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Summer Worship

Be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:2)

Enjoy the last weeks of this imaginative summer worship series! In this time of information overload, people do not need more information. They want a story they can relate to. We learn best – and change – from hearing stories that strike a chord within

us. Books, movies, and plays have the power to reveal the sacred, speak with the voice of God, and ask the question, 'who and whose am I?' There is no greater power on this earth than story. People think that stories are shaped by people. In fact, it's the other way around.

A highlight in the month of August is the celebration of our Allen organ and the gifts of Kenrick Mervine, organist, for a shared proclamation with Rev. Janet on ORGAN SUNDAY, August 23.



Mark Your Calendar for Feeding of the 5000! Oct. 2-4

August is here and you know what that means: summer starts winding down, kids are back to school, and the Feeding of the 5000 food drive is just around the corner!

This year the event will be held from Friday Oct 2- Sunday Oct. 4. We need volunteers for food collection at local grocery stores, sorting and packing food at St. Luke's, and drivers to pick up and deliver donations.

The Feeding of the 5000 is always a fun event and a great way to get the entire family involved. Mark your calendar now and plan to join us. This is a great way to support St. Luke's, DenUM, and make a big impact on our local community. More information is coming soon and sign-ups will begin mid-August. See you there!

—Michelle Mostowry



My First Sr. High Mission Trip – A Moving Experience

by Abby Lauer, Sophomore

This year's mission trip (June) was a new experience, I was now a part of the SR. High group. The long drive (2 days) to Rockford, IL was much dreaded from the beginning but in my opinion it was

TOTALLY worth it once we finally got there! Over the course of the week my group and I worked on a wheelchair ramp for a blind woman. The first day was used to take the old ramp down and to get an idea of what our final product would look like. Once we came up with a plan we used the second day to dig holes for the posts that we're going be used to make the new ramp more sturdy. The next few days were spent building the base. Throughout the days we spent working, my work team and I were

given some challenges. When we needed our materials to start building, we had nothing. We found ourselves just sitting around. But that wasn't a bad thing, that's when our work team got to know each other. Some of us hadn't ever met, so we learned new names and interests; and then we all started talking about life. Most of my group was going off to college. It was cool to hear what their dreams were for the future and to see how excited they were for the next step in their lives. Halfway through the week, my work team found out that we had to be finished,

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Sunday Worship Services:

8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am,
Contemplative Service
(Check website for dates & times)

Sunday School:

Adult, Youth & Children:
9:30am & 11:00am

Nursery available for:

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am services

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Rev. Janet Forbes
Senior Pastor

The Bible Can Be Yours! Study with the Reverends!

*I am excited about the multiple opportunities for you
to deepen your knowledge of and experience with the
Bible this year!*

REV. SCHAWN KELLOGG will be leading DISCIPLE, LEVEL ONE, on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00pm, beginning September 16 and continuing through the school year. Welcome, Schawn! This is her invitation to you:

Disciple 1 is an overview of the Bible, beginning with Bible basics and proceeding through the Bible from the Old Testament through the New Testament. The readings will expose us to around 80% of the whole Bible. We assume no previous Bible study and all questions and perspectives are welcome and helpful in this study. I am an ordained Deacon in the UMC and find joy in learning about what the Bible means by understanding what it meant when it came to be. I believe this shared journey will deepen our faith and our sense of community as we study, pray, question, and apply the Bible's teachings to our own lives. I hope you will join me!

I (REV. JANET FORBES) will be offer COVENANT BIBLE STUDY on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00pm for those students who have a basic knowledge of the biblical story in the Old and New Testaments. After previewing this study last year for the United Methodist Church, I plan to augment the study with the questions that St. Luke's brings to the table.

Covenant is an in-depth group Bible Study that explores our relationships with God, with each other, and with the world. It differs from other Bible studies in that it emphasizes the biblical concept of covenant—the enduring commitment between God and people—as a unifying pattern throughout the entire Bible. It underscores the unique relationship that God chooses with us as God's people. The 24-week study covers the whole Bible by moving between the Old and New Testaments—discussing books from each in a way that shows the interconnectedness of scripture as a whole.

Each week's episode includes a 20-minute video conversation between biblical experts that stimulates further discussion and reflection among the group members. These visiting scholars are engaging and progressive, bringing contemporary research and a fresh translation, the Common English Bible (CEB)!

These conversations, held around a handcrafted table, serve as a model for the kind of learning and sharing that is central to Covenant Bible Study. Through community—through shared reflection and engagement together—we can best discover the Bible's transformative power.

REV. RYAN CANADAY will be offering short-term studies through the fall worship series, COMMUNITAS, based on Marcus Borg's, *Reading the Bible Again for the First Time*, and then on the Acts of the Apostles.

In just one year of study, you can own the Bible in a new way, integrating thought, devotion, and transformation.

Join the REVERENDS! Won't you?

Rev. Janet

**Check Pages 8 & 9
for Opportunities
for Relationship
and Learning for
Fall 2015**

New Bulletin Announcement Procedure:

In order to simplify announcement requests, we have created a form on our website (http://stlukeshr.com/p_announcement.asp). All announcements need to be 350 characters or less; and you are permitted to advertise your event up to 3 weeks before the event. As a reminder, the deadline for **Week at a Glance** and **Bulletins** is noon on Tuesday. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Brenda in the office.



Rev. Ryan Canaday
Associate Minister

Communitas

Can you recall a time when you were part of a community that went deep together, asked hard questions together, took risks together—a community that overcame the human instinct to “huddle and cuddle” and formed around a common mission? Much like the crew and passengers of a ship traveling on the open seas. Have you ever been a part of this kind of community?



In May, Tami and I traveled to Jamaica for our 10 year anniversary. White sand beaches, clear turquoise water, jerk chicken, reggae music, rest, renewal... it was a great vacation. But it didn't start out that way. We took off on time out of DIA and had plenty of time to make our connection flight in Dallas. As we were preparing to land, tornadic activities began popping up all over the Dallas area. So... we were diverted to Abilene. Yep, we missed our connection in Dallas. Vacation would be put on hold for one more day.

