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### SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2007

## A “Vision Day” at St. Luke’s

8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Worship

Scripture: Isaiah 5:1-7

Sermon: “Grapes ... Sweet or Sour?”



Upcoming! ...



Friday and Saturday, August 17 & 18,  
Annual Spiritual & Planning Retreat  
at St. Luke’s *(see article)*



UMW Silent Auction this Thursday, August 16th,  
4-7 p.m., Fellowship Hall



New FELLOWSHIP DINNER season begins  
Wednesday, August 22nd *(see article)*



#### Mission Statement

*“We are becoming a faithful community of disciples striving to share  
the heart, mind and hands of Jesus Christ.”*

Dear Friends,

Thanks for letting **Emily** and myself have a few "cool" days away in the Pacific Northwest. We found eleven different sermon illustrations in a beautiful rain forest on the Olympic Peninsula. Em did a great job with the Seattle wedding, with my modest assistance. Then, Victoria, British Columbia became an unforgettable highlight prior to our return on August 10th.

Wow! Important things are happening in spite of the heat here at St. Luke's! Please be in prayer for this Friday and Saturday's Annual Spiritual and Planning Retreat. Our Vision, with the Mission Statement, is beginning to mesh with specific ministry planning. Along that line...

PLEASE TURN IN YOUR THOUGHTS regarding the "Fabulous Five" questions of our Vision survey. If you like, you may use the form below. Please bring it by Sunday. If you cannot be present on the 19th, please mail it or drop it by. We have a goal of involving at least 350 to 400 persons with the input process.

God bless one and all during these days of moving forward together!

In service, ...Pastor Mark

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YOUR vision and dreams are very important. Please fill this in and bring or send to St. Luke's by Aug. 19.

1. What does God want us to look like in five years?
2. Does God want us to grow. If so, how?
3. How do we more fully give our hearts to Jesus Christ?
4. How do we illumine our minds to reflect the mind of Jesus Christ?
5. How do our hands faithfully carry out Jesus Christ's mission?

Thank you for sharing your vision for your church.  
...Virginia Hathorn & Pastor Mark for Vision Team

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Brian and Robyn McKinley on the August 10th birth of their daughter, Jordyn Alexis McKinley. Grandparents are Jim and Linda McKinley and great-grandmother is Mary McKinley.

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### UMW Book Review



Education is a topic of much interest in our city at this time. You don't want to miss **CAROL CRAIG's** review of a book dealing with this topic. The book is entitled Taught by America: A Story of Struggle and Hope in Compton by Sarah Sentilles. Miss Sentilles tells the story of her experience in a broken down school in Compton, CA. It is the story of the children as well as the story of her "change of heart and life."

Come to hear Carol 's review on Tuesday, August 21st, at 10:00 a.m. in the Loyalty-Fellowship Classroom. Remember our support of Mary's Cradle-a mission, which **Kathleen Masters** serves.

...Janie Hendrix - 372-1268

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The following dates are open for those who want to put **FLOWERS** on the altar: August 26, September 9, September 16, September 23, September 30. Contact **Marilyn Sadler**, 452-1347.

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### Transition News

**WHAT:** Farewell Reception for outgoing Superintendent Karamoko  
**WHEN:** Sunday, August 26, 3-4 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Colonial Park UMC's Fellowship Hall, Park at Estate

**WHERE TO:** It's official now that Rev. Sharon L. Karamoko will become Coordinator of Urban Vision, effective September 1. Her successor is Rev. Barry Henson.

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**A THANK YOU** letter has been received from First UMC of Blue Springs, MO and is posted on the downstairs bulletin board. Their group stayed in the CLC on the way to and from a Gulf Coast mission trip.

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### **NEW BOOKS IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY**

Buber, M., Good and Evil; Herriot, J., Cat Stories; Peterson, E., Praying with Paul; Peterson, E., Praying with the Prophets.



