

St. Luke's Visitor

*But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever,
the purposes of his heart through all generations. Psalm 33:11*

From The Pastor's Pen

[Jesus said,] *²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give to you.
Let not your hearts be troubled,
neither let them be afraid.*

John 14:27

Vacation Bible School is **June 2-6**. It is an exciting week of ministry and outreach. To register your child, please go to <https://stlukemanhattan.org/vacation-bible-school/> Adults, if you are interested in helping us out or you have questions, please contact Tiffany Manning at tiffanykmanning@gmail.com

We will be celebrating **Pentecost** on **June 8** and **9**. On this day, we commemorate the gift of the Holy Spirit to the church. Please wear **RED**! It is the liturgical color, and it is fun to look out on the congregation and see a sea of red.

On **June 15** and **16** we observe **Holy Trinity Sunday**. This is the Sunday that we speak the **Athanasian Creed**. As we confess one of the three Ecumenical Creeds every week we are speaking the truths of Scripture. This process also helps to combat against having to fight the same battles the church has already struggled with and come to a conclusion on. Our God is Triune – three in one. The second person of the Trinity, Jesus, became a human, died for our sins on the cross, and rose from the dead.

Please join us on **Sunday mornings** at 9:45 AM in the fellowship hall. After refreshments we gather for **Bible Study**. We are currently looking at **Exodus** and watching a video documentary on the subject.

Rev. Larry Boye, our Circuit Visitor and member of St. Luke's, will be our **guest preacher** on **June 22** and **23**.

Our summer **church picnic** will be on **Sunday, June 30**, at **Cottonwood Shelter** at **Tuttle Creek State Park** (5800 River Pond Road, Manhattan). Meat and buns and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share, plus your lawn chairs. It starts at 4:30 PM; dinner will begin around 5:30 PM.

The **National Youth Gathering (NYG)** is only 1 month away – July 11-15, 2019. It will be held in Minneapolis, MN. The theme is “Real. Present. God.” Please keep our youth and the adult leaders in your prayers.

St. Luke’s owns and operates **Trail Life USA (TLUSA) Troop KS-0057** and **American Heritage Girls (AHG) Troop KS-0057**. These groups are wonderful opportunities for young people to grow in character and leadership. Both of these groups embrace camping, adventure, and service. And, our Lord Jesus Christ – crucified and risen – is clearly taught.

- Pray for these groups.
- If willing and able, volunteer to serve in some capacity. Numerous positions are available.
- Encourage families to join our ranks.

Please talk with me (Pastor) or Andrew Hudson if you are willing to be involved.

It is an honor to serve as your pastor.

“Sharing Jesus Christ’s love with those around us.”



Date	Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 11:00 am
June 1/2	Kennedy Danker	Jocelyn Brott	Ava Wright
June 8/9	Simon Schmidt	Ian Carter	
June 15/16	Hannah Schmidt		Bailey Wright
June 22/23		Ethan Olesky	Luke Wilson
June 29/30			Sophie Wright



June 1 Zachary Beach
June 2 Joyce Todd, Anita Eagan
June 3 Bethany Quesnell
June 4 Jaden Campbell
June 5 Kristina Schmidt
June 7 Bryon Jones, Tasha Holcomb, Shawn Mathies, Shelby Mathies, Jamison Prockish
June 8 Terry Wyatt, Timothy Sellmeyer, Drew Kohlmeier
June 9 Keith Cooper, Steve Mosier, Mark Burris, Allie Winter, Carter Manning
June 10 Julie Hatesohl, Sherilyn Roland, Ryan Juracek, Noah Williams, Payton Sturdy
June 11 Joyce Mott, Margaret House, James Spain, Katlyn Wyatt, Eadon Marstall
June 12 Jim Mooneyham, Patricia Orazem
June 13 Walter Fick
June 14 Michelle Olesky
June 15 Doris Park, Kennedy Danker, Kiernan Huss
June 17 LaBarbara Wigfall
June 18 Bruce Arnold, Michael Schmidt II
June 19 Jessica Campbell
June 21 Joshua Goff
June 22 Brian Johnson
June 23 Hamlin Burtness, Jovie Winter
June 24 Rachel Koch, Kendal Proctor
June 25 Ruth Morgan, Linda McCollough, Beverly Winter, Nathan Johnson
June 26 Monty Enright, Bonita Tegtmeier, Sarah Oelke

