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MAY 2016

FURNITURE BANK TAG SALE



Does your basement look like this? We can help!

The spring tag sale is coming on May 20 and 21. We're going to need your stuff, and we're going to need your help to organize it. You St. Lukeans always manage to come up with mountains of high-quality stuff to sell. We're not sure how you do it, but please ... do it again! Information about the kind of stuff we want (and a few things we don't want) is given below.

What we need...

Anything usually found at tag sales is welcome, but please note that it must be in good condition, and that we cannot accept items that are difficult to sell or dispose of, such as hazardous materials, paint, console TV sets, kitchen cabinets (yeah, we've gotten those!), tires, automobile batteries, sets of encyclopedias more than 10 years old, or broken kayaks with hornet nests inside. Two of the categories of stuff that we particularly *do* need are toys and jewelry, which were in short supply at the last three tag sales. Stuff to sell can be brought to the church beginning on Sunday, May 15, after the second service.

Furniture may be acceptable for the sale or the Furniture Bank, but please do not bring it to the sale

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The Blessing of Pentecost



And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Acts 2:3-4

Many scholars consider the day of Pentecost mentioned in Acts chapter 2 the birthday of the church, although some do not.

This Jewish festival and those which immediately precede Pentecost are significant in the life of the church. Passo-

ver marked the first spring harvest for the Jewish celebrations. According to the Law of Moses (Torah) the first fruits of a sheaf of "omer" of *barley* were presented before the Lord in the House of God, as a thanksgiving "wave offering" (Lev 23:10-11). Beginning on the next day, seven weeks (49 days) were counted to the wheat harvest. On the fiftieth day (Pentecost in Greek – *Shavout* in Hebrew) another harvest thanksgiving service was observed in the House of God. This time, from the first fruits of *wheat* harvest, "two loaves of baked leavened bread were waved before the Lord in thanksgiving (Lev 23:16-20). These festivals marked Israel's history in the process of their redemption and these festivals also marked the process of redemption of the world through Jesus Christ.

It was on that Passover in Jerusalem almost 2000 years ago that the first fruits of God's self, the only son of God, was waved before humanity on a cross. God offered salvation to humanity. It was during the growing season of the wheat that Jesus was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit and for 40 days after the resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples and many others, teaching the about the kingdom of God (Acts 1:2-5). Then when the day of Pentecost had fully arrived, the Holy Spirit was announced by the symphony of God through the sounds of a wind rushing through windows, doors, across buildings and through trees. The sound was accompanied by a cosmic light show and tongues of fire which appeared over the 120 disciples that had gathered. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit.

This form which God chose to send the Holy Spirit to humanity is like waving the first fruits of his own essence before those whom God calls to be his own people. Like candles on a birthday cake, the disciples role marks an amazing event, representing God's gift to the world. They are eternal candles that cannot be blown out. They are lit for all eternity with the power and presence of God claiming the first fruits of the Christian Church.

Whether we consider the "Day of Pentecost" the birthday of the Christian Church or not is not important. It is the time that we recognize that God's grace through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and God's gift of the Holy Spirit came to God's people on earth. God gave those to those first century disciples and to us the spiritual gifts that we need to fulfill our thanksgiving of praise and worship. These spiritual gifts define our Christian roles in discipleship. Our wave offering of praise is not by our own power, but by and through the power of Jesus Christ and God's Pentecostal Blessing to humanity.

Remember May 15, 2016 is Pentecost Sunday. Wear red to service and let's begin the wave offering with a great and joyous celebration of Pentecost!

Pastor Danny

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Your Congregation Council met on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm. (The April meeting was moved back a week because Pastor Danny was at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg on April 20th defending his Master's thesis. Postscript – His defense must have been pretty good since he is now scheduled to graduate on May 13th. J)

Because of time constraints, the Council conducted an electronic vote, per section C12.14 of the Constitution, and unanimously ratified the Congregation President signing a Service Agreement with Eversource to install additional solar panels on two St. Luke roofs. Ray Heller has been working, on behalf of St. Luke, for a long time toward increasing St. Luke's solar power footprint. The new solar panels will be installed on the southeasterly roof of the "education" wing, which already has some solar panels, and on the southeasterly roof of the fellowship hall.

