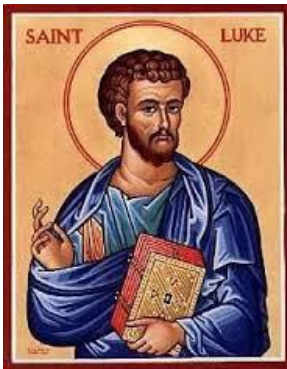


St. Luke's Lutheran Church
News and Announcements
March 10, 2019



Welcome to Saint Luke's Lutheran Church in Obelisk! Holy Communion is celebrated at the 10:15 a.m. service on the first Sunday of the month.

On the third Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. our praise band *Messenger* leads worship in the Fellowship Hall. Visitors are invited to take a visitor bag from near the outside door.

St. Luke's welcomes you to our weekday events:

Monday

- 7:00 p.m. *Messenger* Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Ed. Mtg.

Tuesday

- 7:00 p.m. Knitting Group in Welcome Center

Wednesday

- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service
- 8:00 p.m. Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

- 8:00 a.m. Ladies' Breakfast

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:15 a.m. Praise Service

A **nursery** is available during the 10:15 a.m. worship for children up to 5 years old. Children's bulletins are also available to keep those little hands occupied during worship.

☞ PLEASE ☞
NO MORE JARS UNTIL FURTHER REQUESTS!

A New Way to Give: Tithe.ly

St. Luke's Lutheran is excited to partner with Tithe.ly to expand the ways financial donations can be made to our church. Tithe.ly is an online service that provides the ability to make donations thru a website, a mobile app, and a portable kiosk. It also provides a way to manage pledge donations and provide end of year tax reporting. Tithe.ly is endorsed by the ELCA and we think it's a great way to grow our donations as well as streamlining our back-office accounting. The Finance committee is currently in the process of rolling out this new tool so keep an eye out for future announcements and presentations.

St. Luke's Now Has *Soup for Giving*:

We have frozen Turkey soup & rolls available in quart size bags located in the kitchen freezers, courtesy of the Turkey Supper, Candice Love, Nicole Greer & Eve Gehringer. Going forward, the Discipleship Committee will coordinate efforts to prepare soup to keep on hand for those in need. Please keep in mind, those who've had recent hospitalizations, new birth's, those experiencing a difficult time, trauma, divorce, financial difficulty, job loss, etc. Let's use these meals as a way of sharing God's love with one another and support someone during a challenging time. If you have questions or if you'd like to help contribute to the next batch, please contact Nicole Greer 610-306-4380 or email her at nicolegreer0203@gmail.com.

Crafting for a Cause

Come out on March 26th at 6:00 p.m. to AR Workshop in Gilbertsville to create something special! The workshop can hold up to 30 guests. Guests can bring drinks (Beer, Wine, or Non-Alcoholic) as well as snacks and food. The workshop benefits the Helping Hands' Social and Recreational Program. Please visit the website to register. The event password is craftingforacause (all lower case)

<https://www.arworkshop.com/gilbertsville/events/private-fundraiser-event-crafting-for-a-cause-helping-hands-inc/>.

St. Luke's Homebound People

Mary Townsley (610-823-1558) townsley123@aol.com and Gwen Semmens (215-872-1046) hawksmer@comcast.net are working to reestablish providing meals for those members of our church in need (i.e. after surgery, etc.) We are asking for volunteers to make a meal, deliver meals and to notify us of members in need. Please contact one of us with your information. Thank you.

Calling All Artists!

St. Luke's is hosting its first Food and Art Festival on May 5th from 12pm-5pm. If you would like to register your food truck or host a craft table contact Candice Love at eddiretor@stlukeslutheran.church, by phone 267-625-9650 or visit <http://stlukeslutheran.church/the-2019-food-and-art-festival/> Proceeds benefit the St. Luke's Ministry and Youth Programs.

Welcome Center - Refreshments Needed

Please consider volunteering to be a regularly scheduled host in 2019. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions about what is involved, please contact Irene Sassaman @ 610-473-0810.

Worship Assistants Needed

We are in need of worship assistants – Head Ushers, Greeters, Ushers, Acolytes, Communion Assistants, and Altar Guild, for both the 8:00 a.m. and the 10:15 a.m. services. If you are able and willing to serve, you may contact the church office (610-754-7762) or office@stlukeslutheran.church).

Borrowing Kitchen Equipment

If any equipment is borrowed from the kitchen, the borrower should notify the church secretary and leave contact information and when it is to be returned. The church secretary will cc the kitchen committee members so that all are aware. Upon return it should be clean, intact, and in good working order. Thank you.

Daily Bread Community Food Pantry

Thank you for the food and other household items for the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry. Please leave the food in the counting room. Envelopes are available in both buildings if you want to contribute money to the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry at any time. Thank you!

