

# St. Luke Lutheran Church

## *Announcements December 1, 2024*

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

**Pastor:** Rev. Dan Tisdell  
**Youth Director:** Grant Hannon  
**Office Phone:** 408-736-9216

**Organist:** Beth Stauter  
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**Web:** [stlukechurch.org](http://stlukechurch.org)

### **Amazing Creations Preschool**

**Preschool Director:** Julianna "Juli" Buccellato

**Phone Line:** 408-730-0365

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**Website:** [www.AmazingCreationsPreschool.net](http://www.AmazingCreationsPreschool.net)

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

**For all who are in need of God's healing and guidance, especially:** The Peters & Helene Ryan Families, Acly Family, Sandi Wilkening & Family, Beauchemin Family, Lisa Pierce, Ruth Eggen & Family, 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 Leiyoole, 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 (Sunday school during worship service) Fellowship (Kurtz Hall) ..... 11:15 AM Round Dancing (Kurtz Hall) ..... 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM Youth Group (Youth Outpost) ..... 6:00 PM
Monday	Scout Troop #493 & Troop #442 (Kurtz Hall) ..... 7:00 PM
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Harvest Food Distribution (Kurtz Hall) ..... 7:30 AM – 10:30 AM Staff Meeting (Office) ..... 10:30 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study (Zoom) ..... 10:00 AM Advent Soup Supper (Kurtz Hall) ..... 6:00 PM Advent Service (Kurtz Hall) ..... 6:45 PM Choir Practice (Sanctuary) ..... 7:30 PM
Thursday	Private Dance Event (Kurtz Hall) ..... 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM Bible Study (Zoom) ..... 7:00 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.

### **WE NEED YOUR PORTRAITS!**

Thank you for updating all of your personal information for our new church directory! Now comes the fun part - you decide which favorite photo of you and/or your family will be showcased next to your contact information. Please submit only portraits taken in vertical orientation. If you don't have a photo to submit, Denise Tsang can help.

Please submit all photos to Letty Lucero or Denise Tsang by email at your earliest convenience.

### **SAVE THE DATE: ADVENT SOUP SUPPERS AND SERVICE**

Our upcoming Advent Soup Suppers and Services will begin this Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy yummy homemade soups, delicious salads, and tasty desserts. Dinners start at 6:00 pm, followed by a short service to nourish the soul.

We will continue our Advent soup suppers on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

## **2025 COMMITMENT CARDS STILL BEING COLLECTED**

God has blessed each of us abundantly. Out of gratitude, we want to return a portion of what we have received. As disciples of Christ, we want to experience a life of generosity and to lead others to living this way.

If you were not here for Commitment Sunday (Oct 27th) but would still like to dedicate a portion of your "first fruits", there is time to do so. We will leave the Temple Chest as well as some extra 2025 Commitment Cards in the Narthex for a couple of weeks. As always, your pledges are kept strictly confidential and are only known by our Financial Secretary who collects and records the totals.

Keep in mind that we will once again do conservative budgeting for 2025 that will rely heavily on the pledges that we as a congregation made during Commitment Sunday as well as any remaining pledges submitted by households over the remainder of the month of November. As always, the budget will drive staff salaries, mission support, benevolence, and community outreach programs.

Peace and blessings, Caroline Wolf and Kathleen Peters, Chair and Vice-Chair, Stewardship

## **SEE'S CANDY FUNDRAISER**

The Women of St. Luke's See's Candies Fundraiser is back! A little something sweet is always welcome! Please see or call Marlene Custer with your order. Marlene will be in Kurtz Hall all 4 Sundays of November after worship service. The candy order deadline is Sunday, November 24, 2024. You will be advised when your order arrives in early December - they will be individually bagged and tagged for pick up in the church office during business hours between 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Thank you for your support!

