# St. Luke Lutheran Church

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October 30, 2022

Our Guiding Story and Mission:

The Road to Emmaus: Luke 24:13-35

As the Body of Christ, we proclaim the Gospel by serving and doing God's will in a manner that meets the needs of our changing world.



# Welcome to St. Luke!

We are glad you have joined us today. Visitors are asked to please sign the visitor book at the back of the sanctuary. For more information, please see "News in the Pews" in this bulletin or speak to an usher.

In today's bulletin you will see these abbreviations:

WOV-With One voice-blue hymnal

LBW-Lutheran Book of Worship-green hymnal

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude:** Christ is Made the Sure Foundation - Humphrey Turner *Please stand as you are able* 

## Confession and Forgiveness:

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\pm$  one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

C: Amen.

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

## P: Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

**Opening Hymn:** A mighty fortress is our God—LBW 229

**Apostolic Greeting:** 

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

Prayer of the Day: Please see Celebrate insert

Please be seated

Ministry of Music: Choir: The church's one foundation

For all readings, please see the Celebrate insert

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God

Psalm: Psalm 46:1-11 Read responsively

Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28

The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the eighth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 8:31-36

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

#### The Message

Please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day: Lord, keep us steadfast in your word LBW 230

# Apostles' Creed:

P: Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of Intercession: Please see Celebrate insert

## Passing the Peace:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share his peace with one another. (Congregation may share the peace with a gesture)

**Offering:** Thank you for your offering—mailed or placed in container.

## Offering Prayer:

P: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

C: Amen.

#### **Great Thanksgiving:**

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## Preface:

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Sanctus (Holy, Holy Holy)



P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, (the pastor continues)
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

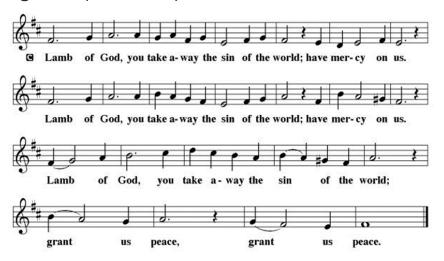
C: Amen

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

## Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



#### **Invitation to Communion:**

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Please be seated

#### Distribution of Communion:

All are welcome and encouraged to receive the forgiveness and community that are given in the bread and wine. Come forward as directed.

Please stand as you are able

# Communion Blessing:

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.





## **Prayer after Communion**

P: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

## Blessing

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: The church's one foundation—LBW 369

# Sending:

P: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: A Mighty Fortress is Our God

# Our worshiping community:

Pastor: Rev. Angela Hammer Minister of Music: Linda Holt

Today's Worship Assistant: Paula Benson Today's Lay Reader: Faith Thunberg Live Streaming Assistant: William Hoffman

Next Sunday's Worship Assistant: Sue DeLong Next Sunday's Lay Reader: Dolly Fasnacht Ministers: The people of St. Luke Church

The flowers for today are given by Mike and Sue DeLong for the love of Jason, our son and for Karen, our friend.

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## This week at St. Luke

## Sunday, October 30 (Reformation Sunday)

8:30 AM Holy Communion

9:30 AM Sunday School (Children/Adults)

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

## Tuesday, November 1 (All Saints Day)

10:00 AM Band Together

11:00 AM Worship/Music Meeting

## Wednesday, November 2

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, November 3

10:00 AM Band Together

10:00 AM Zoom Bible Study with Pastor Angie

11:30 AM-1:00 PM Community Free Meal

7:00 PM Book Club

# Friday, November 4

3:00-7:00 PM TEFAP food distribution

# Next Sunday, November 6—All Saints Sunday

8:30 AM Holy Communion

9:30 AM Sunday School (Children/Adults)

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

7:00 PM Taizé

## Last Week-October 23

Attendance: In-person: 35 Online: 31

Offering: \$2,019 SS Offering: \$34

## **NEWS IN OUR PEWS**

## **Bible Study Opportunities:**

Thursday morning on Zoom - 10:00 AM online with Pastor Angie to look at the texts coming up for the Sunday lectionary. A ZOOM link will be emailed out the week of each study. Contact the church office to be added to the email invitation. Upcoming dates are November 10 and 17.

**Beer & Bible** - A monthly meeting at a local pub for dinner, drinks, and conversation at 6:30 PM. Join us on November 17. Location will be announced once confirmed.