St. Luke's Website:

Have you checked out our website lately? You may notice that it's been updated and is being updated with our current events all thanks to the efforts of Michelle Bergman. So, if you are in charge of an upcoming event or know of something that's worth mentioning on our website for either our members or the community to know, please remember to let Michelle know so that she can keep the website current. Help her, help us! And a big THANK YOU to Michelle for all your hard work! Contact her at 610-909-2017 or email Michelle at mickie1827@gmail.com Check out our website @ stlukeslutheran.church

CHOP's Philly Spin-In!

I will be spinning for the third year to raise money to support cardiac research and care at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)! Approximately 40,000 babies are born each year in the United States with a Congenital Heart Defect (CHD).

Congenital heart defects are the most common types of birth defects and nearly 1 in 100 babies are born with a heart defect in the United States each year. Many heart defects don't need treatment or can be fixed easily. But some can cause serious health problems or death. Today, most heart defects can be corrected or helped with surgery, medicine, or devices, such as artificial valves and pacemakers. In the last 25 years, advances in treatment of heart defects have enabled half a million U.S. children with significant heart defects to survive into adulthood. CHOP has been on the forefront and has made incredible breakthroughs. Please help babies with congenital heart defects by supporting innovative cardiac research and care at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia!

Please consider donating to my fundraising page at:

<https://chop.donordrive.com/participant/Cynthia-Field> If you prefer to write a check — make it payable to "CHOP Foundation — Philly Spin-In," add "Cynthia Field" in the memo line — Thank you in advance for your help and support! Cindy Field (Manes)

Redner's Warehouse Save-a-Tape

Thank you to everyone who has been saving Redner's grocery tapes. Please keep saving those tapes.....just remember to use the Save-A-Tape card when you shop at Redner's. If you forget it, just ask the cashier to swipe their card. There is a collection box in the mailroom and the church narthex. If you have any questions, ask Doug Killough at 610-754-7618. Thanks again for your support.

Faith, Diversity and Inclusion Discussion-Interfaith Compassion

Guest speakers, Kevin McCafferty, practicing Buddhist and Dyshea Smith, practicing Muslim will lead a discussion on compassion across faith-based communities. Sunday, March 24th, noon.

Drive Thru History –

Acts to Revelation Video Series

- Starting on March 17th (and every 3rd Sunday other than Easter) a new small group series is beginning at the church. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall from 7 – 8:30 p.m. The program is suitable for the entire family. The evening begins with a social time, followed by the video and then a short discussion period. Bring a light snack along to share.
- In Drive Thru History, narrator Dave Stotts explores the amazing lives of the very first Christians. Beginning in Jerusalem and using the Books of Acts as a roadmap, Dave travels the Mediterranean region to share the people, places, and events that launched the Christian Faith. Over 18 episodes, we'll investigate what happened after the Gospel accounts of Jesus Christ. Dave follows the lives of the disciples through Israel and travels the missionary routes of Paul and his companions. We finish with John on the island of Patmos and drive through the seven churches of Revelation in Asia Minor. Each episode is a half hour long.
- For more information contact Candice Love -267-625-9650 or (eddirector@stlukeslutheran.church)

AmazonSmile

Shopping or giving a gift card to someone to Amazon? Shop at AmazonSmile and register St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Zieglerville, PA as your charity....5% of the price of your eligible purchase will go to St. Luke's whenever you shop on AmazonSmile.

Monthly Women's Breakfast Get-Together

Please come out and join us at 8:30 A.M. on March 16th at Brookside Family Restaurant, 1338 N Charlotte St., Pottstown. Please feel free to invite any women who you think might enjoy attending our monthly breakfast meeting. We hold breakfast get-togethers on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

Steve & Debbie Buckner, Missionaries

The Mission Committee, with the approval of Council, is asking the congregation to support Steve & Debbie Buckner, who are serving as missionaries at a Children's residential home in San Buenaventura, Honduras. For 2019 the goal is \$3,000. Envelopes are available in the Narthex and the Mailroom for any size contribution. *May those who have been blessed, become blessings to others.*

Geranium Sale

The Frederick Living Residents Association is sponsoring the annual geranium sale in time for Mother's Day. The proceeds from the sale will be used for the residents of Frederick Living. The cost of each 4 ½" pot is \$4.25. Also, we have 12 inch planters of four geraniums with vinca for \$23.00 and mixed annual hanging baskets for \$19.00. Pots and Planters come in the following colors: red, pink, white and salmon. An order form is available in the mail room, or from Mary Townsley or Linda Mertz. Please total your orders on the form with payment attached and submit to Mary or Linda no later than 3/30/19. Payment by check made payable to FLRA or cash. Orders must be picked up on Friday, May 10th from the Welcome Center. Times to be announced. Any questions? Call Mary at 610-823-1558 or Linda at 610-652-2028
OR email: Mary at townsley123@aol.com
or Linda at RealtorLAMertz@aol.com

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Worship attendance for March 3: 100 (8:00 a.m. service – 40; 10:15 a.m. service – 60)

At the Congregational Meeting on January 27, 2019 the members voted on the 2019 budget.

