



LIVING INTO GOD'S WELCOME:

Welcoming Surprising New Life

But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' ~ Matthew 28:5-7

The Easter story: they looked into the place of death and they saw that it was empty...or even that death itself held only leftover trappings and messengers of new life. This year, we bring to that Easter story a different set of experiences. Thanks to Covid-19, we don't have the travel and Easter egg hunts and large family gatherings that for many of us mark the holiday. We don't have crowds at the church building. Instead, like those first evangelists, we find ourselves looking into the place of death. In the face of loss and death, the Easter promise rings out: Death is empty. The wrappings of the old life are left behind, and we are pointed to new life that will meet us in ways both surprising – and surprisingly familiar.

There is much speculation about when life will return to "normal" and what those new norms might be: we simply do not know. But we do know, that like the first disciples, we will meet the risen Christ, we will have the opportunity to welcome new life in ways both surprising and familiar.

To life!
Pastor Beth

WORSHIP IN HOME DURING HOLY WEEK

Our home devotional series draws from the Gospel reading for the daily lectionary and is designed to be hands-on and accessible for all ages. Families with children may want to pick an age-appropriate Bible (Spark kids, or an NIV translation) to use for the Gospel readings. For the full list of Bible lessons for each day, check out:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=A>.

Home Devotional: Palm Sunday

Set up a small table to be a devotion table for the week. You may decorate it with a tablecloth (representing cloaks that people placed in front of Jesus' donkey), a candle, your palm or palm cross, a snipping from a tree branch, or something else that reminds you of Jesus riding into Jerusalem. Each day we will read a Bible passage and add an item to the table.

Bible reading: Matthew 21:1-10.

People today often judge one another by what kind of car they drive. Those who can afford to do so often choose a vehicle that expresses something about them, such as outdoorsy, tough, or eco-friendly. In biblical times, when a king rode into town, his choice of ride gave people more specific information: a king usually rode in either on a war horse as a sign of battle and domination. A donkey was a far humbler mount: for a king to ride into town on a donkey spoke of peace.

Prayer: Thank you, holy God, for entering our world in a humble, loving way in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Home Devotional: Monday of Holy Week

Find something that smells beautiful (but won't perish or get eaten by the dog).

Bible reading: John 12:1-11

a gift of extravagant love.

Usually when we hear of something filling anything in John's Gospel story, it is when God does a miracle (like turning water into wine or turning a few loaves and two fish into an all-you-can eat picnic). Here, one woman's act of over-the-top act of love fills the room with fragrance. Her act is sign that shows how over-the-top God's love is for the world, and Jesus defends her act to those whose arguments would normally sound reasonable.

Prayer: Thank you, gracious God, for your over-the-top, extravagant love. Fill our lives with your love and help us to share your love with those around us. Amen.

Home Devotional: Tuesday of Holy Week

Find one or more of the following: a seed, something written in a foreign language, or something you shared in Show-and-Tell.

Bible reading: John 12:20-36

It was time for God's show-and-tell. John's Gospel began with John the Baptist sending local men to see (to get to know) Jesus. Now that his reputation is drawing foreigners – the wider world – Jesus knows that it is time for him to share the big last sign of just how much God loves the world. He is going to show the world that God is willing, not just to become human, but to die and break death out of love for us all.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, thank you for deeming us worth dying for. Help us to see ourselves – and those we meet – as worthy of such love. Amen.

Home Devotional: Wednesday of Holy Week

some coins, and either a piece of bread or a bowl that could hold dipping sauce.

Bible reading: John 13:21-32

At some point or another, we will all betray someone. Perhaps we will betray our own ideals; likely we will say or do something that hurts someone else or the environment. It's a part of being human. When someone betrays or slanders us, instead of seeking revenge and instead of holding onto bitterness, may we remember that we, too, hurt others. May we seek to forgiveness, and may we seek to forgive.