Permitting for the new panels will begin soon and installation/hook-up is expected to be completed by the end of this year, with use of the panels beginning by January 1, 2017. the total cost to St. Luke will be less than \$200. St. Luke's electric costs are estimated to be reduced by between \$3,000 and \$4,000 annually.

Treasurer Leah Lozier's financial report, year to date through March, shows that total income was slightly more than budgeted while expenses were significantly less than budgeted, resulting in a "surplus" of approximately \$19,000.

Micah 6:8 Charlie Anderson

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without checking with us first. We have limited space at the tag sale and in our storage lockers, and may have to reject items that are too large, in poor condition, or of limited utility. If we can use it, it will be much easier to deal with on or before May 17 (Tuesday), or after the sale.

We'll need lots of help!

Please clear your schedules now. It takes a whole week to set up and run the sale, and we're going to need lots of help. Please consider joining us! It's kinda fun, and the more people who help out, the easier and more fun it becomes. It's a huge undertaking, but also a good and rewarding way to reach out to the community. We start setting up for the sale on May 15.

In case you didn't know:

The Furniture Bank, which began in 1982 as an outreach of St. Luke, collects donated furniture and gives it free of charge to people in financial need who are referred by social service agencies and churches. We have been running tag sales at St. Luke for 27 years (since 1990). Roughly 80% of the proceeds are used to meet operating expenses (mainly rental on storage lockers and telephone). The rest is used to buy beds, most of which are purchased new because of sanitary concerns. Donations, including items for the tag sale, are tax-deductible. For further information, please call the furniture bank at 860 381-9224.

Life Long Learning News



Ledyard/Gales Ferry Churches to Sponsor VBS

Surf's up! The time for Surf Shack Vacation Bible School will be Aug. 1-5 9:00 to 11:30 am. For children age 3 to those entering 6th grade. While at the Surf Shack, we will experience God's amazing love, explore God's mission for our lives, encounter powerful water stories from the Bible, and discover ways to live out God's amazing love. The key verse for this summer's VBS is "Remember that the Lord is great and awesome! Nehemiah 4:14b. Plan to catch the wave of God's Amazing Love. Online registration is now open, visit stlukegf.org. Registration forms will also be included in the June issue of the Scroll, and available on the bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall. Those who wish to be part of the staff talk with Mary Robinson or sign up on the bulletin board.

Sunday school

Graded classes in Sunday school will conclude the year with the Learning Hour on June 5 in the Fellowship Hall. Beginning last September our learning hours have offered Biblical stories which reinforced the preaching texts that Pastor Danny used. The children heard the same topics and stories as those in the worship service. These were brought alive by drama, art, song and games lead by our many teachers. So on June 5 there will be review presentations and readings by the entire Sunday school. Following there will be an ice cream social.

Thank you to those who have taught:

Seventh and Eighth Grade: Felix Vajdos and Mary Baudro Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grade: Louise Black, Paul Anderson, Karen Eisenbeiser, Michael Johnson, and Marty Wood Second and Third Grade: Carter Smith, Leah Lozier and Noelle Hale Kindergarten and First Grade: Beth Hundley and Mary Robinson Preschool: Michele Clements and Mili Dejure Suzanne Etris, Janis Vajdos, Bob Nelson and Lillie Kuhn offered assistance where and when needed.

Life Long Learning

The purpose of St. Luke's education program is to educate and nurture members of all ages in the Word of God so as to grow in faith and hope and love. We seek to see daily life as the primary setting for the exercise of our Christian calling and to use the gifts of the Spirit for our life together and for our calling in the world. The title or name we use for a person or activity can be significant. Our council recently decided that we would have a Life Long Learning team. By enacting that title you will notice additional programs here at St. Luke. Try some of them out. Tell people in the community about the many learning opportunities we offer. Pray that the Holy Spirit will be evident. Watch for what happens next and provide the team with your ideas and desires. Mary Robinson, as the interim Director of Life Long Learning, would appreciate your input.

