



Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.

September 5, 2021 – 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Waukesha, WI

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Helping people make life-changing connections with God through Jesus Christ.

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PRELUDE

Dialogue

F. Couperin

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, ...
of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, ...
in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7a

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

“Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.”

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

^{7a}the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [¹¹For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said,

“You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.]

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Mark 7:24-37

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁸But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” ²⁹Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bogie

HYMN OF THE DAY

Healer of Our Every Ill

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Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

OFFERING

Awake, Awake to Love and Work

W. Held

OFFERTORY*All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

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1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the
 2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our
 3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with
 4 For why? The Lord our God is good: his mer - cy
 5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom

Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his
 aid he did us make. We are his folk, he
 joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
 is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times
 heav'n and earth a - dore, from us and from the

praise forth tell; come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.
 an - gel host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594
 Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,...your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

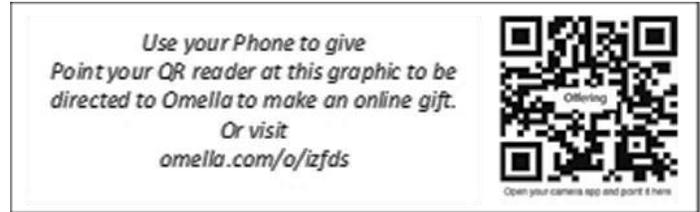
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION – Take Communion now

(Used cups may be deposited in waxed paper bags located in each pew.)

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life,... In your name we pray.

Amen.

BLESSING

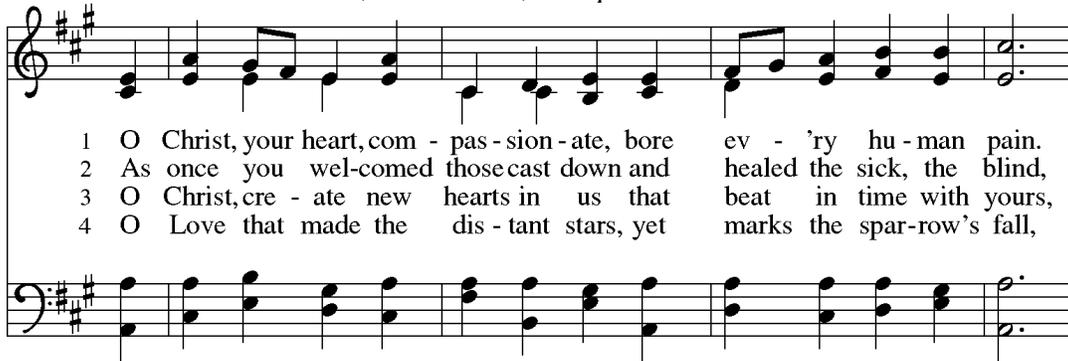
The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

