

St. Luke's Outlook

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June 2006



Upcoming Events:

- June 2nd ~ Gong Show
- June 4th ~ Confirmation
- June 4th ~ Youth Car Wash
- June 4th ~ District Pentecost Celebration
- June 4th ~ Music Night
- June 5th ~ Preschool Graduation
- June 11th ~ Graduation Sunday
- June 11th ~ Acolyte Training
- June 11th-14th ~ Annual Conference
- June 17th ~ ASP Departs
- June 18th ~ Acolyte Recognition
- June 18th ~ Farewell for Pastor Bill & Pastor Mark

Time of Change, Time of Farewell, Time of Appreciation!

As United Methodists, we are all familiar with our roots in itinerant ministry, and we have all experienced the sorrow of a beloved pastor "moving on" and the joy of welcoming a new pastor into our congregation. Your Staff Parish Relations Committee has been notified by Myrtle Frances Hatcher, our District Superintendent, that both Pastor Bill and Pastor Mark will be transferred to new assignments in late June, and that we will be receiving new pastors for the first Sunday in July.

Pastor Bill has been with us since 2000, and Pastor Mark since 2002. Together they have accomplished much with us, and I know you will want to join in expressing your appreciation to them and their families as we say a heartfelt "Thank you!" and farewell. We will celebrate the ministries of Pastors Bill and Mark and their families at an outdoor

luncheon event (in the Grove), on June 18, immediately following the 11 a.m. service. Please watch the St. Luke's web site www.stlukeyorktown.org, and your Sunday bulletin for additional details.

Pastoral transition is a time of challenge for pastors and their families who are moving to new homes and new churches. It is also a time of challenge for us as a congregation as we accept our feelings of loss as familiar pastors leave and our feelings of excitement and opportunity as new pastors arrive. Pastors Bill and Mark have much on their minds as they prepare for this transition, and I trust each of you will continue to pray for them and their families as they prepare for their new ministries.

~ Bo Walkley

Chair, Staff Parish Relations Committee

ANNUAL LAY STAFF EVALUATIONS

As part of the SPRC evaluations of the lay staff at St. Luke's we want to hear from you with praises for work well done and any areas of improvement or concern you may have. Each lay staff member has a liaison on the SPRC - please contact the liaison directly with your comments. Thank you for your important participation.

~ Janet Knabe, knabes@verizon.net, 898-8203

~ Nursery/Teresa Crocker

~ Sam Motley, motleys@cox.net, 867-6709

~ Admin/Joyce Wilson &

Communications/Megan Zahn

~ Wanda Sills, bama73@cox.net, 872-0358

~ Pre-School/Diana Donnelly

~ Vince Berardini, vinceberardini@aol.com, 867-8987

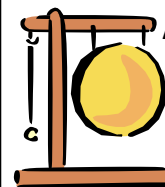
~ Music/Gordon Parr, Mark Smeland

~ Vicki Stover, vstover@cox.net, 898-3451

~ Youth/Paul Lapointe

We Want Your Picture!

We want our entire church family in our new directory! If you haven't made your appointment yet, it's as easy as picking up the phone and calling the directory company (toll free) at 1-866-802-4452. This is also the number to call if you need to re-schedule existing appointments. Need more information? Contact Donna Dorenbush at 872-4666 or Mary Ellis at 877-0358.



**Attend the 4th
Annual Gong
Show**

June 2nd!

See the web for
more details.

Nursery Update

It is time again to review Nursery policies and procedures. When needing nursery services please follow the proper steps.

1. A nursery request form is in the Nursery Directors box.
2. Fill out and place back into box.
3. A 2 week notice is appreciated.
4. A verification will be given either by telephone or via email.
5. Please contact 24 hours before if possible to cancel the request.

Standard nursery hours are as follows:

Sunday – 8:10 – 12:15

Wednesday – 6:30 – 9:00

Discovery Kids/Choir

Any other nursery request is by prior arrangement. Please use the nursery request form.

