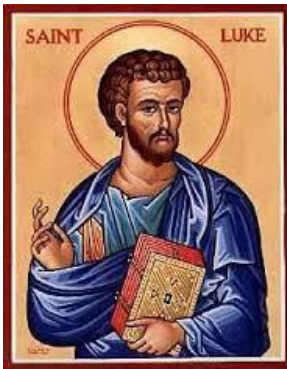


St. Luke's Lutheran Church
News and Announcements
April 7, 2019



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. Music & Worship Comm.
- 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

Thursday

- 7:00 p.m. Mission Committee
- 7:00 p.m. Fiscal Management Committee

Saturday

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:15 a.m. Palm Sunday Worship

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!**

St. Luke's Children's Choir!

The children's choirs are forming now. If you would like to join, contact:

Heidi Rochlin

hrochlin@yahoo.com

or text/call 610-705-2204

Please include your name, your child's name and age, and a preferred rehearsal time!

Thank you!

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

The 2019 theme is "The Great Outdoors."

This FREE annual event for Grades K-6 will be held June 24-28, 5:30 p.m. (dinner), 6-8 p.m. (VBS). WE NEED YOU! Do you have creative ideas, a special skill or talent for kids to learn about Jesus in a fun and creative way? Contact Candice Love to volunteer or share your exciting ideas.

Spring Clean-up Day

Spring Clean-up Day will be held Saturday, April 13 beginning at 9:00 a.m. You are welcome to come and lend a hand! The Church and Christian Education buildings will be cleaned inside and out. For more information, contact Lance Breidor or Dave Semmens.

Easter Breakfast

The Congregational Council is in need of several electric frying pans and a four-slot toaster for the Easter Breakfast. If you are willing to loan one to the Congregational Council, please contact Dennis Faust (luckytownd@comcast.net) or Bob Gehringer (rbrtgehringer@gmail.com).

Food and Art Festival

St. Luke's is hosting its first Food and Art Festival. Bring your friends and family for an exciting day of live music, delicious food, art and craft sales. This community wide event will be held on May 5th from 12pm-5pm at 3206 Big Road, Zieglerville, PA 19492.

If you would like to register your food truck or host a craft table, contact Candice Love at eddiretor@stlukeslutheran.church

Proceeds benefit the St. Luke's Ministry and Youth Programs.

Save the Date!

The 2019 Junefest is scheduled for **Friday, May 31** and **Saturday, June 1** and help is needed to make the event successful! Please take a moment to check your calendars now and set aside time to share your sales and merchandise expertise at Junefest. We are looking for help throughout the week of May 27th and the Junefest weekend. Please consider setting aside time to assist with set-up, pricing, sales, cashiering, and/or pack-up and watch for more communications about how you can support Junefest! Thanks very much to those who have already offered their time and muscle! If you are interested in helping out, please contact Cindy Field (Manes), Connie Panepinto, or Charlotte Christman.

Spring Cleaning?

The Junefest Collection trailer is **HERE!** Just in time for Spring and cleaning out! Items can be dropped off: M-Th 8a-12p; Sundays 8a-12p or call or email Connie Panepinto – 215-234-8301;

panepintos@verizon.net. Please remember we can't accept TVs (of any kind), upholstered couches, mattresses, tires, old paint, children car seats, encyclopedias, textbooks, VHS tapes and large appliances. Please wait to bring clothing, linens and stuffed animals until closer to the event. If you have a question, don't hesitate to call/email Connie or Charlotte Christman – 267-372-4739; christmans4@msn.com

Easter Candy Sale

Hand Dipped Chocolate Eggs

It's that time! Hand dipped chocolate eggs can now be ordered through the Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO). Eggs will be ready for pick up at St. Luke's Lutheran Church by Sunday, April 14.

\$12 for a 1 pound box -
Milk or Dark Chocolate Peanut Butter
Milk or Dark Chocolate Coconut

Stop by the Welcome Center to sign up as a volunteer or collect an ingredient tag to donate items. For questions see any youth group member or Candice Love. All proceeds benefit the youth mission trip.