June 27 Brian Sanborn, Allison Conrow, Lorelei Parker
June 28 Cindy Koon, Madison Fabrizio
June 30 Lylah McCosh, Jeff Tucker, Benjamin Wehmuehler, Henry Lister



June 1 Brian and Jamie Prockish
June 3 James and Donna Kroenlein, Gary and Joyce Mott
June 6 William and Glenda Moore, Terry and Jana Wyatt,
June 7 Doug and Patricia vonSoosten
June 10 Albert and Kathy Dieball, Eric and Heather Fong
June 12 Gerald and Carla Robker
June 14 Shawn and Julie Thiele, Joshua and Amber Davies
June 15 Mike and Annette Conrow
June 16 Dennis and Linda Graham, Jason and Jackie L'Ecuyer
June 19 Richard and Ruth Morgan
June 20 Kennard and Nancy Kopp
June 21 Steve and Joan Koehler
June 22 Robert and Kayla Dieball, Barry and Marcey Fickbohm, Jeremy and Anita Hinkle, Kip and Jessica Campbell
June 25 Andrew and Tracie Hudson
June 26 Bill and Gerda Robb
June 27 Bruce and Nancy Arnold, Morris and Jean Olson, Howard and Liz Beikmann, Greg and Kris Burnett

ST. LUKE'S EARLY LEARNING CENTER (ELC)

May tends to be one of our busiest months, and we made it to the end! Our Sunset Zoo field trip was canceled at the beginning of the month, but rescheduled and everyone enjoyed the beautiful day. It was also the Center's first time using USD 383 buses. The kiddos were extremely excited to go on their first bus ride!



We are thankful for the many hands that came together to pull off another successful Family Fun Night. From gathering donations to putting together baskets, to cutting up vegetables to picking up



pizza, to running games and helping clean up afterwards. The ELC staff truly appreciates everyone who offered their time to make this a wonderful evening with our students and their families.

Some students had their last day of preschool at St. Luke's Early Learning Center. It was a hard last day for those students and teachers. The other students have moved into the summer session. They will be anxious to start pool play and other special outdoor activities. Happy Summer!



Children's Ministry Chair: Shane Rengstorf, slengstorf@yahoo.com

BASIC Sub-chair: Gail Schwanke, 785-210-6250

Sunday School Sub-chair:

Children's Church/Nursery Sub-chair: Marilyn Fick, wm_fick@yahoo.com

VBS Sub-chair: Tiffany Manning, tiffanykaymanning@gmail.com

Family Events Sub-chair: Darci Paull, 785-565-4123

- We are in need of a Sunday School Sub-chair.
- VBS June 2 to 6 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM; meal provided.
- Church picnic June 30 4:30 to 7:00 PM at Tuttle Creek State Park Cottonwood Shelter.



Youth Ministry Chair: Lori Uffman

Servant Events Sub-chair: Jerry Feeley

Youth Events Sub-chair: Jessica Campbell

Gathering Sub-chair: Kristina Schmidt

- June 2 to 6 VBS volunteers needed; 5:30 to 8:30 PM.
- June 9, 16, 23, 30 and July 7 National Youth Gathering (NYG) Bible studies 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Bring your Bible, a drink and \$5 for pizza.
- June 16 to 21 LVR in Colorado. Pray for those attending.
- June 26 Lazer tag at Lazy T Ranch 5:45 to 8:00 PM; \$5 a person; friends invited.
- June 30 Church picnic at Tuttle Creek State Park Cottonwood Shelter.
- Junior and Senior High Youth Group every Wednesday night through the summer.

