



The MESSENGER

AUGUST

LIVING INTO GOD'S WELCOME: Welcoming Growth in Christ Jesus

Pastor's Corner

But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. – Ephesians 4:15-16

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul is addressing divisions between Jewish and Gentile followers of Jesus. Many of Paul's letters speak to these growing pains as early believers come to understand that, "There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus." (Galatians 3:28)

St. Luke is coming to a new recognition of what it means to be united in the one body of Christ. The recent killings of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, and Breonna Taylor have ignited us to learn about racism, white privilege, and its impact. A book group is discussing Robin Diangelo's, *White Fragility*, Community Conversations Around Race continue, and the Monday Men's Bible Study is focusing on a Pan-African devotional guide, *Lament and Hope*.

The Congregational Council has also been talking about race and racism and St. Luke's response. During the last four weeks the Council has worked to create a statement about racism that will be posted on our website. It is a public promise to do the work of reflection, education, and action needed to address racial inequality and injustice within our systems and communities. I am proud of the work our Council has done and prayerfully share with you the statement that was approved at our July meeting.

Yours in peace,
Pastor Patti

St. Luke Lutheran Church Statement on Racism

We, St. Luke Lutheran Church, a majority white congregation, acknowledge the generations of injustice and oppression faced by communities of color in our world. We are deeply saddened by the recent events surrounding police brutality and racial tensions. Racism is a rejection of the teachings of Jesus and a direct contradiction of our faith.

The presence and impact of racism in our country and world is a painful truth to acknowledge. Current events have reinforced the underlying systemic racism in our country, and brought to light the unaddressed racism in ourselves, families, communities, and religion. Most of us are ill-prepared to act and are experiencing a full spectrum of emotions while being new to discussing race.

As a community of faith, we are committed to critical reflection and learning in regards to race/racism. Although we fall short, by the grace of God, our ultimate goal is to become an anti-racist congregation. We pledge to hold each other accountable. We will create space for open dialogue to further our learning. We will continue actively funding organizations that support communities of color. We have some soul-searching to do. By learning about racism we begin to heal ourselves and our community so that we all can become better Christians, neighbors, and stewards.

We invite you to join us wherever you are in your journey, trusting that by God's grace, the love of Christ, and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit we will be led to a more profound love and understanding of ourselves and our neighbor.

Approved by St. Luke Congregational Council, July, 2020

WORSHIP

Church Council

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

The church has left the building! Literally. We never thought that SLY slogan would come into play this way! Yes, our building remains closed, but our ministry continues on. It is only by your faithful giving that we can continue serving in Christ's name. So, THANK YOU for your financial gifts thus far in 2020. While giving is down about \$24,000 for the year (compared to budget), our expenses have been managed so well that we have a net positive balance of \$879 for the first half of the year. Many of you give electronically, and that is helping to stabilize our income. If you'd like to start giving electronically, please call the church office and they would be happy to walk you through the steps. Thank you so much!

We know this pandemic has affected many of you negatively on a financial basis. Job losses, furloughs, pay cuts, etc. are widespread throughout the country and we are not immune. Some of you are not affected at all and some of you have flourished in this environment.

One of my goals as Council President is to be proactive with the budget throughout the year to avoid the "December Dash" where we ask for year-end giving to make up a deficit. Some of you have asked me to keep you informed of our financial picture in case there is a shortfall. Now would be a great time, if you are able, to give a "Christmas in Summer" gift to our general fund in order to reduce or wipe out the \$25,000 giving shortfall and keep us on track for the remainder of the year. I know we can do it!

In the meantime, please, please be safe and stay healthy!

Dean Gustafson
Council President

Guest Preacher



The Rev. Laurie Larson-Cesar,
Bishop of the Oregon Synod,
will preach on **Sunday, August 2!**
You won't want to miss her!

Reopening Updates

The St. Luke Re-Opening Task Force has been meeting regularly for two months now and has drafted guidelines for gatherings (including worship) and building usage for St. Luke ministries and for community groups. These guidelines will be ratified by Council, and they follow the directives of the CDC and of state, county, and local health authorities.

When will we reopen? We do not know. As Covid-19 continues to surge, we continue to be Church in ways that do not put one another and the wider community at risk. Large worship service gatherings may be many months away.