Any feedback is greatly appreciated and we would love to hear from you. Please email me at nursery@stlukesytwn.hrcoxmail.com. The nursery staff 's goal is to provide a loving safe environment for each child. We are in the process of sprucing up the nursery and look forward to all our new changes. Watch for them in the coming months.

Thank you for all your support and love,
Teresa Crocker, Nursery Director

Support Our New Library

Great news! St. Luke's is starting a new church library. If you have books you'd like to donate (reference materials, Bible study books, discipleship resources, children's Bible storybooks, devotionals, etc.) bring them to the corner table in Room 17. They will be reviewed by the Director of Discipleship Ministries prior to shelving. We're also looking for volunteers to help organize materials. The Grand Opening of the library will be in September. Questions? Call DeAnn Posey at 890-2869 or Karen Berardini at 867-8987.

Grads – We Want You!

Graduation Sunday is June 11th for all graduates high school and college. The United Methodist Women are hosting a reception for the graduates following the 11:00 service.

We also want your information. Please send your name, a picture, where you are graduating from, any honors, what your plans are after graduation. We will have a special graduates page in our July Outlook. Please have all information to the office by June 15th!

Youth Car Wash
June 4th from 12-3 PM
Outside the Fellowship Hall
Come get your car washed
and support the youth!



Landing in a Neighborhood Near You!



Flamingos are now flocking. Order forms available on the bulletin board across from the Pastors study and at the kiosk in the narthex. The Fellowship of Clay will deliver flamingos on a lawn of your request (\$15 for one flock of 10 flamingos.) This is a fundraiser for the DC2006 youth.

Here's what's going on at St. Luke's. Get Involved!



Looking for a Preschool?
Look no further...we still have spaces in our 2 1/2 & 3 year old classes.
Contact Diana Donnelly, 898-3017.

Acolyte Recognition



Acolytes

Our acolytes have a very important role in our Sunday services. On Sunday June 18th, 2006, we will recognize our acolytes at the 11:00 service. All acolytes and their families should attend.

Acolyte Training

A training session will be held on Sunday, June 11th at 12 noon for current 2nd-6th grade students who would like to serve as acolytes. Meet in the church parlor. The session will last about one hour. Acolytes are needed for both the 8:30 and 11:00 services. Questions? Call Karen Berardini at 867-8987.

Come One, Come All to the Women's Breakfast!



Women's Breakfast will meet the 4th Sunday, June 25th, at 8:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Since we do not meet for July and August, this will be our last chance to gather until the fall. Ginger Boyles will highlight the Prayer Ministry, so come join in the fellowship, food and reflections before you leave for vacation.



Doodles from the DDM:

The countdown has begun...

Vacation Bible School is about a month away. I fully expect to max out our facilities and volunteers, so be sure to register your children early!!! Our registration deadline is June 15! After that date, registration is available only on a space available basis. REGISTER TODAY! Forms are available outside the DDM office and on the web at the VBS link.

- **There is a VBS Leadership Training on June 22 at 7:00 pm. This leadership meeting is for all our VBS leaders. Be sure to be here!!!**
- **VBS Opening Fellowship and Watermelon Night is July 16th at 6:00 pm.**

Rotation Sunday School is off to a great start, but we could use some more helper bees to either serve as shepherds or center leaders. Our first session ends on July 9 and the second session begins on July 16. Great, great learning time for all involved.

Fall Sunday School will be here before we know it, and our Education committee is beginning the process of teacher enlistment. While we hope everyone will return in the fall, we are always on the lookout for new faces. ~ James Pace

Confirmation Sunday June 4th, 2006

Come out to support our confirmands as they are confirmed as members of St. Luke's United Methodist Church. Confirmation will take place at the 11:00 service. A reception follows in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to contribute ham biscuits for the reception, please contact James Pace, DDM at 898-3017.

