

St. Luke Lutheran Church

Announcements *March 31, 2024*

Ministers: *All members of the congregation!*

Pastor: Rev. Dan Tisdell

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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	Easter Sunday Brunch	8:45 AM – 9:45 AM
	Easter In-Person Worship Service & Live Stream	10:00 AM (Sunday school during service)
	Fellowship (Kurtz Hall)	11:15 AM
	Easter Egg Hunt	11:15 AM
Monday	Scout Troop #493 & Troop #442 (Kurtz Hall)	7:00 PM
Tuesday	2 nd Harvest Food Distribution (Kurtz Hall)	7:30 AM – 10:30 AM
	Staff Meeting (Church Office)	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study (Zoom)	10:00 AM
	Bell Choir Practice	6:30 PM
	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	7:30 PM
Thursday	Bible Study (Zoom)	6:00 PM
Friday	SCLC Chapel (Sanctuary)	3:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Saturday	CCNS Moving into M.E.B.	

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.

A THANK YOU FROM PASTOR DAVID BOWMAN

Pastor David sends his Thank You to us for the opportunity to lead his Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark. Unfortunately, he is not able to continue. He enjoyed the classes and is grateful for the class questions and in-depth discussions. We who attended have been enriched by his deep knowledge of Scripture with particular attention to Mark's Gospel and how it compares and contrasts to those of Matthew, Luke, and John.

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

ACP PLEDGES SOARING!!

Aimee is waiting to plant those last 20,000 seeds to reach our goal of \$300,000 to relaunch Amazing Creations Preschool. Let's see if she can do the planting before her school break is over!

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. We are a little less than \$20,000 of our goal.

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?

The Director Interview Committee will start interviewing for the director position during the first week of April. Pray that the right person for this position will apply!!

For more information, please contact Mary Hendrickson at mary.hendrickson4@comcast.net.

2024-25 NOMINATING COMMITTEE AT WORK!

The Nominating Committee will begin meeting next month to select your Council for next year. If you are interested in any particular area, please contact one of the committee members. If you are asked to serve in a Chair capacity, or on a Board, please give it your prayerful consideration. The work of the Council is important; the Council makes decisions that affect St. Luke now and in the future. During the past few years some of the Council work has included the remodel of the Mitchell Education Building, the Amazing Creations relaunch, and the upgrading of the playground.

Areas of the Council include: President, President Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, Financial Secretary, Elders. The Boards: Worship, Witness, Stewardship, Service, Learning, Facilities, Youth.

For more information, contact one of your 2024-25 Committee Members:
Pastor Dan, Mary Hendrickson, Kirk Autsen, Nancy Watz

5th SUNDAY – TODAY – 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 5th 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 5th Sunday is on March 31st, 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 31st 5th Sunday Special Offering.

We request that you prayerfully consider a generous gift, **in addition to your normal offering**, for this 5th 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 "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

SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH PROGRAM

- **Sunday School:** Sunday school for preschool – 5th 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 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, 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.