Women ELCA

Women's Circle Bible Study

Purpose Statement

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and

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wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

Picking up on this statement of Purpose of the Women of the ELCA, St. Luke will be offering Circles of women in Bible study. The first circle has been formed and meets on Monday evenings in the Youth Room. It is using <u>Gather</u> Magazine, a monthly publication for women which contains a Bible Study guide. Just ask Mary Robinson for your copy. Gathering together we seek friendship and are able to support one another.

Our church is having a Book Fair!

Do you have what you need to keep your kids busy this summer? Stop by our Book Fair and shop award-winning

Bibles, books, and videos for babies to ten-year-olds. Save up to 15% plus free shipping on all Book Fair titles.

Stop by the Fellowship Hall on May 15 or May 22 between 9:30 and 12:00 to get faith-filled books and videos for your kids.

Our Book Fair is sponsored by Sparkhouse Family, which is committed to telling stories that help parents instill an open-hearted, transformational, lifelong Christian faith in their children at every age and stage. The books

will include some Sparkhouse Family favorite titles, like The Spark Story Bible, as well as books and Bibles from the much-anticipated Frolic series, which combines child development principles and faith concepts to help little ones take their first steps in faith.

There is need of those who would like to work the Book Fair. Please talk with Mary Robinson for date and times you could take orders and greet those who come to the fair.





Ever wonder about the flowers on the altar on Sunday?

St. Luke works with an independent florist who provides fresh flowers on Sundays, when people sign up to provide them. We have a sign up sheet on the bulletin board, just outside of the kitchen, where any member is welcome to sign-up to provide flowers.

There are few rules; the most important is that we can only accommodate TWO arrangements a week. If two names have been listed for a particular date, you'll need to select a different date. The florist charges \$20 per arrangement but is always willing to create something special for an additional fee. Please let the church office know what you would like and how much you are willing to spend, and we can make it happen.

If you do sign-up for flowers, you can make your payment one of two ways. First, you can include the cost of your arrangement in your regular weekly offering, and make a notation that you are also paying for flowers. Or you can write a check for the amount of the flowers, with a notation that the payment is for flowers and leave it in the collection plate or our bookkeepers in-box. For cash donations, please use an envelope and place it in the collection plate on Sunday. If you have additional questions, please contact Ruth Dirlam.



St. Luke Ministry of the Month

New London Community Meal Center

The New London Community Meal Center was started in 1985 as a ministry of the Mount Olive Seventh Day Adventist Church. In 2000, the NLCMC was spun off as an independent organization with a mission to provide the food insecure residents of New London County with nutritious meals in an environment of hospitality and respect. The NLCMC provides lunch five days a week and dinner six days a week. In addition, volunteer groups use the NLCMC facilities to prepare and serve dinner on days that the NLCMC does not do the preparation. The food used to make meals at the center is primarily obtained from The Gemma E. Moran United Way Food Bank in New London and is supplemented by donations from various businesses and agencies, as well as individual donors.



has had a significant impact on their lives. If you would like to join this group please contact Ray Heller (raymondheller@sbcglobal.net) or Dawn Chapman(gorbi2@att.net) to get into the rotation.

St. Luke also provides quarterly donations to the NLCMC out of our operating budget to help maintain the work that they do for the community.

Recently, an additional opportunity for St. Luke has come open. In months that have a fifth Sunday, dinners are served and cooked by two volunteer groups, but the meal planner and lead cook is moving to Arizona and needs someone to step in and help continue the work. This meal is very important to the NLCMC – typically on the fifth Sundays the number of people served ranges from 160 to 180 as resources are often stretched at the end of the month. We expect that the meal planning can be done well in advance of the fifth Sunday and that the actual time at NLCMC on the fifth Sunday would be to oversee the cooking of the meal. Serving and cleanup are handled by the existing volunteer groups. While a single person is needed, it may be possible that a small team could work together planning meals and rotate the cooking assignments. If you might be interested in helping to expand our work at NLCMC please contact Dawn Chapman (gorbi2@att.net). May 29th is the first Sunday that we would be providing this service.