Prayer: Holy God, for the ways we betray you by using others and the environment, for the ways we are selfish and greedy, for the ways that we are judgmental, we are sorry. Thank you for loving us anyway, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Home Devotional: Maundy Thursday

find a towel, maybe a pitcher with water (to remind you of washing feet). Take a picture or join us on Zoom at 5pm to do a show and tell about your devotional table.

Zoom meeting invite:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/542102334>

Meeting ID: 542 102 334

Bible reading: John 13:1-17, 31-34

Who has washed your feet? Today people usually feel awkward about letting someone else wash their feet. In Jesus' day, it was common for the lowliest of servants to wash the guests' feet. (Remember someone else who cleaned feet just a couple of days ago?) Jesus chose to do this job, to serve, in order to show that God's way is the humble, loving way. Who would you serve in order to show them love? How might you do it?

Prayer: Thank you, dear God that you chose to be humble and low, to serve out of love. Help us to become leaders who follow your example so that our world can know love in Jesus' name. Amen.

Our Live stream at 7pm will end with us stripping the altar. This is both a reminder of Jesus' experience and a way of getting things out of the way for a deep clean before Easter. (Altar guilds are pragmatic.) On Thursday night after dark, your job is to remove everything from your devotional table.

Home Devotional: Good Friday

a thorny blackberry branch, maybe a small cross. If you can cover the small cross with a black cloth symbolizing death, that would be good.

Bible reading: John 18:1-19:42.

To read it as a play, follow this link:

<http://oremus.org/liturgy/lhwe/john.html>

This is the story of how Jesus died. It's long, and violent, full of rejection, and awkward. On this day, God experienced all the different kinds of suffering we people can have: betrayal, abandonment, ridicule, rejection, physical pain, shaming, death, and the death of a child. When we go through painful times, we have a God who has been there – God chose to be there in order to be close to us, to understand us, to love us. This dark story reminds us that we are not alone, even in the worst times. That's why a Friday with such a bad story is called "Good Friday."

Prayer: Dear God, through what Jesus endured on Good Friday, you came to join us in even the worst

situations of our lives. Thank you for loving us that much. Help us to trust that you are there, even when we feel forsaken. Amen.

Home Devotional: Holy Saturday

Find a stone (to remind you of the stone that sealed the tomb)

Bible reading: John 19:38-42

Have you ever had to make-do? "Making-do" is when your first plan falls through, and you have to go with something you would not have chosen. Neither Joseph of Arimathea nor Nicodemus had wanted to have to bury Jesus at all: they had hoped he would live! And yet, because they want to do right by Jesus, they risk their lives by asking the Roman ruler for Jesus' cadaver, they make themselves unclean by touching his dead body, they wear themselves out by hauling his body and 100lbs of burial spices, and they make do with a nearby tomb, because they don't have much time before the Passover begins. It was risky, gross, hard, and far from ideal, but God worked through their "make-do" arrangements. God can work through ours, too.

Prayer: Holy God, thank you for the courage that Joseph and Nicodemus showed in order to show love for Jesus. Help us to be courageous, too, and to trust that you can work through us, even when things don't go how we had hoped. Amen.

Home Devotional: Easter Sunday

Blow An Egg:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i8c3qEM2xA8>

(You can do so with water, food coloring, and vinegar if you didn't buy Easter Egg dye kits.) If you don't have real eggs, a plastic one will do. The point is that the egg is empty – like the tomb.

Bible reading: John 20:1-18

The tomb was open – and the body that was supposed to be in it was gone. The grave was empty of Jesus: God had brought him to life. Easter reminds us that the things we fear – rejection, suffering, and death – while very real, will in the end be found empty. God's love brings love out of rejection, compassion out of suffering, and life out of death.

Prayer: Dear God, thank you for loving us so much that you would bring good things out of bad things, life out of death. Help us to trust your love so that we can love ourselves and others, in Jesus Christ, who lives, amen.

