



# Bearing Good Fruit

## St. Luke's United Methodist Church

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Third Sunday in Lent



(◆ 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 "Sanctus" Tom Birchwood

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

### GREETING

Let us test and examine our ways, and return to the Lord!

**God has blessed us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

Seek the Lord while he may be found,

call upon him while he is near;

let the wicked forsake their way,

and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the Lord.

**The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;**

**a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.\***

### RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

#### ◆ RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

#### ◆ OPENING HYMN, No. 519 UMH "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS, No. 38 UMH

*Today we welcome into membership Beth Cerri, Sarah and Wade Wooley at 8:30 AM. We also welcome James Rhoads & Heather White, and Chris & Cindy Angel and their children, Sara and Emily at 9:45 AM. Please welcome them into Christ's household of faith at St. Luke's.*

### CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

## **UNISON PRAYER**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
you created us for yourself,  
so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.  
Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose  
that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will,  
and no weakness from doing it.  
In your light may we see life clearly  
and in your service find perfect freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

### **ANTHEM** "There Is a Fountain" *Arranged by Cindy Berry* {9:45 & 11:00}

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins; and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains. Lose all their stains (all their guilty stains) Lose all their stains, (Lose all their guilty) and sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains. Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its pow'r till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more. Be saved to sin no more, (saved to sin no more,) Be saved to sin no more. (saved to sin no more.) Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more. E'er since, by grace, I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply, redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die. (shall be till I die.) Shall be till, till I die, (And shall be till I die) and shall be til I die. (And shall be till I die;) Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die. When this poor lisping stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave, (When this tongue lies) Then in a nobler, sweeter song, I'll sing Thy pow'r to save; I'll sing Thy pow'r to save, I'll sing Thy pow'r to save. (sing Thy pow'r to save.) Redeeming love has been my theme, for my sins are washed away.

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY** "Stabat Mater by Giovanni Pergolisi" *Arr. by John Troutman*

### **♦ DOXOLOGY, No. 95 UMH**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

{8:30 & 11:00}

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON**, Isaiah 55:1-9

**♦ HYMN, No. 2282 TFWS** "I'll Fly Away"

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON**, Luke 13:1-9

**TODAY'S MESSAGE** "Bearing Good Fruit" *Douglas Gestwick*

## **SERVICE OF THE TABLE, No. 17 UMH "Setting A"**

[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. 381 UMH "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"**

SENDING FORTH OF COMMUNION VISITORS

[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 "O God, Whose Will is Life and Good" *Setting by Carl Schalk***



Welcome to St. Luke's! We're glad that God has brought you to worship with us today. We especially welcome newcomers to our community. We invite you to consider making us your church home. Talk with one of the pastors for details.

Please sign our Friendship Register found in the red pads in the pews and pass it to the person next to you. When everyone has signed, please return it to the end of the pew nearest the center aisle. If you are a guest please complete the yellow Visitor card in the pew rack and return it to the Hospitality Center in the Narthex (lobby). A gift is waiting for you there. The Hospitality Host/Hostess is there to give you information about St. Luke's and answer questions.

Infants and toddlers may enjoy our Nursery Ministry during all services; ask an usher for directions to our nursery facilities. Large print bulletins and hymnals, and hearing assist devices, are available from our ushers. Please note: Activity Bags are available in the narthex for younger boys and girls. Please return the bags as you leave worship.

Stay connected! We are pleased to offer our 11:00 AM on the web through a streaming live broadcast. If you miss the service you can also access archives of our services. Just go to our website [www.stlukesyorktown.org](http://www.stlukesyorktown.org) and click on the "Eleven o'clock Service i-Broadcast." Sunday bulletins are posted on Fridays prior to worship.

Today we extend our Communion table to Myra Cobb, Evenly White, Bob Krutsch, Helen Gaddis, Betty Sievert, Lee & Ann Person, Wilbert & Barbara Tyler, Eleanor & Bob Misner, Bill Hunter, Gloria Knuckles, and Dorothy Rawlings.

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### ***Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:***

**Convalescents:** Bayside Convalescent – Tom Brewer – Rm 202  
Bob & Eleanor Misner - 102  
The Chesapeake – Marjorie Bennett – Rm 315  
Dominion Village – Geannette Holland  
Walter Reed Rehab (Gloucester) – Irene Hall – Rm 19B  
Warwick Forest:  
Marilyn Beckman – Keswick Place- Rm 555  
Myra Cobb – Rm 539  
Bob Krutsch – The Gardens- Rm 305A  
Ruth Smeland – The Gardens – Rm 522A  
Evelyn White – Keswick Place  
York Convalescent - Sarah Tingen – 1B (Jake Capps' mom)  
Colonial Harbor – Ann Fink – Rm 117  
Wilbert & Barbara Tyler – Rm 228

**In The Hospital:** DeAnn Posey – surgery 3/4 – Mary Immaculate  
Mary Myers – hospital in PA (John Myers' mother)  
Abby Jones – CHKD  
Jim Johnson – (Suzie Smith's brother)  
Pierce Ellis – Del. Hospital (Blair Ellis' father)

**Prayers and Sympathy to:** Wes and Karen Wagner and family on the death of her father, Gilmore Boggs.

Roger and Joan Reese and family on the death of her sister, Betty Croyle.

