

# St. Luke's NEWS & Notes

**Week of November 14, 2021**

St. Luke's United Methodist Church  
 Temporary Hours: Tuesday's 9am-3pm  
 Friday's 9am-12pm (Unless otherwise noted)  
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*"Making Christ's love visible through service and community connection."*

**This Week at St. Luke's:**

**Sunday, November 14th**

9:30am Worship

10:30am Fellowship

11:00am-2:30pm ICC (*Outside Group*)

**Tuesday, November 16th**

6:30pm Cardio Drumming

**Wednesday, November 17th**

8:30am Wednesday Willing Workers

10:30am Yoga

10:00am-4:00pm Blood Drive

**Thursday, November 18th**

7:00pm AA Meeting (*Outside Group*) Fellowship Hal

8:30pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes(*Outside Group*) Youth rm

7:00pm Finance Meeting

8:00pm Ad Council Meeting

**Friday, November 19th**

4:30pm Young Life (*Outside Group*)

**Sunday, November 21st**

9:30am Worship

Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner after church

11:00am-2:30pm ICC (*Outside Group*)

**Office Hours**

On Tuesday's the office is open from 9am-3pm.

Friday's 9am-12pm (Unless otherwise noted in the

News & Notes)

(Please call ahead to confirm the hours)

***For urgent and time sensitive matters please reach out to Pastor Manning Directly at 248-285-2051***

***\*The most up to date Service Information and updates will be sent via our email distribution list.\****

**In Accordance With CDC and Health**

**Department Rules Mask are Optional**

**For those that are vaccinated. We ask**

**those who have not been vaccinated or**

**have health considerations to please**

**Consider wearing a mask**

**BY THE NUMBERS**

Each week, we will report key financial results here. It's important that each one of us understands what it takes to operate and maintain St. Luke's. We welcome all questions about this and other financial data.

**General Fund Donations**

**Last week:**

10-24 \$668

11-7 \$4,551

October online: \$650

November online: \$40

**General Fund**

**Donations 2021 YTD**

\$141,564.86

**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE**

It's that time of year ... time to begin planning for the Christmas Holiday activities at St. Luke's UM Church. Once again, a giving tree with gift tag suggestions will soon be located in Fellowship Hall. Some of the tags will make specific suggestions for Neighborhood House children. Please return the tag with the gift so our team will be able to match up the gift with the child. Baldwin Center has modified their program due to Covid and are requesting gift cards to Meijer, Target or Walmart. They are happy to receive cards in any amount. Cards totaling \$100 will be given to Baldwin clients and they will do their own gift shopping.

We are asking for the unwrapped gifts and gift cards to be under the tree in Fellowship Hall by Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. We will sort and deliver your contributions to both locations later that week. Please know that your Christmas gift donations will make someone very happy on Christmas morning. If you have any questions, please call Kay Smith at 248-884-2322.

**ADVENT STUDY**

Our Advent Study is right around the corner! On Tuesday's starting November 23 at 10:00am and Wednesday's starting on November 24 7:00pm.

**FINANCE/AD COUNCIL MEETING**

There is a Finance Meeting at 7:00pm and an Ad Council meeting at 8:00pm Meeting on Thursday, November 18.

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Yep, you read that correctly. It's NEVER too early to start thinking about Christmas!

Have you started them already? Charlie Martin had a GREAT IDEA!

*Don't do anything until you read the article in the November NEWS FROM THE HILL*

## **POINSETTIA ORDERS**

Poinsettia order. The order form was emailed out and order forms are in the Welcome Center.

We once again have 7" pots (2 plants) for \$14.00 each and 8" pots (3 plants) for \$17.00 each. Please place orders and payment on the office desk file folder labeled "2021 Poinsettia Orders"

Please take note of an earlier than normal deadline from the Greenhouse. **Orders are due into the Office by Sunday, November 28.** We have to call in our final count on the morning of Tuesday, November 30.

## **PRE-THANKSGIVING DINNER** **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2021** **AFTER CHURCH**

After a quick show of hands in church on Sunday, October 31, we have decided to proceed with our annual Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner. We have been longing for the fellowship that has been missing these past 19 months, and the two successful luncheons hosted by Member Care have shown us that it CAN be done safely by spacing our chairs a little farther apart and assigning "servers" to dish out your favorites. We do request that all attendees be fully vaccinated. Mask and distancing are optional but not required.

A sign-up sheet will be in Fellowship Hall beginning November 7. We are looking for the "usual" Thanksgiving fare – turkey, gravy, potatoes, salads, vegetables, fruit, rolls, desserts....whatever you bring will be welcome!

If you are unable to sign up in church, please contact Amy Camaiani (camaiani3@gmail.com) or Lynne Brink (lynnebrink@sbcglobal.net) to let us know what you would like to bring.

Bring your family and your appetite, and let's all give thanks that we can come together in fellowship once again!

## **UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVES**

Our next Blood Drives will be on Wednesday, November 17 from 10:00am-4:00pm and Tuesday, December 21 from 12:00pm-6:00pm.

You may sign-up by visiting [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)

## **ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

All Saints' Sunday was Sunday, October 31. We had a beautiful service and continued with our tradition of lighting candles and writing the names of our "saints" on slips of brightly colored strips of paper that will be enclosed in a clear Christmas ornament ball to be hung on our sanctuary Christmas tree in memory and honor of those who have gone to God.

If you were unable to attend the service but would like to include someone name in the ornament, please let Amy Camaiani know. [camaiani3@gmail.com](mailto:camaiani3@gmail.com) / #248-505-3123

## **MANY MANY THANKS**

...to the members of St. Luke's for your generous offerings each week / month / year.

...to those who generously give of their time to serve on committees, organize events, make Sunday service something special, teach, pray, knit, sew, usher, keep in touch, visit, make the coffee in Fellowship...and even serve as the "clean up crew". You make a difference.

...to our faithful Wednesday Willing Workers whose constant care has probably saved us a million dollars in repair bills!

...to all those who have made donations that have allowed us to make some special purchases and pay for some needed maintenance at St. Luke's! (*Want to know more about those purchases and maintenance projects? Then be sure to read the article in the November News From the Hill!*)

**Many, many thanks to you, St. Luke's.**

### **Prayer Requests**

The Worship Leader will read prayer requests from blue cards collected in the offering plates. Please be sure to write the names clearly, so we can lift these individuals in prayer. Prayers will be printed in the News & Notes for the following two weeks (unless noted otherwise on the card). Please let the office know if someone you have submitted for long term inclusion can be removed from the prayer list.

### **PRAYERS FOR THE ST. LUKE'S COMMUNITY**

**Remember those for whom prayers have been requested:**



Prayers and Condolences to:  
Those Enduring Covid-19

Also:

For my friend Pat, for her cancer surgery (From Rebecca French)  
For good news from my doctor's appointment (From Chris Ariss)  
For Charlie after he fell. (From Bob Teitler)  
For good test results (From Chris Ariss)  
For John Mason (Brother-in-law) diagnosed with multiple myeloma (From Anna Pittinger)  
For Gary Cote diagnosed with colon cancer (From Anna Pittinger)