ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 2, 2025



<u>Alter flowers</u> for today are in memory and honor of those who have made their final journey home.

<u>Worship Schedule:</u> November worship is as follows: St. Luke will worship at 8:30 Am, Penryn at 10:30 AM

- *November 9th we will be honoring Veterans
- *November 23rd St. Luke's *Thank Offering* service, led by members of WELCA.
- *November 30th will be a combined service, celebrating the dedication of the greens, a children's Advent pageant, and a pancake breakfast/fundraiser for the Iwambi Orphanage following the service.

<u>Newsletter</u>: November/December newsletters were emailed on Thursday, October 23rd. There are a few printed copies in the narthex.

<u>St. Luke Ministry Emphasis for November:</u> Lebanon Co. Food Bank As food is collected, it will be put at the front of the church. At the end of the month, it will be taken to the Lebanon Co. Food Bank. Thank you for your generous donations.

<u>Food Pantry:</u> Volunteers are needed for the following Saturday mornings: 11/15, 11/22, 11/29. If you are willing and able to help, please let Pastor Angie or Alice Spencer know. (awspencer1103@gmail.com)

<u>Poinsettias:</u> We will be ordering from Esbenshade's Garden Center. Cost is \$7.00 per plant. Orders are due by November 2nd. Envelopes are in the narthex. Contact Andrea McAllister or the church office for more information.

<u>Sr. Choir:</u> Choir rehearsals will be held on the following Wednesdays: November 12th and November 19th Rehearsals are held in the St. Luke Church, lower level, starting at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to attend.

St. Luke Book Club: Due to holidays and busy schedules in November and December, book club will not be meeting till January 22, 2026. We will be discussing the book <u>James</u> by Percival Everett

<u>Band Together:</u> meetings Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00-11:00 AM in the Chapel. Contact Sue DeLong for additional information.

<u>Women of the ELCA:</u> Meetings are on the second Monday of every month (excluding summer months). The meeting time is 7:00 PM in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

<u>Special Music for November:</u> In addition to our choir, we have some guest musicians filling our church with music. November 2nd, Karey Getz will once again be filling our rafters with song, and November 23rd, Heidi Eck will be sharing her violin talent.

When emailing the St. Luke office: Please ensure that when sending an email to St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church, you use office@stlukelutheran.org, and/or update the contact's name. It has been several years since the part after the "@" was changed. Over time, our computers collect data, and we rarely verify its accuracy. Next time you send any correspondence to the Administrative Assistant, or whatever the name is that you may have saved in your "Contacts", please check that the actual email address is correct. If unsure, the next time you receive an email from Andrea, add it as a "New contact" for future reference.

Invitation from WELCA: St. Luke Women of the ELCA is inviting EVERYONE to attend the St. James Players "The Christmas Doll" on Sunday, December 14, 2025 at 2:00pm. The theater is located at the Lebanon Valley Mall across from Mancino's. Tickets are \$15. There is a sign up sheet in the Chapel for anyone interested. Please sign up by November 9th so we can all sit together.

Advent Community Service: This year the Community Advent service will be held on Sunday, December 7th, starting at 7:00pm. It will be held at the Heidelberg Brethren Church, (162 Reistville Rd, Schaefferstown). They will be having a combined choir, so anyone who likes to sing is invited to join.

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<u>Free Thanksgiving Meal at Penryn:</u> Penryn is preparing for their annual free Thanksgiving meal giveaway through their food pantry. **What they need: turkeys** (frozen-this could be vouchers or a money donation), instant potatoes, rice, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, canned veggies, a dessert, ½ gallon milk, ½ dozen eggs. Dinners should be enough food for a family of 4-6 people. Donations needed by **November 20**th. See Pastor Angie for more information.

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