Lord Teach Us to Pray
Week 4
“Give Us This Day
Our Daily Bread”

St. Luke’s United Methodist Church
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September 8, 2013
16th Sunday after Pentecost

(All are invited to stand.)

(Resource Key: UMH—United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS—The Faith We Sing)

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE
(Please register your attendance.)

PRELUDE  “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” arr. Anthony Giamanco
(Please observe this time as an opportunity for silent prayer and meditation.)

OPENING PRAYER *
O God, source of all that makes life possible,
giver of all that makes life good:
We gather to give you our thanks,
et we confess that we have often failed to live our thankfulness.
What we have we take for granted,
and we grumble about what we lack.
We have squandered your bounty,
with little thought of those who will come after us.
We are more troubled by the few who have more
than by the many who have less.
Forgive us, O God.
In this hour of worship, accept our thanksgiving;
and teach us to make gratitude and sharing our way of life;
through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

♦ RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

♦ OPENING HYMN, No. 599 UMH, “Break Thou The Bread of Life”

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

UNISOWN PRAYER
Creator God, breathing your own life into our being,
you gave us the gift of life.
You placed us on this earth with its minerals and waters,
flowers and fruits, living creatures of grace and beauty.
You gave us the care of the earth.
Today you call us: “Where are you; what have you done?”
Silent prayer for creation.
We hide in utter shame, for we are naked.
We violate the earth and plunder it.
We refuse to share the earth’s resources.
We seek to own what is not ours, but yours.
Forgive us, Creator God, and reconcile us to your creation.
O God of Love, you gave us the gift of peoples—
of cultures, races, and colors—
to love, to care for, to share our lives with.
Today you ask us: "Where is your brother, your sister?"
Silent prayer for others.
We hide ourselves in shame and fear.
Poverty, hunger, hatred, and war rule the earth.
The refugees, the oppressed, and the voiceless cry out to you.
Forgive us, O God of Love,
and reconcile us to yourself and to one another.
Teach us, O Creator God of Love,
that the earth and all its fullness is yours,
the world and those who dwell in it.
Call us yet again to safeguard the gift of life. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

ANTHEM, “Psalm 139” Words and Music by Allen Pote

Lord, you have searched me and known me, You know ev’ry thing I do. When I rise
and when I lie down, you are with me through and through. Before a word is on my
tongue, you know what I will say, your presence follows me day by day. Where can I
flee from your spirit? Where can I go to run away? If I go to heaven, or live in hell, you
are there, you are there, you are there.
Lord, you have searched me and known me,
You know ev’rything I do. When I rise and lie down, you are with me through and
through. Before a word is on my tongue, you know what I will say, your presence
follows me day by day. Search me, O God, and know me, try me and know my heart.
See if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way ever lasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY “Reflection” Henry Kilken

DOXOLOGY, No. 94 UMH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON, Exodus16:1-36  pg. 60 OT

HYMN, No. 191 UMH, “Jesus Loves Me”

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON, John 6:1-14  pg. 91 NT

TODAY’S MESSAGE, New Sermon Series: Doug Gestwick

“Lord Teach Us To Pray”
Week 4 - “Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread”

SERVICE OF THE TABLE, No. 17 UMH “Setting A”  {9:45}
[Please come to the nearest communion station, and stand to receive the bread
and cup. A server will place the bread in your hand, after which you dip the bread
into the chalice and partake. After receiving, return to your seats, or kneel at the rail,
for meditation and prayer. Notify an usher if you need assistance, or if you need
to receive the sacrament at your seat. Please remember to place your monetary gift at
the kneeling rail to support our Good Samaritan Fund that assists needy friends and neighbors in York County and Poquoson.]

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

♦ CLOSING HYMN, No. 277 UMH “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”
[During the singing of the closing hymn, you are invited to kneel at the altar in prayer. If you want the pastors to pray with you, look at them. They will come to you.]

♦ GOING FORTH WITH THE LIGHT

♦ BENEDICTION

♦ POSTLUDE


Welcome to St. Luke’s! We especially welcome guests to our community. We invite you to consider making us your church home. Talk to our pastors for details. Please sign our Friendship Register found in the red pads in the pews and pass it to the person next to you, then return it to the end of the pew nearest the center aisle. If you are a guest please complete the yellow Guest Card in the pew rack and return it to the Hospitality Center in the Narthex (lobby). A gift is waiting for you there. The Hospitality Host/Hostess is there to give you information about St. Luke’s.