**Other members:** Mae Burcher, Ann Burnette, Mildred Epperly, Helen Gaddis, Jeanette George, Sheryl Gibbs, Linda Hampton, Clark Houston, Bill Hunter, John Masten, Sue Merritt, Ron and Betty Miller, Nancy Mullins, Gloria Nuckles, Ann and Lee Person, Bill Price, Brenda Ramsey, Ernest White

**Extended family and friends:** Travis Allen, Andy Anderson, Tarmara Batt, Shannon Begy, Alston Black, Lee Booth II, Anna Bryant, Kevin Butler, Lauren Burke, Joe Cannon, Nanette Carbonneau, Nancy Clark, Betty Collins, John Collins, Judy Collins, Chuck Crisp, Shawn Crummel, Elsie Curtis, Burt Daniel, Audrey Diperseio, Ann Edgath, Marie Frazier, Vince Grande, Sydney Harris, Michael Hatton, Eric Hogge, Joe Hughes, John Johnson, Bernice Jones, Billie Jones, George Jordon, Myrtle Jordon, Shirley Kong, Mary Lurowski, Frank Maness, Carol Masser, Pam McCann, Brian Murphy, Loretta Moncrieff, Ryan and Jennifer Moneyhun, Michael Overall, Bob Parrish, Terry Phillips, Mary Posey, DeAnna Pumey, Mason Quimby, Liz Rich, Debra Robinson, Shirley Roller, Sandy Sherrin, Suzie Smith's family, Joshua Snell, Traci Snell, David Stephens, Mary Strickler, Diana Teaford, Andre Tennant, Don Thompson, Jayson Thompson, Neil Turk, Paula Watts, Wanda Weeks, Shirley Wilson, Ken Wrisley, Tim Zelner, Mary Zurowski, Carol Zsolinski

**Our Military especially**

**those deployed:** David Cluxton, Scott Glass, Ben Liles, Paul Mowery

**Pray that our military families will find spiritual support and  
"Hope on the Home Front"**

**Acolytes:** (8:30) Lauren and Aubrie Yarbrough **Crucifer:** Zoe Brandt  
(11:00) Caroline Austin and Laura Martin **Crucifer:** Jessica Campbell

**Shepherd Ministry:** Jackie Houston

**Attendance on February 28, 2010**

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**For more information about upcoming events during Lent and Holy week.  
Please pick up a brochure at the kiosk or by Joyce's office.**

**Passionate Worship**

**Acolyte Training** - There will be a training session on March 14 after the 11 o'clock service for any children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and above interesting in becoming an acolyte. Contact Samantha Cowan at samandwes@cox.net if your child is interested in attending.

**Blessing of Prayer Shawls & Crazy Quilts** - March 14th we will be blessing our prayer shawls and crazy quilts during the worship services. If you have any completed shawls, please bring them to the church this week.

**Holy Week Services:**

Palm Sunday - March 28th at 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 AM

Maundy Thursday - April 1, 2010 at 7:00 PM & Good Friday - April 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday - April 4, 2010

Sunrise Service - 6:30 AM & Services of Resurrection - 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 AM

ST. LUKE'S IN ACTION - Week of March 7, 2010

TODAY	8:45	Simply Christian Adult Sunday School Class
	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)
	4:00	Disciple IV Bible Study
	6:30-8:30	High School Fellowship of Clay
MO	9:00-3:00	<b>(M-F) Easter Egg Project</b>
	9:30-12:30	M-F Preschool
	10:00	Book Club
	3:30	Martha's Ministry Meeting
	5:30	UM Women's Board meeting
	7:00	Sisters In Christ Circle
	7:00	Trustees meeting
TU	11:00	Staff Meeting
	6:30	Finance Committee
	6:30	Campaign Steering Committee
WED	6:00	High School & Middle School Bible Study
	6:15	Discovery Kids
	6:15	The Faithful Chorus rehearsal
	6:15	Hand Bell Choir rehearsal
	6:30	<b>God's Renewed Creation study</b>
	6:30	The Book of Psalms study
	6:30	Disciple I Bible Study
	6:30	"The Shack" Study
	7:00	Youth Band practice
	7:15	Chancel Choir rehearsal
THU	10:00	Acts Bible Study
	10:00	The Book of Psalms study
	10:00	L.I.F.T. Circle meets at the church
	12:00	<b>Lenten Lunch (sign up &amp; menu on hall board)</b>
	6:30	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	7:00	Acts Bible Study
	7:00	Worship Ministry
FR	8:00-10:00	Youth Fifth Quarter <b>for High School Youth</b>
SAT	7:00-8:30	God and Grits Men's Bible Study
SUN	12:15	<b>Acolyte Training in the sanctuary (see article)</b>



Radical Hospitality

**Lenten Lunches** - Please join us Thursdays at noon during Lent for our annual Lenten Lunches. Come and enjoy a simple meal while the clergy lead a discussion on *The Many Faces of Jesus*. Please sign-up on the bulletin board at the "T." Runs Feb. 25th - March 25th.

