

**WELCOME TO ST. LUCAS!** We are glad you are here. Please fill out the *I'm Here Today* card in your worship folder and drop it in the offering plate. May our Lord bless your worship with us.



**CHILDCARE AREA & RESTROOMS** For families with infants & toddlers there is a nursery area in the lower church that has speakers so you may listen to the service while you attend your children. Restrooms are also in the lower church. You may access these areas via the narthex stairwell, stairwell by the baptismal font or elevator.



**MEMORIAL/HOPE CANDLES** Worshipers are invited to light candles in remembrance of a loved one or a candle of hope against some darkness in their lives.

These remain lit during the service only. Prayer intention candles are under the crucifixion side hymn board main sanctuary for Sunday worshipers and at the pillar by the piano in the lower church for Saturday worshipers. **SUNDAY SCHOOL** September -May we offer Sunday School & breakfast every Sunday following the Young People's Homily for kids through High School age.

**INVITING NEW CHOIR MEMBERS** It is best if we have 5 or 6 people in each section, (soprano, alto, tenor, & bass). Rehearsals are Thu. nights @ 7:30 starting on Sept. 6. Contact Ron Lang @ 419-826-3387. Or just show up.

**EARLY SERVICE TIME CHANGE COMING** Starting September 9 the early service time will change back to 8:30am.

**BREAKFAST FOR KIDS THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL AGE & NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL FORMAT** Beginning Aug. 26 St. Lucas will offer breakfast on Sunday mornings for kids. Kids and youth will be invited to come up for the Young People's Homily at the 10:30 service after which Cindy Kirk will lead them to the gym for breakfast ending when the worship service ends. Sunday School lessons will be taught during this hour beginning September 9. Students who have the best attendance when next May rolls around will receive a free bike. We have one girls and one boys bike donated for this purpose.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SEEKS TEACHERS** Our Sunday School is in need of two teachers, one for adults and one for sixth grade and under students. Talk to Pastor Billmeier or Sally Ortiz if you feel called to serve.

**HAVE YOU USED YOUR PASTOR'S SUMMER APPEAL ENVELOPE?** Thanks to all who have! Let us aim for every member participation to support the summer appeal. Please put some amount, any amount, in the envelope and return it to the church. Show your support of St. Lucas through some token of financial support to the appeal. Challenge issued!

## St Lucas Garden News

*You're never alone in the garden.*

*There are songs of the birds and the hum of the bees.*

*The rustle of wind in the foliage,*

*And chatter of squirrels in the bordering trees,*

*The cheery "Hello" from a neighbor,*

*The scents of the basil and dill,*

*And the Spirit of our Jesus. Our Savior,*

*Who dwells there and evermore will. MDB*

August is baking its way toward September and the garden is prospering! The green beans are finally producing – and are they ever PRODUCING! Our cucumbers are still going strong, the tomatoes are starting to ripen, with the cherry tomatoes leading the way, and the cabbages that were harvested properly are producing a second crop of cabbage sprouts. The bell peppers are harvesting size, we've taken several bunches of beets out, and the carrots are coming along, if curious people would stop pulling them up to see how they're doing.

August has been more generous with the rainclouds, thanks, no doubt, to Pastor B's intervention with the Powers That Be! The sunflowers are flowering wildly, much to the de-

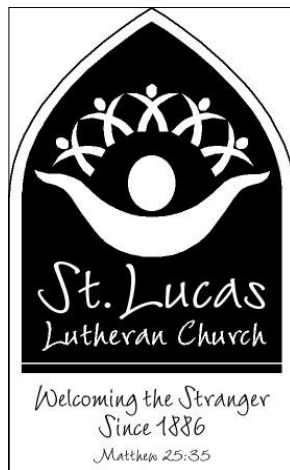
light of the sparrows, goldfinches and their feathery friends. We had a Garden Cat for a while – or rather a kitten who was being fed by some of our neighbors. I haven't seen him for a while – maybe someone took him home? We've observed a groundhog scuttling out of the garden and under the porch next door. A mouse or several tried to establish housekeeping under one of our squash plants, rather too close to its stalk and root system, so I encouraged them to seek other digs. Our milkweed, basil, and sunflowers are attracting a myriad of bees, wasps, butterflies, and dragonflies to feast on the nectar and on our (thankfully few) garden pests. We practice Integrated Pest Management, which eliminates herbicides and pesticides in favor of natural controls like encouraging ladybugs to come and feast on the aphids, wasps to take out the Tomato Hornworms, using chemically neutral diatomaceous earth to control caterpillars and slugs, and providing food and shelter for beneficial insects and other critters that keep the garden poison-free. Come over sometime and observe it at work.

