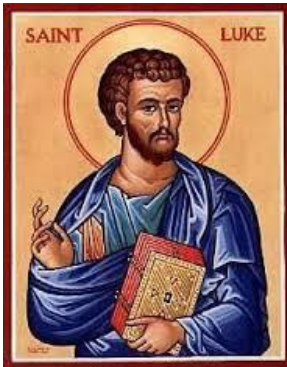


St. Luke's Lutheran Church
News and Announcements
March 1, 2020



Welcome to Saint Luke's Lutheran Church in Obelisk! Holy Communion is celebrated at the 8:00 a.m. service every Sunday and 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

Tuesday

- 6:00 p.m. Conference Committee
- 7:00 p.m. Worship & Music Committee

Wednesday

- 6:00 p.m. LYO
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Service in Fellowship Hall

Sunday

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

Mid-Week Lenten Worship

Mid-Week Lenten worship begins on Mar. 4th, at 7PM, in the Fellowship Hall. The focus will be a Bible Study on Philippians 2:5-11.

Prayer Group

The Weekly Sunday Morning St. Luke's Prayer Group has a new location! We will be meeting in the classroom across from the Youth Group room. Come join us as pray for members and friends of the church, praise the Lord and so much more.

Heidi Rochlin Resignation

Our Director of Music, Heidi Rochlin, has tendered her resignation. She has accepted a position in Exeter, PA, which is very close to her home. Taking this position allows her and her family to be more fully engaged in the life and ministry of a congregation. Her last Sunday with us is today, and we will have a reception for Heidi and her family following the 10:15 service. Heid has been a blessing to St. Luke's and we wish her all the best in her new position.

Worship Assistants Needed

We are in need of worship assistants – Head Ushers, Greeters, Ushers, Acolytes, Communion Assistants, and Altar Guild. If you are able and willing to serve, you may contact the church office (610-754-7762) or office@stlukeslutheran.church). Thank you if you have already volunteered!

Worship Assistant Schedule for March

Please check your email and mailboxes if you volunteer to serve as a worship assistant. The worship assistant schedule for March may be found in your mailboxes, and is posted in the narthex and on the bulletin board across from the pastor's office.

From Audrey Reinhart

“Thank you all for your prayers, cards, and visits during my recent illness. I truly appreciate your care and concern.”

Property Committee Update - February 2020

The Property Committee expects 2020 to be a busy year. Several larger projects are planned, and of course, there are always those surprise repairs that inevitably happen. You may notice that the Fellowship Hall carpeting has been cleaned. The carpet is expected to be replaced later this year, however in the meantime a thorough cleaning was needed.

There has been discussion about replacing the church's main entry door. It is thought that an updated door could present a more inviting 'face' to the public. Bid(s) are in process; this is likely to be done after warmer weather arrives.

Other plans include repairs to the church steeple, updates and possible remodeling in the church basement, stucco repair on the exterior-rear of the Fellowship Hall, repairs/repainting of the exterior stairwell to the church basement, and placement of a memorial plaque honoring Rocky Alderfer; this will be placed on the backstop at the ball field.

Your input about these (and any anticipated projects) is welcome! As St. Luke's is your church, you, the congregation, are asked and encouraged to consider yourselves 'extensions' of the Property Committee... when you notice something either broken, non-functioning or needing attention, please let a committee member know. AND, please take the initiative to clean up spills, cigarette butts or other messes; some things simply shouldn't wait for Josh Yerkes, our part-time Sexton to put them right.

Property Committee:

Dave Semmens, Chair, Charlotte Christman, Secretary

Rob Bickelman, Craig Brendlinger, Kevin Christman, Al Fink, Bob Gehringer, Barry Isett, Jerry Jordan, Linda Mertz, Smoky Panepinto, Dave Rose, Dick Stonerook, Earl Wagner, Mike Way.

Who Are Stephen Ministers?

Stephen Ministers are members of St. Luke's who have gone through 50 hours of training to provide high-quality Christian care to individuals experiencing a crisis or challenge such as divorce, grief, loss of a job, hospitalization, relocation, or loneliness. Stephen Ministers are each assigned a care receiver and meet with that care receiver for about an hour a week. This caring relationship will last for as long as the care receiver needs it.

If you would like to know more about becoming a Stephen Minister, or receive an application to become a Stephen Minister, please speak to one of our Stephen Leaders (Dennis Faust, Gail Faust, Nicole Greer, Pr. Paul) today.