## **ANNUAL HOLIDAY TEEN DRIVE**

Dear St. Luke Family and Friends,

We are excited to announce our **Annual Holiday Teen Drive**, partnering with **Sunnyvale Community Services** to support high-risk teens in our community. This year, we are collecting **gift cards, pajamas, and other essential goods** to make the holiday season brighter for these young individuals. We are also accepting monetary donations (write a check to St. Luke Lutheran Church, include "**Holiday Teen Drive**" on the memo line)

A **collection box** will be placed at the back of the church throughout the month of **November** for your donations.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact **Jacob** or **Brandon**:

- **Brandon:** Brandopang@gmail.com
- **Jacob:** [spartenlocker124@gmail.com](mailto:spartenlocker124@gmail.com)

Thank you for your generosity and support in making a difference this Holiday Season in the lives of these Teens.

Blessings,  
Jacob and Brandon

### **ACP WEBSITE IS NOW LIVE!**

Amazing Creations Preschool's new website is now live! You can go directly there using the link below or it can be accessed by going to the St. Luke website, [stlukechurch.org](http://stlukechurch.org), and then clicking on the 'Ministries' tab up top and then clicking on the 'Pre-school' link.

### **ACP's LEGACY LANE BUY-A-BRICK FUNDRAISER**

**LEGACY LANE** will be in front of the sidewalk entrance to ACP. There are now stones in the area, but as bricks are added, the stones will be removed. **LEGACY LANE** will be an ongoing fundraising project for members, parents and alumni. The money will be used for ACP capital improvements.

The bricks will be **4" x 8" with three (3) lines of writing available on each brick, with no more than 20 characters and spaces on each line**. The writing will be centered on the bricks.

**The cost of a brick is \$300.** Deadline for the second round of orders and installation TBD.

For now, payment is by check, made out to "*Amazing Creations Preschool*", with "*Brick*" on the memo line. Drop off at ACP or the St. Luke office, or mail to – 1025 The Dalles Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Thank you for supporting Amazing Creations Preschool and the next generation of preschool children.

**Email:** [AmazingCreationsPreschool@yahoo.com](mailto:AmazingCreationsPreschool@yahoo.com)  
**Phone:** 408-730-0365

### **FRUITSHARING.COM - SHARING YOUR BACKYARD ABUNDANCE**

Dear St. Luke Family & Friends,

We are excited to introduce Fruit Sharing, a community service project started by Jacob Su and Brandon Pang. This project aims to reduce backyard produce waste

and provide healthy options for those experiencing food insecurity by sharing your excess fruits and vegetables.

If you have extra produce to donate or need assistance with harvesting, please visit [fruitsharing.com](http://fruitsharing.com) or contact Jacob and Brandon at [fruitsharing1@gmail.com](mailto:fruitsharing1@gmail.com). They will arrange to pick up your donations or help harvest your fruits from your trees. All collected produce will be donated to local food banks and pantries. Also, we can provide donated produce for our homebound church members. You can put in a request through [fruitsharing1@gmail.com](mailto:fruitsharing1@gmail.com).

Thank you for supporting this wonderful effort to give back to our community!

### **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**

### **AMAZING CREATIONS PRESCHOOL AMAZON WISH LIST**

Amazing Creations Preschool, located on the St. Luke Lutheran Church property, has reopened as of October 1, but items are still needed to fill the classrooms and playground. Please consider donating from ACP's Amazon Wish List – after you add items to your Amazon Cart and then Proceed to Checkout, select the “Amazing Creations” Gift Registry Address to have your items delivered directly to ACP. Be sure to select Add Gift Option so we'll know who the items came from. For answers

to your questions, email [AmazingCreationsPreschool@yahoo.com](mailto:AmazingCreationsPreschool@yahoo.com). Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated.



[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/NJ1FQ1SI8T6F?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/NJ1FQ1SI8T6F?ref=wl_share)

### **INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHOIR?**

Choir has a full season of inspirational music coming up and rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM in the choir loft! I'm looking forward to reconnecting with the current choir members and welcoming new people into our group! If you are new to choir, please send me (Chris Frye) an email at [crf8203@gmail.com](mailto:crf8203@gmail.com). It's going to be a great year, please consider making this year the year you join choir!

**See you in the Choir Loft!**

### **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 – 5<sup>th</sup> 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](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.