

St. Luke Lutheran Church

Announcements *March 23, 2025*

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Prayer requests for the week:

For all who are in need of God's healing and guidance, especially: The family of Mary Lou Robson, Norbert, Christine and the Pobanz family, Ruth Eggen, Lisa Pierce, Olivia Weber, Marlene Custer, Lois Bertelson, Michael Masterson, Gwyn Carpenter, Jon Jensen, Karen Farrens, Lorrie Peterson, and Sally Hedman.

If you or an immediate family member would like to be listed in (or removed from) the above Prayer Request Announcements, please contact **Letty Lucero**. If you would like to add prayers for the prayer chain, please contact **Marlene Custer**.

For Julia and Vincent Leiyooole, serving in Kenya.

For Dorcas Wang, serving in Beijing, China.

For Ruth, Luke, Yahiya, Alasa, Da'ud, Hadasa and Gideon Schroeder serving in the Philippines.

For those God wants us to reach with the Good News this week.

For the Special ones you know Lord, seeking your answers in their lives.

THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday	In-Person Worship Service & Live Stream (Sanctuary)	10:00 AM
	Fellowship (Kurtz Hall)	11:15 AM
	Confirmation (Youth Outpost)	11:30 AM
	Round Dancing (Kurtz Hall)	2:00 PM
	Youth Group (Youth Outpost)	6:00 PM
Monday	Scout Troop #493 & Troop #442 (Kurtz Hall)	7:00 PM
Tuesday	Staff Meeting (Church Office)	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study (Zoom)	10:00 AM
	Pastor's Text Study (Kurtz Hall)	12:00 PM – 1:00PM
	Lenten Soup Supper (Kurtz Hall)	6:00 PM
	Lenten Service (Kurtz Hall)	6:45 PM
	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	7:30 PM
Thursday	ACP Chapel (M.E.B.)	10:00 AM – 10:30 AM
	Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	6:15 PM
	Bible Study (Zoom)	7:00 PM
Friday	Sunny Chinese Chapel (Sanctuary)	3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Saturday	Jesus in Hollywood (Kurtz Hall)	6:00 PM

WORSHIP LIVE STREAMED FROM THE SANCTUARY!

Worship service starts at 10:00 AM in person and via live stream and fellowship follows in Kurtz Hall.

The live stream recording will be available later on Sunday if you miss the 10:00 AM live stream.

5TH SUNDAY – MARCH 30, 2025 – ACP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We already find ourselves with our first 5th Sunday Special Offering of 2025 on March 30th! The Amazing Creations Preschool (ACP) Scholarship Fund has been designated to receive this special offering. As a reminder, your generosity in 2024 made it possible for St. Luke to relaunch ACP. Those gifts were raised to provide the operational funds to get ACP up and running and to give time to get the enrollment up to where the preschool will be able to cover its monthly expenses without a deficit. The ACP Board has requested that this 5th Sunday Special Offering be designated for the ACP Scholarship Fund. Your gifts will be used for short term help for families experiencing emergency situations, such as a parent losing a job or some other situation that would make it difficult to keep their child attending ACP. All requests for scholarships would be reviewed and approved by the ACP Board on a case by case basis.

We request that you prayerfully consider a generous gift, **in addition to your normal offering**, for the 5th Sunday Special Offering to provide short term help for families in emergency situations keep their child enrolled at our Amazing Creations Preschool. Checks may be made payable to St. Luke with “ACP Scholarship or 5th Sunday” on the memo line. **The St. John’s Future Benevolence Fund will match every dollar that is given.** Gifts will be accepted into April. Any gift you give will help! God bless you all!

The Witness Team

STUFFED ANIMALS MOVE IN FOR LENT

Our Lenten tradition continues, please bring your stuffed animals to populate our Sanctuary. They don’t have to be lambs or bunnies, bring ANY animal and leave them in the pew for the weeks leading up to Easter. These love-filled animals will be gifted to the children during the Youth Message at the Easter Worship Service.

GLOBAL REFUGE SUPPORTER MONTHLY TOWN HALLS

Due to the changes in support from the USA for aid given to refugees, **Global Refuge** will be hosting monthly online town hall meetings to update the public as well as supporters in their efforts. Their first monthly town hall will be March 27, 2025 at noon PDT. General information about Global Refuge may be found on their website at

www.GlobalRefuge.org. If you are interested in registering for the town hall on March 27th, the link is:

https://globalrefuge-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_km1nRmnQQeWuZ9ch-eflVw#/registration

You may contact Sue Hutchins for further information.

JESUS IN HOLLYWOOD

Many movies have been produced about the life and teachings of Jesus and each one has its own artistic slant. Saturdays in Lent, we will watch one of these movies and discuss the way the Gospel was presented through each production. Many of these movies had detractors and supporters for a variety of reasons. We will continue to discuss the controversy and artistic vision of each movie as we go.

Remaining Schedule: (All programs begin at 6 p.m.)