Join me in the garden after Second Service Sunday, check out the melons and squash vines inhabiting our Hugel Mound on Frank Street, or contact me at [mbiscay@hotmail.com](mailto:mbiscay@hotmail.com) or 419-244-2243 and I'll show you around. Ecologically yours, Mike Biscay

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL IS MORPHING INTO ADULT WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 12, 2018 AT 7 P.M. AT ST LUCAS FOR A LIMITED TIME** Without including all the whys and the wherefores, the Christian

Education Committee decided to bring some timely topics to all interested adults on Wednesday nights. This session's timely topic is AGING. Do you worry about your health, wealth, relationships, and the list does go on. Pastor mentioned creaky bones, but what does he know about such things, right? Please join us at St Lucas for a Bible based study on this topic which will include significant interaction from the participants. Dave Jerman will be the teacher, facilitator, presenter, listener -- you name it. He brings insights into this area with some humor, which seems to be a necessary component of the process! Questions? Please contact St Lucas 419-243-8189 or Dave Jerman directly, 419-351-4723 or write on the back of your "I'm Here Today" card. Looking forward to your presence!

**MORE OFFICE VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT** Would like volunteers for Wednesday and Friday mornings 9-3. Let us know on your "I'm Here Today" card.



## attendance

Sat.	Aug 18	4:00	13
Sun.	Aug 19	9:00	18
		10:30	33
		<b>Total</b>	<b>64</b>

*Please pray that God blesses our attendance and membership.*



### altar flower

ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD IN HONOR OF MY MOTHER DEANNA & IN MEMORY OF MY DAD, JAMES WELLS BY RUSS WELLS & CHRISTY LAZARIS

## memorial/honor gifts

none

## sunday school window fund gifts

none

### Sunday School Window Fund

Loan Amount	\$56,000.00
Donations to date	39,215.00
Remaining Goal	16,785.00

### GENERAL FUND REPORT

JULY 1 BALANCE	\$(28,511.50)
RECEIPTS	22,533.95
DISBURSEMENTS	(16,565.03)
JULY 31 BALANCE	(22,542.58)
BAL LAST YEAR	(13,405.87)

We give thanks to God that our deficit shrank by \$6,000 in July! Please continue to pray that the Lord will provide for St. Lucas, so that we may fully fund the mission for Jesus Christ here. "The effective and fervent prayer of the righteous availeth much." (Letter of James)

### PASTOR'S SUMMER APPEAL

44 households have given  
 Received this week \$5,295  
 Received to date \$17,765  
 (20 St. Lucas Households \$8015)  
 (24 Friends of St. Lucas \$9750)

## AUGUST THRIFT SHOP SCHEDULE

Wed. Aug. 29 – Cindy & Sue  
 Thu. Aug. 30 – Sandy & Yvonne Reed  
 Fri. Aug. 31 – Closed

## SEPTEMBER THRIFT SHOP SCHEDULE

Wed. Sept. 5 Sue & Janice  
 Thu. Sept. 6 Hildegard & Joyce  
 Fri. Sept. 7 Angie & Janice  
 Wed. Sept. 12 Sally & Sandy  
 Thu. Sept. 13 Jan & Bea  
 Fri. Sept. 12 Lorraine & Cindy  
 Wed. Sept. 19 Sue & Joyce  
 Thu. Sept. 20 Diane & Sharon  
 Fri. Sept. 21 Janice & Yvonne  
 Tue. Sept. 25 10am WELCA Mtg.  
 Wed. Sept. 26 Sally & Sandy  
 Thu. Sept. 27 Sharon & Sally  
 Fri. Sept. 28 Lorraine & Cindy