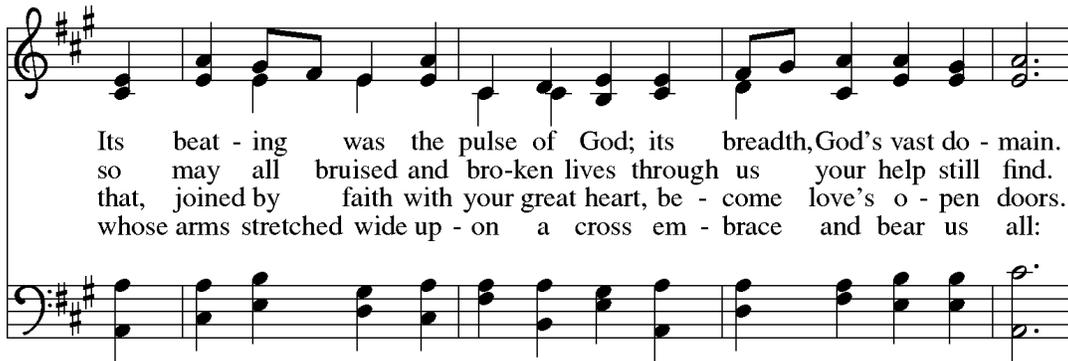
SENDING HYMN

O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

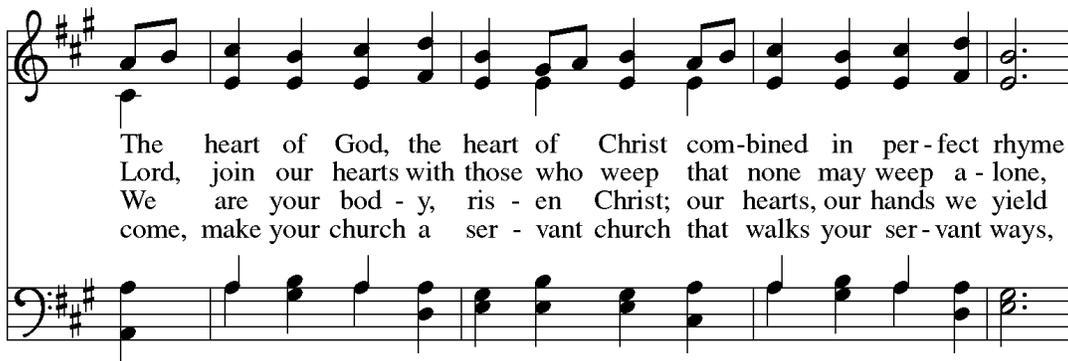
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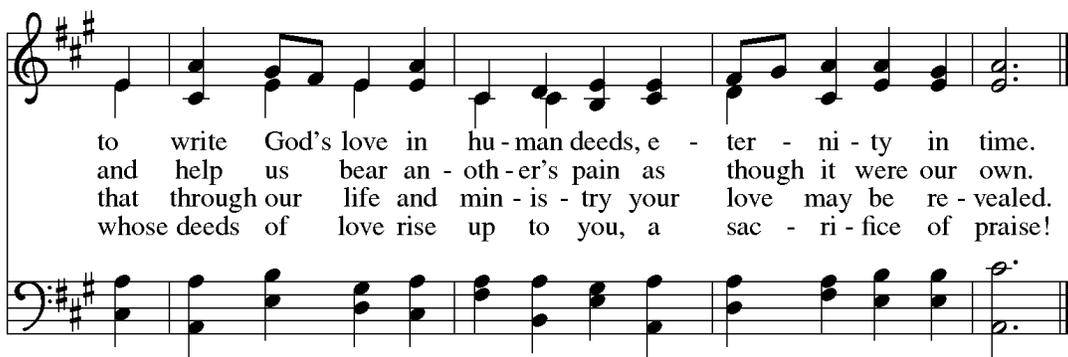
1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
 so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
 that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
 whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
 We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
 come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
 and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
 that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

5:00

Prelude and Fugue in D Major

G. F. Hande

In Our Prayers

Special Prayers

Mason, Glenda K, Larry & Donna, Cheryl O, Richard B, Shirley, Janet K, Randy & JoAnn, Sharron & Steve, J, Marcella, Josh, Jim, Kathleen, Greg, Sue, Terry, Dale, Darleen S, Joleen, Glenda, Paul S, Jim & Shirley, Chuck & Lynn, Diane C, Robert, Janice, Kevin, John J, Scott H, Annette S, Brian, John, Christopher R, Stacy, Mark, Elsie, Ben, Tom, Shane, Kenzie, Manny

Current Prayers

Thanksgiving for St. Luke's ministry of 100 years

For the people of Afghanistan and Haiti

For teachers and students

For all around the world impacted by Wildfires, Hurricanes and floods

For peace, unity, and healing within our country

For all first responders, caregivers, and medical personnel and those whom they care for

General Prayers

For all who are suffering with illness

For those struggling financially

For all who are being bullied- especially children

For shut-ins and the elderly and all who are lonely

For those who have lost loved ones and all who grieve

For all who suffer from anxiety/depression

For Our Partner churches of Meru Diocese in Tanzania

For their new President Hassan

For there to be herd immunity

For God's continued blessings on our partnership.