WORSHIP

Sunday Worship in April – Facebook at 9:30am

Palm Sunday, April 5

Palms will be strewn on the walkway outside of the narthex entrance Thursday, April 2 ~ Sunday morning, April 5: those who want to pick up palms may stop by to take a few for Sunday. Instructions on making palm crosses are available at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBQk41VWkx8>.

Please touch only the palms you intend to take with you.

Maundy Thursday, April 9 – 7pm Worship: [Facebook](#)

Good Friday, April 10 – 7pm Worship: [Facebook](#)

Easter Sunday, April 12 – 9:30am worship: [Facebook](#)

Sunday, April 26 – 9:30am Worship: [Facebook](#)

(Zoom) ★ 11am Farewell/Godspeed Pastor Joel Westby
Sunday, April 26 is Pastor Joel's last Sunday as St. Luke's Transition Pastor! He has walked with us through the transition journey -- from grief to self-assessment to a season of new beginnings. Thanks to his leadership, St. Luke is going strong: worshipping God, connecting with one another in new ways, and serving with the heart of Christ. It's time to celebrate him!

Join us on Zoom at 11am that day for a farewell celebration for him! Bring a thank you card!

CONNECT

Committee Night will not take place at the church. Please make arrangements for your committees/teams to meet online before Easter.

Telephone Barrage Ministry – our in-reach within the St. Luke community has begun! Thank you to all who have worked to connect our community during the Covid-19 season!

Wednesday Wanderings – going for a walk? Call a few area St. Luke members (or homebound neighbors) to let them know you'll be passing their way. Then wave – or chat from across the yard.

Zoom Fellowship

Thanks to Joe Gantt for hosting Trivia Night via Zoom on March 27! It was an intergenerational fun gathering!

Adult Educational Opportunities:

Learn to Use Zoom – Zoom 101

- On a computer with Marcia Chadly:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E>
- On a smartphone or tablet by Howfinity:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V8JaUEORjSo>

Women of St. Luke Bible Study - two offerings of the April Gather Magazine Bible Study, led by Pastor Beth

- **Sunday, April 5 at 6:30pm:**

Zoom Meeting Invite:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/453782322>

Meeting ID: 453 782 322

- **Wednesday, April 8 at 1pm**

Zoom Meeting Invite

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/402270142>

Meeting ID: 402 270 142

Much thanks to Drs. Karen Eifler and Elise Moentmann for their leadership in Adult Education in March!

Order a Book from the Church Library

Katie Insalaco will take “orders” for books from members and deliver them weekly (likely Wednesdays). E-mail her the genre or specific book title and she'll do her best to find a good fit and deliver it to your door. 2 books per week per family member. Pick up the following week or when new books are delivered.

Be sure to include your name, address and phone number in the email. Katie: ktinsalaco@gmail.com

MONDAY “HAPPENING HOUR”

Each Monday beginning April 6, Pastor Joel will be hosting a “Monday Happening Hour” online. Watch for an invitation in the “**Weekly Update**” to the “Monday Happening Hour” because **stuff happens** and we may want some empathy; or we may want to **review Sunday's worship experience**; or we may want to have some conversation sharing thoughts and questions about certain topics; or we may want to **just share “what's happening.”**

It's going to be a “happening” hour instead of a “happy” hour because we won't be raising our glasses, we'll be lifting each other up; instead of intoxication, we'll try for inspiration; BYOB will mean “Bring Your Own Blessing (ideas, thoughts, experiences, prayers, etc.)”

4:30 - 5:45 pm (longer if the energy is there).

Topics to be announced in Weekly Update if you want to know ahead of time.

The first topic, for Monday, April 6 is: Jesus Christ Superstar - that's right the musical. What do you think of the portrayal of Jesus and others in this production? Are there moments that stand out for you and can you tell us the reason? How might this Jesus be welcoming in your eyes/ears/heart?

If you haven't ever seen “Jesus Christ Superstar,” or it's been a while, I would recommend (re)watching it before the “Happening Hour” on April 6. John Legend is Jesus in the PBS Great Performances, November 2019.