#### **Book Club:**

Thursday November 3 at 7:00PM. All are invited to come and join in the conversation. Please call Richelle Deysher if you have any questions.

#### **Christian Education:**

Sunday School meets at 9:30 in the chapel. Children's class meets weekly and is led by Faith Thunberg, Richelle Deysher, and Sarah Kneller. Adult class is led by Scott Rights and meets on the first, third, and fifth Sundays.

#### Coffee Hour:

Volunteers are needed for coffee hour, held on the second and fourth Sundays following worship. Please see the signup sheet in the narthex.

## **Community Free Meals:**

Volunteers are needed in November and December when it is St. Luke's turn to staff the Thursday noon meals. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the chapel. Please check the dates and sign up for those Thursdays when you can pitch in. Thank you all for your support of the meal programs.

#### Connect with St. Luke:

Check out our website at <a href="https://www.stlukelutheran.org">https://www.stlukelutheran.org</a> for updates on current events and links to access our online worship services via Facebook or YouTube. You can access online services directly via Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/StLukeEvangelicalLutheran">www.facebook.com/StLukeEvangelicalLutheran</a>, or on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKROL7HVJEgtCMksioZwoA">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKROL7HVJEgtCMksioZwoA</a>.

Bulletins are emailed weekly, but are also available at inperson services. We welcome your feedback, recommendations, suggestions, or improvements regarding the current online transmissions. We also need volunteers to assist with the technical aspects of livestreaming and all the legwork and support this requires. Please send your feedback or volunteer availability to the Church Office.

#### **Covid Guidelines:**

Masks are recommended for those who are unvaccinated & optional if you are vaccinated. Thank you!

# **History Books:**

St. Luke History—\$20.00. Contact Anna Mae Grubb 717-273-7035 or <a href="mailto:mrgrubby@comcast.net">mrgrubby@comcast.net</a>.

#### Musical Arts at St. Luke

If you are interested in becoming involved in the musical arts at St. Luke, please see Linda Holt. Reminder that choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evening at 7:00.

## **Newsletter Pick-up:**

Please pick up your newsletter on the back cabinets. Newsletter will be mailed that are not picked up today.

## October— Monthly Ministry Emphasis:

Lutheran World Relief—Thank you for your support!

# Prayers for:

#### Those who are ill, recovering, or shut-in, especially:

John Adams, Claudia Addison, Brenda Boyer, Leon Boyer, Amanda Cupernall, Alexandria (Lexxi) Ditzler, Cathy Dunkelberger, Henry Fasnacht, Deb Glassmoyer, Peg Griffe, Bill Gundrum, Kim Lenhart Hale, John Hassinger, Earl Hehnly, Dean Hettinger, Lilly Higgins & Family, Richard and Nancy Hollen, Christopher Johnson (D Hettinger), Landon Kreider, Delores Lesher, Richard Lesher, Ken Light, Donald and Sue McClure, Steven McCracken, Casey McGarvey, Dana McKinney, Maureen Marinkov, Harold (Spike) Moore, Brian Navarre, Barry and Tom Nolt, Kathy O'Roark, Gerald and Ruth Parson, George Pastore, Ronald Ream, Lance Rhodes, Al Shade, Barry Shriver, Linda Simmers, Lloyd Smith, Richard Strohl, Caitlyn, Gretta and Mike Stuber, Robert Todisco, Landis Wenger, Josephine Wenrich, Janet Wharton, Josie Williams, Eddie Wolfe, Marian Yoder, Maggie Zartman, and Ashton Zohn.

#### Those who are serving in the military, especially:

Timothy Beamesderfer, David Deysher, Tyler Fleagle, Shane Gettler, Steven Ginder, Matthew Plummer, Greg Rocker, and Matthew Sanders.

Congregations and ministries with whom we share mutual ministry: The congregations and pastors of the Heidelberg Ministerium and Lebanon Conference, Agape House, Lebanon Co. Christian Ministries, Lebanon Taizé Violence Intervention Women's Shelter, Lancaster/Lebanon Habitat for Humanity, Lebanon Rescue Mission, Support Connections of Lebanon County, Our Synod Bishop James S. Dunlop and his staff, and our ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and staff.

**The St. Luke Vision to Mission Team -** Kit Ahnert, Richelle Deysher, Elaine Matternas, Scott Rights, and Todd Snyder.

If you need Pastoral care, please contact the church office or one of the Council Members.