We were bummed! We sat on the runway in Abilene, Texas waiting...for hours. And just to be clear: Abilene is NOT Jamaica. Others were bummed too. People eventually started talking to one another. The woman beside us was on the phone with her daughter explaining why she wouldn't be able to make the wedding rehearsal dinner that evening. She was in tears. The young man in front of us was going to miss his dad's funeral. He hadn't spoken to his dad in over a year. And there were lots of people who were in the same boat (or plane) we were in—putting their excitement for vacation on hold for just a while longer. But then something weird happened. In the midst of all the chatter and all the bummed out-ness, in the midst of all the suffering (some levels of suffering more significant than others), relationships started forming. Community started happening. Folks began helping one another reorganize their travel plans. Strangers started laughing together, swapping email addresses, befriending each other on Facebook. People started switching seats to engage in deeper conversation. While boarding the plane they barely looked at each other. Now all of the sudden they're sharing mimosas saying things like: “Wow, he left you for her?...” and “Wait a minute, you did that when you were seven!” One lady was on the phone with a hotel booking agency, her frustration was clearly growing. The guy next to her said in the most calm, stoic voice: “You want me to talk to them?” He was a seasoned business traveler. She handed him the phone. Two minutes later he handed it back to her saying, “They're gonna reimburse you the full amount.” How great is that!

There were tears, and laughter, and hugs, and high fives, and fist bumps, and stories... lots of stories. There on that plane, on that runway, in Abilene, community happened. And eventually, Tami and I made it to the Caribbean white sand beaches of Jamaica.

Community happens all the time. It can happen anywhere, but it takes some intentional actions to bring it about. This Fall at St. Luke's we will be diving deeper into the idea of community. We are calling this project Communitas.

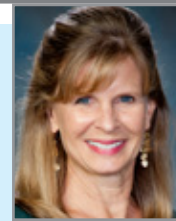
Alan Hirsch and Micheal Frost wrote a book titled “The Faith of Leap: Embracing a Theology of Risk, Adventure & Courage.” In it they describe a deeper more intentional kind of community: “...the kind of community that is able to integrate adventure and movement, a community that experiences a togetherness that happens only among people inspired by the vision of a better world and attempting to do something about it. The name we gave to the communal phenomenon that forms in adventurous mission and liminal discipleship is communitas.”

Adventure. Movement. Togetherness. Inspired by a vision of a better world. Let's do THAT! Let's explore together this Fall at St. Luke's! I hope you plan on joining us for our 11-week worship series called, **Communitas**. This new series will begin on September 13. The first five weeks will focus on what we talk about when we talk about Communitas and the following six weeks will focus on tracking the adventures of Communitas through the book of Acts.

Also this Fall we will be launching Communitas groups with the intention of doing deep, adventurous community together. These groups will consist of three different branches: **1) Experiencing Scripture; 2) Wholehearted living/Stories; 3) Kitchen Groups.** You will be hearing more about these Communitas groups... so stay tuned!

I'm really looking forward to this Fall, but for now, enjoy the rest of Summer!
See you around.

Grace & Peace, Rev. Ryan



Rev. Dr. Sallie Suby-Long
Associate Minister

Care Ministries— A Sacred Commitment

Thank you all for your intentional efforts to reach out to each another at St. Luke's. Your thoughtfulness inspires me again and again! I know it's common for many of us to hesitate when it comes to asking for needed support. I hope you'll remember there are many people who are prepared and ready to generously offer their skills, support and presence.

Eileen Law, one of our Stephen Ministers, describes her role in these words: “Stephen Ministry is both a privilege and a sacred commitment. While we don't try to solve anyone's problems, we do listen with love and validate our care receivers' feelings as they work through their situations themselves. Several times care receivers have commented, “You just listen and don't tell me what to do,” in contrast to family and friends who care deeply but also want to “fix” things. It is a joy to develop close and caring relationships with people and walk with them through the path they are on. Everyone has a story, and looking at care receivers through that lens helps so much to foster understanding”.

Someone recently told me it is the companionship of her Faithful Friend that is helping her through some challenging times. “I feel seen and heard and connected”, she said. Another person who serves in our care ministries commented that he never expected to gain so much from being present to someone going through some difficulties. He shared the following: “It's definitely about giving but I had no idea how much this experience would impact my life!”.

If you could benefit from any of our Care Ministries or would like to be part of these ministry, I am happy to help you connect! Confidentiality is always respected. You may reach me at 303-475-0141 or Sallie@stlukeshr.com.

Here are some of our care ministries:

Pastoral Counseling and Care – Rev. Sallie, Rev. Janet, Rev. Ryan, and Rev. Pat offer short-term, solution-based counseling, pastoral care, and referrals for individuals, couples, and families seeking support.

Stephen Ministry – provides confidential, one-to-one care to individuals in our congregation and community. Stephen Ministers are volunteers who have specialized training in listening and providing emotional and spiritual care. Contact a pastor or Stephen Leader if you or someone you love would benefit from this ministry.

The Caring Connection – provides support to members of St. Luke's and the community by making companion visits, providing meals,

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Lynda Fickling
Director of
Servant Ministry/
Spiritual Director

Get CONNECTED Community Building

Have you ever wondered how St. Luke's maintains a vibrant community built of so many gifted

people? Here's how it happens...

The Equipping Ministry Team is a team that consists of ten members of the St. Luke's community. Every fall, these dedicated folks come together to prayerfully discern invitations to other members of the community in building our 34 teams that are foundational to the net of this structure. These members of the team are: Ann Metz (Lead), Judy Dearasaugh, Laurie Lorenzo, Dean Conklin, Sandy Larson, Cathy Collins, Elizabeth Billups and John Harper. Please send us prayers and suggestions for anyone that would like to join our many teams at St. Luke's. Looking forward to another season of witnessing God's presence among us, as we gather to build our community!

Team Member Dean Conklin shares his story of being on this team:

"I have a better understanding how God has equipped this talented congregation! For example, Sandi Miyaki and her leadership role on the Trustees has made me understand better how we work together as a St. Luke's Team. John Church and Rich Krening are the same way in various leadership roles including the Ministry in Motion Golf event. It has been a Blessing for me to serve on this team to help utilize my marketing skills. Remember, I am a farm boy from Ohio who lives out here in Colorado. My St. Luke's church family is very important to me as I have seen many families grow and change with time. God is Good! My highlight this past year was encouraging the Leadership team to ask Randy Gradishar to speak at St. Luke's! His message included the Pay It Forward message that has resonated with the Church as we Share our Story! Thank you Lynda and St Luke's UMC! We rock!"

We are seeking one more person for this exciting team! If you enjoy connecting folks and meetings that include food(!) Contact Ann Metz amcruth@juno.com or Staff Liaison - Lynda Fickling lynda@stlukeshr.com

"A New Beginning"

12-week Divorce Recovery Seminar

Mondays starting Sept. 14

6:45-9:00pm

For those who are separated or divorced,
this workshop brings healing from a
Christian community.

Cost \$100 ~ Contact Larry Sears

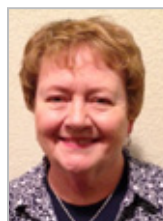
720-524-0040 lrsears@q.com

Scholarships are available.