How will we reopen? We will move gradually through several seasons: 1) all gatherings online, 2) small group physical gatherings (still utilizing masks, physical distancing and good hygiene) combined with online worship and connection, and 3) larger group gatherings. These seasons will be in accordance with the guidance put forth by the CDC and the State of Oregon.

Why don't we just gather in spite of our state ordinances? While it may be Godly for a Christian to put their own life at risk for the sake of the Gospel and the love of neighbor, to knowingly put others at risk of deadly illness in order for us to be physically together – especially when we have the capability of connecting and sharing the Gospel using other means – is grounded more in our own desires than in the love of Christ for our neighbor.

Jesus repeatedly calls upon his followers to choose to sacrifice, to suffer, and to serve others out of love. Paul reminds us that, "Remember that while all things may be lawful for you, not all things are beneficial. Nor do all things build up the body of Christ." (1 Corinthians 6:12, 10:23)

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, the St. Luke offices and all St. Luke buildings are closed. Should you need to stop by the campus, please call or email ahead of time to arrange a time. St. Luke leadership continues to follow the directives of our state and local authorities in regards to Stay Home and physical distancing.

**Prayer Pause with Pastor Beth is 4:00-4:30pm on
Wednesdays via Facebook Live.**
▶ **Join us on the St. Luke Facebook page.**

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ST. LUKE COMMUNITY:

Our **St. Luke Voice** this month comes from Joe Gantt, Call Committee chair and former St. Luke Congregational President.

“Wir sein Pettler, Hoc est Verum”

We are beggars. This is true.

These words, half in German, half in Latin, are the supposed final words of a great theologian who I seem to imitate every October.

I didn't grow up Lutheran, but these words are very meaningful to me. I grew up in an environment, as a pastor's kid, where I was constantly thinking about faith, but often not living faith. Christianity was a set of rules, a collection of doctrines, or an intellectual exercise. But no matter how many Bible verses I memorized or how well I understood the differences between Calvinism and Arminianism (it's as dry as it sounds!) – something was missing.

At some point, I started to realize that it was OK not to understand everything. Instead of worrying about why there seemed to be contradictions or difficult passages, I learned to look at the broader picture of a broken world filled with vulnerable people. A broken world nevertheless loved by God. The very concept of grace.

But grace also comes with responsibilities. Most specifically, the responsibility to be God's hands in caring for humanity. In my work as a speech & debate coach at Lewis & Clark College, our program seeks to train students to be advocates for justice. Our students learn how to effectively research, structure and deliver powerful arguments challenging systemic oppression such as racism, sexism, homophobia and ableism. I have learned so much from them, and my hope is that their voices will continue to be powerful ones for justice long after they leave college.

I also have had the opportunity to work with incarcerated individuals at the Oregon State Penitentiary as the teacher of a debate class each summer. These students have been discounted and ignored by society. My hope is that they know that they do have something valuable to contribute. Along with the skills gained that hopefully will help them both during and after incarceration, for a few hours, I want them to know that their voice counts and that someone will listen to them. Some of my students have since used their voices to call for better living conditions, including one student who took legal action to help protect the population from exposure to COVID-19.

Because we're all beggars. This is true.

Livestreaming Sunday Worship Services

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, St. Luke has been livestreaming and posting prerecorded video worship services of the 9:30am Sunday worship on our Facebook page. John Kresl has been working with the pastors, Dan Hibbett, Joe Gantt, Gerry Reese, and individual musicians to assemble and edit prerecorded audio/video clips of the various elements of our worship services which are now available for viewing on the St. Luke website by clicking on the Facebook icon.

We want to thank all of our families (parents and children) and adults who have led the Prayers of the People and the Gospel Acclamations, including musical refrains for you to sing along with while watching from home. We welcome back our organist, **Tom Skyler**, who has begun recording solo organ selections for use as preludes and postludes in addition to Molly Wheeler's piano solos. Gerry Reese is working with John Kresl to create a master DVD of these broadcasts which can be copied and given to seniors and shut-ins who don't have access to the internet. If you would like a copy, please call or email Leslie in the church office so that we can have them available for pick up or delivery by our visitation team or pastors.