At least watch a YouTube clip of “What's the Buzz.”

SERVE

Thank you to everyone who wrote cards to residents of Autumn Hills! You made people's days – reminding them that even though they are isolated, they are not alone. You are welcome to continue writing to them. For more information, contact the St. Luke office or Julie Kresl, director of Autumn Hills.

Thank you to all who helped prepare Gladys Garden for planting! You can still help: contact David Medford or Judy Sims to learn how your family can plant the seeds for a community's wellbeing. (Note, precautions are taken to mitigate "touch points," including wiping down gates, asking families to bring their own tools, and limiting garden access to one family/day during the Covid-19 season.)

Supporting St. Luke members' businesses! Covid-19 has been hard on businesses. **Support fellow St. Luke members by supporting their business! If you have a business not on this list, please let us know, and we can add you!**

- Anna & Noé Garnica – Verde Cocina
- Darryl & Dorene Mollenhauer – Mike's Electric

St. Luke Health Ministry – Please join us in prayer about the possibility of starting a healthcare ministry, where lay members whose backgrounds are in healthcare can share their training & gifts with St. Luke and with the wider community.

For further conversation, contact St. Luke member Carol Lindeman, retired Dean of OHSU School of Nursing at (707)696-0221 or cal951@sbcglobal.net.

Make thank you posters to first responders, Emergency Room teams, or ICU staff.

SW Hope 5K – calling all runners! Join the St. Luke Lutheran Team and run for a cause. The original race was scheduled for **Saturday, April 4**, but it is now a virtual race: run when and where you want. The registration helps to raise funds for Neighborhood House's food pantry! Register online at <https://runsignup.com/Race/OR/Portland/swhope5k>
The password for St. Luke Lutheran is "Welcome"

FIRST GRAUER TEAM MEETING:

On May 19 we will have meeting either in person or via Zoom. Stay tuned! If you are interested in having a role in this annual back to school distribution for local students ages K-12th grade come to the meeting or contact Judy Willis (judy@stlukechurch.com).

CARING FOR CREATION – Recycling

At this time **St. Luke Recycles** is scheduled for Sunday May 3, before and after each service. Items for recycling will be accepted in the driveway of the Shalom Center.

If these dates are changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the revised plans will be updated in the May St. Luke Messenger.

Items accepted at this time are as follows:

- Light bulbs – **CFL Only**, no incandescent, no LEDs, no fluorescent tubes
- Batteries – all types accepted, alkaline, lithium, rechargeable, flat button-type
- Printer and toner cartridges
- Corks – **Natural Cork Only**, no plastic corks
- Block Styrofoam, **clean** Styrofoam meat trays and take-out containers

The recycling team greatly appreciates that you sort your material before dropping it off at the collection site. Thank you for protecting God's creation through the reduction of material that goes to the landfill.

ANNUAL "SPRING RING 'N SING" CONCERT

June 2020 (date and time to be announced)

St. Luke's children's and bell choirs will present a program (following dinner) in the sanctuary. This concert features both of our children's choirs, Timbrel Ringers, and St. Luke Ringers presenting favorite musical arrangements from the past year. The program will include audience singing and a free-will offering benefiting the special music fund.

SPRING CONCERT: "MUSICAL REFLECTIONS"

June 2020

The Rejoice Choir and St. Luke Ringers will present a one-hour concert entitled "**Musical Reflections: the Year in Review**" in our sanctuary. The program will include several of our favorite anthems and bell numbers from the various seasons of the past church year. Also included will be some audience singing and a free-will offering for St. Luke's Special Music Fund.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME: April, May, June 2020 edition

The Devotionals have arrived and may be picked up outside the church office door. They are sitting in a plastic tote protected from our Spring weather!

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAYING.....