Please keep in mind your friends,
all are welcome

Welcoming our newest members

of St. Luke's and their reasons for joining our community.

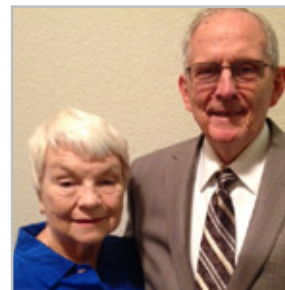


June Daniel

Dean & Carolyn Carlson

"St. Luke's is the closest church to our residence and we liked it best of the several churches we visited."

Maggie Giardina (no picture available) *"Always been a church member - need to continue."*



Sandra Jenkins *"Visited and enjoyed Pastors and members."*



Myndi Hoffman *"I've been attending here for almost three years and was nervous about being a member of a church without my family. St. Luke's has since become another family to me and I am ready to become a member."*



Kevin Loftus *"I like the easy-going styles of Janet and Ryan and the community service mindset of St. Luke's."*

Jeff Seefeldt

"St. Luke's felt like 'home' the very first time I attended with Cindy, Sarah and Ryan."

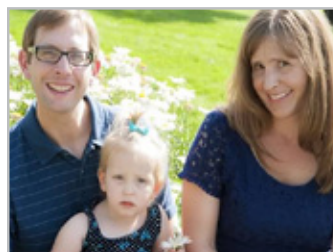


Bob & Nancy Walsh

"We are looking forward to meeting and worshipping with people in this community."



Matt & Dana Loose *"Many opportunities to learn and serve."*



If you are interested in connecting to our community, please contact Lynda Fickling lynda@stlukeshr.com 303-791-0659 x20. We look forward to sharing our stories and growing together in faith.

Come SHINE with Us!



Our community is one that thrives on togetherness and connection, and those are the primary goals of Shine, our ministry for young families! All are welcome to participate in our

monthly gatherings and/or our quarterly events that strive to provide a place of support and friendship for the young families of St. Luke's. In that spirit, plan to join us on Sunday, Aug. 23 from 11:00am to 1:00pm at Northridge Park for our 2nd Annual Back to School Bar-B-Que! We'll provide the food (pulled pork, hot dogs, sides, dessert, and water) and ask for a suggested donation of \$3 per adult and \$2 per child to cover our costs. Come play on the playground, enjoy adult conversation, make new friends, and strengthen relationships! Also coming up in August, join us on Thursday the 25th as we continue our Summer Brew Tour at Grist Brewery. The Nursery will be open from 6:00-9:00pm and costs just \$10 per family with a reservation made to sam@stlukeshr.com by August 23. Drop off the kids then come join the adults!

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or offering transportation. Contact Maryellen Davis if you have a need that the Caring Connection may provide.

Prayer Team – gathers regularly to pray for concerns of individuals, the congregation, and the community. Requests for prayers may be sent through the website, written on a prayer request card or shared with a member of the pastoral and staff team.

Support Groups and Classes – St Luke's offers support groups and classes focused on a variety of topics including 12-step programs, divorce recovery classes, and grief support groups. Information about current groups is available on St. Luke's web site and in the Care Ministries brochures in the church entry.

Center for Spiritual Engagement – interactive workshops, retreats, seminars and classes featuring excellent facilitators, outdoor experiences, discussions etc. engage participants in learning new skills and practices that contribute to health and wholeness. Check the Website at stlukesce.org.

Spiritual Direction/Mentoring/Coaching – spiritual direction supports people in managing transitions, enhancing self-awareness, working through challenges, and growing in faith.

Faithful Friends – offers care and friendship to individuals in care centers, those who may be dealing with long term health challenges, and individuals who may have difficulty getting to St. Luke's on a regular basis.

The Samaritan Fund – provides financial assistance for those who are part of our St. Luke's family. If you or someone you love is in need of extra financial support to make it through a difficult stretch, please contact one of the pastors.

Benevolence Fund – provides support for those in need of grocery cards or financial assistance who are not directly connected with the St. Luke's family.

If St. Luke's does not offer the type of support you need, the pastoral team will make every effort to connect you to additional resources, support networks, and care providers within our community.



Our Mission: To promote healing and wholeness by creating opportunities for authentic connection, and by providing experiences that inspire and transform.

Visit our website stlukesce.org to learn about upcoming opportunities.

What a beautiful summer we are having in Colorado! The Center for Spiritual Engagement is enjoying a rich variety of opportunities to connect you with others and with our beautiful earth, to inspire your senses, and to transform your summer into a spirit-filled adventure. We hope you will join us often!

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS, AND EXPERIENCES:

- **Energy Yoga** - Our final summer session is August 11 (6:30-7:45pm) in St. Luke's Fellowship Hall. Come join us! *Comments from participants:*
 - » "I want more!! Gargi told us that the next morning we'd feel last night's yoga. I took that to mean "sore"! However, this morning I tried a pose I couldn't do last night, and I could do it! It felt wonderful; no soreness for me - only gained flexibility!"
 - » "This yoga class was subtly threaded with simple, mental visualizations and calming breath techniques to relieve stress/anxiety. I've been able to translate these exercises to my children, giving them tangible tools for their everyday world."
 - » "After each of these meditative yoga sessions, I have felt renewed and empowered in my mental and physical self."
- **Spiritual Journaling Experience** - Jenita Rhodes will facilitate three journaling classes in August (Aug 14, 21, 28, 9:00-10:30am). It's a process that involves quiet reflection, centering in silence, and creating a sacred space in which your heart is opened to the voice of the Spirit. Meet at St. Luke's gazebo behind the church. You'll need a journal and a writing instrument. Each class is unique, so come for one class or all three. (jenita@pcisys.net)

DON'T MISS! SPIRITUALITY AND WELLNESS SPEAKER SERIES:



Faith & Psychology: September 15, 6:30-8:00pm in St. Luke's Fellowship Hall. *Engaging the Spirituality of Children and Teens: Perspectives from a Pastor and a Psychiatrist*, facilitated by Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley, Founder of First Steps Spirituality and Dr. Fred Michel, MD, Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist. (renaeparra@aol.com)

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE MINISTRY:

Summer is a bountiful blessing to Colorado. In June we connected with Colorado's pre-history peoples who made seasonal homes (8,000+ years ago) in the South Valley Park area of the beautiful Ken Caryl Valley. On July 18, following an afternoon rainstorm we thought might thwart our plans, we welcomed a beautiful summer evening at Evergreen Lake. Different from our usual outdoor adventures, we engaged in a variety of activities, including kayaking, canoeing, paddle boating and stand up paddle boarding! Some of us simply enjoyed a peaceful walk around the lake. Later, we joined together to share great food and great conversation! What a wonderful opportunity to connect with friends, both old and new. On August 1 we traveled to Red Rocks Park for "Yoga on the Rocks" and a tailgate breakfast. Please visit our photo gallery to share in these adventures at www.stlukesce.org.