ASP UPDATE

Vehicles needed for Appalachia Service Project mission trip. We are looking to borrow minivans or SUVs beginning on Friday June 16. Vehicles will be returned (clean and full of fuel!) Sunday June 25.

Thank you in for the folks who supported the ASP/Kiwanis barbecue fundraiser. It was a great success!



You are invited to a
Farewell Picnic
for Pastor Bill and Pastor
Mark and their families
on June 18, following the
11:00 service. Celebrate their
time with us and thank them
for their many years of
service. Everyone please bring
two (2) gracious plenty
dishes to share.
Hamburgers, hotdogs, and
drinks will be provided.

St. Luke's Music Night



Join us for the 4th Annual
Music Night June 4th at 6:30
pm. You'll hear great music by
various choirs. Bring your fam-
ily and your friends!
Refreshments to follow. A fun
night for all!

New Sign Coming Soon!

We plan to replace our current sign and get a lighted sign with changeable letters. This allows the church to get its message out to all who pass by. We invite you to contribute to this effort with a donation in honor or memory of a loved one or friend. Stop by the Hospitality Center or see the bulletin board at the "T" to see a picture of the new sign and pick up a contribution form.

St. Luke's Celebrations and Concerns

In Memoriam

Donations to the Food Closet were made by Peggy Hadden in memory of Marie Zeimet, Hilda Davis and John Ernst.

A donation was made to the Building Fund by Donald and Carol Coccoli in memory of Louise Mitchell.

Honoraria

A donation was made to the Appalachian Service Project by Ron and Donna Dorenbusch in honor of Coleman Knabe's Eagle Scout Award.

A donation was made to the Food Closet by the Families of Faith Sunday School Class in honor of Pastor Mark and Pastor Bill.

Prayers & Sympathy

Ron and Becky Mitchell and family on the death of his mother and a long Time member of St. Luke's, Louise Mitchell, on May 14, 2006.

Evelyn White and Lois Fuhrman and family on the death of Evelyn's sister and Lois' aunt respectively, Bea Tatro, on May 8, 2006.

Tom and Joanne Lane and family on the death of his father, T. J. Lane Sr., on April 26, 2006

Received the Sacrament of Baptism

Haleigh Rae Daughtrey, daughter of Kendal and Wendy Daughtrey and granddaughter of Kathy Dunaway.

Congratulations to

Matt and Shannon Levister on the birth of a son, Nathan Matthew Levister, born May 7, 2006. Bill and Pat Heath are the proud grandparents.

Paul and DeAnn Work on the birth of a son, Thomas William Work, born April 19, 2006. Tommy and Janice Fairfield are the proud grandparents.

Deployed

Jonathan Bland
David Cluxton
Brian Cosgriff
Jason Johnson
Derrick Mack

Tim Moon
David Patterson
Jeff Prindle
Jon Prindle
Shaun Slone

A Musing Mark

Well, here we are. You know, when we clergy promise to itinerate, to go where we are sent, it sounds so simple. Trust that the cabinet is guided by the Spirit. Trust that you serve in one place until it is time to go. Trust that the next opportunity will be as good as the last. Trust that the whole thing is a grand adventure in the service of the Lord. Boy, that sounds good. The reality is not always the same. You hear stories of other pastors that make you think that the cabinet and the Spirit are on different channels. You end up leaving when you still feel like there is more for you to do. Sometimes the next opportunity is awful. There are times when we would rather skip the adventure. Such is the life of the Methodist pastor and their family.

Let me say that the opportunity has been great here. We have enjoyed being here and hate to leave. There are some things that we hoped to be a part of but that task goes to someone else. You have been a real blessing to me and my family and I hope that in some small way we have been a blessing to you.