MISCELLANEOUS

June Door Offering: Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT) is making the Word of God available to people around the world. There are almost 7,000 languages spoken in the world today. Nearly 2,000 of these are without a single verse of translated Scripture. Our organization is blessed to use our time and talents to share the message of hope and love that scripture brings. With your help we have the gift to help transform lives.

Elizabeth Circle: We will meet Tuesday, June 4, at the home of Dorothy Burtness, 1805 Cassell Road, at 1:00 PM.

Mission of Love: We will meet at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, June 12, in the fellowship hall to continue working on quilts. Come and enjoy a morning of fellowship. Questions: Dorothy Burtness, 785-539-8018.

Needed: Volunteers needed for children's church and the nursery. Contact Marilyn Fick at 776-0879, 317-0097 or email wm_fick@yahoo.com, if you can help or have questions..

Visitors Welcome: Jesse and DCE Charity Smith would like to open their home to anyone who would like to meet the newest addition Magdalene. Visitors are welcome from 3:00 to 6:00 PM June 3, 7, 9, 11 and 15. The couple just asks that visitors remember that they are there to visit people, not the house. The condition of the house is a direct representation of the amount of baby snuggles. The couple's home is located at 141 W 9th Street in Chapman. Parking is available on the street.

CONNECT GROUPS

Sunday Adult Bible Class, following fellowship time, Pastor Schmidt

Women's Bible Study, Mondays, 2nd and 4th Monday, 9:30 AM, "John, The Way to True Life," Diane Mosier, 785-776-8615

Lighthouse, an infertility, miscarriage, and infant loss support group, 3rd Monday of the month, 6:30 PM, education building, Meghan Loverude, meloverude@gmail.com; Charity Smith, dcestlukesmanhattan.org

Card Making, 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00 PM, at Candlewood Frame Shop, Janet Beach and Ann Williams

Men's Bible Breakfast, Tuesdays, 6:30 AM, "Definitions - Understanding God's Living Word," Eastside McDonald's, Walt Fick, 776-0879

Mission of Love (working on quilts), 2nd Wednesday of the month, 9:00 AM, basement fellowship hall, Dorothy Burtness, 539-8018

Cancer Companions, Until a new group begins, is there someone you know with cancer that Cancer Companions can pray for? We would be honored to pray for that person. Write their name, and if possible their type of cancer, on a piece of paper and put it in the Boye's or Spikes' folder at church, or call the church office and they will relay the information to us.

MUSIC NOTES



We are in need of a **drummer** for our praise band starting as soon as possible and **piano accompanist** for our children's choirs starting in the fall.

Contact Director of Music Gretchen Hartsook at 785-410-1691 or music@stlukesmanhattan.org for any inquiries or questions.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD
LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY
JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER ARTICLE



Some disciples of John the Baptist were questioning him about the baptism and preaching of Jesus. Many disciples were going to Jesus instead of John the Baptist.

John the Baptist answers: “A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven” (John 3:27).

John the Baptist says this to show that Jesus, His teaching, and His baptism are from heaven. God provides everything we have in body and soul.

We are taught this in the meaning of the Apostles’ Creed in the *Small Catechism*.

In the First Article of the Creed, we learn that God has made us and everything in the universe.

“He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.”

In the Second Article of the Creed, we learn that God sent His Son, Jesus, to humble Himself by taking the form of a servant.

In so doing, He “has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.”

In the Third Article of the Creed, we learn that the fruits of what Jesus Christ, the Son of God, did are given to us through the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

“That I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.”

Indeed, “a person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven.”

But how easy is this for us to forget? How easy is it for us to think that what we have in life is because we have earned it?

How easy is it for us to forget that all our skills – the abilities of our hands and minds, the ethic to work diligently, and the desire to improve – is given to us from heaven, just as John the Baptist said?