## SEPT. WORSHIP SERVANTS

4:00 Elder Steve Seaton  
 9:00 Elder Kathy Carver  
 10:30  
 Lector Jill Hojnacki  
 Elders Phil Chambers  
 Pat Bair

Head Ushers Russ Wells  
 Randy Hyter  
 Offering Ushers Pam Hoch  
 Susan Lang  
 Acolyte Jill Hojnacki  
 Flower Pick-up Ron Bacon

## USE OF CELL PHONES/TABLETS ENCOURAGED DURING WORSHIP

You are welcome to use your cell phone or tablet to enhance our shared worship experience. Sharing your faith in real-time is cool. Phone calls are not. Texting is fine. Check-in on Facebook. Take selfies. Share pictures of the services and this beautiful sanctuary on our Facebook page. Tell your friends and family you are here. Invite them to join you. Post about your experience on social media. Take videos and share them freely, but **please don't take pictures/videos of children** and be careful not to disrupt the service. Check us out on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/StLucasLutheranChurch](http://www.facebook.com/StLucasLutheranChurch).



## prayer list

### HOSPITALIZED

UTMC STEVE HUDSON  
 (RELEASED),  
 DEANNA THOMAS  
 ST. ANN CAROL  
 PETOSKEY (RELEASED)

ST. VINCENT GINGER KLEKAMP  
 (RELEASED)

### HEALTH ISSUES

DAVE JERMAN, BILL OLMSTEAD,  
 BILL KAHLBERG, KEN SIKORSKI

### VISITATION LIST

(RARELY OUT/UNABLE TO ATTEND CHURCH)  
 RUTH FOX, BILL GRANGER, CARL & JUDY HISCHKA, CHERYL JONES, ALICE RITTER, DEANNA THOMAS

### ST. LUCAS THANKSGIVINGS

THE HEALING TEAM AT ST. LUCAS

## ST. LUCAS POLO SHIRT SALE

Red with white emblem  
 Navy Blue with gold emblem  
 White with gold emblem  
 Yellow with green emblem  
 Green with yellow emblem  
 Powder Blue with dark blue emblem  
 Sandstone with dark brown emblem  
 These polos are now available in S, M, L, XL, XXL for \$20 each. Proceeds will benefit our Youth Group. Orders of at least six (6) total per church membership & friends to allow for inexpensive screening. List your preference & size on the back of your "I'm Here Today" card. Include payment with order. Questions? Tim Steele at [timsteeleump@gmail.com](mailto:timsteeleump@gmail.com).

## THRIFT SHOP REQUESTS NO MORE DONATIONS FOR THE TIME BEING

Thanks to all who have donated! Because the response has been so good we cannot accept donations for the time being as we have no space for storage of donated items. We'll let you know when we are in a position to receive again.

## COMMITTEE MTNGS THIS WEEK

Tue. 6:00 Building Use Committee  
**Soli Deo Gloria**

## St. Lucas This Week at a Glance

S 26 After Pentecost 14 9:00 WORSHIP 10:30 WORSHIP	M 27 OFFICE CLOSED  4:00-8:00 GED Classes	T 28 OFFICE OPEN 9-3 9:30-noon Cindy's Corner Outreach Noon Cindy's Corner Cafe 6:00 Building Use Committee	W 29 OFFICE OPEN 9-3 9:30 Property Team @ Work 9:30-11:30 Thrift Shop 9:30-Noon Cindy's Corner Outreach 11:45 CHAPEL Noon Cindy's Corner Cafe 4:00-8:00 GED Classes	Th 30 OFFICE OPEN 9-3 9:30-noon Cindy's Corner Outreach 9:30-11:30 Thrift Shop 10:00-11:30 Free Bread Ministry 10:00 AA Meeting Noon Cindy's Corner Cafe	F 31 OFFICE OPEN 9-3 Thrift Shop Closed 7:00 AA Meeting	Sa 1 4pm WORSHIP	S 2 After Pentecost 15 LABOR DAY WEEKEND 9:00 WORSHIP 10:30 WORSHIP/ Breakfast for Kids
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