## MUSIC NOTES



### *Can't Wait to Sing!*

Summer's over and school has started. Now is the time to kick off this year's choir season. Many have expressed an interest in learning more about the musical opportunities here at St. Luke's. Take note and plan to join us soon! Feel free to contact Jay (452.6262 or [Jay.Walker@StLukesUMC.org](mailto:Jay.Walker@StLukesUMC.org)) for more info. Can't wait to have *YOU* sing—or play—with us!

<b>Chancel Choir</b>	Wednesday, 7:30 pm in the Choir room (1 <sup>st</sup> floor). Child care available.
<b>Youth Choir</b>	Begins August 19 <sup>th</sup> . Rehearse Sundays, 4:00 pm in the Choir room.
<b>Children's Choirs</b>	Parent mtg. August 22; first rehearsal August 29. Rehearse Wednesdays, 6:30 pm.
<b>Older Adult Choir</b>	Begins September 11. Meets 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays, 10:15 in the Choir room.
<b>Youth Band</b>	Sundays, 3:00 pm in Rm 302.
<b>Wesley Handbells</b>	Begin August 26. Rehearse Sundays, 5:00 pm in Rm 207. Child care available.

Grace and peace ...Jay

### Schedule for 2007 Spiritual/Planning Retreat

Everyone is invited, especially those who are elected church leaders and/or serve on program or administrative committees. Please be present!

Friday, August 17

6 p.m., Potluck Supper, CLC Lounge  
 6:45 p.m., Spiritual Deepening, Pastor Mark and Linda Hensley, ending at 8 p.m.

Saturday, August 18

9 a.m., Opening Prayers and Worship  
 9:30-10:00 - Vision Orientation  
 10:05-11:25 - "Heart" - "Mind" - "Hands"  
 Break-Out Groups  
 11:30-11:50 - Sharing Time  
 11:55 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Lunch, Fellowship Hall  
 12:35-2:00 p.m. - Specific Committees, Planning Goals for September '07& beyond  
 2 p.m.-2:35 p.m. - CHURCH COUNCIL  
 Reporting and Adoption of Specific Motions as Needed  
 2:40-2:55 - Closing Worship Time

## YOUTH NEWS

Hello everyone! Here's what's going on this week: WELCOME ALL OF OUR NEW 6th GRADERS!!! Sun., Aug. 19th

- 9:30 - 10:30 - Sunday School - New Study for both groups! Junior High will be studying "Journey: Christian Living" with Susan and Judy. Senior High will be studying "Thinking Theologically About Money" with Tim.
- 3:00 - Youth Band
- 4:00 - Youth Choir (Choir Room) AND Youth Parent Meeting (Youth Dining Room)
- 5:00 - 7:00 - Dinner & Youth Activities - New Study here, too! eMerge - Its about becoming fully devoted disciples.

I'm praying for all of you this week as you begin school! Peace...Beth

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Congratulations to Andrew C., Lauren, Thomas, Sydney, Jim, Andrew M., Isabella, and Melody who received Bibles during worship on Sunday. We are so proud of you!

Wednesday, August 22 is the Choir Open House to kick off this fall's Wednesday night programs. Mark your calendars and join us for dinner!

Looking ahead... the Boo-Out will be held on Friday, October 26, 2007 from 6-8 pm. Planning will begin soon, so call to volunteer! See you at church, ....Beth Mac

**A BIG THANK YOU** to **Blanche Miller** who has volunteered to address all our memorials and honorarium cards and envelopes. Blanche has beautiful handwriting and puts her special touch on each one. *We appreciate you, Blanche.*

Another **BIG THANK YOU** to **Dan Moffett** for taking pictures that will appear on the activity pages of our new pictorial directory. **THANK YOU** also to **Burges Budd** who took pictures in the Sanctuary August 12th for the directory too. What would St. Luke's do without all their wonderful volunteers?

