

Saint Luke's United Methodist



Another Decade

Another Piece of Our Puzzle

COME CELEBRATE

*The honor of your presence is requested as
St. Luke's United Methodist Church,
4101 Fordham Rd., North Chesterfield, Virginia 23236,
celebrates*

*its 60th Anniversary
on September 10th 2023, at 10:30 am.*

Without you, we are like a puzzle that's missing a piece.
Please join us September 10th, that our puzzle may be complete!

...or as the Apostle Paul said:

Make my joy complete: be of the same mind,
having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.

Philippians 2: 2





2012 - present
The Reverend Mrs. Lisa Sykes

Guest Speaker

Our guest preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Hyo Lee, the Three Notch'd District Superintendent.

During worship, there will be a special children's church for those 6 and younger. There will also be a nursery provided during the service.

After worship, we will enjoy a potluck meal, wonderful fellowship, and a petting zoo for the children from noon-1 pm. All who are, or who have been, a part of St. Luke's congregation, its preschool community, and the local neighborhood are invited to this celebration.

RSVP, Please! stlukesoffice@stlukesrva.org

Remember when.....St. Luke's United Methodist Church met in the green house on the hill? Those of us here today probably don't, but the seeds of that church took root and we celebrate our founding and the church we see today. You are a piece of St. Luke's history and church family. Join us for a special day of praise, liturgical dance, singing, remembrance and fellowship. Please RSVP to the church office, (804) 276-7000, Monday-Thursday, 9am-1pm or email stlukesoffice@stlukesrva.org. We are excited to see you on September 10th!

Come to Worship and Stay for Lunch! ...and PettingZoo Too!

Immediately following our anniversary worship service, join us for a fellowship luncheon. All we ask is that you bring your favorite side dish(es) or salad(s) to share. The church will provide the rest. Before or after lunch, between 12 and 1 o'clock, children of all ages can enjoy a petting zoo along with their whole family.

Bible Presentations

Bibles will be given to children who are active in our congregation, from 3 years of age to 3rd grade. Age-appropriate bibles will be presented by Dr. Lee, Pastor Lisa, and Ray Jenkins.

Calling All Singers

September 10th is quickly approaching, and I am hoping to have more singers join with the Chancel Choir to create a Reunion Choir to celebrate St. Luke's 60th Anniversary. If you have ever sung with the choir or are new to singing with the choir, we would love to have you join us for three Thursday evening rehearsals, August 24th & 31st and September 7th at 7:15 pm. We will rehearse two anthems for September 10th. Please come and help us celebrate this momentous anniversary through our music!



Don't Miss

Mabel and Jean Katherine Cassada's beautiful butterfly dance.



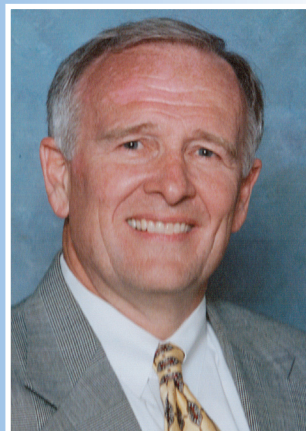
1963-1968
The Reverend Mr. E.C. Priddy



1968-1972
The Reverend Mr. William Pollok



1972-1979
The Reverend Mr. Ray Jenkins, Sr.



1979-1988
The Reverend Dr. John Peters



1988-1992
The Reverend Mr. Alan Reifsnyder

Guest Speaker

Rev. Dr. Hyo Lee, District Superintendent will be our special guest preacher for the 60th Anniversary on September 10, 2023