Rejoice Choir Zoom Meetings and Rehearsals

The Rejoice Choir has been meeting via Zoom on Thursday nights at 7:30pm for devotions, sharing, prayer, and singing along with tracks to anthems we will be singing for Sunday worship services this fall. Although choir members can't hear each other and work together on their blend and choral sound, they are able to sing their part (alone at home) while listening to the rest of the group and the piano/organ accompaniment. I have been scanning the music and sending it to choir members before each Thursday night session. We share the scores online so that members can watch their screens as they sing with the music scrolling through the song. Thanks to Gerry Foote for hosting these meetings on her Zoom account which allows us to meet for an hour with no additional cost to St. Luke.

VIRTUAL CHOIR!

We have now launched our first virtual choir project of the anthem “Let Us Pray for Peace” to be included in our Kick-Off Sunday service on September 13!

Rehearsal tracks and scanned music scores have been emailed to all choir members who will be recording their individual voice parts from home using a performance track. **Jim Steele** has agreed to be our project manager and audio editor. He will compile all of the individual recordings into a master audio track, synching and balancing them to create a blended choral sound. We are hoping to repeat this process to produce additional virtual choir videos for this fall. During the summer months, we will be incorporating prerecorded choir anthems from past ‘Musical Reflections’ concerts into our Sunday morning Facebook worship broadcasts.

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for the reception you held for us and the rest of the SLY team last Sunday. It was very meaningful to see everyone and to hear the kind words offered by colleagues, parents and students. We will always treasure our time as SLY leaders and hold a special place in our hearts for all of those students and families we have had the joy to work with. Thank you also for the very thoughtful gift of gift cards to a couple of our favorite restaurants. We will certainly enjoy the treat of take out!! **With gratitude, Judy and Scott Willis**

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION TEAM

Team members **Josiah Chan, Annika Deazley, Kathy Weeks, Amy Gantt, Judy Willis, and Pastor Patti** continue to meet weekly to plan a smooth transition from Judy & Scott's leadership to SLY's next evolution. We are thrilled that Judy has agreed to stay on in a coordinator's role until new leadership is in place. SLY will have a variety of guest speakers this fall who will facilitate lively discussions and activities virtually. Stay tuned!

CONNECT

COFFEE TIME *(August Edition)*

Sundays from 10:30-11:00!

Join us to discuss the sermon, worship, and life.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89056737717?pwd=WHBJYS9hdFYQzJMTzE1NW44ZlJZZz09>

Meeting ID: 890 5673 7717

Passcode: 872539

Call in phone #: 1 253 215 8782

BIBLE STUDIES:

Men's Breakfast Bible Study: Mondays at 11am

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6169686873?pwd=V3J6c25tYjNKTUFWVktYd1UvK2NNdz09>

Meeting ID: 616 968 6873

Passcode: Sunshine

The Men's Bible Study focus this Summer and early Fall is on **"Lament and Hope: A Pan-African Devotional Guide Commemorating the 2019 Quad-Centennial of the Forced Transatlantic Voyage of Enslaved Black Peoples to Jamestown, Virginia, U.S.A.** This 32 page devotional guide, available at no cost as a downloadable pdf from Bread for the World, consists of 12 devotionals written by Black clergy, both men and women. The guide "celebrates the hope, faith, and resistance of African and African-descended people, while also lamenting the evil and horror of the history of enslavement, racism, and inequitable policies, many of which are still present today. This Christian devotional guide also "acknowledges and seeks to inspire readers to address the resulting consequences of hunger and poverty through advocacy." Facilitation of the group rotates among volunteers and our discussions last about an hour. Participants receive weekly reminders by listserv. **Please join us!**

Women's Bible Study: Tuesdays at 8am

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/501766676?pwd=N1RKSTRTRU96NDdzeE9Ga2ZDeUpMQT09>

Meeting ID: 501 766 676

Password: 378366

2nd Sunday Book Group:

Second Sunday will not meet in August, but we plan to resume on **September 13** to discuss "**Educated**" by Tara Westover.

ANTI-RACISM WORK:

Community Conversation Around Race

Note: new time: Saturdays at 10am, August 8, 22

Covid-19 has further highlighted the systemic and internalized forces of racism in our society. St. Luke member Bing Swigart facilitates virtual meetup where people can check in and discuss current events, articles, videos, and other content related to race. The group will work together as a collective to process how they are being impacted by these topics and learn from each other. This group provides an opportunity to be in community.

Zoom invite:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85912685293?pwd=K3NzcTZKYUZYdEx6M2xSRmxtbmsvUT09>

• Meeting ID: 859 1268 5293

• Password: 983763

• Dial in number: +1 253 215 8782

Anti-Racism Book Study:

"White Fragility" by Robin Diangelo.