But now the adventure begins again. We will leave here at the end of June and go to St. Peter's UMC in Montpelier, VA. Many of you have asked me while I have been here when I thought I would get my own

church. Well, I came here from having my own church. And yes, I will be going back to being the only pastor when I go to St. Peter's. But I will not be in ministry alone. God of course will be there. And my family is a constant support and blessing. But the real ministers of any church are the people of the congregation. Remember that always. The pastors are in a church to equip and help the real ministers of the church. That is the beauty of our system when it is working. The real ministers of the church don't leave because they are the church. (That is you.)

Keep Pastor Bill and me in your prayers. More importantly, pray for our families. Sometimes I believe that this process is harder on them than anyone else. Yet I know that I wouldn't be where I am today without their support. We have loved traveling on this path of faith with you. Keep to the work which God has called you. Believe the Spirit is guiding us all. You will be in our prayers and our hearts. Thank you for the love that you have shown us. God bless you all.

Pastor Mark

Pastor Bill's Back Page

It has been among the worst kept secrets at St. Luke's and in the larger community. Rumors have been circulating for several months. Now they have been confirmed. By now you have heard the official word. A transition in St. Luke's pastoral team will occur at the conclusion of this month. Both Pastor Mark and I are projected to be appointed elsewhere and a new team is projected to succeed us here.

As I anticipate my departure, I realize that I am not the first, nor will I be the last, to leave here. As United Methodists, most of us are familiar with the dynamics of pastoral appointments. Speaking to us clergy, our former bishop, Joe Pennel, used to say, "Some of you think that you will be staying this year. You won't be. Some of you think that you will be moving this year. You won't be." He would then assure us that the overall mission of the church was of paramount importance in determining appointments. That philosophy continues with Bishop Kammerer.

In looking back over the six years that I have served as pastor here, I am grateful to God for the many friendships and acquaintances I have made. I am also thankful for the progress we have made together in growing toward health and maturity in Christ. As with any enterprise, whether within or outside the church, there have been stellar moments of elation and encouragement as well as moments of tremendous challenge. Through every bit of it, however, I have trusted that God was present to lead and guide us. I truly believe that St. Luke's is a healthier, more stable, more joyful congregation now than when I first arrived.

Granted, there remain some pockets of reactivity and resistance. I'm not talking about beloved brothers and sisters in Christ who have honest disagreements and are willing and able to discuss them with openness and civility. Instead, I'm referring to those who greet the changes and challenges inherent in life and faith with the negativity of fear and anger. Though they are in a definite minority, they can try to wield undue influence. I pray God that the majority of us have outgrown such hard and narrow ways. Furthermore, I pray that God will change their hearts.

As I leave, allow me to thank you for your prayerful love and support during my tenure here. I especially thank the St. Luke's staff and those of you who have served in various leadership positions. It is said that any organization's greatest asset is its people, and that is

certainly true here. Our staff members are unsurpassed in their faithfulness, insight, and creativity. They have also functioned as my primary small group, the venue in which I have shared successes and failures with the most honesty. Lay leadership has often helped me to hone my leadership and interpersonal skills and to see various matters from different perspectives. All of you have been God's gift to me.

God has some wonderful ministry opportunities in store for you in the months and years ahead. Always remember that each and every one of you is a minister in Christ by virtue of your baptism. Remember that when God calls you to ministry, God also provides you the gifts to accomplish that ministry. Finally, remember that life and service in Christ are not solitary undertakings. God has given you the gift of each other for mutual encouragement, support, and accountability.

Please understand that, due to our code of clergy ethics, I will not return to St. Luke's in any pastoral role. I will be praying for you, however, as you welcome your new pastoral team. Please pray for them and greet them as you would greet Christ. Please pray for us, too, as my family and I move to another community of faith and other opportunities and challenges in Christian service. Until we meet again, God bless and