Since 2003, St. Luke has taken the responsibility for serving an afternoon meal on the first Sunday of every month. Typically we have a crew of about 4 cooks who start working at 2 PM and about 6 servers who come in at about 4 PM to serve the meal. St. Luke donates the food to make Manwich meals with sides of soup and vegetables. During the summer, we provide fresh vegetables from the Community Garden for the meals as well. Typically 60 to 80 people are served on the first Sunday.

The meals provided by the NLCMC are free to anyone walking through the doors, no questions asked. Our volunteers often are thanked directly by the patrons and it would be safe to say that their experience working with the NLCMC

March 2016 Attendance by Week			
Week 1	200		
Week 2	189		
Week 3	262		
Week 4	433		
Total	1084		
Ave. Weekly Attendance	271		

ST. LUKE—SCHEDULE TO SERVE – MAY 2016

Date	Greeters	Welcome Team	Ushers	Altar Guild	Lay Readers	Communion Deacons	Assisting Ministers	Acolytes
05/01								
8:15	Ginny Jacobson	Ginny Jacobson	Mitch Robinson. Dennis & Dawn Anderson, Carl Smith	Dawn Anderson	Ruth Dirlam	Kim Haugland	Kristin Wiglesworth	Nicholas Haugland, Madeline Horkey
11:00	Peg Beale	Leigh Sammons	Dick Wimmermark, Hugh Busey, Lee Beale, John Robbins	Joan Davis	Carolyn Kracke		Roger Hanson	Jenna Beale, Amanda Cox
05/08								
8:15	Chuck & Marge Johnson	Paul & Carla Henschel	Marty & Pat Wood, Dennis Sindel, Andy George	Cathy Hanson	Charlie Anderson		Terry Blair	Jacob Haugland, Nora Black
11:00	Dot Cooper	Carol Croteau	Pauline Wanner, Bob & Robin Neslson, Ray Heller	Deb Eld	Paul Anderson		Bonnie Fear	Caitlyn Willingham, Sara Cox
05/15								
8:15	Joanne Erickson	Chuck & Marge Johnson	Mitch Robinson, Mark Pitluck, Mark & Louise Larson	Jeanette Lang	Joanne Erickson	Charlie Anderson	Larry Wolfgang	Elizabeth Smart, Cameron Leischner
11:00	Dot Mallon	Deb Eld	Dick Wimmermark, Lee Beal, Chuck Fear, Ray Heller	Gail Chernansky	Lee Beale	Pat Robbins	Bonnie Fear	Jessica Dame, Emmy Hundley
05/22								
8:15	Elaine Remondi- Simpson	Trudy Flanery	Dennis & Dawn Anderson, Dennis Sindel, John Robbins	Andy & Angela George	Andy George		Kristin Wiglesworth	Ainslee Moorehead, Dylan Horkey
11:00	Kirsten Holmstedt	Tom & Mary Baudro	Hugh Busey, Pauline Wanner, Bob & Robin Nelson	Cathy Hanson	Mitch Robinson	Robin Nelson	Felix Vajdos	Jessica Vajdos, Kendra Lessing
05/29								
9:30	Ginny Jacobson	Ginny Jacobson	Marty& Pat Wood, Chuck Fear, Andy George				Bonnie Fear	Hannah Dirlam, Luke Frost

TECH TEAM SCHEDULE

Date	8:15
05/01	Fawn DeMello, Brady Moorehead
05/08	Bill Kracke
05/15	Bill Kracke
05/22	Brady Moorehead, Karen Moorehead
05/29	One Service at 9:30 a.m.
	Dean Bosse, Justin Aleshire

11:00				
Dave Etris, Bob Nelson				
Roni Rollinson, Mike Mason				
Mike Mason, Fawn DeMello				
Bob Nelson, Fawn DeMello				