Tuesdays, 4-5pm

August 4, 18; September 1, 15, 29

Homework for August Chapters 5 and 6

Zoom Link for the study:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86994610260?pwd=VnRMRmluWHI2cDAwd2RxoVNXUENPUT09>

• Meeting ID: 869 9461 0260

• Password: 750263

WOMEN'S SUMMER EVENT

Lead: Pastor Beth

Wednesday, August 5, 11:00am - 12:00pm.

Topic: Women of St. Luke "**Gather**" Study

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84973296015?pwd=S2NaTVplVmhmSXV0cng5TW5zVTZ4Zz09>

Meeting ID: 849 7329 6015

Passcode: 401808

Dial in #: 1 253 215 8782

For those without online access a way of connecting by phone is provided.

SERVE



OUR 19TH ANNUAL

GRAUER BACK-TO-SCHOOL DISTRIBUTION

Last month the Grauer Team made a very difficult decision to cancel the onsite Grauer event for this year. Governor Brown's recent ban on indoor gatherings of more than 10 people, coupled with increased concerns about how to keep our volunteers and guests safe in this climate as the number of diagnosed COVID cases rise, led us to believe this is the wisest choice at this time.

The Grauer Team is having ongoing discussions of how we might still distribute school supplies to students in our area. Please hold the planning team, members who volunteer and the community in prayer as the 2020-2021 school year unfolds. We will keep you posted as these plans evolve. Judy Willis: judy@stlukechurch.com

Write notes to Marquis Autumn Hills

We support our neighbors at a local memory care facility by writing them notes of encouragement. To get the first names of residents to write, click on the link: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1j9JkDUbBmrOhq6H9rgFBLSRNP8hpzAB_7UzLhKMQ6o0/edit?usp=sharing

Help Grow Food For Our Community

Glady's Garden could use some helping hands. This is a great outside outlet for the whole household! Glady's Garden is an organic, educational, garden on St. Luke property that provides produce for St. Luke's food box distribution. Contact David Medford at parkereu@aol.com or (503)244-6615. Only one family scheduled per day.

Bring your produce to share!

If you have extra garden produce, we would love for you to share it with our Community Table guests! Our next drive through distribution is Saturday, August 29th. If you have produce you would like to contribute, please contact Judy Willis to coordinate a time to drop it off at St. Luke before Saturday judy@stlukechurch.com

Our Telephone Barrage Ministry continues to reach out to members who are not part of small group ministries. Thanks to everyone taking part in the St. Luke-wide phone call initiative: anyone who is in a small group/ministry area is connected through that group. **Much thanks for your work in helping us to stay connected!**

Stewardship from the Heart

For the past few months, a team from St. Luke has been participating in a study of **Courageous Stewardship** led by Pastor Melissa Reed, Associate to the Bishop. We have been exploring how stewardship is heart-centered, relational and an opportunity to put our faith into action.

Over the next few months, stewardship team members will be calling St. Luke members to find out what you treasure most about St. Luke and how your spirit is being fed during this time of sheltering in. The team is grateful for your support of the ministries and mission of St. Luke and will be asking how your giving might look in the coming months.

If you would like to receive a call from a member of the stewardship team, please call or email the church office and let us know!

~ Karen Stabeno, Council President-Elect

IN THE ST. LUKE LIBRARY

"Becoming"

Michelle Obama

"Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood"

Trevor Noah

"The Heart of Whiteness: Confronting Race, Racism and White Privilege"

Robert Jensen

"Inside Transracial Adoption"

Gail Steinberg/Beth Hall

"So You Want to Talk about Race"

Ijeoma Oluo

The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream"

Barack Obama

"This Far by Faith: An African American Resource for Worship"

ELCA

"Waking Up White: And Finding Myself in the Story of Race"

Debby Irving

"White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism"

Robin Diangelo

"The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks"

Rebecca Skloot

"The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness"

Michelle Alexander

★Books available for Check Out.

Email: ktinsalaco@gmail.com

IN THE FAMILY

PRAYERS: Joan Snyder (for comfort on the death of her father and her mother's health), **John Jessen** in West Hills Rehabilitation Center, **Barb Dahlgren**, **Kris Peirce** (healing at home/shoulder surgery), **Dave Scheele**, **Hal Yackley** (memory care), **Daniel Alrick**, **Georgann Dustan**, **Gary Tremper**, **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** and those incarcerated.