Save the dates for these future Outdoor Adventures:

- **September 19 – Fall Colors Hike at Kenosha Pass**
- **October 17 – Hike to Mallory Cave near Boulder**

FIRST STEPS SPIRITUALITY:

Holy Listening Training: Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley, founder of First Steps spirituality, will provide a full day of Holy Listening training on September 16. Your \$50 registration fee includes, training, materials and lunch. Space is limited so SIGN UP NOW (www.stlukeshr.com) During most Sunday School hours we continue to offer Holy Listener support to children experiencing loss, grief, or difficult times. (sam@stlukeshr.com)



Woof! Woof! Meow! Jake, Max, and Shea here to bring you up to speed on what we are sniffing out for children at St. Luke's.

St. Luke's Summer - God is Here!

We welcomed over 330 kids and 180 volunteers to **"G-Force: God's Love in Action" Vacation Bible School** this summer and felt God's love and energy EVERYWHERE! Volunteer Linda Streaty says it's one of her favorite ways to serve at St. Luke's, *"Every year I have more and more fun and my class helpers were amazing!"* Landon Kitto, age 5, wrote a beautiful note saying,

"Thank You for the fun week of Bible School. I want to come again next year!" Volunteer Tawna Fisher added, *"The most rewarding part of VBS for me was getting to meet the wonderful people that I may not have gotten to meet otherwise and I loved watching the end of week program—the excitement the kids had to show the songs they learned and the smiles on the parents faces as they watched. I absolutely cannot wait until VBS next year!"*

THANKS to all of the VBS volunteers and participants! We had an amazing experience and are so grateful to share it with you. AND on top of all that fun we were able to donate over 500 items to InterFaith Community Services School Supplies Drive. Wow!

This summer our **Wacky Wednesdays** program felt God's presence and experienced oodles of fun for

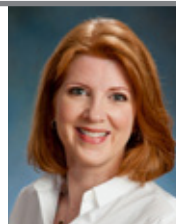
the children while they learned about characters from the Old Testament. Special thanks to Anne Hamilton (who created the curriculum), Tami Clement, the teachers and their assistants who joyfully welcomed the children each Wednesday for a day of silly songs, fun crafts and compelling bible stories. We can't wait until next summer! Michele Costa Phair says, *"...it is so touching and I am honored to experience the young children as they learn and reflect on new or familiar Bible stories—their excitement and curiosity is infectious! Wacky Wednesdays (as well as Little School's 'Play School') allows children to be in an enjoyable, safe environment where they can engage their minds as they enjoy interacting with one another."*

Summer Sunday School has been awesome - Don't miss out on what we have left in store for August! Also, please take a moment and go to the **Summer Sunday School** Servant Sign Up website and pick a day or 2 to help out. It's so much fun and a great way to spend an hour on a Sunday morning. Our kids need you so let's get those spots filled up! **Join us and you may even run into John Wesley on Aug. 16 or get to write all over the church sidewalks in chalk on Aug. 30 and more!!!** Thanks so much!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- Aug. 2 - Sunday School enrollment begins (you can register online)
- Aug. 2 - PEAK (K-5th) Sunday School Rotations Starts "John Wesley's World" (5 wks.)
- Aug. 16 - 5:30pm: SLY, Jr. (5th & 6th grade) Summer Mission
- Aug. 30 - Blessing of the Backpacks & Teachers
- Sept. 6 - No Sunday School - Enjoy Family Worship
- Sept. 13 - Sunday School Promotion Sunday! PEAK Music Sunday!!!
- Sept. 20 - 5:30pm: SLY, Jr. Kick Off!
- Sept. 13 - 11:00am: "Goliath Gathering" Safe Sanctuary Training
- Sept. 15 - 6:30pm Speaker: Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley & Dr. Fred Michel**
- "Faith & Psychology" DON'T MISS! This is gonna be GOOD!**
- Sept. 16 - Holy Listening Training - sign up online!
- Sept. 18 - 6:45pm: Family Movie Night
- Sept. 20 - 3rd Grade Bibles! (PLUS NEW!!! 3 additional Sundays of Bible Study at 9:30am for 3rd Graders (Sept. 27, Oct. 4 & 11)!!!!)
- Sept. 20 - PEAK (K-4th) Sunday School Rotations Starts "Abraham & Sarah"
- Sept. 20 - 5:30pm: SLY, Jr. Kick Off!
- Sept. 27 - Noon: Acolyte Training

Blessings and Furry Snuggles,



Sharon Oliver
Director of
Children's Ministry



Samantha Leahy
Director of Early
Childhood Ministry



Stephanie Kirk
Children's Ministry
Coordinator

St. Luke's Kids
Growing with God

"Goliath Gatherings" Servant Training

Instead of just one opportunity to be trained annually as a Children's Ministry volunteer at St. Luke's we are now offering MULTIPLE opportunities! To serve with children at St. Luke's you must attend one of our easy and painless training classes each year. We'll offer several of these classes on Sundays throughout the fall and spring - you only need to attend one of them. Join us in Goliath (big open area downstairs) at 11:00am for about an hour to be trained in our Safe Sanctuary and Sunday School procedures. We are so blessed to have so many amazing volunteers! Our first Goliath Gathering is Sept. 13. Watch for more dates on our Children's Ministry calendar online. JOIN US!

Registration is NOW OPEN

for the 2015-16 Sunday School year online www.stlukeshr.com and paper forms are also available at the church. Children need to be enrolled for each new school year. Our Sunday School year kicks off Sept. 13 with the kids moving up to their new grades. We are so excited to share God's love with your kids. AND we can't do it without our wonderful volunteers. Thanks to YOU for sharing your gifts with the children each year. **Now is the time to sign up to serve for the coming year.** Come serve with us - one Sunday or lots! We need to fill 25 servant spots each week(!) so there's plenty of room for all. We need You! ONLINE SERVANT SIGN UP for the fall will be available SOON!

3rd Grade Bibles! NEW Twist!