Stephen Ministries

We are very excited to share that St. Luke's has officially been enrolled in Stephen Ministries. This means that now we can send lay leaders to be trained in the Leadership program. On the week of April 27th - May 4th Pastor Paul & Nicole Greer will be traveling to St. Louis to attend the Stephen Ministries Leaders Training Course. We ask for your prayers during this time of training and learning while we are away from our families and gaining the information needed to begin training Stephen Ministers when we return. We look forward to our future to provide Christian care to the people in our congregation and community who are experiencing difficulties in their lives. "Therefore encourage one another and build up each other." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

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.

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: 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.

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.

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.

Mother's Day Bake Sale

Searching for the perfect Mother's Day gift for mom, grand mom, teachers, friends and family? Visit St. Luke's on Saturday, May 11th 8:00am-12pm for the Mother's Day Bake Sale. This annual event is hosted by the LYO.

Texas Chili Night

Tickets are now available! We invite you to enter your chili recipe in the annual Chili Cook-Off, hosted by the St. Luke's Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO). Join LYO for a night of games, prizes, and entertainment. This event is fun for the entire family. Visit us on Saturday, April 27th at 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$10 adult; \$5 child (ages 3-10). Dinner includes chili, Texas Tommies, Hot Dogs, Baked Potatoes, Nachos with Cheese, Salad, Cornbread, and Dessert. If you would like to enter the Chili Cook-Off, Talent Show or volunteer, see any member of the LYO, Candice Love, or sign up in the Welcome Center.

CHOP's Philly Spin-In Update

“Thank you to all who supported my participation in the 2019 CHOP Philly Spin-In! I was able to reach my personal goal to raise \$300; funds which will be used to help children with cardiac disease. Our spin team, Team Torque, raised over \$12,700 and the Spin-In event total was over \$557,000 and climbing!!!

It was an amazing and exciting day with patients and families sharing their experiences and crowds of people spinning towards a great cause! It was, however, also sobering as a light shown on a single empty spin bike, representing those patients who lost their lives to their heart disease and which served as a reminder that although there have been great strides made to treat pediatric heart conditions, there is still work to be done. Please remember to keep all children with heart disease in your prayers! Thank you again for your support and donations!” - Cindy Field (Manes)

The Seven Last Words of Christ By Theodore Dubois

You are cordially invited to attend a presentation of "The Seven Last Words of Christ", by the combined choirs of Peace In Zion U.C.C., Christ Church U.C.C., St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Palm Schwenkfelder Church, and Reformed Church of the Ascension U.C.C., directed by Elizabeth Francisco, next Sunday (April 14) at 5:00 p.m. at Peace In Zion United Church of Christ, 204 Big Road/Rt. 73, Zieglerville, PA. Irene Sassaman, Grace Gross, Linda Mertz, and Pastor Paul will be singing in the choir. The choir will be accompanied by strings, timpani, and organ. The church is one floor and handicap friendly.

Drive Thru History – Acts to Revelation Video Series

Did you know that St. Luke's has a new small group series? Drive Thru History meets again on May 19th (and every 3rd Sunday other than Easter) from 7 – 8:30 pm, in the Fellowship Hall. The evening begins with a social time, followed by the video and then a short discussion period. Bring a light snack along to share. The program is suitable for the entire family. 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

Monthly Women's Breakfast Get-Together

Please come out and join us at 8:30 A.M. on April 20th 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.

Trailer Needed

The old red shed next to the parking lot has found a new home, but it needs a way to get to the new home. If you or someone you know is willing to loan their trailer for a few hours to move the shed, please contact Josh Leneweaver at 610-212-5687. The trailer must be large enough to handle the shed which is approximately 8 ½ ft. long x 8 ½ feet wide.

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.