Church Calendar of Events

MAY 2016							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Adult Forum during the Learning Hour 9:30 AM Learning Hour for Children 11:00 AM Worship 12:30 PM Concert Handbell Choir Rehearsal 2:45 PM New London Meal Center 5:00 PM Ecumenical Worship Service	Conversations 9:00 AM Grins	3 6:00 PM Thames River Quitters 7:30 PM Senior Choir Rehearsals	4 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 10:00 AM Bible Study 12:00 PM Belles & Beaux Rehearsal 4:00 PM Cookies and Cards Club 4:30 PM Glory Ringers Rehearsal 7:00 PM JuBELLation Rehearsal	5 5:00 PM Ring Masters Rehearsal 7:00 PM Celebrate Team Rehearsals	6 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool	7 9:30 AM Confirmation Class 10:00 AM Grin & Giggles Oper House 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	
8 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Adult Forum during the Learning Hour 9:30 AM Evangelism Team Meeting 9:30 AM Learning Hour for Children 11:00 AM Celebrate Worship Service 12:30 PM Concert Handbell Choir Rehearsal 12:30 PM Life Long Learning Team Meeting	Conversations 9:00 AM Grins and Gigles Preschool 5:00 PM Planning Team Meeting 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous- FH	10 5:00 PM End of Year Celebration: Classical Conversations 6:30 PM Fellowship Team Meeting 7:30 PM Senior Choir Rehearsals	11 8:30 AM LICEAF Meeting 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 10:00 AM Bible Study 12:00 PM Belles & Beaux Rehearsal 4:30 PM Glory Ringers Rehearsal 6:00 PM Ecumenical Council 7:00 PM JuBELLation Rehearsal	12 5:00 PM Ring Masters Rehearsal 7:00 PM Celebrate Team Rehearsals	13 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 5:00 PM Private Party	14 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	
15 Day of Pentecost Tag Sale Set-Up 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Adult Forum during the Learning Hour 9:30 AM Book Fair 9:30 AM Learning Hour for Children 9:45 AM Meeting with the Pastor: Open Forum 9:45 AM Ministry Team Meeting 11:00 AM Celebrate Worship Service 12:00 PM Life Long Learning Team Meeting 12:30 PM Concert Handbell Choir Rehearsal	16 Tag Sale Set- Up 8:30 AM	17 Tag Sale Set- Up 7:30 PM Senior Choir Rehearsals	18 Tag Sale Set-Up 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 10:00 AM Bible Study 12:00 PM Belles & Beaux Rehearsal 4:30 PM Glory Ringers Rehearsal 7:00 PM CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL 7:00 PM JUBELLAtion Rehearsal	5:00 PM Ring Masters Rehearsal	20 Tag Sale Set-Up 9:00 AM Grins Preschool 6:00 PM Tag Sale: Early Bird with \$5 Admission	21 8:00 AM Tag Sale 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	
22 The Holy Trinity 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:30 AM Adult Forum during the Learning Hour 9:30 AM Book Fair 9:30 AM Learning Hour for Children 11:00 AM Worship 12:30 PM Concert Handbell Choir Rehearsal 12:30 PM Second Sunday Soup Luncheon	9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous- FH 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study	Choir Rehearsals	25 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 10:00 AM Bible Study 12:00 PM Belles & Beaux Rehearsal 4:30 PM Glory Ringers Rehearsal 7:00 PM JuBELLation Rehearsal	Masters Rehearsal 7:00 PM	27 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool	28 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	
29 9:30 AM NO Learning Hour for Children- Memorial Day Holiday 9:30 AM Single Worship Service led by Youth 12:30 PM Ledyard Memorial Day Parade	30 Memorial Day Holiday: Offices Closed No School: Grins & Giggles 8:30 AM Classical Conversations 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous- FH 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM Women's Circle Bible Study	Rehearsals	1 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool 10:00 AM Bible Study 12:00 PM Belles & Beaux Rehearsal 4:00 PM Cookies and Cards Club 4:30 PM Glory Ringers Rehearsal 7:00 PM JuBELLation Rehearsal	Masters Rehearsal 6:00 PM	3 9:00 AM Grins and Giggles Preschool	4 10:00 AM Overeaters Anonymous 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous	