St. Luke Prayer Chain

The church office:

503-246-2325

Day calls: (8am ~ 5pm) Rujeanne Anderson

503- 297-2246

Night calls: (after 5pm) Carol Greene

503-245-4189

Calls are confidential.

GREETINGS FROM YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL!

It has been a surreal month, to say the least. Thank you for your prayers. We met twice (online) in March to discuss ministry in light of Covid-19 and the protocol we are implementing at St. Luke. While in accordance with government orders, we are still worshipping, connecting and loving our neighbor as ourselves in this season.

It is in St. Luke's DNA to rise to the occasion. Responding to Covid-19 is no exception. Some highlights:

- We went from never having a sermon online to having audio recordings on our website and livestreaming services that reach over 700 people around the world! Much thanks to John and Joe Kresl, Jonathan Maier, Josiah Chan and Dr. Dan Hibbett for making this possible!
- St Luke Social Concerns responded quickly to the needs of our local food pantries. The Northeast Emergency Food Program, Neighborhood House, and House of Zion were given all of their budgeted allotments for the year in March so that they can meet increased need during this season. We continue to reach out in prayer to these organizations and to the people they serve.

As we continue in ministry together (even physically distanced), we also continue to worship and support God's work in the world through our offerings. We started the year strong, but March has seen a sharp drop in giving. For many, the easiest way to do contribute is electronically.

Go to www.stlukechurch.com. At the bottom left of the homepage, click on "Donate" and follow the instructions. If you prefer to text a donation, type ASSIST (for first time users only) in the message box to 503-741-2246 and follow the prompts. (Credit card fees apply for text-to-give).

May God's peace be with you!

Dean Gustafson
Congregational President



Ulcaz Dobyms	4/1	Joliene Adams	4/15
Ryan Iverson	4/1	Cooper Curtin	4/16
Zoey Zuckerman	4/2	Rylla Riverman	4/16
Kiely Berg	4/2	Jeff Ross	4/17
Nicole Barclay	4/2	Paul Roe	4/17
Sophie Els	4/3	Tammy Mercier	4/18
Ken Spidal	4/4	Marsha Swantz	4/20
Chris Denning	4/4	Katharine Jeffcoat	4/20
Brian Anderson	4/4	Jan Petersen	4/20
Mary Lynn Ford	4/7	Bill Loehr	4/20
David Ramus	4/7	Craig Christensen	4/20
Lisa Sickler	4/7	Lorri Mastic	4/21
Dottie Inman	4/7	Florence Beattie	4/21
Bruce Bayley	4/7	Joan Bridgman	4/22
Susan Grabe	4/8	Aria Delamarter	4/23
Linda Norberg	4/8	John Anderson	4/23
Mike Rasmussen	4/8	Diane Brown	4/24
Noah Eddy	4/9	Harry Hayes	4/25
Peggy Telyea	4/9	Shelby Spalding	4/25
Mike Nelson	4/10	Alyssa Rust	4/26
Tom Ludwig	4/10	Emma Lairson	4/27
Mira Allan	4/10	Matthew Boka	4/27
Blake Allan	4/11	Joan Rohrer	4/27
Josiah Chan	4/11	Debra Gabriel	4/28
Eric Roe	4/11	Lorie Denning	4/28
Samuel Couch	4/13	Carol May	4/29
		Jonathan Roley	4/29

IN THE FAMILY

Prayers: Hal Yackley (memory care), Daniel Alrick, Georgann Dustan, Gladys Johnson, Gary Hofsommer, Becky (daughter of Gayla and Jeff Ross), Brittany Teodorski, Steve Blindheim, Henry Heuer (leukemia), Will Heuer, Wendy Metz, Bonnie Brunk, Dee Mills, Lou and Sonja Perkins, Dottie Inman, Harry Flesher, Father Richard (St. John-Fisher, recovering from surgery), Jean Nichols and family.