	Contribution Goal as of 3/3/19	Actual Giving as of 3/3/19	Under Goal as of 3/3/19
General Fund "Current"	\$46,353	\$39,838	(\$6,515)
Property, Maintenance & Improvements (PMI)	\$2,596	\$2,428	(\$168)
Building Fund	\$2,510	\$1,277	(\$1,233)
	Projected Costs as of 3/3/19	Actual Costs as of 3/3/19	Under Goal as of 3/3/19
Total Costs (Expenses)	\$57,724	\$52,637	(\$5,087)

For more details the monthly Balance Sheet and Income Statement is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please consider increasing your giving to help support the important programs and missions of St. Luke's. It's simple to give online – go to www.stlukeslutheran.church and click on the Online Giving Button.

This week's service assistants:

8:00 a.m.

Head Usher – David Semmens
 Greeters – John Rose, Sr., John Rose, Jr.
 Acolyte – Volunteer
 Assisting Minister – Smoky Panepinto
 Welcome Center: Deb & Dave Swank

10:15 a.m.

Head Usher – Nelson Swartley
 Greeters – Eve Gehringer, Madison Gehringer
 Ushers – Herman Rose, Carrie Huffman
 Acolyte – Alaina Gehringer
 Reader – Carol Welch
 Nursery – Pat Stonerook, Michelle Bergman
 (No Welcome Center)
 Counters: Connie Panepinto, Don White,
 Charlotte Christman

Next Week's Service Assistants

8:00 a.m.

*Head Usher – David Semmens
 Greeters – Joyce Brothers, Spencer Brothers
 Acolyte – Volunteer
 Assisting Minister – Clark VanBuskirk
 Welcome Center: Irene Sassaman*

10:15 a.m.

*Head Usher – Nelson Swartley
 Greeters – Allyson Breidor, Greg Incollingo
 Ushers – Madison Gehringer, Lauren Huffman
 Power Point - Volunteer
 Reader – Lance Breidor
 Nursery – Melissa Stenn, Courtney Stenn
 Welcome Center: Heather & Josh Leneweaver
 Counters: Marty Jordan, Dennis Faust, Greg Incollingo*

PRAYER REQUESTS – March 10, 2019

Members Of Saint Luke's Church

Rocky & Elaine Alderfer, Spencer Brothers, Shirley Burger, Pauline Hunsberger, Barry Isett, Betty Mest, Ben Meyers, Jack Quigg, Joseph Reiter, Ken Waszena, Wayne C. Wilkie, Ashley Young, Kathleen Young, Jeff Zawada

Friends Of Saint Luke's Church

Anna & family

Family of friend of Gwen Semmens

Pat Backhaus

nephew of Jerry & Merlyn Jordan

Brett & his girlfriend's family

Nephew of Jeffrey & Julene Steigelmann

Patti Chidester

Friend of Nancy Schodle

Gene Cogdill

friend of Allen & Irene Sassaman

Garett Coyne

Friend of Ian Kratz

Denny

Nephew of Rocky & Elaine Alderfer

Gene Dugan

Brother-in-law of Candice

Love

Torry Dugan

Niece of Candice Love

Geoffrey Gaines

Nephew of Gail Faust

Joy Giannini

Great-niece of Smoky & Connie Panepinto

Tom Greer

father of Brendan Greer

Gretha & family

Sister-in-law of Paula Bickelman

Hazel

sister of Jerry Jordan

Jerry Herzog

Boss of Dennis Faust

Tony Hines

Relative of Nancy Beck

Michael Hollins

Neighbor of Smoky & Connie Panepinto

Marie Hunsberger

Daughter-in-law of Ken &

Judy Hunsberger

Ron Imboden

good friend of Rich Townsley

Lila

sister of Jerry Jordan

Ricard Lucchesi

Friend of Tracy Wagner

Maverick

Friend of Founds family

Barbara Morris

Former member of St. Luke's

Barbara Rowland

Aunt of John Founds

Sallie

Cousin of Judy Moyer

Randy Sanger

Brother-in-law of Kristin (Manes) Sanger

Steve Schollenberger

Close family friend of Brendan Greer

Doris Stover

Close friend of Kathleen Young

Terry

Former co-worker of Nancy Beck

Tricia & Peggy

Cousins of Chris Quigg

Mary Tumelty

Family friend of Founds family

Michelle Weiss

Friend of Cindy Fields

Linda White

Sister of John Founds

Diane Young

Niece of Kathleen & Stewart Young

Russell Young

brother of Stewart Young

Cathie Zimmerman

Sister-in-law of John & Maureen Founds

Persons In Military Service

Joseph P. Breidor, John P Carmelo, IV, Lt. Darby Driscoll, Capt. Ian Driscoll, Ens. Leah Duff, Justin Halter, Ryan Halter, Jared Kirk, JD & his Unit, Trey Knepp, Greg Kunkle, Dan Marchiano, Andrew Matsko, Guy Row, Kevin Row, Preston Schoenly

Person in Peace Corps – Jonathan King (*nephew of Cindy Fields*)

Prayer Ministry: Maureen Founds is the Prayer Ministry Coordinator. Please call Maureen (610-310-2948) or send an email (foundsiii@yahoo.com).