St. Luke's has a wonderful tradition of gifting our 3rd Graders with their very own Bible! They have their Bible presented to them upstairs in the worship service and then get to meet as a class with the Pastor and go over their Bible. This is a rite of passage that our families really look forward to. **This year Bible Sunday will take place on Sept. 20.** BUT we have listened to you and you would like more than just that one opportunity to study these new gifts. SO we are very excited to announce that we have added 3 more Sundays for BIBLE STUDY - for 3rd graders - to meet with Pastors and other Bible Scholars to go deeper and get to know their Bibles even better! Sept. 20 (Bible Sunday) & 27, Oct. 4 & 11 at 9:30am!! This will be an awesome experience for those 3rd graders to explore this amazing book in depth. If you know of a 3rd grader who would like a gift Bible on Sept. 20 and would like to participate in our 3rd Grade Bible Study Sundays, **please send their name to sharon@stlukeshr.com by Sept. 10.** Thanks!!!



Kay Swanson
Director of
Little School



Little School News:

School is Almost Here!

How very precious are these days of summer and hopefully a more relaxed schedule – time with family and friends, and pictures to fill lots of memory books! Little School has been taking somewhat of a break, but

Play School and Wacky Wednesdays have kept some of our staff busy and before we know it, it will be “full steam ahead” to get ready for fall!

Important Dates to mark on your calendar!

July 1, 2015: Enrollment papers are due for a ALL students attending school this year. First and last months tuition is also due, unless you have made arrangements with the Little School office. Papers may be dropped off at the main church office (9:00am-noon or 1:00-4:00pm M-F)

August 10, 2015: Welcome Letter sent from Teachers to all children and families.

August 19, 2015: Teachers back to school!

August 26, 2015: Parent Evening Orientation (strongly advised for new families)

August 27, 2015: Children's Morning Open House

August 31, 2015: LITTLE SCHOOL BEGINS YEAR 21 !

If you are interested in enrollment at Little School, please contact Ms. Kay at Kay@stlukeshr.com to find out about our wonderful program for Children ages 2 ½ (potty trained) to almost 6. We would love to hear from you!

Wishing you all... Warm Days and Firefly nights!

Blessings from Ms. Kay and Staff

“Children go where there is excitement and stay where there is love.”

St. Luke's Little School - Best Preschool in Douglas County 2013, 2014, 2015

United Methodist Women

June Mission Project: Warren Village First Step Cookout

The UMW hosted a summer cookout at the Warren Village “First Step” home in Lakewood. 20 + residents. Young Mothers and their children, a Grandmother and her Grandchildren, and several single women enjoyed hamburgers, hot dogs and other picnic goodies. It was a fun evening of food, fellowship, stories. After dinner the Mothers and children were given books, balls, and enjoyed a hand painting craft. *Thanks to our hosts: Renae, Eileen, Sharon, Bob and Fran.*

Quilt of Valor - Presented to Amiel Smith on July 5, 2015

The desire and mission with this Quilt of Valor is to “cover” a Combat Service Member or Veteran touched by war with a Quilt of Appreciation. Our Quilt was worked by several people - each offering a “thank you” for your service of protecting our country. To make the quilt, we started with red, white and blue fabrics, cut into pieces, then sewn back together in a pattern for the top. The top, batting and bottom are quilted together to secure the layers—but better yet—to secure all the hugs and thanks that have gone into making this quilt. It is to be used, enjoyed, and offers comfort. We offer our gratitude and thanks for your service to our country protecting our freedoms. *Thank you Amiel.*



Common Thread: Friendship, Fellowship, Caring, Sharing. We are NOT a sewing group! Our Common Thread is ~ The Thread of Friendship. Twenty years ago, two ladies in the church approached Rev. Dick Evans with the idea of a fellowship group for women 55+. He said “great idea - start it!” Janet Thoma and Charlotte Tiernan were the women. Other early members were Rene Sanek, Alberta Haas, Billie Marvel, Bertha Roth, Jane Riegel, and Caroline Butler. We have continued throughout the years and have 20 members with average attendance of 14. At our June meeting, we discussed what Common Thread means to us:

- Good way to meet ladies our age 60-98.
- We strengthen our friendships thru God's Blessings.
- We Celebrate each other's Joys.
- We Care and Support each other in sickness or loss.
- We are here to have FUN!

Please join us. We meet the first Thursday of each month, 10:00am at the church. Next meeting, September 3. Call Caroline Butler 303-797-3225 or Betty Smith 303-683-3749.

Save the Dates: Join in our Celebrations, Educational Studies and Volunteer Mission Projects

- **August 2:** Spiritual - UMW Sunday
- **August 15:** Education - Mission U - (one day study) Smoky Hill UMC, Centennial, Co.
- **August 30:** UMW Annual Summer's End Celebration of Pie and Prayer. Fellowship Hall, 2:00-4:00pm. This is a free event, giving you a Taste of Harvest Fruits, With God's Blessing's Thru Prayer. Tonya Whaley will be teaching Prayer by using and assisting us in making prayer beads. Our Mission recipient will be Urban Peak.

Interest Groups of United Methodist Women at St. Luke's UMC: Women are welcome to attend an Interest Group of UMW anytime during the year!

Book Group: Fiction / Non-fiction / Informative / Fun. Fourth Monday, Room 206, 7:00pm (6:15 Potluck) Contact: Renae Parra (renaeparra@aol.com)

- **Aug. 24** “Boys in the Boat” by Daniel James Brown
- **Sept. 28** “The Other Typist” by Suzanne Rindell

Itch to Stitch: Mission - Crochet, Knit, Sew. Meets 2nd Saturday in church basement. All skill levels welcome! Contact: Fran West - 303-797-7107.

Women's Night Out: Food, Friendship, Fun. Join in our new season of dining out in September. For more information. Contact: Elaine Carlstrom (ecarlstrom@comcast.net)

Women's Monday Night Bible Study: Will resume studies in September. Second Monday of each month, 6:30pm. Contact: Sharon Smith (sewssmith@aol.com)



“The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.”

Seasoned Voyagers Update

In June we had a very eventful Voyage to Boulder to visit Celestial Seasoning and "Leanin' Tree" exhibit and gift shop. Several of us drove at last minute. One person's van with two Voyagers broke down causing its owner to be stranded waiting for AAA while passenger summoned spouse and simply returned home. For those of us that made it, we had an interesting tour and lunch at Celestial. Afterward we went the short distance over to Leanin' Tree. They have a very interesting outdoor sculpture exhibit as well as indoor shop with smaller sculptures and many paintings. Fortunately we had great weather to enjoy that exhibit.



After that eventful June month, we had no scheduled July activity but we have two for August. Our first event is a FREE one, on **Aug. 13 in Fellowship Hall, where we will have a speaker discussing the topic "Staying Ahead of Scams."** That event is open to entire congregation with snacks provided by the SV team.