Those in Military Service

Daniel Krueger, Gary Bjerke, S. Kate Zelinger.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masks for Worship

Church Council continues to closely monitor the local situation related to COVID-19 following local, statewide, and national guidelines. In response to local conditions, the council has reinstated masking for all indoor gatherings at the church regardless of vaccination status. Please wear your masks for worship and all meetings in the church.

New Banner

The new banner hanging on the stone wall in the Welcome Center is a gift from Robbin Krueger who had project inspiration and design assistance from Kathy Pederson. Local artisan, Gaspard, crafted the custom-stitched creation. This tapestry adds new beauty to our surroundings, and we are grateful for the gift.

Whittier Backpack68 Program Is Back!

After being cancelled for all of 2020, St. Luke's and The Salvation Army are once again delivering backpacks full of food to Whittier families during the 2021-22 school year. We need volunteers to fill backpacks at the Salvation Army on Thursdays at 2 PM and help with distribution at Whittier on Fridays at 2:30 PM. Each activity will take less than 1/2 hour. Help with with one or both. If we have enough volunteers, a weekly schedule will be developed so each volunteer will not have to help each week. To sign up or for more information, contact Don French, 262-896-0225, d-french@sbcglobal.net.

New Member Session

All those wishing to become members of the congregation are invited to attend a new member's session during Adult Forum. This session will meet in the chapel on Sunday, September 19 at 9:30 a.m. We will talk about what membership at St. Luke's means, get to know others who are becoming members, and prepare for the reception of members. New members will be received into the congregation during worship the following Sunday, September 26, 2021. To be a part of the session, call the church office at 262-542-2545.

Fall Worship Time Schedule

Our worship times have changed. Worship will be at 5:00 pm on Saturdays, 8:15 and 10:30 on Sundays. Starting in September, Christian Education for all ages will be at 9:30 am on Sundays.

Adult Forum: Key People of the Bible

Drop into Adult Forum and grow in faith. Pastor Jordan is leading a five-week series on key people of the Bible. This series starts September 26. Each week of the series, we'll engage stories about two key figures. Adult Forums meet in the chapel between services. Please see the September edition of The Epistle for more information.

Welcome to the Font: Baptismal Gatherings

Pre-baptismal gatherings, *Welcome to the Font*, are scheduled quarterly. This is a time for parents preparing for baptism to join together with other parents while learning about God's work for them and their children in Holy Baptism. *Welcome to the Font* gatherings are scheduled for Tuesdays: September 7, December 7, and March 8. Baptisms are scheduled only after attending a *Welcome to the Font* gathering.

Search Bible Study: Celebrating God

Do you remember the last time you received an invitation to a birthday, wedding, or retirement celebration? What information was included? Was it who, what, where, when, and why? Most probably. Search Bible Study begins again starting September 15. We will explore the theme of "Celebrating God." It's an invitation to join in the festivities. This study will proclaim the "Who,

what, where, when and why” that shapes our celebration of God. Join the party on Wednesday mornings, 9:30 a.m. at the Church, beginning September 15.

Joyful Noise and Saints & Sinners Ensembles this Fall

We are so excited to have our children and youth choirs starting again this fall! Rehearsals will start on Thursday, September 16. Joyful Noise are the ensembles for children who are 4 years old through 6th grade. Saints & Sinners are for 7th-12th grade students. Joyful Noise: Angel Choir – 4:30-5:00 (4 years old-1st grade), Sing for Joy – 4:30-5:15 (2nd-6th grade), Lord’s Chimes/Joyful Ringers – 5:20-5:50 (2nd-6th grade). Saints & Sinners: handbells – 6-6:45, choir – 6:45-7:30. Registration links can be found on the St. Luke’s website. For more information, contact Mr. Schaner at mschaner@stlukeslutheran.org.

