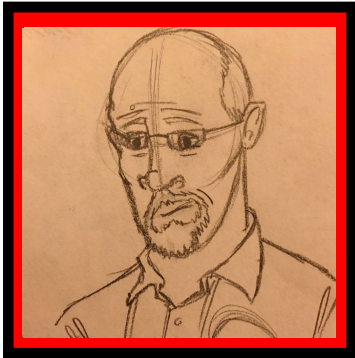


# St. Luke Lutheran Church

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

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**Dan Tisdell**  
Pastor

1 Corinthians 6: 19-20-

*<sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup>For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.*

I was born with a very rare disease that affects many different parts of my body. It affects my joints, especially my knees and hips, it affects my kidneys, it even affects my fingernails, among other, less common things. I could never run very fast, because my knees wouldn't let me, and while my fingernails are just a surface, less impeding issue, it also always made me feel weird and very different from everyone else. So, when I heard the term "your body is a temple" in church and other places, I thought...yeah...a broken down, weird kind of temple...

The truth is many people are born with physical limitations and even birth defects. Many people have health challenges from birth or early childhood. We develop health issues as we age. But this doesn't mean that our physical body is still not a gift

from God and a temple that we should take great care of.

As I write this, I was recently discharged from Good Samaritan hospital. I had a cold which caused me to have an elevated resting heartrate. All of which could have been diagnosed quickly, sending me home after a day or two, but while there, the doctors found two other conditions which I had endured for a long time and never knew. So I stayed several days longer to look into these more serious problems with my heart and lungs. If I had not gone in with these milder symptoms, these deeper and more serious conditions might never have been found. So I praise and thank God that I will be able to address them and live a longer and more healthy life.

I like to say that the Bible never says life won't be hard. Instead, what it says is that life will often be hard, but that God will be with us through the hard times. You could make a similar analogy with our bodies. God never said our bodies would be perfect in every way, but God did promise that God would work in and through our bodies and in that way, we are God's handiwork even down to the weird birth defect notch on my left ear!

We are beautiful in our imperfection. We are beautiful even in the parts of us that don't always work right.

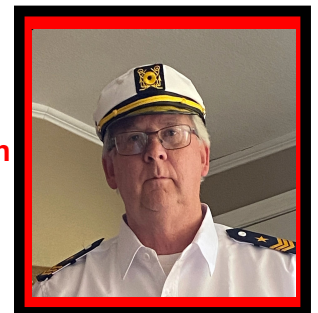
It can be hard to thank God in the midst of difficult times, and, in the same way, it can be hard to thank God for bodies that sometimes don't work the way they are supposed to. But isn't that focusing on the wrong thing? We

have abundant life, and beautiful bodies, and we focus on the negative, often minor deficiencies instead of the abundant life we have been given. If we focus on the way our bodies don't work, we forget about all we have been given. We never know how much time on earth we have left, but with whatever body we've got, we need to make the most of it. We are called to use our bodies to love and care for people, to preach the gospel of good news for all people through our words and bodily actions, to see the beauty of all of creation, to praise the Lord in and with our bodies, just as they are.

So now I thank God for my body, broken parts and all, because with it I can praise the Lord while I have breath and my heart still beats.

**Kirk Autsen**

Council  
President



## Council President's Corner

It's now the month of May which brings new life. All the trees have new leaves and flowers are blooming. It is like that with the Church, Easter has come with Jesus alive again. Just think how the disciples and his followers felt seeing Jesus alive again, it must have been overwhelming joy. Jesus stayed another 40 days and saw over 500

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**Grant  
Hannon**  
*Youth Director*  
**Youth  
News**



**Julianna  
"Juli"  
Bucellato**  
*ACP Director*



Hi Everyone!

After a whirlwind of Holy Week and Easter I look back on it with a lot of joy and celebration. We partnered with ACP for our Easter egg hunt and because of the hard work of so many people we were able to stuff 4000 eggs, collect over 200 stuffed animals, & set up 3 eggs hunts. As many of you saw we had over 400 kids at our Easter events and we were able to give away every egg and stuffed animal that we collected. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make Easter such a success!

The week after we hosted our Italian dinner fundraiser and we are so thankful for all of people that came to support the youth! We were able to raise a lot of money for our youth program and we were able to do a great dinner for everyone. If you missed out, next year you should definitely join!

Looking forward, we have paintballing for the youth on May 18th and we are planning other events for June. Keep an eye out for those!



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Grant Hannon  
*Youth Director*  
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Happy Easter!