Stephen Ministry also offers a unique course that allows us to discern the gifts God has given us for ministry, and examine how to use those gifts for Ministry here at St. Luke's. The course is entitled "Discovering God's Vision for Your Life: You and Your Spiritual Gifts". This is an 8-hour course, which can be offered in a variety of formats, in which we discuss spiritual gifts, take a spiritual gifts inventory, assess that inventory, and learn what our spiritual gifts are and how we might use them for ministry here at St. Luke's. 10 members of St. Luke's have already taken this course. If you would like to be part of another offering of this course, please speak to one of our Stephen leaders: Dennis Faust, Gail Faust, Nicole Greer, or Pr. Paul.

Church Flea Market

Everyone is invited to the Church Flea Market Planning Meeting Sunday, March 22nd after the 10:15 a.m. service in the Adult Discussion Sunday School Classroom. Bring your ideas and energy. Can't make it but interested in helping? Tell Connie Panepinto or Charlotte Christman. The Flea Market is Friday, June 5th and Saturday, June 6th.

CHOP's Philly Spin-In

I will be spinning again this year to raise money to support innovative cardiac research and care at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). 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.

Please consider supporting me as I participate in a big workout to help little hearts.

I will be dedicating my spin ride in memory of Tyler Quinter, as his mother called him, her lil man and brave CHD Warrior!

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 **The CHOP Foundation**, add "Philly Spin-In" in the memo line — Donations can be accepted until April 15, 2020

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 2020 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.*

Donations for Steve Buckner

St. Luke's raised \$650 for Steve Buckner, our missionary who is recovering from heart surgery. Thanks to everyone who donated.

Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale

Back by Popular Demand! The Gertrude Hawk Candy Bar sale will be available starting today. To purchase your favorite candy bars, please see any member of the LYO. Funds for this event will supplement costs for the 2020 Mission Trip.

In Ian's Boot

Michelle Bergman is collecting gently used shoes, winter boots and soccer cleats for **In Ian's Boot**.

- They accept all types of footwear, all ages and both genders.
- They only accept NEW or GENTLY USED footwear. No holes, cracks, stains, etc.

In Ian's Boots is an organization dedicated to providing footwear to those in need within the United States and around the world. Their mission is to spread the good news of Ian's faith by providing shoes and winter boots to those in need!

<http://www.iniansboots.org/>

Thank you in advance for your help and support!

Cindy Field (Manes)

Quarts and Pint Jars needed!

If you have quart or pint jars, please consider donating them to the church. They are used for pickled cabbage sales, soup, and LYO fundraisers. Please bring clean quarts and pints, with lids and rings if possible, to the kitchen. Please do not bring any other odd sized jars. 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.

Mission Trip Opportunity

Discovery Service Projects has a domestic project in our back yard. If anyone is interested in this opportunity, it is a 2-week home repair project in Dover, Delaware. You can volunteer for the April 19 thru 24 or April 26 thru May 1 sessions. For more information, please contact Marty Jordan at 610-547-3104 or Doug Killough at 610-390-7127.

Box Tops for Education

New Hanover Elementary School is collecting "Box Tops for Education" Official Coupons that may be found on participating brands of crackers, granola bars, cereals, etc. to benefit educational programs at the school. A collection box for coupons is in the mailroom.

Used Computer Printer Ink Cartridges Wanted

Used ink cartridges are being collected as a fund-raiser by the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry. The cartridges are re-furbished/re-filled for resale. Please bring your used cartridges – of any type – and place them in the collection box in the Counting Room across from the church office. They will then be taken to the Pantry along with other donated items. 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.

St. Luke's Scholarships

We are overjoyed with the academic and spiritual growth of our youth and young adults. In support of youth development, St. Luke's Christian Education and Youth Ministry (YMCE) department offers funding to offset costs associated with books and meals for college students and Bear Creek Summer Camp expenses. To apply for funding, find out how you can contribute, or if you have new ideas on ways we can continue to support our families, please contact Candice Love, YMCE Director at eddirector@stlukeslutheran.church or (267) 625-9650.

Discounted Counseling Services

Kevin McCafferty, certified in family counseling and special education has been a therapist since 2001; specializing in family, personal, and couples' therapy. Kevin offers a free initial consultation and discounted rates for follow up appointments. In support of the St. Luke's youth, Kevin will also donate a portion of fees to the St. Luke's Lutheran Youth Organization (LYO). All information is kept strictly confidential and appointments can be held in the home or offsite. If interested, please contact Kevin at 267-342-5342.

