are in the office) and we have put up the theme of "Growing to Serve" for September. We are asking those of you with a bulletin board to update your information by August 31st. Thank you for helping make our Open House month a success!

**Hospitality Center** - We are trying to keep our Hospitality Center organized so it is easier for volunteers to find things. If you would like to place information or sign-ups at the Hospitality Center, please contact Keri Houser at 369-3979 or khyde96@aol.com.

### Risk Taking Mission

**FOGG ASP is still alive!!** We've applied for and been accepted to take up to 18 adults (age 18+) to the ASP year round center in Jonesville, VA. We'll travel to Jonesville Sun. Sep 19 and return home on Sat Sep 25, 2010. This is a great opportunity not only to help make someone's home warmer, safer and drier, but to begin a relationship with the families in the area. Any questions or to volunteer for the trip, call Ron Dorenbush @ email rdorenbush@aol.com or (h) 872-4666, (c) 817-0196.

### Intentional Faith Development

**Parents of 6th Rising 6th Graders** - You are invited to a parents meeting on Sunday, August 29th at 4:30 PM to learn more about Youth ministry at St. Luke's.

**Financial Peace University** - Imagine what your finances would look like if you decided not to conform. One of the things Dave Ramsey says is: "Normal is BROKE! So be weird!" and Financial Peace University will show you exactly how to do that; how to start eliminating debt so you're free to do things you've always wanted to do! Come to our free preview on August 26th at 7:00 PM and you'll see what I mean. If you'd like more information now, see the bulletin board across from the DDM office or ask Ron Dorenbush, rdorenbush@aol.com or James Pace, 898-3017.

**Caring Ministries** - We have two wonderful opportunities to serve the homebound members of our church

**Homebound Communion** – This team provides communion to our home-bound church members. We have a couple of openings. If you are interested please contact Betty Brummer at 898-8031 or [bettybrummer@cox.net](mailto:bettybrummer@cox.net) for additional information.

**Caring Contact** - We are establishing teams to make periodic visits, calls or send cards or notes of Christian love to our home-bound. Please prayerfully consider making a difference today! Contact Lynda Sullivan at [Lyndas@ix.netcom.com](mailto:Lyndas@ix.netcom.com) or 871-1856.

**St. Luke's Reading Ministry:** If you enjoy working with children, please prayerfully consider encouraging them to learn successfully. We begin our eighth year volunteering at Grafton Bethel Elementary School and need more volunteers for 2010-2011. An orientation program will be presented to all new volunteers. Volunteer applications are available at the Hospitality Center. Questions: Please call Ronna McLane, 766-1619.

**Women's Retreat** - Mark your calendars for our Fall Spiritual Retreat in Blessings Lodge at Camp Overlook, Keezletown, VA on October 8-10, 2010. Our focus this year will be on prayer. We have a guest retreat leader, Mert Brubaker whom Pastor Clara will assist in leading this retreat. Mert is a very creative individual who has led many retreats for women in her own church. Our bus and van will be transporting our women. The all inclusive cost for the weekend is \$150.00. Sign up on the web or on Pastor Clara's door beginning in September, then confirm your reservation with a check.

**Drive-Thru Nativity** - It's not too soon to start thinking about how you can help with our wonderful St. Luke's Advent and Christmas Outreach, the Drive-Thru Nativity! Many openings will be available for YOUR participation in this opportunity to reach out to the local community and to enjoy fellowship within our church community as we work and play together to tell the story of the life, death and resurrection of Christ. More information will be available soon. Questions? Contact Mary Ellis (877.0358) or Ginny Potts (898.1329).

**Peninsula District Lay Speaking Ministries** is offering a Basic and an Advance Course for Lay Speaking Ministries on Saturday, September 25. Please visit the District Website <http://www.gbmg-umc.org/pendist/index.htm> , or call the District Office 757-596-3476, or see your church secretary for copies of the registration forms. Do not delay – pre-registration is required - there is no walk-in registration for these events. Registrations must be received by September 18. Come to learn and grow – be sent out to serve as you are called.

### **Extravagant Generosity**

**Back-to-School Supplies** - Service Ministry has received a request from York-Poquoson Social Services to support around 20 to 25 children of client families, and we need your help to outfit them with clothes and back-to-school stuff. If, as a Sunday School Class, a circle, a group, or an individual, you would like to support a child or a family, please contact Mike Mellen, 898-3190. The needs of the children will be met by purchasing Gift Cards from Wal-Mart (the denomination we are aiming for is \$75.00 per child, but you can donate any amount). Checks can also be made out to St. Luke's, memo "Back-to-School." Please turn in Gift Cards to Mike or the Office, by no later than Sunday, August 29. Thank you.

**Vehicles wanted:** LINK helps the homeless get back on their feet and helps them find jobs. LINK accepts running vehicles that will help in this need. If you wish to donate, please contact, Lynn Finding, 254-2424, for details.

**Food Closet Needs YOU!** Starting October 4, the Food Closet will begin a 3 month trial being open a second shift on Mondays from 3PM to 6PM. Four to five volunteers are needed for each Monday; volunteers would work one Monday per month. Men, women, couples... (must be over age 18), call Susan Sallwasser (345-3453). Job satisfaction practically guaranteed!

**College Student Ministry** – Make a difference to our college students by supporting the semi-annual care package drive, figuring out nurturing ways to periodically communicate with them, and support any related events or social activities. It's a great way to be a positive influence in their active lives! For more information, please contact Ms. Elise Seay at [ecseay@cox.net](mailto:ecseay@cox.net) or 868-8828.