For second event of this month, we will once again voyage to beautiful **Roxborough Park on Sunday August 30 by church bus 5:00-8:30pm to hear Skanson & Hansen** again serenade us in a wonderful evening nature setting. Cost \$5. This outing costs \$5 for bus ride and folks each need to bring a chair & picnic supper. A separate donation may be made to Roxborough Park at end of the concert.

Rounding out the quarter will be our annual leaf peeping tour on Sept. 24. Details, including costs, to follow closer to event date but we'll likely be lunching again at scenic Echo Lake Lodge.

Lastly of related interest and not limited to Seasoned Voyagers, Tuesday Sept. 1 at 2:00pm will be resume the monthly conversations with our pastor in Janet's office.

So, enjoy rest of your summer and voyage with us as you are able.

Communitas Groups

We experience God through the messy creation of authentic community.

We start with life together, this leads us to encountering God and finding deeper meaning in the world.

(SIGN UP ONLINE www.stlukeshr.com for these groups)

(groups are forming to meet at a variety of times - check website, bulletin and with contacts listed)

Beginning Sept. 16 (5 weeks)

Experiencing Scripture

Going deep into our lives and deep into the Scriptures with the hopes that they both come to life in brand new ways. Together we will breathe life into the Scriptures and we'll also allow them to breathe life into us.

Contact: Rev. Ryan Canada, ryan@stlukeshr.com

Living a Wholehearted Life

We'll discuss authenticity, worthiness, being enough and the power of living a wholehearted life. Join us for appetizers and conversation about this excellent guide to a life journey of courage, compassion, and connection.

Contact: Rev. Sallie Suby-Long, sallie@stlukeshr.com

Kitchen Groups Where there is a place for you at the table

Gather old friends and new around your kitchen table to slow down, to listen and to share our stories as we nurture our body and soul. The most basic form of Christianity... food and storytelling.

Contact: Lynda Fickling, lynda@stlukeshr.com

Beginning Oct. 21 (5 weeks)

Experiencing Scripture

Going deep into our lives and deep into the Scriptures with the hopes that they both come to life in brand new ways. Together we will breathe life into the Scriptures and we'll also allow them to breathe life into us

Contact: Rev. Ryan Canada, ryan@stlukeshr.com

Your Story

There is power and often healing in sharing our stories in a small, trustworthy community. Clarify your ambitions, experience courage and support to move toward your vision, see your life plan more clearly. Understand that you share agency with God to make an impact in the world.

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Mondays in the Park

When people are in need, St. Luke's community responds. This summer our sack lunch program for those who are hungry and homeless has seen a generous amount of support. Where shelters and food are scarce love and compassion are abundantly present. Many folks off from work or school this summer have joined in the engagement to care for our neighbors and seek to serve those in need. We meet every Monday in Fellowship Hall at 10:30am to prepare 100 lunches and distribute in Civic Center Park at noon. Thank you for your continued support.

Monday lunches program greatly appreciates the missional gifting invitation from the wedding celebration of Kim Joseph and Jan Lindquist. The generosity of their guests will serve many who are hungry and homeless in Civic Center Park.

Community Learning Groups

Community Learning Groups value a curriculum-based approach to spiritual formation. There is a definitive beginning and ending point in the material being studied through learning and discussion.

These groups are structured for gaining a deeper understanding of God, ourselves, and the world.

Visit www.stlukeshr.com to sign up for certain classes or visit the Get-Connected Center in the Fellowship Hall at St. Luke's.

Sunday Mornings:

CHRISTIAN CONNECTION Adult class studying books of topical interest, chosen by the class. Our fall studies include *What We Talk About When We Talk About God* by Rob Bell and *The Evolution of Faith: How God is Creating a Better Christianity* by Philip Guley. All are welcome.

Time/Place: Sundays 9:30am Rm 213
Contact: Ron & Suzanne Humphreys 303-795-6486 rbhumphreys@comcast.net

OPEN MINDS: A SPIRITUAL DIALOGUE Adult class that works to strengthen faith journeys through studies of religion, philosophy, science and history. Past studies include *God and Empire*, *Falling Upward* and *Bridges Out of Poverty*. All are welcome.

Time/Place: Sundays 9:30am Rm 210
Contact: Raina Powell 303-795-8457 rainapowell@aol.com

9:30am SUNDAY SCHOOL:
JOY TREK (age 2-PreK)

9:30am SUNDAY SCHOOL:
PEAK (K-4th grade)

9:30am SUNDAY SCHOOL:
TWEENS (5th & 6th grade)

11:00am SUNDAY SCHOOL:
GODLY PLAY (PreK-6th grade)

9:30am SUNDAY SCHOOL:
SLY AM (7th-12th grade)

During the Week:

DISCIPLE I (SIGN UP ONLINE)

Sept. 16-May 18 Disciple I is an overview of the Bible, beginning with Bible basics and proceeding through the Bible from the Old Testament through the New Testament. The readings will expose us to around 80% of the whole Bible. We assume no previous Bible study and all questions and perspectives are welcome and helpful in this study. I, Rev. Schawn Kellogg, am an ordained Deacon in the UMC and find joy in learning about what the Bible means by understanding what it meant when it came to be. I believe this shared journey will deepen our faith and our sense of community as we study, pray, question and apply the Bible's teachings to our own lives. I hope you will join me!

Time/Place: Wednesdays 6:00-8:00pm beginning Sept. 16

Contact: Rev. Schawn Kellogg skelloggic@gmail.com

COVENANT BIBLE STUDY (SIGN UP ONLINE)

Sept. 16-April 27 (Recommended for those who have a basic knowledge of the biblical story in the Old and New Testaments.) Covenant is an in-depth group Bible Study that explores our relationships with God, with each other, and with the world. It differs from other Bible studies in that it emphasizes the biblical concept of Covenant—the enduring commitment between God and people—as a unifying pattern throughout the entire Bible. It underscores the unique relationship that God chooses with us as God's people. The 24-week study covers the whole Bible by moving between the Old and New Testaments—discussing books from each in a way that shows the interconnectedness of scripture as a whole.

Time/Place: Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm Rm 206 beginning Sept. 16

Contact: Rev. Janet Forbes janet@stlukeshr.com

A PLACE AT THE RIVER: STORIES TO INSPIRE FAITH IN ACTION (SIGN UP ONLINE)

This series of classes will tell stories of people in need of justice and mercy as well as people who are putting their faith into action. Using videos, books, devotions, scripture, prayer, music and field trips, the class will explore the different places at the river we can go to respond. We will also discern the values we need to uphold as we learn. These communities will increase awareness of current issues facing people in our community, country and the world and the spectrum of responses we can take, putting our faith into action through acts of kindness and justice. We will start with an 8-week session about people in our local Colorado community. This class will be educational for people of all ages.