In Memoriam: Don Nichols, Virgil Anderson

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The children of St. Luke have been on a Lenten journey. We kicked off our Lenten season with a visit from **Pastor Wilder** who taught us about Ash Wednesday. We enjoyed eating a Mardi Gras style King Cake.

The first Sunday in Lent, March 1, was a beautifully enriching day: We had guest teacher **Jeff Powers** lead our children in their very own "just-for-kids" marimbas workshop and **Judy Sims**, our elementary school garden educator, lead us in a seed planting project in our church community garden.

We have been following a Lenten Calendar, focused on prayer and acts of kindness.

2020 Lenten Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 1 If you had to give away a million dollars, who would you give it to?	2 Used grace at dinner	3 Make a card for someone who needs extra love and give it to them	26 - Ash Wednesday Talk about the meaning of ashes on this day	27 Write 10 things you are grateful for and pray with you this Lent	28 Today, try not to eat any meat!	29 Collect spare change in your house and put it in the offering plate
4 What are your most grateful for?	5 Imagine you are in the desert - 40 days	6 Talk to someone at school you don't normally talk to	7 Go for a walk. What beauty do you notice?	8 Decide to help other people and yourself	9 Today, try not to eat bread!	10 Pray for children around the world
11 What are you most grateful for?	12 Imagine you are in the desert - 40 days	13 Talk to someone at school you don't normally talk to	14 Pray for clean water around the world	15 Pray for your classmates	16 Today, try not to eat bread or nuts!	17 Go through your toys and find a few you are ready to give away
18 What are you most grateful for?	19 Imagine you are in the desert - 40 days	20 Talk to someone at school you don't normally talk to	21 Pray for peace in the world	22 Pray for the poor	23 Today, try not to play with toys that require batteries or electricity!	24 Go through your clothes and find some that you are ready to give away
25 What are you most grateful for?	26 Imagine you are in the desert - 40 days	27 Talk to someone at school you don't normally talk to	28 Notice when you are talking about someone in a bad way and stop	29 Write down 3 nice things about someone you disagree with	30 Pray for the poor	31 Pray for your teacher. Draw a picture and give it to them.
1 - Palm Sunday Acknowledge for something you wish you did differently.	2 Write down 3 ways you could use more help, and then start a plan.	3 Pray with someone new at recess	4 - April 1 Write down 3 things you make you happy	5 Pray for your grandparents and meet with them	6 Pray for the poor	7 Set aside part of your allowance or piggy bank to donate at church
8 - Palm Sunday Acknowledge for something you wish you did differently.	9 Write down 3 ways you could use more help, and then start a plan.	10 Pray with someone new at recess	11 Write down 3 things you make you happy	12 Pray for your grandparents and meet with them	13 - Good Friday Discuss with your parents: Why did Jesus die?	14 - Holy Saturday Write down 3 ways you have learned about your faith this year.

EASTER EGG HUNT 2020

Our annual Egg Hunt is canceled this year. We will still "meet" per our annual tradition on Saturday, April 11, 10am to virtually view a Zoom visit from our **Easter Swami!** (Who also is practicing social distancing). Families will be given the Zoom invite and meet up information via email.

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What Can You Do to Help VBS? Pray!

(This Acronym adapted from Faithful Moms blog)

Planning: VBS is a huge undertaking. Pray for all of the details required to fall into place.

Relationships: Pray that those involved will understand their greatest contribution to VBS is building relationships with the kids, teens, and other adults!

Activities: Pray that every activity will clearly communicate Jesus' love

Yielded Hearts: Pray that God will work in amazing ways and transform lives

Fellowship: Pray for any kids or parents who need connection to find it – and for VBS leaders to continue those relationships afterwards

Organized: Pray that even with the daily changes that come up that adaptation, flexibility melded with organization will make each day a success - making the week memorable and sweet for all involved!

Reach out: Invite a friend, a neighbor, a grandchild!

Volunteers: Ask God to provide the needed volunteers and place them in the best fit for their talents and abilities

Belonging: Pray for a strong sense of Community so that our volunteers and our children feel included, supported, loved, and accepted.