March 29th – Godspell (1973)

April 5th – The Passion of the Christ (2004)

April 12th – Jesus of Montreal (1989)

There will also be a concession stand run by the youth for your enjoyment. This will be a supplemental fundraiser for the youth.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS AND CHILI DINNER, AND DATES FOR THIS EASTER SEASON

Our Soup Suppers & Worship Service continue during this season of Lent. The suppers are coordinated by the Elders according to the following schedule, and your Elder will reach out to you as s/he coordinates that meal:

- 6pm Wednesday March 26: Elders Bee Robles and Don & Loretta Merry
- 6pm Wednesday April 2: Margaret Weber and Roy & Theresa Tuason
- 6pm Wednesday April 9: Chili supper, open to everyone

For the chili supper on 4/09 please let any Elder know what you would like to bring.

Other relevant dates for this coming Easter season include:

- Maundy Thursday, April 17 – Dinner @ 6:00 PM, Service @ 7:00 PM
- Good Friday, April 18 @ 7:00 PM
- Easter Vigil, April 19 @ 7:30 PM
- Easter Sunday, April 20 @ 10:00 AM

WE NEED YOUR PORTRAITS!

The deadline for submitting your photo for the 2025 Directory is here! Please email your photo if you have not yet done so to Letty or Denise. Denise is still happy to take a last-minute photo of you! Don't be left out.

ONLINE GIVING IS NOW LIVE!

Effective immediately you are able to give your tithes and offerings online. You can give through a one-time gift, or you can set up recurring giving either through a credit or debit card or your bank account. If you use a card, you can also opt to cover the processing fees as a part of your gift.

There are three ways to give:

Online at:

onrealm.org/StLukeLutheranC/Give

Via text: Text StLukeFamily to 73256 (realm on your keypad)

Through a QR code:



Give to St. Luke

THE CROSS WALL

The cross wall is looking great, and it's an ongoing project. Please bring any crosses you'd like to display. I am happy to add them! Thank you, Margaret Weber

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH PROGRAM

- **Sunday School:** Sunday school for preschool – 5th grade starts after the Youth Message. Please follow Ms. Danae and Ms. Emily to class.
- **6th - 8th Grade:** Confirmation class is held Sunday mornings from, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- **6th - 12th Grade:** Youth Group meets from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Sunday Evenings. Contact Grant for details on how to get involved.

Grant Hannon, *Youth Director*
719-761-1799

Danae Moreno/Emily Bradshaw,
Sunday School

SECURITY OF OUR CAMPUS

Please continue checking that doors and locks are secured for our buildings during the week/weekend. Check doors as you walk past them. Thank you.

HEARING ASSISTANCE IN THE SANCTUARY

Devices are available for those who need hearing assistance. You may bring your own headphones or borrow them from the church. Additional devices will be ordered as needed. Please see Andy Wadsworth in the AV Room before service.

PERSONAL CARE CAFE

St. Luke families have been very generous, donating many useful and essential items to the Personal Care Cafe sponsored by Hope Lutheran, Santa Clara and supported by other Lutheran congregations. The need continues... think in terms of items you might need on a camping trip without a store nearby.

For sleeping and cleanliness: Backpacks, sleeping bags, blankets, pillows, sheets, towels, washcloths, soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, disposable razors and shaving cream, band-aids, lotion, laundry pods.

For ladies: Feminine products, makeup, lipstick, hairclips.

Clothing: For men, women, and children - clothing, hats, scarves, gloves, underwear. The greatest need is for men's clothing.

Shoes & Socks: For all sizes but especially larger men's shoes.

Water Bottles: Reusable and 8 oz disposable

Thank you — **The Witness Team**

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MONTHLY EPISTLE SUBMISSION

DEADLINES

We would like to take this time to thank all of our St. Luke family members who contribute to the bulletin announcement pages and the monthly newsletter. In order to produce the bulletins and newsletters accurately and in a timely manner, we are reminding everyone of the deadlines. The **deadline** to submit an article to Letty for the weekly Announcement is **Wednesday by Noon** prior to the Sunday, you want it included. The deadline to submit an article to Letty for the monthly newsletter, "The Epistle" is the **15th of the month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. If you have any questions, please call the church office at (408) 736-9216 and speak with Letty.

ST. LUKE SUNDAY BULLETIN, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON THE ST. LUKE WEBSITE

The St. Luke Lutheran Church Sunday Bulletin and Announcement pages are available each week on the St. Luke website. For those of you who want to access the weekly bulletin via your home computer, tablet, or cell phone, simply go to www.st-luke-church.org, click on the **Worship** tab at the top of the page, then click on **Sunday Bulletin** in the drop-down menu. Letty will make sure to have the current weekly bulletin uploaded by each Saturday morning.

Our monthly newsletter, "St. Luke Epistle," will also be available on the St. Luke website on or before the 1st day of each month. You will find it on the **Home** page in the right-hand margin or click on the **Worship** tab at the top of the page, then click on **Monthly Newsletter** in the drop-down menu. To access WiFi use "St. Luke WiFi Eero" and the password is jesus123.