IN MEMORIAM:

Charlotte Skurdahl
6/27/1930~ 7/6/2020
Graveside: July 17, 2020

GOD'S PEOPLE PRAYING.....



For prayers in emergency, specific events in your life (happy or sad) or in any case you feel the need for others to be praying with you, St. Luke has Prayer Chains that take phone calls day and night.

The church office or one of our pastors:
503-246-2325

Day calls: (8am ~ 5pm) **Rujeanne Anderson**
503- 297-2246

Night calls: (after 5pm) **Carol Greene**
503-245-4189

Calls Are Confidential.



artist: Harry Flesher



Helen Wrolstad	8/2	Rick Webb	8/13
Scott Petersen	8/3	Elliot Chin	8/14
Urah Boka	8/3	Shayla Watts	8/14
Olivia Andersen	8/3	Patrick Howard	8/15
Atsuko Delamarter	8/4	Sarah Farnstrom	8/15
Annalee Cooper	8/4	Michael Singrey	8/16
Samuel Martinson	8/4	Nick Mallonee Heuer	8/16
Molly Engle	8/4	Annika Roe	8/17
Missy Swan	8/4	Gary Cann	8/17
Lily Jockers	8/4	Ryan Petering	8/17
Stacy Mann	8/4	Julie Anderson	8/17
Susan Heuer	8/4	Tom Lynham	8/17
Dale Vaughan	8/5	Roan Petering	8/18
Paul Christensen	8/6	Sean Heuer	8/18
Laurance Beaudoin	8/6	Elisabeth Schweitzer	8/19
Jeffrey Higgens	8/6	Ainsley Carkin	8/19
Jeremiah Higgens	8/6	Michelle Fromme	8/19
Kenneth Peirce	8/7	Anna Garnica	8/19
Dale Benson	8/7	Brittany Petering	8/20
Katherine Drabek	8/7	Gabriel Halvorson	8/20
Curt Woodcock	8/8	Kaija Perkiomaki	8/20
Henry Els	8/8	David Couch	8/21
Crystal Reed	8/8	Annika Deazley	8/21
Henry Petterson	8/9	Caden Johnsen	8/22
Diane Whitfield	8/9	Katie Morgan	8/23
Brian Loehr	8/9	Wayne Nishimura	8/23
Mary Ann Spear	8/9	Keith Cunningham-Parmeter	8/24
Becky Hibbett	8/10	Phil Van Der Wee	8/25
Nathan Reed	8/10	Marlynn Rust	8/25
Sharon Nuss	8/10	Annika Phillips	8/25
Emily Berg	8/10	Michael Turner	8/26
Jonathan Gantt	8/10	Jon Gehrs	8/26
Mary McLoud	8/11	Margo Insalaco	8/27
Joe Kresl	8/11	Camden Singrey	8/27
Thomas Berg	8/12	Kris Leeper	8/27
Kirk Halvorson	8/12	Sue Enquist	8/27
Gregory Le Mon	8/12	Kevin Hibbett	8/27
Linda Schweitzer	8/12	Ryan Carpenter	8/30
Sonya Judah	8/12	Peter Jessen	8/30
Susan Andersen	8/13	Henry Nelson	8/30
Shirley Vollmuller	8/13	McKenzie Carkin	8/31

St. Luke Youth NEWS

This past Sunday, St. Luke honored Judy Willis and the SLY leadership team celebrating the amazing ministry Judy has led for the past 14 years. We are profoundly grateful for the dedication and love she's shone to the young people of this congregation over these many years. The following dedication is offered by Scott Willis.

THANK YOU, JUDY!

Back in the spring of 2006, while Judy was praying for St. Luke, the Holy Spirit reminded her of the rich and meaningful youth group experience she had while in high school. She had gone onto being a youth group sponsor and mentor in her 20s and early 30s. She and I (Scott) shared our past experiences in churches of working with adolescents, not something we did as a couple, though what we did was very similar in many ways, including the challenges and fun of being with teens in a faith community. Now, God was directing her back toward youth ministry here at St. Luke. In the fall of 2006, St. Luke added this role to her staff position and SLY became her job, and more importantly, a ministry.