ACP is growing! We now have 8 students enrolled! We have several children signed up for summer camp and 7 students joining us in the Fall! I hope you were able to watch the slide show during Easter Breakfast and see a little of what we have been up to. I would like to extend an invitation to everyone in the congregation. If you are curious about what is happening at the school and would like to see what is happening, schedule a tour. I would love to show you around. Please continue to pray for our families and the families that will be joining us.

March was a busy month. We studied animals and their habitats and started our spring garden. A big Thank you to Walt for helping with the garden. The children love to be able to care for the plants and are looking forward to having fresh carrots to eat again! We are also looking forward to getting tomatoes, pumpkins and maybe so watermelons planted. We planted sweet peas and other wildflowers for the bees.

I am beginning to gather supplies for Summer Camp. Please save cardboard boxes for us (shoe box size or smaller). I will also be putting up a display of other "recyclables" we can use. We will use these materials during our construction week at the end of June and throughout the summer in our maker space. This

space allows the children to explore materials and create all kinds of things!

Happy Easter! He is Risen!

Juli Bucellato

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**Council President's  
Corner**

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people before returning to heaven. Those 500 witnesses surely told as many friends and family about what they saw and here we are still talking about Jesus 2000 years later. He has Risen! Hallelujah! Our Jesus is alive and we are witnesses to the miracles that are still happening because of Jesus. The New Testament has 27 books but the first 4 books are about the life and death of Jesus so you would think the story ends there. But the story continues in the next 23 books and continues today as we still tell the story of God's love through his Son. We need to tell the story. Share your story with others on your relationship with Jesus or ask someone about theirs.

If you haven't been getting into the Word, make it a point everyday to open your Bible and read a passage. Maybe choose a devotional, we have two that are free for you in the back of the Church (Portals of Prayer or Christ in Our Home) feel free to take one. Also think about joining a Bible study, we have few to choose from or start one of your own, we can help with some resources. Remember God is a Loving God, in **John 3:17** it says: For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Amen.



**Mark & Kathleen Peters: 26 yrs. -**  
May 15, 1999

**Tim & Song Su: 24 yrs. -**  
May 19, 2001

# The Church Calendar - May 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM ACP Chapel (Preschool)  6:15 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	<b>2</b>  3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sunny Chinese Learning Center Chapel (Sanctuary)	<b>3</b>
<b>4 3rd Sunday of Easter</b> 10:00 AM In-Person Worship & Live Stream (Sunday School during Worship Service) 11:15 AM Fellowship (Kurtz Hall) 11:30 Confirmation Class (Youth Outpost) 2:00 PM Round Dancing (Kurtz Hall)  6:00 PM Youth Group (Youth Outpost)	<b>5</b>  7:00 PM Scout Troop #493 & Scout Troop #442 (K.H.)	<b>6</b> 7:30 AM - 10:30 AM 2nd Harvest Food Bank Distribution (Kurtz Hall) 10:30 AM Staff Meeting (Church Office)	<b>7</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study (Zoom) 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Text Study (Kurtz Hall)  7:30 PM Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	<b>8</b> 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM ACP Chapel (Preschool)  6:15 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	<b>9</b>  3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sunny Chinese Learning Center Chapel (Sanctuary)	<b>10</b>  12:00 PM - 5:00 PM Private Recital (Kurtz Hall)
<b>11 4th Sunday of Easter</b> 10:00 AM In-Person Worship & Live Stream (Sunday School during Worship Service) 11:15 AM Fellowship (Kurtz Hall) 11:30 AM Elder's Meeting (K.H.) 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Confirmation Class (Youth Outpost) 2:00 PM Round Dancing (Kurtz Hall) 6:00 PM Youth Group (Youth Outpost)	<b>12</b>  7:00 PM Scout Troop #493 & Scout Troop #442 (K.H.)	<b>13</b> 10:30 AM Staff Meeting (Church Office) 11:30 AM Witness Meeting (Kurtz Hall)	<b>14</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study (Zoom) 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Text Study (Kurtz Hall)  7:30 PM Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	<b>15</b> 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM ACP Chapel (Preschool)  7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	<b>16</b>  3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sunny Chinese Learning Center Chapel (Sanctuary)	<b>17</b>  9:00 AM St. Luke Work Day
<b>18 5th Sunday of Easter</b> 10:00 AM In-Person Worship & Live Stream (Sunday School during Worship Service) 11:15 AM Fellowship (Kurtz Hall) 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Confirmation Class (Youth Outpost) 2:00 PM Round Dancing (Kurtz Hall) 6:00 PM Youth Group (Youth Outpost)	<b>19</b>  7:00 PM Scout Troop #493 & Scout Troop #442 (K.H.)	<b>20</b> 7:30 AM - 10:30 AM 2nd Harvest Food Bank Distribution (Kurtz Hall) 10:30 AM Staff Meeting (Church Office)  7:00 PM Council Meeting (Kurtz Hall)	<b>21</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study (Zoom) 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Pastor's Text Study (Kurtz Hall)  6:30 PM Bell Choir Practice 7:30 PM Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	<b>22</b> 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM ACP Chapel (Preschool)  7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)	<b>23</b>  3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sunny Chinese Learning Center Chapel (Sanctuary)	<b>24</b>
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# May 2025 Calendar of Worship Volunteers

If you are unable to serve any of the positions below, please get a substitute and notify Letty by 12 PM on the Wednesday prior to your date of service at (408) 736-9216 of the change. Thank you!