VBS Wraps Up

The last 4 Fridays we released virtual lessons based on the theme “Trust in God’s Power”. Each week kids 3Pre-K through 6th grade traveled via train and were given opportunities to stop and learn through music videos, Kid Vid Cinema, Bible Adventures, Chew-Chew Snacks and All Aboard Activities that reminded us of:

Jesus’ Power Helps Us Do Hard Things
Jesus’ Power Gives Us Hope
Jesus’ Power Give Us Hope
Jesus’ Power Helps Us Be Good Friends.

Also available was the opportunity to stop at St. Luke’s Station and visit St. Luke’s 100-year history from its beginning in 1921 through now and beyond! And of course, our prayer request page was available as well. The site for this year’s VBS will close August 31st . Many thanks to a small, but dedicated team who spent many hours creating to bring this virtual VBS to life! Thank you to Nancy Farrell, Linda Roberts, and Diane Voit. A special thank you to Janaka Subotnick for creating, maintaining, and troubleshooting our “Trust In God’s Power “website!

2021-2022 Program Guide

Program Guides for 2021-2022 are available at the Welcome Center. This handy guide includes information about our worship schedule, Bible studies, music ensembles, volunteer opportunities, service groups, and our events calendar. Don't miss out on the great things going on at St. Luke's as we help people to make life changing connections with God through Jesus Christ.

Women of Faith

Liz Curtis Higgs will introduce us to a few of the infamous women of scripture in her book “Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn from them. Through her wit, humor and honest personal story, Liz draws us into the Word and helps us see that we indeed can relate to the women of scripture and learn from them. Join us on Tuesday September 28 from 6:30-8:00 P.M. at church as we begin discussion of the book “Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn from Them”. Women of Faith meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month- we have switched from Thursday nights. We do not meet in December and conclude in April. Liz Curtis Higgs book can be purchased through Amazon as a Paperback, Kindle or Audiobook or choose to

purchase from your favorite bookseller. The book includes study questions. Please contact Laurie Rohrwasser at lrohrwasser@stlukeslutheran.org to let her know you will be attending or for more information. Family & friends are welcome too!

Prayer Ministry

How can we pray for you, a friend or a loved one? Our Prayer Team is here for prayer support during the trials and joys of daily life. If you or someone you know needs prayer for any reason, or if you have any questions, please contact Laurie at lrohrwasser@stlukeslutheran.org. Perhaps there is someone you know who could use a note of encouragement or get well wishes, I'd like to know that also.

GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) Begins Again for the Fall

GIFT meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday evening of each month beginning September 1. This year we will be discussing Max Lucado's Life Lessons from Acts. See Connections or contact Diane Voit for more information, or to join the group. Dianevoit2014@gmail.com or 262-993-0104.

This Week at St. Luke's

Sunday, September 5, 2021

8:15 a.m. Worship
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 11:30 a.m. Executive Committee
 6:00 p.m. Men's AA

6:30 p.m. CLM Board Meeting
 7:00 p.m. NA
 7:15 p.m. Voices of Faith

Thursday, September 9, 2021

6:00 p.m. Endowment Committee

Monday, September 6, 2021

Labor Day – Office Closed
 6:45 p.m. Al-Anon
 8:00 p.m. Women's AA

Saturday, September 11, 2021

5:00 p.m. Worship

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

8:30 a.m. Needle & Thimble
 9:30 a.m. 1st Tuesday Book Club
 6:30 p.m. Welcome to the Font

Sunday, September 12, 2021

8:15 a.m. Worship
 9:15 a.m. Cinnamon Roll Sunday
 9:30 a.m. Mt. Meru Coffee Sales
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 12:00 p.m. DT 3
 6:00 p.m. Men's AA

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

6:00 p.m. Godsbells

Serving this Weekend:

5:00
 Presiding Rev. Bogie
 Preaching: Rev. Dr. Bogie
 Lector: Susan Klabunde
 Ushers:
 Music: Joyce Ruck

8:15
 Rev. Bogie
 Rev. Bogie
 Jim Kieso
 Janet & Andy
 Slater
 Joyce Ruck

10:30
 Rev. Bogie
 Rev. Bogie
 Chris Jackson
 Candy & Don
 Grossman
 Joyce Ruck