**Need a Name Tag?** Please sign the book at the Hospitality Center to request one. If you've requested one please check at the Hospitality Center to pick it up.

**Interested in Being a Greeter?** It's a great way to meet people and see people on Sunday morning. Contact Marjorie Crowell for more information, 890-2873.

Risk Taking Mission

**Spring Break Mission Trip** to D'Iberville, MS from April 5-10. We will be doing Katrina rebuilding and repair. The houses we've been working on have been sitting idle and empty for 4 1/2 years with owners who have been praying for help during that time. If you're interested in helping them, please contact Ron Dorenbush at (H) 872-4666; (C) 817-0196 or email rdorenbush@aol.com.

**Stop Hunger Now**—We will hold an inter-generational **Stop Hunger Now** event on May 2. SHN has already started shipping millions of meals to Haiti to help the relief effort. Each meal costs 25¢ and there are six meals in a pack. If you would like to make a donation please make your check out to St. Luke's UMC and write Stop Hunger Now in the memo line. If you would like to package meals come out on May 2nd.

## Intentional Faith Development

**The St. Luke's Travelers** are headed to Lancaster, PA on Wednesday, April 14 to see the musical **JOSEPH** at the Sight & Sound Millennium Theatre, returning on Thursday April 15. The cost is \$140 per person double occupancy or \$280 single occupancy. The cost includes transportation, ticket for the show, and one night lodging with a continental breakfast. Seating is limited on the bus. For more info check the Traveler's box in the church office or contact Betty Brummer 898-8031.

**St. Luke's Prayer Shawl Ministry** - If you like to knit, crochet, and fellowship with others, please consider joining us. The group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm to make shawls and pray for those in need. Completed shawls are lovingly distributed to members of our church family in need of comfort. Questions? Contact Ms. Joan Comeaux at 865-1729.

**SOFTBALL!** Adult Coed Slow-pitch Softball begins soon! Everyone 16 (by 10 April) and up is welcome to play! Games are all on Saturday mornings. The season runs from April 10 until July 10 with no games Memorial Day weekend nor Jul 4<sup>th</sup> weekend. Most games are at Liberty Baptist. This is a 'for fun' league and we *do have fun!* No experience is required! We need you! All you need is a glove! Schedule of games will come later. Call or text Kathie Murphy for more info: 757 208-1061 or email kcmurphy5@aol.com

## Extravagant Generosity

**Annual Easter Egg Project** - Come help pat eggs, fold boxes, fellowship & more. We meet M – F, 9AM – 3PM. and nursery is provided. Training on the job, so all skill sets are welcomed.

**Easter Egg Project Order Forms** are available now! Place your order today. One-half pound chocolate-covered peanut butter, butter crème, mint crème or orange crème eggs are still \$3.50. A Limited Edition Coconut Egg is available for \$5.00. Pick up an extra flyer & order form to share with friends, family or co-workers to help sell our eggs. We appreciate your support.

**Medicine Box Collections** - Monetary donations will be collected throughout the month of March to purchase a Medicine Box. This is an UMCOR program administered by I.M.A., ( Interchurch Medical Assistance), which purchases essential medicines and medical supplies to treat 1,000 adults and children for 2-3 months. Checks may be made out to SLUMC and placed in the collection plate. Please put "Medicine Box" on the memo line.

**Brazilian Missionaries Coming** - Join us March 21st at 5:00 PM for "A Taste of Brazil" with missionaries Teca and Gordon Greathouse who will speak about the Shade and Fresh Water Project they support in Brazil. A Brazilian dinner will follow the presentation. A love offering will be collected to support this mission.

**Helping Chile Earthquake Recovery** - You can help by making donations to United Methodist Committee on Relief by writing a check to St. Luke's UMC and write UMCOR Chile Emergency Advance #3021178 in the memo line. At this time it is not anticipated that relief supply kits will be needed. Please place checks in the offering plate.

**Helping Haiti Earthquake Recovery** - You can help by making donations to United Methodist Committee on Relief by writing a check to St. Luke's. Please put UMCOR Haiti Emergency Advance # 418325 in the memo line. You may also donate a Health Kit or write a check to SLUMC for Health Kits for Haiti in the memo line. Each kit costs \$10.00. Please place checks in the offering plate.

**Phone Cards for the Troops:** The UMC Phone Card program is administered by the United Methodist Endorsing Agency (UMEA), the entity which endorses United Methodist Chaplains to the Armed Forces. UMEA sends the cards to deployed UMC chaplains, to distribute within their units as they see the need. Supported entirely by donations - a 120-minute card costs \$4.95. To help our troops stay in contact with loved ones back home, send a check payable to: UMEA,

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