Infants and toddlers may enjoy our Nursery Ministry during all services; ask an usher or at the hospitality desk for directions to our nursery facilities. We have activity sheets and bags in the narthex for younger boys and girls. Please take a sheet from the rack on the table and a bag from the basket on the table. Please return the bags as you leave worship. Large print bulletins and hymnals, and hearing assist devices are available from our ushers.

We are pleased to offer our 11:00 AM service on the web through a streaming live broadcast. If you miss the live broadcast you can also access archives of our services. Just go to our website and click on the “Eleven o’clock Service i-Broadcast.” Sunday bulletins are posted on Fridays prior to worship.

♦ Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:
Convalescents: The Chesapeake – Marjorie Bennett – Rm 315
Woody & Marian Pierce – Apt 306
Barbara Tyler - Colonial Harbor – Rm 102
Velma Conner – Colonial Harbor
Evelyn White – Keswick Place – Rm 615
Dorothy Rawlings - Northampton Rehab/Con.- Rm 22B
Gladis Knight – Regency Con. – Rm 3B
Jackie Houston – Northampton Rehab.- Rm 22A
Virginia DeWitt – Mennowood Retirement, Rm 256

Home from Hospital: Betty Miller, Evan Henke

Prayers and Sympathy to:
Erick and Ardith Grube and family on the death of his father, September 2, 2013.
Bob and Jeanna Nasser on the death of his uncle, John Knapp.
Suzi Israel on the death of her father, Nash Israel, September 4, 2013.

Other members: Alvin Adams, Laura Avery, Martha Brewer, Ann Burnette, Paullette Clement, Jeff Clemmons, Diane Davis, Mildred Epperly, Bruce Edwards, T.D. Foster, Carolyn Futrell, Scott George, Betty Gough, Helen Hughes, Michele Hurst, Barbara Mitchell, Gloria Nuckles, Fred Penfield, Bob Phaup, Vivian Smith (Warner), Porter Taylor, Liz Tragle

Extended family and friends: Travis Allen, Bette Anderson, Bowden Family, Ted Burns, Tom Clink, Nola Coates, Judith Collins, Brian Denny, E. T. Deskins, Marie Frazier, Garber Family, Brenda Greaney, Lilian Horney, Colin King, Frank Maness, Sheri Moore, Earl Morin, Brian Murphy, Osef Family, Mary Parr, Terry
Phillips, Don Pinegar, Julian Price, Betty Sievert, Cheryl Simmons, Tim Shay, Barry Smith, Kelly Sobush, Tina Sobush, Nicole Spouser, Ron Tiberio, David Troeger, Marie Trump, Donald Warden II, Bev Yacapraro

Our Military especially those deployed: Ross Davis

Acolytes: (8:30) Ryan Donston  Crucifer: Jake Verry
(11:00) Dalton Cowan  Crucifer: Harper Cowan

Shepherd Ministry: Mike Mellen

The flowers at the altar are presented in honor of Rachel and Will Barksdale’s first Wedding Anniversary.

Attendance September 1 - 351

ST. LUKE’S IN ACTION – September 8, 2013

TODAY 8:30, 9:45, 11:00am Worship Services
8:00-11:00am Courtyard Coffee (weather permitting)
9:00am Joy Spreaders Music (pre-school children)
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
3:00pm Heavenly Metal Band Rehearsal
5:00pm Middle School Youth Group meet at the church
6:30pm High School Youth Group meet at the church

MON 9:30am Preschool begins! (Mon-Fri)
10:00am Book Club (Casual Vacancy by J.K. Rowling)
10:00am CPR Training
6:30pm UM Women’s Unit Meeting (see article)
6:15pm Education Branch meeting
6:30pm Hand Bell Rehearsal

TUES 10:00am Gertrude Carmines Circle meets at the church
10:00am Sarah Sudduth Circle meets at the church
11:00am Staff Meeting
6:30pm Finance Committee

WED 6:30pm Faithful Chorus rehearsal
6:30pm Fellowship with Fabric
7:00pm Lay Leader Council
7:15pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

THU 10:00am Study Class – I Am A Follower (see article)
10:00am LIFT Circle meets at the church
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Branch
7:00pm Study Class – I Am A Follower (see article)
7:00pm Financial Peace University (see article)
7:00pm Foot Steps Gathering
7:30pm Staff Parish Relations Committee meeting

FRI 9:00-12:00 Preschool Teachers Work Day

SAT 7:00am God & Grits Men’s Bible Study
7:00am Chrismon Making Workshop (see article)
10:00am York River District Youth Leaders meeting
5:00pm Kids Night Out (see article)

Growing to Serve

Touring the Grove: If you would like a guided tour of the Grove please contact Josh Hagstrom Monday through Thursday. He will be glad to give you a guided tour. Please do not enter on your own. It is a construction site with dangers lurking.

