

# St. Luke Lutheran Church

## *Announcements* *March 24, 2024*

**Ministers:** *All members of the congregation!*

**Pastor:** Rev. Dan Tisdell  
**Youth Director:** Grant Hannon  
**Children's Ministry Director:** Grace Alexandrou

**Organist:** Beth Stauter  
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### **Amazing Creations Preschool**

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### **Prayer requests for the week:**

**For all who are in need of God's healing and guidance, especially:** Ruth Eggen & Family, Emily Budd, Olivia Weber, Marlene Custer, Lois Bertelson & family, Theresa Tuason, Michael Masterson, Gwyn Carpenter, Jon Jensen, Karen Farrens, Lorrie Peterson, Mary Lou Robson, 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	Sunday Morning Bible Study .....	9:00 AM – 9:50 AM
	In-Person Worship Service & Live Stream .....	10:00 AM
	(Sunday school during service)	
	Fellowship (Kurtz Hall) .....	11:15 AM
	Build-A-Butterfly (Kurtz Hall) .....	11:30 AM
	Confirmation (Youth Outpost) .....	11:30 AM
	Round Dance Group (Kurtz Hall) .....	2:00 PM
	Youth Group (Youth Outpost/Kurtz Hall) .....	6:00 PM
Monday	Scout Troop #493 & Troop #442 (Kurtz Hall) .....	7:00 PM
Tuesday	Staff Meeting (Church Office) .....	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Choir Practice (Sanctuary) .....	7:30 PM
Thursday	Maundy Thursday Dinner & Service (Kurtz Hall) .....	6:00 PM
Friday	SCLC Chapel (Sanctuary) .....	3:00 PM – 3:30 PM
	Good Friday Service (Sanctuary) .....	7:00 PM
Saturday	Easter Vigil (Sanctuary & Kurtz Hall) .....	3:00 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.

1. Masks are recommended.
2. Be mindful about others' comfort in hugging or shaking hands.

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

### **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.

### **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](http://onrealm.org/StLukeLutheranC/Give)

**Via text:**

Text StLukeFamily to 73256 (realm on your keypad)

**Through a QR code:**



**Give to St. Luke**

**EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE**

March 28 - Maundy Thursday Dinner & Worship Service @ 6:00 PM

March 29 - Good Friday Worship Service @ 7:00 PM

March 30 - Easter Vigil @ 3:00 PM

March 31 - Easter Brunch @ 8:45 AM

March 31 - Easter Worship Service

March 31 - Easter Egg Hunt @ 11:15 AM

**ACP PLEDGING UP UP AND UP!!**

Aimee has been busy planting 40,000 new seeds this week. Watch for the ACP poster unveiling today to see all of her hard field work! Thank you, Aimee!

Because of the school break, Aimee has time this week to plant the remaining 29,700 seeds to reach our \$300,000 goal to relaunch ACP. At this time, \$184,300 has been received in addition to the \$86,000 given from the Endowment Fund. We are

encouraged by the generosity shown during the pledging drive so the pledging campaign window will continue as we search for our preschool director. Please give this ministry your prayerful consideration.

If you are interested in pledging, or additional pledging, for this restart, please return the pledge form to St. Luke to the attention of the Financial Secretary or place your pledge in the Treasure Chest in the Narthex. Brochures with the pledge form are on the table in the narthex.

Our Preschool Director Job Description has been posted on Indeed.com. There is a flyer in today's bulletin in case you know of someone who may be interested in applying for this position. Dinner for two at a restaurant of your choice for the successful recruiter! Are you the lucky one?

For more information, please contact Mary Hendrickson at [mary.hendrickson4@comcast.net](mailto:mary.hendrickson4@comcast.net).

### **GOING BACK IN ST. LUKE HISTORY** **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM BULLETIN – DECEMBER 1999**

The concept of a preschool at St. Luke resulted from the 1997 Vision Committee survey. A high percentage of responses indicated an interest in starting our own preschool. A committee was appointed to study the concept, and the Preschool Task Force presented its recommendation to the congregation in October. The recommendation proposed a preschool for children ages 2.5 to kindergarten starting September 2000.

The congregation approved the plan with the understanding that a \$100,000 fundraising drive would be required for start-up costs. At this time, \$80,000 has been pledged. Funds may be given any time prior to February, 2000.

Even though plans are in place, final decisions cannot be made until all money is received. We ask that you give prayerful consideration in helping St. Luke realize this vision.

### **KNOWING YOUR CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS!**

**B9.01** The **Nominating Committee** shall consist of at least four members. They shall be a pastor, the president-elect as Chair, a member of the Elders and at least one member from the congregation-at-large. They shall be appointed annually by the Congregation Council.

It shall be the responsibility of this committee to:

- a. carefully screen the eligible members of the congregation, prepare and submit a slate of candidates for all elective positions to be filled at a

congregation Meeting. Nominations shall be posted at least one week prior to the election meeting;

- b. submit candidates for all mid-term vacancies;
- c. supervise all elections, accept nominations from the floor prior to any balloting, conduct the balloting, and announce the results;
- d. the duties of this committee shall be carried out as outlined in the Continuing Resolutions.

Your Council approved the following members for the 2024-2025 Nominating Committee at their March 19 Council Meeting:

Pastor Dan, Mary Hendrickson, Chair, Kirk Autsen, Elder, Nancy Watz, Member-at-large

### **5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY – MARCH 31, 2024 – SUPPORT FOR OUR YOUTH**

As we begin spring, we want to first thank you for the generosity shown when you gave \$695 for our local Sunnyvale Homeless Shelter with your gifts to Home First for the last 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Offering in December. That gift was matched by the St. John's Future Benevolence Fund so that a total of \$1,390 was sent to Home First. Another 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday is on March 31<sup>st</sup>, Easter Sunday. Several of our youth along with their adult chaperones will be traveling to New Orleans joining thousands of other ELCA youth for the **2024 National Youth Gathering** in July 2024. Airfares and hotels are costly. Helping to cover the costs for those from St. Luke attending the Youth Gathering has been designated for this March 31<sup>st</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Offering.

We request that you prayerfully consider a generous gift, **in addition to your normal offering**, for this 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special Offering to help cover the costs of the 2024 National Youth Gathering. Checks may be made payable to St. Luke with "Youth Gathering" or "5<sup>th</sup> 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

### **DO YOU HAVE A TOYOTA SIENNA FOR SALE?**

If you have a used Toyota Sienna that you're not using and would be willing to sell? Please contact Grace Alexandrou if you do.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH PROGRAM**

- **Sunday School:** Sunday school for preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade starts after the Youth Message. Please follow Ms. Grace 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

Grace Alexandrou, *Children's Ministry Director*  
408-440-9639

### **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Please consider joining the choir this season! We will have a wonderful time learning music and praising God through song! If you're new to the choir, please let Chris know you're coming. You may contact him at [crf8203@gmail.com](mailto:crf8203@gmail.com) or call him at (408) 202-8203. Come one come all!

### **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](http://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**.