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BIRTHDAYS

May 2 Suzanne Etris Annabeth Black May 3 Tanya Doyle May 4 Mark Pitluck May 5 Penny Howell-Heller May 10 Bob Chernansky May 11 Bill Siebert Tom Nolan Holly Leal May 12 Casey Roan May 14 Peggy Beale May 15 Emily Anderson May 16 Dot Cooper Suzette Roan Jack Stevens Ben Vajdos May 18 Barb Anderson May 19 Carla Moses-Bradley May 22 Levi Green May 23 Jeanne Steinnagel May 26 Charlie Anderson Nancy Rupert May 30 Shamaya Anderson Tom Crawford May 31 Jennifer Gilletti

Wedding Anniversaries

May 1 Jack & Janet Stehle May 7 Marty & Pat Wood May 9 David & Liese Zitzkat May 15 Dale & Mary Cotch May 16 Gerdt & Tiiu Propfe

May 19 Helmut & Jeanne Steinnagel May 22 Richard & Lea Borgne May 26 Alan & Susan Portofee Jim & Leigh Sammons

Baptismal Anniversaries

Jenn Baudro Suzanne Etris May 1 Bob Bradley Rachel Gernert May 4 Don Savage May 6 Marcia Marien Mav 9 Nathan Robbins May 10 Taylor Bradley May 14 Mikayla Zitzkat May 18 Linda Martin Tyler Woods May 20 Owen Lawton May 23 Christopher Derjue May 24 Bob Chernansky Abigail Cote May 25 Dick Wimmermark Alexis Stehle May 27 Jillian Derjue May 30 Kim Bossé Elizabeth Smart

Jean Wolfgang Stephanie Lucas-Iding, Karen Wuesthoff's sister Kathy, Georganne Frase's cousin Janeese Watson Priscilla & Randy, Cindy Mason-Jones' friends Emily, Lillie Kuhn's friend's friend Dale Arnold Barbara Brown, friend of Elaine Remondi-Simpson Bob Bradley Bob Wassung, Kristen Smart's friend's husband Andrew Marilyn White, Cindy Mason-Jones aunt Jim Hanson, Barb Anderson's friend Mariann Mazur, friend of Bob Simpson *Cameron Frost, son of Clint & Lindsay* Frost and grandson of Curt & Cathy Frost Kathy Steberl, Jean Swiontek's sister

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Gil Sears

Larry Wolfgang

PRAY FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY: Andrew and Daniel, deployed.

PRAY FOR OUR GRIEVING :

The friends and family of **Helen** Steinnagel, Helmut Steinnagel's sister-inlaw **Sue** Moran and her family, mourning the death of her brother, Mike Gabbert **Doug** Capazzi and his family, friend's of Betty Caruso

PRAY FOR OUR HOMEBOUND:

Bill Johnston at Academy Point in Mystic Marnie Reubeltat home Ellen Turley, at Riverview Nursing home in Coventry, RI Alice Roberge, at home

PRAY FOR THOSE WITH OTHER CONCERNS:

Chikumbuso Project, for the widows, orphans and those ministering to them, pray that God's work be done in the community and for God's healing and blessings.





St. Luke Lutheran Church

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Dates of Note in May



Cookies and Cards - Thursday, May 5 @ 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class - Saturday, May 7 @ 9:30 a.m. Grins and Giggles Open House—Saturday, May 7 @ 10:00 a.m. Tag Sale - Friday & Saturday May 20 & 21 Youth-led single service - Sunday, May 29 @ 9:30 a.m. Memorial Day Parade - Sunday, May 29 -12:30 p.m. muster



Communications News

JOIN ST LUKE'S MEMORIAL DAY PARADE MARCHERS

Sunday, May 29 - 12:30 muster at Ledyard Center School *Free lunch served at the end of the parade!*



Classical Conversations homeschool group, hosted by St. Luke on Mondays, is wrapping up their 2015/16 school year. Essentials students (grades 4-7) worked hard all year turning in papers and grammar task sheets to raise money for Heifer International. As a class, they earned enough "tickets" to purchase a whole goat for the program. They even had a visit to the church from a goat named "Sweetie" to thank them for their hard work!

Classical Conversations would like to thank the staff, council and congregation of St. Luke for welcoming the group. Their mission is to know God and make God known.

WORSHIP SERVICES ON SUNDAY 8:15 and 11:00AM A Great God — A Great Church!

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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