The GROVE is coming! The GROVE is here! The GROVE is furnished! Through your generosity we have received almost $50,000 in contributions in response to our appeal to furnish The GROVE! Many of the items have been ordered, or are being ordered as you receive this. We will be 100% ready for our grand opening celebration and occupancy of The GROVE the weekend of October 18-20, 2013. We wish to express to you our sincerest THANK YOU! for your contribution! We recognize that this is second mile giving above and beyond your annual commitment to St. Luke’s, and that makes your gift even more special and meaningful. If you have not yet contributed, it is not too late! There are still needs, and we will ensure that your gift is used where needed as we open The Grove. Just mark your gift “The GROVE Furnishings” and place in the offering plate or mail to the church office. THANK YOU!

Worship Branch

Acolyte Training - Any youth grades 3rd and above interested in being an acolyte can attend a training session in the sanctuary on September 15th following the 11 o’clock service. If you are unable to attend that day or want more information about being an acolyte contact Samantha Cowan at samandwes@cox.net or 234-6137.
Worship Branch cont.

Heavenly Metal Band practice starts on Sept 8, from 3-4 pm. All young ringers in grades 3-8 are welcome! Call Anne Davis at 890-0074 if you have any questions.

Chrismon Crew - Sat. Sept. 14th at 7:00 am. - Some of our Chrismon collection have begun to show wear so we are starting a group to replace them. If you wish you may make a second one to share with a friend. Please see supply list and sign-up online.

Hospitality Branch

Courtyard Coffee Time! Come enjoy coffee, lemonade and cookies after the 8:30 and 9:45 worship services. (11:00 congregation, come on out prior to the service.) Interested in helping? Contact Keri Houser, 369-3979 or khyde96@aol.com.

The Nurture Branch is beginning to look at the Advent Dinner, December 8th. If you are interested in helping, please contact Karen Kern at gkkd@cox.net.

Community Carnival - Invite your friends and neighbors! Sign up to volunteer! Plan to join in the fun on September 29th from 3:00 - 7:00 pm! Lots of opportunities to help from games, to bake cakes/cupcakes, help with set-up and break down, etc. we have a place for you! So go check out the bulletin board near the “T” intersection or go online to sign-up, or contact Megan Collins, Communications Coordinator at 898-3017 or c_c@stlukesyorktown.org. And prepare to have fun!!

Faith Development Branch

Children’s Ministry: Looking for opportunities to get involved with young ones? If you are interested in any of the following, please look for the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board outside of the Director of Children’s Ministries office.
- We are also in search of volunteers to assist with Children’s Church one to two Sunday’s a month as well as volunteers to assist with a weeknight Bible Study.
- St. Luke’s First Trunk or Treat will be held Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 4-7:00PM. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the Director of Children’s Ministry’s office to “host” a trunk!

Kids’ Night Out! Join us Sat. Sept. 14th from 5:00-7:30pm (please note time change.) Includes dinner, a craft, a movie and a lot of fun. The cost is $5.00/child with a $12.00/ family. Please register online and complete a medical release form, available on the registration page, if you haven’t already done so (one form is good for a year from the date completed). If you have any questions, or would like to help out, please contact Keri Houser at khyde96@aol.com or 369-3979. (If something changes and you aren’t able to attend please let us know.)

Youth Group Tonight! Our first regular youth group meeting of the new school year is tonight, September 8th. MS Youth (6th-8th grade) - 5:00pm; Youth Dinner - 6:30pm; HS Youth (9th-12th grade) - 7:00pm. See you there!

Youth Parents Meeting – Sept. 15th at 4:30pm - All parents of 6th-12th graders are encouraged to come to the Youth Parents Meeting (which will be held after the Confirmation Parents Meeting at 4:00pm). We will be discussing events and trips throughout the school year, as well as ways to be involved and stay connected. There will also be a notary available for medical forms that may need to be updated.

Youth Group calendar is Out! Find it on the Youth Bulletin Board or on our website.

Feed Our Youth! Youth Parents, Church Members & Adult Sunday School: Sign up to provide a meal for our Sunday Night Youth Dinners. Show the youth you care! A sign-up sheet is located on our youth bulletin board. You may contact Rachel Pace or Jessie Juska for more information.

Adult Sunday School Teacher Training—Are you a facilitator in one of our Sunday school classes? Have you ever wanted to give it a try but didn’t feel you had the background? On September 22 at 6:00 PM, Pastor Clara will facilitate a class on leading adults in Bible study. Register online.