<u>Readings</u>	<u>Acolytes &amp; Crucifier</u>	<u>Assisting Min/Cantor</u>	<u>Eucharist</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>
<b>May 4, 2025 - 3rd Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Children's Message: Pastor Dan Tisdell</b>					
Acts 5:27-32 Psalm 30 Rev. 5:11-14 John 21:1-19	TBD TBD	Linda Baginski Setting III	Kirk Autsen Danae Moreno	Roy Tuason	Shirley Loo Denise Tsang Wendy Callahan
<b>May 11, 2025 - 4th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Children's Message: Kirk Autsen</b>					
Acts 9:36--4:3 Psalm 23 Rev. 7:9-17 John 10:22-30	TBD TBD	Tim Tsang Setting III	Sue Hutchins Roy Tuason	Mark Keny	Shirley Loo Denise Tsang Tim Tsang
<b>May 18, 2025 - 5th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Children's Message: Grant Hannon</b>					
Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148 Rev. 21:1-6 John 13:31-35	TBD TBD	Walt Wilser Setting IV	Laura Rubio Danae Moreno	Tim Tsang	Shirley Loo Denise Tsang Tim Tsang
<b>May 25, 2025 - 6th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Children's Message: Andy Wadsworth</b>					
Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 Rev. 21:10, 22--22:5 John 14:23-29	TBD TBD	Mark Kent Setting III	Tim Tsang Denise Tsang	Oliver Smith	Shirley Loo Denise Tsang Tim Tsang
<b>June 1, 2025 - 7th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Children's Message: Pastor Dan Tisdell</b>					
Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97 Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 John 17:20-26	TBD TBD	Chris Frye Setting III	Roy Tuason Theresa Tuason	Grant Hannon Tim Tsang	Shirley Loo Denise Tsang

## MAY GREETERS - FRONT DOOR

May 04 - TBD  
May 11 - Sandi Wilkening  
May 18 - Doug & Doriann Shreve  
May 25 - Sandi Wilkening

## MAY GREETERS - SIDE DOOR

May 04 - Roy & Theresa Tuason  
May 11 - Don & Loretta Merry  
May 18 - Roy & Theresa Tuason  
May 25 - Don & Loretta Merry



## MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 17, 2025



## GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 18, 2025



## EASTER VIGIL - APRIL 19, 2025



## EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 20, 2025



## Donate Hygiene Items



### For sleeping and cleanliness:

Backpacks, sleeping bags, blankets, pillows, sheets, towels, washcloths, soap, toothpaste and tooth brushes, 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

— The Witness Team



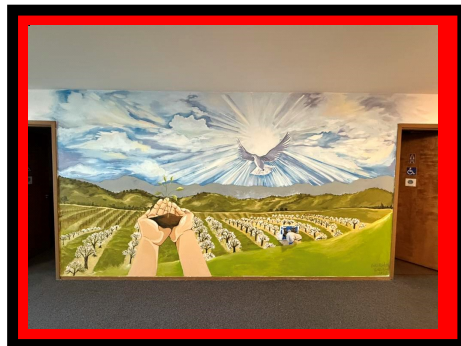
**May 05** - Caroline Wolf  
**May 08** - Charles Peterson  
**May 12** - Kevin Callahan  
**May 14** - Terry Callahan  
**May 14** - Dan Tisdell  
**May 18** - Linda Baginski  
**May 24** - Elizabeth White  
**May 26** - W.L. Loo  
**May 28** - Doug Shreve

## **PERSONAL CARE CAFE** **SERVES THE HOMELESS -** **HOW YOU CAN HELP IN THIS** **SEASON**

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...

Items needed include anything you might need on a camping trip without a store nearby.

## **NEW MURAL IN THE** **ST. LUKE OLD NARTHEX**



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### ***Worship Times***

**Sunday Worship Service \*** (In-person and streaming)

10:00 AM

**\*Sunday School \***

(during Worship Service)

**Fellowship after worship**

11:15 AM

**Confirmation Class**

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**Youth Group**

6:00 PM

# To:

