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Pastor David's Doodles

Cannot believe how fast the time has flown by as I write my last doodles for the newsletter at St. Luke's United Methodist! I am grateful to have been appointed as your pastor for the past five years. Being in America's Gateway City has been a wonderful opportunity to experience the rich history, culture, and people of Saint Louis, Missouri. Lori and I will never forget the spirit of the people that we have now come to know as friends. We have felt love and acceptance here as you have welcomed us into your lives.

I have enjoyed welcoming many full professing members into our congregation, celebrated many Holy Communion services, and had the privilege of baptizing many children, youth and adults. The ministry in Saint Louis has been highlighted by many wonderful worship services in our newly renovated sanctuary. What a joy to have the opportunity to assist Saint Luke's in the renewal of the Parkhurst facility, the Phase I construction project, and with the renewal of the lower level of the Sanctuary building and surrounding grounds. Our parsonage renewal efforts have provided more finished living space in the basement, included re-painting and re-carpeting the entire home, upgrading of the electrical service panel and HVAC systems, and the transformation of the main level bathroom facility, all of which has certainly made a huge difference for many pastoral families in the years to come.

Modern technology has changed the way that people communicate. I am thankful that the leadership of St. Luke's UMC has the vision to continue and to expand our church walls by offering a live worship experience on-line to St. Louis and well beyond. The internet campus is now a front door to help people to experience our fellowship and to help them choose to visit and potentially be an active part of the church ministries. This is a great opportunity each Sunday to be a part of the faith journey of many people, both on-campus and on-line. Our light and witness shine brightly as we share our worship!

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Thanks for your support for me and my family. When I had to have surgery to repair my artificial knee caused by my bone cancer, you stood behind me and never gave up on God's healing power. We have traversed through a Covid pandemic together and have faced challenging times with God's help. You have stood behind us during the death of my mother and Lori's mother and we have felt your prayers over these five years together! In the days ahead, I pray that you will continue to support each other and support Rev. Dr. Mike Gillen and his wife and children with the same prayerful support that you have offered to my family.

As I turn to the many unknowns of retirement, your continued prayers for us are cherished. I pray that St. Luke's UMC will continue to shine it's light and make a difference for Christ in the future. Keep your eyes upon the primary mission to make disciples for Jesus Christ, to nurture people to maturity in their faith, and to equip them to go out and serve the Lord with gladness. While I am unable to return in a pastoral role, my prayers will be with you in the days ahead. You will always hold a special chapter in my life and I am so happy to have traveled this road together!

Your servant in Christ.

Pastor David Scott



Tuesday, June 13th @ 7:00 p.m.

The Saint Mark United Methodist Church Godspeed Youth Choir from Vestavia Hills, Alabama will perform in the St. Luke's Sanctuary as part of their annual mission trip to spread Christ's love by performing at nursing homes and churches and conducting Vacation Bible Schools for various churches.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP by Jean Bailey

The next two Grief Luncheons will be June 5th, at 12 noon at Concord Grill, and July 3rd, at 12 noon at Cruseo's South at Telegraph and Baumgartener. Come join the good times we have. If you or anyone you know has lost a loved one, you are more than welcome to join us. Please call Jean Bailey at 314-660-2912 with any questions.

PRAYER FOCUS

No matter the situation, no matter the problem, no matter the trouble, God is always with us. God is always ready and willing to receive us, redeem us, renew us, restore us, refresh us and rebirth us now and always! Yes, most certainly on Easter but every day as well! Awesome God, your steadfast love endures always. As we celebrate the promise of Easter, remind us that our lives can and will be totally transformed, just as the disciples were on that first Easter. Help us to savor the mighty power of this Resurrection Day; in our risen Lord. Amen.

INVITABLE EVENTS

Weekly

- SUNDAY WORSHIP at 9AM
- SEW N' SEWS: Mondays, 9 AM
- RE-SELL-IT SHOPPE

Thursdays, 9:30 - 3:30 PM Saturdays, 10 AM - 2 PM

- PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
 Thursdays, 9-11 AM,
 Fellowship Hall
- GAME DAY
 Wednesdays, 12 PM

Bi-Weekly

PIECEMAKERS QUILT GROUP
 Wednesday, Jun 7th & 29th
 At 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Monthly

• GRIEF SUPPORT LUNCHEON

Jun 5th —12 Noon at Concord Grill

Jul 3rd—12 Noon at Cruseo's South

VITAL STATISTICS

St. Luke's 2023:

Average Worship

Attendance
72 On Campus
37 Online Engagements

STEWARDSHIP GOALS: 2023 Apportionment Goals for Missions

Goal = \$46,386 Paid YTD = \$16,000

2023 Breakthrough Building Fund

Goal = \$472,356 Loan

Balance

Paid YTD = \$12,655 Principle

Paid YTD = \$9.606 Interest

PRAYER LIST

29 DAYS

Kelly Barbero David Bourgreau Family of Connie Meyer Family of Tommy Seegers Pastor Mike & Pam Gillen Mae McAdow

Tom Munster Bill Zimmerman

30+ DAYS

Challie Allison Karen Anderson Judy Aubuchon **Carol Baitinger Dennis Boone** Joe Caldwell **Betty Cullen** Denise Daniel Saima Davis Kyle Edmonson Coleen Eggemeyer Geoffrey Fasoldt

Fred Feurtado Sr. Bridget Fischer Kathy Follmer Ted Fournier Jr. Ashley Halker Owen Halverson Althea Hart Tippie Heimos Tyler Henderson Scott Keifer Keith Kember Barb Krull Gilda Lahrman

Dennis Ledgerwood

Janeen Little & Family

Jesse McNabb & Family

Joshua & Julia Phillips

Marlene Loesekam

Carolina Lewis

Willy Newman

John Peckham

Cheryl Rothe

Larry Snelson

Barbara Twyman Harding Twyman Lori Wallach Joan Wiesehan Laura Widman Charlene Wright

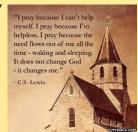
George Wiesehan



"He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, 'Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me: yet not my will, but yours be done." Luke 22:42

If you are in need of prayer, our Prayer Room is always open. You may use it

to pray privately or one of our prayer warriors will be glad to pray with you.



Festival of Sharing - Collection Opportunity by Sandy Newman

What can we do year round to help out with Festival of Sharing? Just save the UPC Labels off of the "Best Choice" brand items that you purchase. It is an easy collection opportunity! There are a variety of products sold in the BEST CHOICE brand at Wal-Mart and Target. After you use the product just cut off the UPC label and bring to church to put in the Collection jar marked for that purpose. For every 1,000 labels turned in the Festival is able to collect \$33.00 to be used for hunger related projects in Missouri! We will collect these labels all year long!

Pastoral Transition by SPR Chair Beth Thurau

Late this month we will welcome Pastor Mike and Pam to our congregation. We would like to make them feel welcomed and supported in their time of transition. We have several things in the works so please be on the lookout for more information! We are looking to provide some welcome meals for them the first two weeks they are here so that they can focus on getting settled in. We may also be looking for help with the moving process. Some dates that are planned are as follows:

June 17th- Parsonage Cleaning/Work day (times and tasks are still being planned)-Please sign up to help with Beth Thurau

July 9th- Welcome Coffee Time

Late July/August- Meet and Greet Gatherings: small gatherings hosted by church members to have time for conversation and getting to know each other.

Give-A-Meal-A-Month For Feed My People

(Bring donations to the Collection Room off of Fellowship Hall)

Main Menu

Boxed Whole Grain Pasta (Penne, Spaghetti, etc.) Canned Tomato or Pasta Sauce Any Canned Vegetable Any Canned Fruit/Applesauce Powdered Milk or Soy Milk, (shelf stable) All Purpose Flour, Sugar

Additional Items -

Cold Cereal or Oatmeal Sugar Free or Low Sugar Juices (plastic bottles) Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mac'n Cheese

Toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, soap, Shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, razors

FORDER NEWS

It's the end of May, and it's that time we start collecting supplies for 36 Forder School Backpacks. We are asking for a \$45 donation to fill each backpack with items needed. The provided photo shows an example of items requested by the 1st grade. Every grade has a different request list. It's easier to buy items on-line or when we see them on sale. If you check the collection room you will see items we bought on sale after school started last year + contributions given to us.

June 1st - Aug. 8th - Collection Project

August 10th (Thursday) - 10:00 a.m. - We need 4-5 packers to assemble backpacks at church. Takes little over an hour. They will be delivered the next day.

August 17th (Thursday) - Forder "Meet the Teacher Night and BBQ" - 5:30-7:30 - need volunteers to cook dogs at church, servers, face painters, and other helpers to serve at Forder.

August 22nd (Tuesday) - School Starts.

If you would like to contribute, make sure you put FORDER on your check or on the contribution envelope.

Thank you all for supporting Forder and have a good summer. -Jane



Window Fund Update

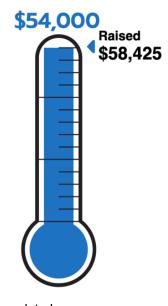
The Trustees, Finance Team, and Stewardship Team are thrilled to announce that we have exceeded our fundraising goal to replace the sanctuary windows, raising more than \$58,000 as of May 1st. This is 108% of the amount we initially set out to achieve only a few weeks ago.

We want to express our heartfelt thanks to each and every one who contributed to this project. Your donations have helped to bring the vision for new windows to life, and have truly exceeded our expectations.

As we move forward with the installation of the windows when they arrive later this summer, we plan to honor all who have contributed to the success of this project.

If you have not yet contributed to the window fund, there is still time! Contributions will continue to be accepted even though our initial goal has been reached. Funds given above the original goal will be used to cover unexpected costs at the time of installation, stain for the interior of the windows, or any other window related expense. If there are funds remaining after the windows have been fully installed, extra funds will be applied toward other building related expenses.

Window Fund



This incredible accomplishment would not have been possible without the tremendous support and continues generosity of our congregation. Outcomes such as this serve as a reminder of the power of our collective efforts when we come together for a common cause.

Thank you again for your unwavering commitment to our church and its mission. May God bless you abundantly for your kindness and generosity.

The Trustees, Finance Team, and Stewardship Team

Thank God for our families by Pamela Jones

This month we celebrate the mothers and mother figures, and then in June we celebrate our fathers and father figures. What a wonderful opportunity to honor the strong bond between parents and children. How strong? The first use of the word "love" in the Bible, Genesis 22:2, describes the connection between Abraham and his son, Isaac.

Family is a cherished gift from God that we are entrusted to treasure, love and nourish. As parents, we are responsible for raising children to become healthy adults. And as children, we are responsible for caring for our aging parents.

As we honor the mother and father figures this spring, we can also challenge ourselves to be better stewards of the family bonds God has given us. We can explore how we can support families in our personal circles, our congregation and community – especially families that are troubled by great need, crises or dysfunction.

God ordained families to be the fundamental unit of human life. We can be good stewards of family relationships by caring for one another and helping everyone to grow into the faith family God intends.

(As of 5/1/2023)

Contributions:

General Fund and some

special dedicated accounts \$93,280 Income (General Fund): \$ 128,182

Building Fund \$12,651 Expenses (Staff and Operating Funds) \$ 150,314

Window Fund \$58,245 Difference \$ (22,132)

Monthly general fund contributions not covering monthly expenses.

Building loan - Paid \$12654 on the principle thru April - current value: \$472,356.

Building Fund Balance: \$62,471

Building Loan Expenses YTD		Building Fund Contributions				
Principal	\$	12,654	Total YTD Contributions	\$	12,651	
Interest	\$	9,606	Avg. Monthly Contribution	\$	3,162.75	
Total	\$	22,260	Monthly contributions to the building fund are not			
			covering the monthly expenses.			

VBS: Hero Hotline by Coordinators Beth Thurau and Domini McLafferty

At Hero Hotline VBS, your children will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time as they are called together to serve God. They will become Heroes and discover that answering God's call together means striving for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up!

Hero Verse: So let's strive for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up- Romans 14:19

July 17-21, 2023 9 am to 12 pm- Register at https://tinyurl.com/stlumcvbs23

Questions can be directed to vbs@stlukesumsmo.org or the Church Office at 314-892-5595

-Volunteers are needed- Please contact Beth Thurau for information on helping make VBS a success! <u>bethnewman86@gmail.com</u> or 314-488-1186



JUNE 2023

9a.m. Worship Service	Father's Day 9a.m. Worship Service 4:30 - 6:30p.m. Basketball	9a.m. Worship Service 10a.m. UMM Father's Day Appreciation 4:30 - 6:30p.m. Basketball	9a.m. Worship service 11 a.m. Retirement Luncheon 4:30 - 6:30p.m. Basketball		Sun
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UWF CORNER

UWF Corner - June 2023



UWF is taking a break in our meetings for the summer. We will meet again at the end of August for our September meeting. This will be on Monday, August 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for a meal and then a special speaker. Plan to invite some friends to join you.

UWF Scholarship Available for College Attendees

St. Lukes UWF helps support our college bound students by offering a scholarship of \$500.00 each school year. <u>Applications</u> can be picked up in the church office. Deadline for submitting an application is June 30, 2023. Please complete and return the form to the office as soon as possible, and mark in care of UWF – Scholarship Committee. If you are attending college or will be in the fall, either full or part time, you are eligible to apply.

Re-Sell-It Shop News

We have been receiving a lot of donations as people do their spring cleaning. So that means lots of items to price and get out on the shelves and racks. Help is always needed for sorting, pricing, and stocking shelves. If you have an hour or so a week to volunteer to help on a Thursday or Saturday, please let Deb Lampe or Kay Kerperien know you are interested.

- Sandy Newman, President UWF

June Monthly Mission

Be sure to make your appointment for our upcoming Blood Drive on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, anytime between 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. This is the St. Louis Cardinals sponsored blood drive and there will be some type of promotion given during the event. The need for blood is always great and we can be a source of life for someone in need. Hope to see you that day at St. Lukes UMC! Just go to RedCrossBlood.org to register for your time slot.

—Sandy Newman

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We have classes available for all ages! All classes meet following Worship and fellowship time each Sunday.

<u>Children ages 5 - 11</u>—Noah's Ark Kids meet in room 220 on the second floor of the Parkhurst building.

<u>Youth ages 12 - 18</u>—They meet in the Youth Room also on the second floor of the Parkhurst building.

<u>Adult classes</u>—The Seekers meet in room 215/217 and The Open Door class meets in the Parlor (#211)



St. Louis Cardinals Blood Drive

June 14, 2023

Wednesday 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

St. Lukes United Methodist Church
Multipurpose Building
2761 Telegraph Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63125

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

UMM SPOTLIGHT by John Newman

The Right Foundation

"Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

— Matthew 7:24

"Christ's words are of permanent value because of His person; they endure because He endures."

- W. H. Griffith Thomas

Our June meeting will be on Saturday June 3, 2023 in Parkhurst Multipurpose Room at 9:00 AM for **Breakfast** with a Speaker to talk about drones with a demonstration to follow. Afterward we will have a friendly game of Corn Hole, or as some of us remember it, Bean Bag.

The UMM sponsored **Family Fishing Fair** at Suson County Park on the 29th of April was very successful. We started the day off at 9:30-10:00 for fishing and had a lunch of hot dogs, chips, water & lemonade, and packaged deserts around noon. We had some bait and some rod/reel setups available for loan to those that did not have fishing equipment, as well as church members available to those that needed tips in learning to fish. We had about 30 attendees and of them 12 were not part of St. Luke's membership. Of the 30 attendees, 14 were children. All of the children caught a minimum of 2 fish each, and Madeline Thurau caught 4 fish. The leader in catching fish was John Newman catching 12 Crappie and 2 Sunfish. Christopher Jones won the Attendance Prize of a Fishing Rod/Reel and a small Tackle Box. He was one happy kiddo.

The UMM **SMOKED PORK Sales** are now open for your orders. This year we will have order envelopes that are available in the Welcome Center or office at church. We urge you to get your orders in a soon as possible. There is a change in the ordering procedure, Fill out the form on the front of the envelope, include your cash or check in the envelope, and then the envelope will then be placed in the UMM mailbox in the office. You will still have the option of getting the Smoked Pork as a whole or quartered and wrapped for immediate use of for your freezer. The cost at this time is has been finalized at \$40.00 per whole smoked pork unit. Please do not put your order payment with your regular giving to the church for the UMM accounting purposes. Forms need to be turned in by June 9th in the envelope supplied for proper processing. Orders may be picked up at church after 4 PM on June 16th.

Father's Day June 18, 2023 and now is the time to place your orders to remember those father figures that you wish to honor. For a suggested donation of \$ 5.00 minimum for each honored father figure we will have a carnation setting on the Alter in remembrance of your father figure(s) that helped influence your life. The process this year is as follows; Fill out the form, place the form and your cash or check in the Special Envelope, and the envelopes and forms will then be placed in the UMM mailbox in the office. The related family can take the Carnation(s) home after the service. The money collected will then go to the Fathers & Family Support Center as it has in the past, they have a wonderful track record of helping individuals to be supportive to their families. Please do not put your donation with your regular giving to the church for the UMM accounting purposes. Forms need to be turned in by June 9th in the envelope supplied for proper processing.

Grizzlies Baseball Game, on Sunday July 30th at 6:30 PM St. Luke's UMM is organizing the Family Day at the ball park as we have in years past. Advanced Tickets will be at a cost of \$14.00 each, please place your order (in the envelope for this event) for the tickets you want prior to July 13th with any UMM member or through the church office.

JUNE CALENDAR

June 3rd – UMM Breakfast.

June 16th - Smoked Pork Fundraiser,

June 18th – Father's Day Appreciation,

July 8th – UMM Breakfast,

July 30th - Grizzlies Baseball Game

Please mark your calendars.

Father's Day Carnations

The UMM is offering an opportunity to pay tribute to Fathers or Father-Figures by making a donation to the Fathers & Families Support Center!

Your donation of at least \$5.00 per person being honored can be made to recognize anyone who has exhibited "fatherly characteristics." A carnation for each person being honored will be placed on the altar on Father's Day, June 18th. A list of the honorees will also be given out on that Sunday. Forms will be available in the Welcome Center. Just fill out this form, turn it in, along with your donation(s), and it will be placed in the UMM mail box in the office. Forms need to be turned in by June 13th in the envelope supplied for proper processing.

Flowers may be taken home after the service on June 19th.

Thank You and God Bless you!



SMOKED PORK SALES

Sponsored By UMM

We have order envelopes available in the Welcome Center at church. We urge you to get your orders in a soon as possible. The ordering procedure is as follows; Fill out the form on the front of the envelope, Include your cash or check in the envelope, and The envelope will then be placed in the UMM mailbox in the office for tallying the orders. You will still have the option of getting the Smoked Pork as a whole or quartered and wrapped for immediate use of for your freezer. The cost is at \$40.00 per whole smoked pork unit. Please only use the order form envelope to insure that all orders are received. Forms need to be turned in by June 9th in the envelope supplied for proper processing. Orders may be picked up at church after 4 PM on June 16th.

PIECEMAKERS by Karen Anderson

Looking for some fun and socializing? This quilt gang meets every Wednesday in the Quilting Room at 9 AM. Our current projects include some fall & Christmas table runners, a couple scrappy quilts, and T-shirt quilts – all to help us finetune those points and 1/4" seams. We have several quilts available for sale. Don't see exactly what you want, we can discuss a special order or memory quilt. For questions, contact Karen Anderson.



YOU'RE INVITED!

At Royal Orleans, June 4th, 2023, 11 AM after church.

Please call the office at 314-892-5595 to make your reservation. Reservations must be in by May 28th.

Donations are welcome!

MISSOURI ANNUAL CONFERENCE OFFERINGS-2023

Friday, June 9 - Opening Worship

Disaster Response (Text Option: 299474)

Disaster Response is a vital ministry where we serve people in their most vulnerable times. The Conference continues to expand our capacity to respond to disasters in Missouri, our region and across the United States. Your donation today will help purchase additional supplies for relief kits deployed in disaster. This will help us not only meet needs in Missouri but to areas beyond when disaster hits. We serve others when crises come —with your donation today, you extend this reach.

Sunday, June 11 – Celebration of Ministry: **Commissioning & Ordination**

Mozambique Initiative (Text Option: 326536)

Sixty-five percent of United Methodist pastors in Mozambique do not have electricity in their home. Poor or no access to power makes many daily tasks much more difficult. Our partners in Mozambique have set an ambitious goal of fitting 50 parsonages across the country with solar panels. To date, seven have been installed. The cost of installing solar panels is \$2,500 USD per parsonage. Your gift at this Annual Conference will make a real difference in the lives of pastors and their families in Mozambique.