Time/Place: Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm Rm 212 beginning Sept. 16

Contact: Betsy Keyack bkeyack@att.net

BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY (SIGN UP ONLINE)

An 8-week Bible Study for women. See how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple with Beth Moore's study *James: Mercy Triumphs*. Once you get to know both the man and the Book of James, you'll never be the same again.

Time/Place: Thursdays 6:00-8:00pm Rm 212 beginning Oct. 1

Contact: Kristin Foster kristinfoster13@gmail.com

COMPASSIONATE LIFE

DISCUSSION GROUP Drop in anytime to discuss a variety of books and engage in conversation about faith and life. Recent books include Karen Armstrong's *Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life* and Emmett Fox's *The Sermon on the Mount*.

Time/Place: Wednesdays 9:00am Text Amy D. to find location. We often meet offsite.

Contact: Amy Dobronyi 720-344-3503 amy.d@statmedicaltraining.com

CONTEMPLATIVE FELLOWSHIP

A time of study and prayer for those following the path of the Christian mystic. Books and videos are available to introduce newcomers into enriching fellowship. All are welcome!

Time/Place: Thursdays 6:30pm Chapel
Contact: Marshall Kuhn 303-931-5473 marshall.kuhn@hotmail.com

GAP GROUP Discuss spiritual topics, chosen by the group. All are welcome. Preparation not required.

Time/Place: Wednesdays 6:30pm Rm 122
Contact: Bob Oliver boboliver@pcsisys.net

GENEALOGY 101

Who is my great-great-grandfather and where did he come from? Learn the basics for your start in researching your family tree. All are welcome.

Time/Place: 2nd Saturdays 10:00am Rm 206 (Conf. Room)

Contact: Sylvia Brady 303-955-0457 jonsyl@comcast.net and Les Ludlam 303-451-5141 lludlam@wyoming.com

WESLEY WRITERS

Provides an opportunity to share stories, learn techniques for writing, develop a biography, and receive tips on how and where to publish.

Time/Place: 10:00am-noon, 3rd Saturdays, at Littleton United Methodist Church, 5894 S Datura St, Littleton, CO 80120, Rm 113

Contacts: Sylvia Brady 303-955-0457 jonsyl@comcast.net or Les Ludlam 303-451-5141 lludlam@wyoming.com



Upcoming Events!

SLY (St. Luke's Youth) is an inclusive group for all 7th-12th graders that focuses on fellowship, fun, and finding out what this God thing is all about! As always, we have lots going on and are so excited to grow closer while having fun and being the hands and feet of Christ!



- ✧ **August 16 - 5:30pm**
Our Annual Messy Games!!
- ✧ **Aug. 22 at 7:00pm to Aug. 23 after church - All SLY End of Summer Lock Out!!!**
- ✧ **Aug. 30 - 5:30-7:30pm**
SLY PM- SLY KICK-OFF!!! for ALL parents and Youth!!! BBQ provided, bring a side dish to share!
- ✧ **September 26- Pumpkins Arrive!!**

Sign up to receive our emails and Check www.stlukeshr.com and click on "Youth" or "SLY" for up-to-date info on programs, activities, opportunities and more!

Sundays:

- **9:30-10:30am – SLY AM**
Exploring life issues and the bible
- **5:30-6:00pm – Community Dinner** - \$2 per person.
- **6:00-7:30pm – SLY PM**
All sorts of fellowship and fun activities are happening Sunday nights in the youth room!
Check out our website for details.

Wednesdays:

- **5:30-6:30pm: Homework Hour**
- **6:30-8:00pm - Wednesday SLY Activities**

ON THE SLY: New School Year, New Face of SLY!

As our busy, mission-filled summer winds to a close, we start to look forward to a new school year, and a new SLY!! We have some big changes in the works in SLY, starting with the hire of our new Assistant Director of Youth Ministry, Jeremy Brown!! He was able to join us in July on our Jr. High mission trip and it is obvious that we have made a good decision in hiring him! We are so looking forward to having Jeremy be a part of our ministry and are excited to see the new and fresh perspectives he brings to SLY!

Along with our new staff member, our Sunday morning class, affectionately known as SLY AM, will be taking on a slightly different focus, and structure. The new SLY AM will feature more small group discussion geared toward

topics relevant to the youth of the 21st century and how being both a teenager and a Christian plays into this world we live in. SLY AM will be focusing on getting to know peers in your grade level on a deeper level, especially as we have so many students from so many different schools!!

The new Small-Group Structure, and many of our new and fun ideas, will officially be put in place the weekend of our SLY Kick-Off! This is an event for ALL current and interested youth and parents to attend and is where you can find out about all the exciting opportunities we have coming up through the school year. There is lots of important information and, of course a little required paperwork involved with this event so make sure you mark it on your calendar! Oh, and how can I forget the most important part.. The BBQ After!!! August 30 at 5:30! See you there!

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Dave Laurvick
Director of Youth Ministry



Amy McMullen
Assistant Dir. of Youth Ministry



Jeremy Brown
Assistant Dir. of Youth Ministry

Meet Jeremy!

Hello! I am excited to be hired as the new Assistant Director of Youth Ministry here at St. Luke's. This church and community has been a big part of my faith journey as I was raised at St. Luke's, and I look forward to being a part of the faith journey of the current youth is SLY. I am passionate about the education and growth of today's youth and hope to bring that passion to work with me every day. I am currently a graduate student at the University of Denver where I am studying International Development. I hope that I can be a good role model to the youth and provide a good example for how to live a selfless, God-honoring life. Thank you to everyone who has supported me along the way and I look forward to being on staff at St. Luke's!

continued from page 1 or at least make the ramp useable, by that next Saturday because the woman we were helping had to be somewhere. The ramp was the only way out of the house for her. Through all the ups and downs we went through during the week, my group stuck together and pushed each other to finish what we were there to do. We decided to leave the next few mornings a little earlier than usual so we could get a lot of work done! We pushed each other to not give up but to keep going! Finally, on the last day, we were only a quarter of the way done putting the boards on so she could walk on it. You could tell a few of us lost hope in finishing it that day. With the help of a few team members, we all got motivated and kept pushing ourselves to finish. I look forward to the mission trips every year because I learn more about not only my faith but who I am as a person. I find most of the time I take a lot of the simple things in life for granted. But my experience in Rockford opened my eyes a little more. One night a group of us took a walk through town down to the lake. Just seeing how little some people have compared to how much I have, I felt guilty. Not for what I had but for how much I didn't appreciate it all as much as I should. But at the end of the week seeing the smile on the lady's face hearing that we finished her ramp was enough to know that just being in her presence wouldn't ever have the same value or meaning any material item anyone could own. My favorite part of the entire week was the first morning we were in Rockford and my team had the opportunity to serve breakfast at the local soup kitchen! Yes, we had to wake up pretty early but it was worth it when we got to sit and eat with the people we were serving. That morning a man chose to share his story with me. It was about how he lost his wife a few years ago but he still has his kids who attend college in different parts of the country. He kept explaining how he always told them to follow their dreams. He told me about how when his son was younger he never missed a football game, but the thing that stuck out the most was that his kids don't call him and just catch up with each other. he said he hasn't heard from them for the past 2 years. My heart was sad for him, but knowing that he chose to open up and share that with me meant a lot. I feel like we couldn't have gone to Rockford at a more perfect time!