Fall Education Opportunities for Adults and Youth: If interested in any of the following classes, please sign up online. Childcare or scholarship is available upon request. If you have questions, contact Pastor Clara at assoc@stlukesyorktown.org.
- Legacy: This 7 week follow up to the Financial Peace University will be facilitated by Ron Dorenbush on Tuesdays beginning on September 17 at 7:00 PM.
- Financial Peace University: This 9 week course will be facilitated by Laura Nusz and Tressa Aulenbach on Thursdays beginning September 12 at 7:00 PM.
• **I Am A Follower** - began this week but you are still welcome to join, Pastor Doug is leading a book study on Leonard Sweet's recent book "I Am A Follower." This 5 week study will continue Thurs. mornings at 10:00AM, and Thurs. evenings at 7:00 PM, until October 3rd. Books are $16.00 and are available in the office. Please register online.

• **Introduction to the New Testament:** This 8 week course will be facilitated by George Leftwich on Wednesdays beginning September 18 at 10:00 AM.

• **Journey 101: Knowing God, Loving God, Serving God:** This series of three 6 week courses will be led by Pastor Clara beginning September 18 at 7:00 PM. Register for one or all. (These don't have to be studied in order.)

• **Credo Confirmation:** Persons sixth grade and above who have not been confirmed in the church are invited to participate in this year's confirmation class. Parents and confirmands are invited to class on September 15, 4:00 PM for a time of introduction, scheduling and Q&A.

Fellowship with Fabric - Join us in our effort to complete a t-shirt quilt! Starting Sept. 11th at 6:30 pm we'll meet Wed. nights until we finish. Bring all your t-shirts and ideas to the fist meeting and we'll help create your individual plan and a supply list. Please see supply list and sign up online.

All women are invited to attend the **UMW World Thank Offering** tomorrow at 6:30 pm. Sisters In Christ circle hosts with desert. Joe Posey will speak on St. Luke's covenant missionaries, also, please remember to bring your donation with you. If you need childcare please let us know by Sept 4th. Deadline for registration: Today; sign-up on the UMW bulletin board or online.

**Virginia Conference UMW Young Women's Retreat** Sept. 20th-21st - Women 18 to 35 are invited to come to Blackstone for a retreat. The theme is "If you want to make God laugh, tell Him your plans." Megan Collins is the retreat leader. The event starts Fri. night at 7:00 pm and goes through Sat. afternoon at 4:00 pm. To register or for more information go to vaumw.org/news-and-events/young-women-event/.

**United Methodist Men** - All men are invited to come for breakfast and fellowship at Crooks Memorial United Methodist Church on Sept. 28th. Fellowship begins at 7:30 am, breakfast begins at 8:00 am. Max Blalock from the William & Mary Wesley Foundation will discuss Campus Ministry. Please contact Jerry Ansama for reservations, 898-3553.

**Women's Retreat to the Mountains** - Reservations have been made at Blessings Lodge at Camp Overlook for October 4-6, 2013 for our annual Women's Retreat. If you haven't been before, this may be the year for you. If you have been, you know you want to come back. Women gather for a time of rest, renewal, study, worship, song, and fellowship. The lodge has four single beds per room with private toilet and shower per room so there is plenty of private space in our weekend of community. The camp provides six delicious meals for us and even serves us! It is truly a weekend for renewal! The bus will leave after lunch on Friday and return before dinner on Sunday. Cost for travel, lodging and meals is only $165 (based on four persons per room). Women of all ages are invited to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Clara. Make your reservation on line.

**Pilgrimage of Faith: An Easter Journey Through Israel/Palestine** hosted by Doug Gestwick, April 4-14, 2014. Journey through Galilee, Mt. Carmel, Megiddo, Caesarea, Nazareth, Samaria, Old City Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Bethlehem, Beit Guvrin, Masada, Qumran, Dead Sea and Mt. Zion. Experience the Bible in a way you never have before. Cost is $3699 per person. Registration Forms with more information are available outside Doug’s office door.

**Generosity Branch**

Reading Ministry volunteers are needed for the 2013-2014 school year to assist students at Grafton Bethel Elementary School. Orientation will be given for new volunteers. Applications are available at the Hospitality Center in the narthex. Please contact Jane Jahn at 757-344-7765 or rdrunner04@verizon.net if you have questions. Thanks for your support.

**Mission Branch**

**High School ASP Interest Meeting** – Sept. 22nd 5:45pm. For high school youth and adult volunteers interested in participating in the missions trip to Appalachia next summer. Adults attending the meeting are invited and encouraged to stay for the Youth Dinner at 6:30pm that evening.