✂ St. Luke's Staff ✂

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Michelle Bergman, Website mickie1827@gmail.com	610-909-2017

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Worship attendance for February 23: 79 (8:00 a.m. – 39; 10:15 a.m. – 40)

This Week's Service Assistants

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Head Usher – Volunteer
 Greeters – Kevin & Charlotte Christman
 Acolyte – Volunteer
 Reader – Sharon Killough
 Assisting Minister – Doug Killough
 Welcome Center – Dennis & Gail Faust

10:15 a.m. Holy Communion

Head Usher – Nelson Swartley
 Greeters – Dorothy Richard, Mike Way
 Acolyte – Nick Gehringer
 Assisting Minister – Ron Sekellick
 Nursery – Allyson Breidor, Melissa Bleam
 (No Welcome Center)
 Counters: Connie Panepinto, Lance & Allyson Breidor

Next Week's Service Assistants

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Head Usher – Volunteer
 Greeters – John Rose, Jr., Volunteer
 Acolyte – Volunteer
 Assisting Minister – Charlotte Christman
 Welcome Center – Paula Bickelman

10:15 a.m. Holy Communion

Head Usher – Nelson Swartley
 Greeters – Eve Gehringer, Madison Gehringer
 Acolyte – Gabriel Love
 Reader – (volunteer needed)
 Nursery – Nicole Greer, Michelle Bergman
 (No Welcome Center)
 Counters: Brendan & Nicole Greer, Deneen Kratz

Financial Report as of February 25, 2020

	Budget	Actual
Total Giving/Offering	\$53,325	\$37,956
Total Costs (Expenses)	\$55,327	\$46,733
Net		(\$9,137)
Benevolence Giving	\$507	\$108
Buckner's Missionary Support	\$462	\$417

A detailed income statement and Balance Sheet are posted on the bulletin board across from the Pastor's office.
God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7
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PRAYER REQUESTS – March 1, 2020

Members Of Saint Luke's Church

Gen Adams, Elaine Alderfer, Joyce Brothers, Spencer Brothers, Greta Savage, John Founds, Pauline Hunsberger, Joe & Carol Langton, Betty Mest, Ben Meyers, Barry & Linda Mertz, Jack Quigg, Joseph Reiter, Barbara Rhoads, Roger Rhoads, Herman Rose, Joan Rose, Lee Rose, Ken Waszena, Wayne C. Wilkie, Kathleen Young

Friends Of Saint Luke's Church

Bambi

Friend of Nancy Beck

Dennis Bartchak

Cousin of Judy Hunsberger

Bob Biehn

Friend of Kathleen Young

Richard Borg

Friend of Jeanmarie Oien

Steve Buckner

Missionary in Honduras

Patti Chidester

Friend of Nancy Schodle

Garrett Coyne

Friend of Ian Kratz

Alan Dasilva & Katherine, Lily,
& Noah Dasilva

*Friends who are attending St.
Luke's*

Friends and family of Homer

DeFrain

*Friend & former co-worker of
Nancy Beck*

Linda Dennis

Friend of Nancy Beck

Diane & family (Alex, Shea)

Family of friend of Nancy

Beck

Barbara Filippelli

Cousin of Richard Townsley

Donna Fredrick and family

Husband Terry passed away

Geoffrey Gaines

Nephew of Gail Faust

Joy Giannini

*Great-niece of Smoky &
Connie Panepinto*

Tom Greer

father of Brendan Greer

Tony Hines

Relative of Nancy Beck

Marie Hunsberger

*Daughter-in-law of Judy
Hunsberger*

Ronald Imboden

*Former classmate of Richard
Townsley*

Linda Keyser

Former member of St. Luke's

Russell Kolb

*Friend of Kathleen & Stewart
Young*

Lila

sister of Jerry Jordan

Linda

Friend of Audrey Reinhart

Doris Little

Friend of Nancy Schodle

Maverick

Friend of Founds family

Melanie Melle

Friend of Cindy Fields

Barbara Morris

Former member of St. Luke's

Logan John Moyer

Friend of Founds family

John Natale & family

Family friend of Nancy Beck

Christina Nichol

*Daughter-in-law of Judy
Hunsberger*

John N.

Co-worker of Cindy Field

Barbara Rowland

Aunt of John Founds

Sallie

Cousin of Judy Moyer

Calvin Dietrich Savage

*Grandson of Dennis & Gail
Faust*

Linda Serago & daughters

*Mother-in-law of Marc
Panepinto*

Steve Schollenberger

*Close family friend of
Brendan Greer*

Doris Stover

*Close friend of Kathleen
Young*

Mary Tumelty

*Family friend of Founds
family*

Robert & Lise Way

*Brother & sister-in-law of
Mike Way*

Linda White

Sister of John Founds

Cliff Wood

Brother of Connie Panepinto

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 Driscol, Capt. Ian Driscoll, Ens. Leah Duff, 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)