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? It is updated with our current events, all thanks to the efforts of Michelle Bergman. So, if you know of something that's worth mentioning on our website, please remember to let Michelle know, so that she can keep the website current. You may contact Michelle at 610-909-2017 or email her at mickie1827@gmail.com

Faith, Diversity and Inclusion Discussion Series

The St. Luke's Youth Ministry and Christian Education (YMCE) program is seeking guest speakers for the Faith, Diversity and Inclusion Discussion Series. During this event, speakers present topics that strengthen relationships and understanding across religious and philosophical perspectives and the role of faith in overcoming obstacles. If you or someone you know would like to present or have ideas on a topic, please see Candice M. Love.

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 \$2,000. Envelopes are available in the Narthex and the Mailroom for any size contribution. *May those who have been blessed, become blessings to others.*

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the May 2019 newsletter is today. You may place your articles in the secretary's mailbox or email them to office@stlukeslutheran.church.

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.

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.

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Worship attendance for March 31: 114 (8:00 a.m. service – 49; 10:15 a.m. service – 65)
 At the Congregational Meeting on January 27, 2019 the members voted on the 2019 budget.

| | Contribution Goal as of 3/31/19 | Actual Giving as of 3/31/19 | Under Goal as of 3/31/19 |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| General Fund "Current" | \$66,954 | \$58,285 | (\$8,669) |
| Property, Maintenance & Improvements (PMI) | \$3,750 | \$3,273 | (\$477) |
| Building Fund | \$3,625 | \$1,570 | (\$2,055) |
| | Projected Costs as of 3/31/19 | Actual Costs as of 3/31/19 | Under Goal as of 3/31/19 |
| Total Costs (Expenses) | \$83,379 | \$68,841 | (\$14,538) |

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 – Kevin & Charlotte Christman
 Acolyte – Volunteer
 Assisting Minister: Joyce Brothers
 Welcome Center: Brenda Foose, Irene Sassaman

10:15 a.m.

Head Usher – Mike Way
 Greeters – Dorothy Richard, Mike Way
 Ushers – Madison Gehringer, Lance Breidor
 Acolyte – Alaina Gehringer
 Assisting Minister – Jerry Jordan
 Nursery – Pat Stonerook, Eve Gehringer
 (No Welcome Center)
 Counters: Brendan & Nicole Greer, Josh
 Leneweaver

Next Week's Service Assistants

8:00 a.m.

Head Usher – David Semmens
 Greeters – John Rose, Sr., John Rose, Jr.
 Acolyte – Volunteer
 Assisting Minister: David Semmens
 Welcome Center: Paula Bickelman

10:15 a.m.

Head Usher – Mike Way
 Greeters – Eve Gehringer, Madison Gehringer
 Ushers – Herman Rose, Allyson Breidor
 Acolyte – Nick Gehringer
 Reader – Carol Welch
 Nursery – Melissa Stenn, Courtney Stenn
 (No Welcome Center)
 Counters: Deneen Kratz, Brenda Foose, Kristen
 Sanger

PRAYER REQUESTS – April 7, 2019

Members Of Saint Luke's Church

Rocky & Elaine Alderfer, Spencer Brothers, Shirley Burger, Sue Fretz & family, John Founds, Pauline Hunsberger, Barry Isett, Jennie Kirkhoff, Betty Mest, Ben Meyers, Emma Pengelly, WRP III, Jack Quigg, Joseph Reiter, Ken Waszena, Wayne C. Wilkie, 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

Richard Bauman III

Husband of Emma Pengelly

Becky

Granddaughter of Richard & Mary Townsley

Gene Cogdill

friend of Allen & Irene Sassaman

Denny

Nephew of Rocky & Elaine Alderfer

Gene Dugan

Brother-in-law of Candice Love

Love

Torry Dugan

Niece of Candice Love

Ginny Field

Mother of Cindy Manes

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

Johnny

Small boy in Tony Jordan's school

Tony Hines

Relative of Nancy Beck

Glenn Hoffman

Friend of Deneen Kratz

Cheryl King

Sister of Cindy Manes

James Kirkhoff

Friend of St. Luke's

Melanie Melle

Friend of Cindy Fields

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

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

Tim Weikel

Son of Cheryl Geiser

Linda White

Sister of John Founds

Diane Young

Niece of Kathleen & Stewart Young

Russell Young

brother of Stewart Young

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).