There were three or four high school students that had been coming to church and gathering as SLY. For that Rally Sunday in 2006, I think we had 11 or so show up. Judy was passionate about building a community and developing the faith of St. Luke's teens. She poured herself into this ministry that God put before her. She prayed, spoke to parents, listened, understood, called, emailed, and later texted students. She co-led with Debbi in those early years and put together a team of adult leaders, planned events, created service activities, and advocated for SLY. The youth group grew and became a dynamic place for our St. Luke teens to live, grow, question, doubt, discover and serve. One year we counted 57 high school students that participated in SLY. In the 14 years since Judy has been directing SLY, somewhere over 300 students have had their life touched by this faithful remarkable leader.

There are not enough meaningful words, nor space in this appreciation, to describe all she has given and done for SLY and St. Luke! It has also been my delight in life to have worked alongside my life partner in this valuable and enjoyable ministry. Fortunately, she will remain on staff in her other position as St. Luke Service Coordinator. She will be missed!

Please take an opportunity to let Judy know how her work or SLY has impacted you.

Scott Willis

It has been a wonderful 14 years of working with St. Luke Youth!!

From the very beginning it has been a team of individuals coming together to be a part of the lives of our high school students. It has taken every person who has contributed to create a dynamic program of Sunday morning SLY, Midweek Madness (in the early years), service projects, fun activities, raft trips, snow trips, summer service trips and more. Thank you to all of these wonderful people who helped make it happen! We have made memories that will be cherished by all – and contributed to the faith journey of literally hundreds of students! Thank you for being willing to be a part of it!

Scott Willis	Adult team member – 14 years
Bill Schweitzer	Adult team member – 13 years
Lisa Sicker	Adult team member – 12 years
Debbi McCollom	Staff team member – 8 years
Eva Rojas	Adult team member – 5 years
Nate Perkins	Adult team member - 3 years
Lee Sickler	Sunday morning lead – 7 years
Laurel Skinner	Teacher SLY Sunday
Dayna Steringer	SLY breakfast crew
Anne Mileham	SLY breakfast crew
Sue Googins	SLY breakfast crew
Kathy Weeks	SLY breakfast crew
Jodi Swigart	SLY breakfast crew
Shannan Fasold	SLY breakfast sub
Dave Simmons	Sunday morning SLY
Dick McCollom	Service trip team member
Courtney Walker	Midweek Madness, snow trip
Craig & Cindi Farnstrom	Midweek Madness
Susan Johnson	Midweek Madness
Scott Sutton	Midweek Madness, Haunted House, snow/raft trips
Blaine & Dalene Rethmeier	Sub Sandwich fundraiser leads
Erik & Charissa Peterson	Midweek Madness, Haunted House, snow trips
Dan Gott	Raft trips
Myrin & Audrey Bentz	Raft trips

There are many more individuals who have helped with Youth Led Worship, guest taught for SLY Sunday, helped with car washes, and other SLY events. It has truly been a team effort – and it has been my honor to serve alongside each one of you!

And then there are all the other members of St. Luke! You have prayed for us, donated to mission trips, ordered sub sandwiches, had your car washed, and supported us in a myriad of ways. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Judy Willis, High School Coordinator

Middle School Ministries/Confirmation



Summer blessings, y'all!

Books That Talk about Racism:

- “**Brown Girl Dreaming**”, Jaqueline Woodson
- “**Stella by Starlight**”, Susan Draper
- “**Streetcar to Justice: How Elizabeth Jennings Won The Right To Ride In New York**”, Amy Hill Hearth
- “**As Brave As You**”, Jason Reynolds
- “**Long Way Down**”, Jason Reynolds
- “**On the Come Up**”, Angie Thomas
- “**The Hate You Give**”, Angie Thomas
- “**To Kill a Mockingbird**”, Harper Lee

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



SUMMER TIME RESOURCES

“As Good As Nobody”:

Martin Luther King, Jr. and Abraham Josua

“**Heschel’s Amazing March Toward Freedom**”,
Richard Michelson

Available for Check-Out from our St. Luke Library

Email: ktinsalaco@gmail.com

We Are Planning For Virtual Fall Classes

Please stay tuned for more detailed information forthcoming in our weekly Family Emails.

Not on our eList? **Sign-up today!**

Children’s Ministry Contact:

Email Kim Weber:

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THANK YOU, JUDY AND SCOTT WILLIS!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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