Shalom y'all,

Pastor Bill



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- 1 Tom & Liz Tragle(A)
 2 Megan Fuller
 Carol Lightner
 George & Laura McKinney (A)
 James Moore
 Charlotte Owens
 Nelson & Gail Stortz(A)
 William VanLear
 Joseph VanLear
 C. J. Ward, IV
- 3 Alice Capps
 Kathy Everhart
 Cynthia Lewis
 James & Dee Moore(A)
- 4 Dwaine Harrell
 Peter Jacobs
 Vanessa Kilgore
 William & Loretta Sutton(A)
 Wayne DeWeerd
 Betsy Mixon
 Tom Rawls
 Paul Vinyard
- 6 Steve & Vicki Allen(A)
 Bill DeLauder
 Katie Holter
 Greg & Karen Kern(A)
 Kenneth Menzie
 Kenna Rusk
 John & Alice Stevenson(A)
- 7 Lois Atkinson
 Gavin Comstock
 Ken & Jeri Engebretson(A)
 Ron Miller
 William & Debra Quinn(A)
- 8 Allison Brown
 Bill & Elaine Campbell(A)
 Terry & Carolyn Futrell(A)
 Dan Gianturco
 Kevin Lane
 Jennifer Yeargin
- 9 Collin Gilland
 Matt Gregg
 Thomas Lane
 Clayton Nelms
 Andrea Patterson
 Jason Blum
 Bob & Lucy English(A)
 Paige Holter
 Susan Neely
- 11 Win Lawrence
 Amie Pate
 Bill & Jan Pattison(A)
 Duane Potts
 Bob & Trudy Roberts(A)
 Benjamin Tyree
- 12 Harold & Vonnie Bohannon(A)
- Sandra Penfield
 Curt & Bobbie Spear(A)
- 13 Esther Barnes
 David & Elaine Chisenhall(A)
 Wendy Coykendall
 Rod Crispen
 Jon Durfee
- 14 Rob & Sherron Anderson(A)
 Randy & Alice Capps(A)
 Christine Creasman
 Jamie Engebretson
 Kathy Judy
 Carroll & Robbie Laity(A)
 John & Kathie Murphy(A)
- 15 James & Felicia Andes(A)
 John and Lynne Chittum(A)
 Brandon Herrick
 Steve & Sue Hoppe(A)
 Flo McFarland
 Tom Spivey
 John & Cecelia Tweedy(A)
 Joe & Karen Vallow(A)
- 16 Dennis & Patricia Elder(A)
 Brad & Deborah Frecker(A)
 Kent & Deb Fuller(A)
 Pat Murphy
- 18 Paulette Clement
 Phil & Mandy Doggett(A)
 George Rollo
 Fran Woltz
- 19 Jim Bradley
 Bob & Vondine Lowe(A)
 Jim & Judi Morgan(A)
 Andrew Tkach
- 20 Zach Carson
 Elaine Chisenhall
 Bree Clemmons
 T. D. & Jean Foster(A)
 Kerry & Donna Gilland(a)
 Nelda Martin
 Philip Morris
 Elton & Suzi Smith(A)
 Nelson Stortz
- 21 Henry & Tricia Connell(A)
 Chad & Melissa Duncan(A)
 Pam Dunning
 Kristin Elliot
 Dave & Monica VanLear(A)
 Mike & Terry Wallace(A)
- 22 Sandy & Alice Bostrom(A)
 Johathan Henderson
 Ann Kelly
 John & Janet Knabe(A)
 Trey Lentini
 Amanda Petersen
 Margie Sharp
- Amy Wallace
 23 Beth Crispen
 Doug & Kathy Drummond(A)
 Stephanie Gianturco
- 24 JoAnne Lane
 Ronnie Leshner
 Ancel & Mary Yarbrough(A)
- 25 David & Beth Campbell(A)
 Breanna Doggett
 Robert & Elaine Franz(A)
 Ernie & Colette Lane(A)
 Goodman Mitchell
 Andy Mullins
- 26 Ken Barnes
 Chris & Yvonne Blum(A)
 John Carl, Jr.
 Carol Comstock
 Claire Magowan
 Aaron Taylor
 Greg Wagner
 Ryan Wagner
- 27 Doug & Elaine Blount(A)
 Renea Edgerton
 Verdis Knight
 Dennis Napier
 Rachel Pace
 Leah Parr
- 28 Katelyn Cianelli
 Emily Judy
 Sam & Jeanne Motley(A)
 Gordon & Cheryl Parr(A)
 Betty Jane Turner
 Ed & Kim Voska(A)
- 29 Cynthia Adcock
 Patrick & Cheryl Crawford(A)
 Lauren Ferrell
 Shawn Knox
 Ray Lapointe
- 30 Cheryl Comer
 Donald Gaddis
 Jim & Doris Eagle(A)
 Robert & Susan Neely(A)
 Leah Omweg
 Alex Petersen
 Scott & Suellen Turner(A)
 Lisa Anne Wallace