Sunshine and Safety: Pray for a week of great weather and for safety during all activities and travel times.

VBS IS CURRENTLY ON STANDBY

Thank you all for your patience – we promise we will be in contact with families and volunteers as soon as we know more.

RECYCLING FOR VBS

Please save your empty rectangular tissue boxes and empty paper towel rolls for a VBS musical instrument project. ★ If you have any stickers, multi-colored yarn, or embroidery floss that you would like to donate that would be wonderful, too.

~ Thank you so much, Nancy Scheele

CAMP LUTHERWOOD SUMMER CAMP 2020

Registration is Open!

Check out their flyer for weeks and age groups:

<https://www.lutherwoodoregon.org/>

Area Church Youth Group Fights Coronavirusby making hand sanitizer!



Middle School Ministries/Confirmation

While people across the greater Portland area scrambled for hand sanitizer and avoided public gatherings this past weekend, middle school students at St. Luke Lutheran Church gathered together on Sunday morning to meet a need: they carefully combined rubbing alcohol, aloe vera gel, and essential oils, making bottles of hand sanitizer to be taken and shared.

“Ours is a proactive faith: we are put on this earth not to live in fear, but to be a blessing — to help meet the needs that arise in the community. This is a need, one we can help address.”

- the Rev. Beth Brashear, Associate Pastor



Art On Display!

“Thank you, Quilters, for your beautiful work. Also, thank you to Dan Gott and Mike Rasmussen for your time and skill used to hang the quilts. Drilling into concrete isn’t easy!” ~ Helen Wrolstad



Community Table Food Box Distribution

On Saturday, March 28, a small but mighty group of volunteers distributed food to neighbors in need. We completed a highly modified distribution this month. All of the goods were pre-packed at different times during the week by an individual, or couple living in the same household. We were able to provide a bag of meat, a bag of household products, and bags and boxes of dry and canned goods. We created a drive through venue where our guests were able to drive up, pop their trunk open and a volunteer would load the bags and boxes for them. **Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who helped with this effort: Scott Willis, John and Sue Gogins, Tammy and Ron Witcosky, Dan and Janet Swan, Dave and Ronda Reynolds, Carol Lindeman, and Shelley Hancey.**

~ Judy Willis, Service and Youth Ministries

APRIL 2020 CALENDAR

Wednesday 4/1/20	4:00pm Prayer Pause: Facebook
Sunday 4/5/20	Passion/Palm Sunday 9:30am Worship: Facebook 6:30pm Women of St Luke Bible Study
Monday 4/6/20	4:30pm Happening Hour: Zoom
Tuesday 4/7/20	10:00am Staff Meeting: Zoom
Wednesday 4/8/20	4:00pm Prayer Pause: Facebook
Thursday 4/9/20	Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Worship: Facebook
Friday 4/10/20	Good Friday 7:00pm Worship: Facebook
Sunday 4/12/20	Easter Sunday 9:30am Worship: Facebook
Monday 4/13/20	4: 30pm Happening Hour
Tuesday 4/14/20	10:00am Staff Meeting: Zoom
Wednesday 4/15/20	4:00pm Prayer Pause: Facebook
Sunday 4/19/20	2nd Sunday of Easter 9:30am Worship: Facebook
Monday 4/20/20	4: 30pm Happening Hour ★ May newsletter articles due
Tuesday 4/21/20	10:00am Staff meeting
Wednesday 4/22/20	4:00pm Prayer Pause: Facebook
Sunday 4/26/20	3rd Sunday of Easter 9:30am Worship: Facebook 11:00 Farewell to Pastor Joel: Zoom
Monday 4/27/20	4: 30pm Happening Hour: Zoom
Tuesday 4/28/20	10:00am Staff Meeting: Zoom
Wednesday 4/29/20	4:00pm Prayer Pause: Facebook

Things change, stay tuned, watch the Weekly Updates!