Sheri Henry
Director of Finance



Kristi Pawley
Accounting Clerk

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Music Groups Starting Up Again!

From bells to brass to choir to the Ministers of Swing, all ensembles will be starting again for the fall.

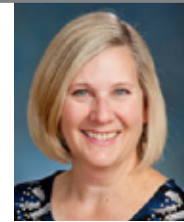
If you sing, play, or just want to get involved, there is a place for you in at least one of our 20+ music and drama groups. Please visit our website and contact any of our music staff for more information about specific times and dates for rehearsals!



James Ramsey
Director of Music
& Arts Ministries



Kenrick Mervine
Associate Dir. of
Music Ministry/
Organist



Kay Coryell
Dir. of Handbells
& Children's Music
Ministry



Gardner and Jack Kennedy as Andrew Makepeace Ladd III, the play is comprised of letters exchanged over a lifetime between these two people who grew up together and went their separate ways, but continued to share confidences. As the actors read the letters aloud, what is created is an evocative, touching, frequently funny but always telling pair of character studies in which what is implied is as revealing and meaningful as what is actually written down.

Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the door. Please direct questions to Melanie Kirkpatrick at melanie.kirkpatrick@gmail.com.

Don't Miss "Love Letters" by A.R. Gurney Sept. 26 & 27

The Wesley Players are pleased to present "Love Letters" by A.R. Gurney on Saturday, September 26 at 7:00pm and Sunday, September 27 at 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Read by St. Luke's favorites Ann Smith as Melissa Gardner and Jack Kennedy as Andrew Makepeace Ladd III, the play is comprised of letters exchanged over a lifetime between these two people who grew up together and went their separate ways, but continued to share confidences. As the actors read the letters aloud, what is created is an evocative, touching, frequently funny but always telling pair of character studies in which what is implied is as revealing and meaningful as what is actually written down.

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ENTRY FORM DOOR PRIZE

St. Luke's Service Saturday Fall Clean Up

August 22  8:00am–noon

Rain or Shine: Inside and outside as many 'honey do' maintenance/repair/cleaning items will be completed as we can – we provide materials, and match skills/volunteer interests to tasks. Childcare is provided with 72 hours notice to sam@stlukeshr.com

Attend Service Saturday, Fill Out Name and Submit this Entry Form (between 8:00-9:00am, 1 entry per person) and you will be entered into a drawing later in the morning for a \$50 GIFT CERTIFICATE.
Entrants must be present to win.

Name: _____



**BOULDER
PHILHARMONIC
ORCHESTRA**

Boulder Philharmonic Sept 12, 2015 7:30pm

Tickets are \$10 - \$30 and Available online beginning August 16.

Concert Program: We begin with Ravel's whimsical Mother Goose Suite. Then their Concertmaster, Chas Wetherbee, plays Korine Fujiwara's The Storyteller, a contemporary concerto based on Japanese folk tales. The evening culminates with Rachmaninoff's spectacular Piano Concerto No. 2, one of the most popular works in the classical music repertoire.



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where we share life. Wherever you are in your faith journey,
you are accepted and encouraged to grow spiritually.*

*Join us in growing together toward full humanity through living
the teachings of Jesus: Love, Acceptance, Justice and Hope.*

For the most up-to-date calendar of events check www.stlukeshr.com

CONGREGATIONAL CARE



Brenda Schafer
Office Administrator

*Don't you be afraid,
for I am with you.
Don't be dismayed,
for I am your God.*

*I will strengthen
you....* –Isaiah 41:10

PRAYER CONCERNS

Contact Rev. Sallie Suby-Long or Brenda Schafer if you have any additions/removals. 303-791-0659 x32, leave a note on the front desk, or email sallie@stlukeshr.com or brenda@stlukeshr.com

LATEST ENTRIES TO PRAYER LIST:

Joe Forbes – Rev. Janet Forbes' brother	Jim & Judy Askam – Jan Munoz's brother-in-law & sister	Laurie Gilbert Deb Brown	Stephanie Stanley – Joy Damsgard's sister-in-law
Debi Sheppard	Havana Gilbert – Gary & Laurie Gilbert's granddaughter	Mat Smith	Drew Lathrop – Deb Juarez's son
Jane Riegle	Kay Mervine – Ken Mervine's mother	Joe McMinn	Lee Rozinski – Val Clark's sister
Lynn McNichols – Trudy Turner's friend	Jacob Pawley	Amy Hertling-Johnson	Jon & Chris Zombek – Jon Streaty's co-workers
Natalie Murrow	Kay Oscai	Alisa Humphreys	Barbara Lewis – Jack Lewis' mother
Grant Larson	Lynette Warren	Larry Aswegar	Diana Stephens
Orie Roberts	Rev. Janet Forbes	Fran West	Dewey Smith
Sage Felux		Kimberly Hendreschke	Rev. Jim George
		Trish Dunbar	Roger Adcock

SYMPATHIES TO:

Dave & Meryl Cupp on the passing of Dave's mother, Juanita Cupp
Jensen & Cassey Meier on the passing of Jensen's grandfather, Everett Meier
Bob & Fran West on the passing of their sister-in-law, Patty Fuche
Mike & Sandi Miyaki on the passing of their family friend, Ronnie McGrew
Lance & Diane Willoughby on the passing of Lance's mother, Joyce Willoughby
Larry & Julie Gustafson on the passing of Larry's father, Roy Gustafson
James & Marilyn Bacon on the passing of James' uncle, Jim Bacon
Frank & Linda Harris on the passing of Frank's sister, Bobbi Weber
Bob, Sharon, Evan & Alex Oliver on the passing of Bob's grandmother, Marian Oliver
Jay & Annie Van Hoosen on the passing of Annie's sister, Lee Long