

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 21, 2025



## **Ingathering for World Relief**

We have over 125 quilts to pack into boxes, then label and tape securely. Please consider helping on the following dates to ensure that our quilts and other supplies from Lebanon County get to those most in need in the United States and abroad:

**Sunday, Oct. 5th after church** – Volunteers are needed to carry quilts from St. Luke church to chapel and pack the quilts into boxes at the chapel.

**Friday, Oct. 10th, 12:00-2:00 pm:** Volunteers are needed to load boxes from St. Luke, St. James, and St. Mark into the truck. Meet at the St. Luke chapel at noon.

**Saturday, Oct. 11th, 7:15 AM-10 AM** - Volunteers are needed to load boxes from our truck to the 18 wheeler in Bergstrasse. Meet at the St. Luke Chapel parking at 7:15 AM.

**Worship Schedule:** September 28<sup>th</sup> will be a combined service at St. Luke, starting at 8:30 am. Guest preacher, Rev. Dr. Angela Zimmann we be sharing her message with us that day.

**Newsletter:** Andrea will be working on the November/December newsletter. Any articles or information you would like to be included should be sent to her by October 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Women of the ELCA:** Meetings are on the second Monday of every month. The meeting time is 7:00 PM in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Band Together:** meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00-11:00 AM in the Chapel. Contact Sue DeLong for additional information.

**St. Luke Ministry Emphasis for September:** Domestic Violence Shelter

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

October 5<sup>th</sup>- Pet Blessing/Grove service at Penryn, starting at 10:30, brunch to follow.

October 9th: Zoom Bible Study, 10:00 AM

**Food Pantry:** 2 helpers are needed for Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Contact Alice Spencer or pastor Angie if you can help.

**Sunday School Classes:** Children's classes will be held every Sunday at 9:30 AM, upper level of chapel. Adult Classes will be held every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the lower level of the chapel.

**St. Luke Book Club:** Next meeting is October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM in the chapel. We will be discussing *Mrs. Plansky's Revenge* by Spencer Quinn. All are welcome to join us.

**Music & Worship:** next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in the lower level of the chapel.

**Guest Preacher, September 28<sup>th</sup>:** Be sure to attend worship on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. While Pastor Angie takes a Sunday off, we're blessed to have Rev. Dr. Angela Zimmann as our worship leader and preacher. Dr. Zimmann is a graduate of Gettysburg Theological Seminary. Pastor, preacher, teacher, and current Vice President of Advancement at Wilson College. A brilliant and passionate preacher and self-described "sinner in the hands of a gracious God".

**Annual Pet Blessing At the Penryn Church Grove:** Join us in the Penryn church Grove on Sunday, **October 5** for our annual Pet Blessing. We'll gather at 10:30 AM for worship followed by breakfast in the grove. Bring your lawn chairs, breakfast item to share, and your pet(s)!

**St. Luke Community Youth Concert:** Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. St. Luke will host its first free concert for our community junior and senior high kids. The Autumn Project, a local band from Lititz, will be performing. Doors open at 6:00 PM, music at 6:30 PM. The show is **FREE!!!** A free will donation will be collected to support the ministries of St. Luke. Shout out to Steffi Gettler for organizing.

**Sr. Choir:** Choir rehearsals will be held on the following Wednesdays: October 8<sup>th</sup>, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, and October 29<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals are held in the St. Luke Church, lower level, starting at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to attend.

## ***Weave Together Retreat***

October 4 from 8:30 to 4

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

26 Owl Hill Road, Lititz, PA 17543

Registration is open for *Weave Together*, an all-day retreat hosted by Bergstrasse and Salem Lutheran Churches. The retreat will be held on October 4 at Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church (26 Owl Hill Road, Lititz, PA 17543) from 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. Through prayer, scripture, reflection, fellowship, and laughter, the day will explore and strengthen the connections we have with one another through the making of squares and assembling of blankets. Squares either crocheted or knitted, 12"x12" any worsted weight yarn, any stitch can be made throughout the day, or beforehand and brought to Salem on the day of the retreat. Finished squares will be assembled together and donated to various organizations in Lancaster County serving the unhoused.

To register online: <https://forms.gle/zg99wGfJEmcjydSC9>.

For more information, please contact Pr. Traci Glover ([pastortri1016@gmail.com](mailto:pastortri1016@gmail.com)), or (717) 979-8521.

**St. Luke Steering Committee:** This committee will be meeting with Penryn's Steering Committee, discussing and working out a plan on what the next steps are moving forward in regard to services. If you have any thoughts, concerns or questions you would like to share, please see one of the members. The St. Luke members are Scott Rights, Elaine Matternas, Sarah Kneller, and Mike Delong. They will also be communicating their plan to their respective church councils.