How easy is it for us to forget that it is Christ alone, and the work of the Holy Spirit, that reveals His salvation to us, delivers it to us, and that none of this is our doing?

Sure, we have responsibility for coming to church, for delving into God's Holy Word, and for praying without ceasing.

But even these responsibilities are given to us from heaven. These duties are not earned; they are given in response to what He has accomplished for us.

Everything we have, and everything we are – in both body and soul – are gifts from God in heaven.

Let us then respond in thanksgiving and give back to Him as He asks – with a first-fruits, generous proportion offering of what He has given to us.

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

The envelopes turned in last Fall for Consecration Weekend will be returned during June. This is a good time to remember the commitment you made with God on your giving of your time, talents and treasures.

If you did not participate in Consecration Weekend last Fall, please consider your current situation and the many blessings God has bestowed upon you. Perhaps there is an event listed in the bulletin that you would like to attend, perhaps there is a request for volunteers or perhaps you wish to thank the Lord with a monetary gift.

St. Luke's has two large buildings and property that need to be maintained so that we can worship, and where guests and visitors feel welcome to join us. It does take your gifts, of time, talents and treasurers, to maintain the facilities (indoors and out). If you are not sure what you can do to help, call or look up one of the Church Council members at church or call the church office to offer your services. The Church Council members and telephone numbers are listed in the weekly bulletin.

TRAVELING BULLETIN

St. Paul Lutheran, Clay Center, KS, Jeanette Campbell
St. Paul Lutheran, Plano, TX, Anna Walsh
Prince of Peace, Springfield, VA, Kim Davis
Bethlehem Lutheran, Greenleaf, KS, David and Julie Hatesohl
Mount Olive Lutheran, Loveland, CO, Bill and Gerda Robb
Zion Lutheran, Sebeka, MN, Dan and Pearl Caponera
First Lutheran, Plainville, KS, Ken Culbertson
Calvary Lutheran, Kansas City, MO, Ken Culbertson

(When you worship at another church, please bring the worship folder and bulletin to the church office with your name on. We will post your name and where you've worshipped, hopefully stimulating conversation of where you've visited. And, our staff will get the chance to see what other churches are doing. Thanks!)



St. Luke's Vacation Bible School

June 2-6 from 5:30-8:30 PM

*Ages 2 ½ - 6th grade welcome
(must be potty-trained)*

To sign up: vbspro.events/p/stlukesvbs2019

Questions: VBS@stlukesmanhattan.org



APRIL 2019 OFFICIAL ACTS

Transfer In

Tyler Hieber

Trinity Lutheran, Paola, KS

Natalie Bender

Faith Lutheran, Topeka, KS

Profession of Faith

Ashley Hieber

Transfer Out

Allen and Renee Walter

Release

Jodie Starkey

Jennifer Salmans

Jeffrey Arnold, Alana and Robert

Baptism

Adeline Kay Saunders (Cory and Megan)

April 14, 2019

Emmett Harley Bean (Thomas and Melissa)

April 28, 2019

Confirmations

**Colin Abitz, Kyle Campbell, Isabella Jepsen, Tyson Kruse,
Luke Schmidt, Madison Simonds, Logan Sturdy**

FROM THE PARISH NURSE



Happy Father's Day!

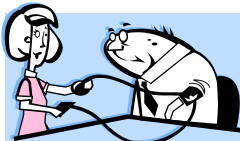
June Is...

- National Cancer Survivor's Day, June 7th
- Father's Day, June 16th
- Men's Health Month
- Home Safety Month



Nearly 20,000 deaths and 21 million medical visits result from home injuries on average each year. The Home Safety Council encourages families to stay safe. Visit: homesafetycouncil.org

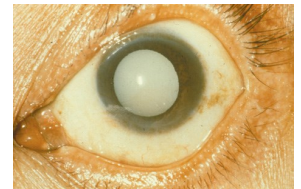
Your Parish Nurses:
Jamie, Kate and Heidi



CATARACT AWARENESS MONTH

More than 22 million American's have cataracts.