Dr. Lee was born in South Korea in 1964 and raised in a Christian home through the faith of his mother and grandmother. After graduating from Yonsei University, one of the schools established by Presbyterian and Methodist missionaries in 1885, he served three years in the Army as an officer. In 1990, he came to the States to further his theological education. He completed his M.Div. from McCormick Theological Seminary, and Ph.D., from Vanderbilt University Graduate School. He was ordained in the Tennessee Annual Conference as an elder in 1999 and transferred to the Virginia Conference in 2000. He previously served churches in Arlington, Danville, Winchester, and Alexandria districts. While serving a local church in Winchester, he also taught biblical studies at Shenandoah University. He has served on the District Committee of Ordained Ministries, Conference Board of Ordained Ministries, CEMCA, and Asian American Ministers' Associations. Rev. Lee and his wife, Kay, who is a registered nurse, have two children, Joshua and Sophia, living in the Washington D.C. area.



The Rev. Dr. Hyo Lee

Anniversary Gifts Invited

Once more we are celebrating a milestone at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. For sixty years St. Luke's has been a vibrant part of the community, worshipping God, ministering to the spiritual needs of members and strangers, while reaching out in mission through such programs as CARITAS, CCHASM, Vacation Bible School, food, and school supply drives, and witnessing to God's Word. Which of us knew forty years ago that our mothers-morning-out program would become the best preschool in Richmond and one of our most vibrant outreach ministries?

Just prior to the onset of Covid, we were in the midst of a baby boom. Those pandemic babies, now 3 and 4, will receive their childhood Bibles from the church on September 10th as we gather. We are restarting our children's ministries with the successful journey of the Rocky Railroad this summer and look forward to beginning evening Bible School once again, a program for which we won a \$30,000 grant. And there are new seniors' ministries beginning, too! For those still hesitant to get out after our experience of "shut-down," we have online worship weekly and the United Women of Faith are pioneering "Zoom-ba" small groups over the internet.

As we seek to celebrate a rich past of faith and friendships in this congregation, and regain the momentum of our pre-pandemic ministries, we invite you to share in giving God thanks for the past and the future of St. Luke' with a gift of prayer and wealth. If you are so moved, please make your check payable to St. Luke's UMC and mark it "Anniversary gift" and bring it with you on reunion Sunday.

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Or, if you prefer a more convenient option, you may also visit our church website, www.stlukesrva.org, to contribute to the Anniversary Fund. Select the drop-down menu icon on the top left, then tap Give at the bottom of the list. There you will see an icon for the Anniversary Fund.

Your generosity as we celebrate will allow us to tend to that which is most needed at St. Luke's, including its vital programs and missions. We thank you for your support and for sharing with us as we mark 60 years of faithfulness.

Yours in Christ,
Bill Brown, Finance Committee Chair



1992-1996
The Reverend Dr. John Vest



1996-2003
The Reverend Mr. Tom Brown, Jr.



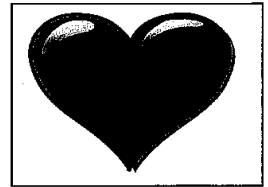
2003-2005
The Reverend Dr. David Erickson



2005-2011
The Reverend Mrs. Teresa Keezel

Happy birthday, St. Luke's! You're 60!

When a little Church has a big
for kids,



the birthday party includes a petting zoo!

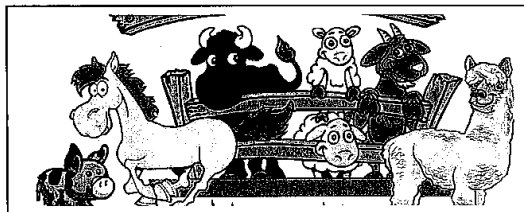
As the year begins, please join us on September 10th

at 10:30 am

for wonderful celebration of the ministries here at Saint Luke's,
including our award-winning preschool.

The children will sing, butterflies will dance,
the children will exit worship for a lesson, fun and crafts,
and

Our Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Hyo Lee, will preach!



There will be a fellowship meal and a
petting zoo to follow our very special
service. You are

welcome to bring a dish to share!

Bring your camera, too!

Come help us celebrate the congregation that celebrates
our wonderful ministry to children!