**LET'S ALL INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH THIS WEEK.**

## CHURCH CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, August 15, 2007

- 6:45 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)
- 10 am – 1 pm – American Sewing Guild (CLC Mtg Rm)
- 2:00 pm – HARC Meeting
- 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)

THURSDAY, August 16

- 9:00 am – Sit & Be Fit Chair Aerobics (CLC)
- 4:00 – 7:00 pm – UMW Silent Auction (FH)
- 7:00 pm – Just Go to the Movies rehearsal (Choir Room)

FRIDAY, August 17 – CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

- 6:00 pm – Potluck and Planning Retreat (Chapel & Parlor)

SATURDAY, August 18

- 9:00 am – 3:00 pm – Planning Retreat (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 pm – Soup Kitchen (FH)

SUNDAY, August 19

- 8:30 am – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 – 11:00 am – Library open (211)
- 9:15 – 9:45 am – Adult Coffee Fellowship (Lobby)
- 9:30 am – Sunday School
- 10:50 am – Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 pm – Youth Parent Meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> floor)
- 3:00 pm – Youth Band (3<sup>rd</sup> floor)
- 4:00 pm – Youth Choir (Choir Room)
- 5:15 – 7:00 pm – Youth (3<sup>rd</sup> floor)

MONDAY, August 20

- 12:30 – 5:30 pm – Methodist Urban Ministry Tour
- 6:00 pm – Children's Council Meeting (211)
- 7:00 pm – Coin Club (106)

TUESDAY, August 21

- 9:00 am – Sit & Be Fit Chair Aerobics (CLC)
- 9:00 am – Univ. District Initiative (FH)
- 10:00 am – UMW Book Review (106)
- 6:30 pm – Cub Scouts (Children's Building)
- 7:00 pm – Boy Scouts (CLC)
- 7:30 pm – "Thoroughly Modern Millie" (Theatre Memphis)

WEDNESDAY, August 22

- 6:45 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)
- 5:45 pm – Wed. Night begins with UMM cooking!
- 6:30 pm – Introduction to Fall Programming (FH)
- 6:30 pm – Children's Choir Open House
- 6:30 pm – Youth (CLC)
- 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)

THURSDAY, August 23

- 8:00 am – 2:30 pm – Food Bank Conference
- 9:00 am – Sit & Be Fit Chair Aerobics (CLC)
- 10:00 am – Small Group (211)
- 7:00-8:30 pm – Just Go to the Movies rehearsal (Choir Room)

FRIDAY, August 24 – CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

SATURDAY, August 25

- 4:30 pm – Soup Kitchen (FH)

RADIO BROADCAST - WREC 600 AM

Sunday, August 19, 2007

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Given in appreciation of St. Luke's Ministries

10:50 Anthem: "I Am the Vine"

Chancel Choir with Dr. Eugene McKenzie, flute  
and Donald Canestrari, clarinet

## RECORD OF LOYALTY - AUGUST 12, 2007

### Attendance

Sunday School				<u>233</u>
Worship	8:30	<u>68</u>	10:50	<u>347</u>
				<u>415</u>

### Pledge Update

Budget received	\$16,948.00
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## Just Go to the Movies

Mark your calendar for evening shows October 12 and 13 and the Sunday afternoon matinee. Tickets go on sale Sunday, September 2.

## GIFTS RECEIVED IN MEMORY OF:

BILLEPPES from Mary & Groves Bowles, Terri Townsend, Louise Fairfax, Evelyn Horn, Ava Louise Seacat and Linda & Jimmy, John & Marilyn Sadler, Paul & Mary Evelyn Goodwin, Jewell Scarborough, Helen & Foster Rosebrough, Dean Hill, William J. Milligan, Eula Mai Gates, N. Hunt Moore, Dr. & Mrs. George Lovejoy, The Rev. Canon & Mrs. David Shoulders, Ed & Nita Barlow, Nadine Hicks, Blanche Vaughan, Virginia Hathorn, Ellie Appling, St. Luke's Loyalty-Fellowship Class, Jimmy Jackson, John G. Harris, Kimbal C. Gordon II, Carol Knodel, Joanne G. Williams, E. J. Webb. (Partial Listing)

### SAINT LUKE'S STAFF

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Rev. Shirley Lynn, Minister of Evangelism  
J. G. Walker III, Director of Music  
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