June 2006



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Every Sunday</u> 8:30 Worship 9:45 Worship 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 11:00 Prayer 5:00 & 6:00 Youth Fellowship</p>	<p><u>Every Monday</u> 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p><u>Every Tuesday</u> 11:00 Staff Mt 7:00 Youth Devos</p>	<p><u>Every Wed.</u> 6:15 Men's Ch 6:15 Discovery Kids 6:30 Handbells 7:15 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>1 9:30 M.O.M.S. Circle 7:30 Education Ministry</p>	<p>2 6:30 GONG Show and Dinner</p>	<p>3 <u>Every Saturday</u> 7:00 God and Grits Breakfast for Men</p>
<p>4 Confirmation Sunday 12:00 Reception 12:30 Youth Car Wash 3:15 District Evangelism Event 6:30 Music Night at church</p>	<p>5 10:00 Preschool Graduation 7:00 Preschool Graduation</p>	<p>6 Preschool Fun N Sun Play Day <u>1:30—9:00 p.m.</u> 6:30 Outreach Ministry 7:00 Service Ministry</p>	<p>7 8:00 UMW Bd <u>Directory</u> 7:00 Youth Council</p>	<p>8 9:30 L.I.F.T. Circle <u>Pictures</u></p>	<p>9 <u>being taken</u> <u>Relay for</u></p>	<p>10 9:00—5:00 Pictures being taken <u>Life</u></p>
<p>11 Graduation Sunday 12:00 Reception 12:00 Acolyte Training <u>Annual</u></p>	<p>12 <u>Conference at</u> 7:00 Sisters in Christ Circle</p>	<p>13 10:00 Sarah Sudduth/Gertrude Carmines Circles <u>1:30-9:00</u> <u>Hampton</u> 6:45 Finance 7:30 Church Council</p>	<p>14 <u>Directory</u> <u>Coliseum</u></p>	<p>15 <u>Pictures</u></p>	<p>16 <u>being taken</u></p>	<p>17 7:00 a.m. A.S.P. Teams leave for the week 9:00-5:00 Pictures being taken</p>
<p>18 11:00 Acolyte Recognition 12:30 Farewell Reception for Pastors 6:00 Youth Fellowship (Middle School only)</p>	<p>19 10:30 York Convalescent Worship Service</p>	<p>20 1:30 Nurture Ministry <u>back up</u> 7:00 Trustees</p>	<p>21 <u>picture days</u></p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 A.S.P. Teams return</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26 10:00 Riverside Regional Convalescent Worship Service</p>	<p>27 7:00 Communications Ministry Area</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	

CELEBRATE THE POWER OF PENTECOST

Worship

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Join us Sunday, June 4th
at First United
Methodist Church
10246 Warwick Blvd.
Newport News, VA
**A District-wide
Evangelism Event**
Gathering begins at 3:15 PM

We're on the web!
www.stlukesyorktown.org

Time Sensitive Material

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES
Sunday
Worship - 8:30, 9:45 & 11:00 AM
Sunday School - 9:45 AM
Youth Fellowship - 5:00 & 6:00 PM

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