A cataract is a clouding of the eye's lens, which blocks or changes the passage of light into the eye. The lens of the eye is located behind the pupil and the colored iris, and is normally transparent. The lens helps to focus images onto the retina - which transmits the images to the brain.



Your vision may become blurry or dim because the cataract stops light from properly passing through to your retina.

The exact cause of a cataract is unknown. Most often, a cataract is part of getting older. As you age, you are at greater risk of developing a cataract. There are also several possible risk factors for cataracts, such as: prolong exposure to UV rays from the sun; certain diseases like diabetes; smoking, eye injuries or diseases, and heredity.

Generally, a cataract does not cause pain, redness or tears. You may have blurred vision, double vision, ghost images, or the sense of a "film" over your eyes. Lights seem too dim for reading or close-up work, or you are "dazzled" by strong light.

The key to preventing vision loss is regular eye exams. If you are 65 or older, you should get a complete eye exam every one or two years, even if you have no problem seeing well. Be sure to ask your eye doctor for a dilated eye exam. For more information about eye health and other health questions, visit healthfinder.gov.

MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

Most men need to pay more attention to their health. Men are more likely to smoke, drink, engage in risky, unhealthy choices, and put off regular screenings and checkup with their doctor. See your doctor for regular checkups even if you feel fine. This is

important because some diseases and health conditions don't have symptoms at first. Plus, seeing a doctor will give you a chance to learn more about your health. Screening tests can find diseases early, when they're easier to treat. Staying healthy, active and independent is everyone's goal.

Keeping yourself informed about things you can do to meet that goal is key. For more information visit: nihseniorhealth.gov



CANCER COMPANIONS

One of the topics in the book we use, "Seeing God in Your Cancer Journey," is: Where Do You Go for Strength and Guidance? The Bible verse for this topic is: "I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through Him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:12-13

We find our greatest source of strength and contentment in Jesus. However, others play a part in providing comfort and strength. Maybe it is family members, co-workers, neighbors or your church family.

Cancer Companions Christian support group provides a safe and supportive place to draw closer to Christ. Cancer Companions has been *that* strength and fellowship for those in the group. One group member said the day the group met was the best day of the week. Another who was unable to attend looked forward to the phone calls and the notes. These were her main source of spiritual strength for her difficult times. Two members found they knew people from the same town. A couple of others bonded over their love of quilting and brought their projects to show the group.

Jesus is our source of strength. Isn't God great in the way He brings us together!



With flooding, tornados, and fires being almost a daily occurrence this last month, this ministry is vital and necessary. If you have not attended a LERT Training Seminar, please consider doing so. If you are on the LERT Team, please be ready to assist this month. We may not have to travel far to help those who have been hit with a disaster.

Also, please take note of the following paragraph – a posting from Donna Williams, District Disaster Response Coordinator, on the District Newsletter.

Volunteer Information Exchange: LCMS Disaster Response is building a **database** of all volunteer members of Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT). Application information is exchanged between the LCMS and representatives from the LCMS districts in which your volunteer service takes place, as well as your home district. This exchange ensures that the LCMS districts in which you would serve and your home district have the information they need to effectively manage the volunteer project and ensure proper safety measures. ALL LERT TEAM LEADERS ARE ASKED TO RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO TEAM MEMBERS. TO OPT OUT OF THE EXCHANGE, MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO SEND TEAM LEADERS (at St. Luke's, that's Pastor Schmidt) A NOTE TO THAT AFFECT. OTHERWISE IT WILL BE ASSUMED THAT ALL CERTIFIED LERT TEAM MEMBERS WILL BE ADDED TO THE EXCHANGE. Team leaders are asked to share the link to the LERT Training Attendance Form with team members so that they can complete their form online. Do an online search for LERT Training Attendance Sheet or type in the link <https://form.jotformpro.com/81215292634959>. USE TRAINING CODE **9999**.