You are welcome to text your gift or to make a check out to St. Luke's UMC and place either Disaster Response or Mozambique Initiative on the memo line and your gift will be presented during the above worship times.

Thank you!!

Ink Cartridges

Have an old ink cartridge you need to dispose of? St. Luke's recycles them! Bring your used ink cartridges up to St. Luke's and leave them in the collection room. We will gather them and then ship them off.

All proceeds help the missions of the church!

St. Luke's Homebound Members

Nursing Home/Assisted Living Residents

Saima Davis

16216 Autumn View Ter. #108b 12335 West Bend Dr. #357 Ellisville, MO 63011 (314) 277-5948 Birthday 07/14/1920

(Send all mail except cards to Alma Parker her daughter Carol's house)

Manchester, MO 63011-4125

827 Bergquist Dr.

David Kaufman

St. Louis, MO 63128 (314) 828-0319 Birthday 01/28/1958

12335 West Bend Dr. #134 St. Louis, MO 63128-5100 (314) 722-3664 Birthday 06/25/1927

Doris Elliot

2535 Oakmont Ter. #237 St. Louis, MO, 63129-4744 (314) 375-7177 Birthday 6/16/1933

Tippie Heimos (Use for visits only)

Stillwater Senior Living 1111 University Dr. #149 Edwardsville, IL 62025-5591 Birthday 12/27/1937

(Send mail to Tippie at her daughter Susie's house)

3410 Wilderness Dr. Edwardsville, IL 62025-3192 (618) 604-0021 (Susie's #)

Harding & Barbara Twyman

10954 Kennerly Rd. Rm 108 St. Louis, MO 63128-2018 (850) 624-0918 (Barb's Cell) Birthdays Harding-04/06/1943 Barbara—07/25/1953

Joan Wiesehan

5300 Butler Hill Rd. Rm 435A St. Louis, MO 63128 (314) 334-9817 Birthday 07/02/34

At Home Residents

Betty Cullen

7010 Broken Oak St. Louis, MO 63129-3908 (314) 846-6581 Birthday 02/10/1934

Jim Monken

2559 Rolens Dr St. Louis, MO 63129-3314 (314) 892-9264 Birthday 11/5/1936

George Wiesehan

825 Camborne St. St. Louis, MO 63125 (314) 544-2336 Birthday 07/08/31



Healthy Ministries Team

"Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" Philippians 2:4

Caring for others is an expression of what it means to be fully human.

Every church has them: once-active church members who now have limitations (temporary or permanent) that have reduced their involvement in church. They are known as the homebound or shut-ins, both of which are inadequate terms because they address people's limitations rather than their gifts. The homebound sometimes provide challenges to the church, because they require specialized care. However, they also offer substantial gifts to the community of faith.

The homebound (who are primarily older adults and their caregivers) are sometimes forgotten, ignored, or misunderstood. These once-active members receive a few visits a year from the Pastor and volunteers, The visionary approach takes the attitude of "If our homebound members are unable to come to church, let's take the church to them."

The Pastor takes Communion to them on his visits but, they also need to have fellowship brought to them. They miss their friends and the fellowship of other church members. Volunteers who visit the homebound church members develop new friendships and meaningful connections.

In addition to our homebound friends, there are also many people that are watching Sunday Worship online. It is so important that we reach out to all of these folks via visits, phone calls or cards/letters to let them know they are in the thoughts and prayers of their St. Luke's family.

Another way of providing church is through volunteers or "Comfort Callers" for the homebound. These are volunteers who make phone calls during the week to check on the mental, spiritual, and physical wellbeing of the homebound members. Older-adult church members make excellent volunteers for this ministry. If you are interested in becoming a "Comfort Caller" contact Shari Scott for more information.

We have two June birthdays among our homebound friends. A big happy birthday to Doris Elliott, 06/16/33 and Alma Parker, 06/25/27. I'm sure they would enjoy getting birthday cards or phone calls on their special day.

An updated list of the names, addresses, phone numbers and birthdates of all of our homebound friends is included in this newsletter.

Also, please remember to keep in touch with those you would normally see at church on Sunday to see how they are doing. And, don't forget to keep our entire St. Luke's family, in your hearts by including them in your daily prayers.

If you are contacting any of our members that are unable to attend services in person, please let the office know that you have talked with them and how they are doing.



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