



THE WEEKLY

For December 10—December 17, 2017

ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*We are spirit driven, engaged disciples,
serving others in Christ.*

Church Office Hours—Monday through Wednesday: 8 am-2:30 pm; Thursday: 10:30 am-4:00 pm; Friday: CLOSED

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CELEBRATE!

December 10, 2017
Second Sunday of Advent

*If you are guest with us today, you may find our order of worship
in the spiral bound booklets located in the pews.*

 *This symbol indicates projection.*

-  **Meditative:** *Soon & Very Soon*
-  **Advent Candle Lighting**
-  **Gathering Song:** *Rend the Heavens*
-  **Preaching Text:** *Ezekiel 37:1-14*
-  **Song of the Day:** *Voice of Truth*

Offertory: *He Is Born*
JuBELLation

-  **Communion Distribution Music:**
We Will Meet You There
Good Soil
Jesus Name Above All Names
Glorify Thy Name

-  **Sending Hymn:** *Days of Elijah*

SERVING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Ministers
Greeter
Ushers
Altar Guild
Lay Reader
Communion Deacon
Acolytes
Tech Team
Organist
Director of Music
Assisting Minister
Preaching Minister
Presiding Minister

People of St. Luke
Leigh Sammons
Hugh Busey, John Perkins, Ray Heller
Debbie Eld
Pat Robbins
Cindy Mason-Jones
Josh Robeson
Roni Rollinson
Kathleen Bartkowski
Gina Williams
Bonnie Fear
Pastor Sarah Barnes
Pastor Danny Hammons

Please Remember in Prayer

*(If you have changes to this list,
additions or deletions, please use
the Prayer request from on the
yellow Connections sheet, or call
the church office, 860-464-7897.
New additions are underlined and
at the top of list in each category.)*

Pray for Healing:

✧ Shirley Harrington
✧ Brent Weimer
✧ Dominique Simpson
✧ Donna Duzant
✧ Laura Elvin
✧ Dianne Hawes
✧ Eric Beyer
✧ Mark Ostevik
✧ Ethel Haugland
✧ Dina Ballestrini
✧ Ray Perkins
✧ Jeff Griffin
✧ Deb Dobson
✧ Donna
✧ Melanie Savage
✧ Monica
✧ Louis LaForge
✧ Cheryl
✧ Stephanie Lucas
✧ Sara
✧ Mariann Mazur

Pray for our homebound:

✧ Corri Bradley
✧ Shirley Harrington
✧ Ellen Turley

Pray for Those with Other Concerns:

✧ Jesse and family
✧ Jon Tobiassen
✧ Teddy and Aaron
✧ Chikumbuso Project

ANNOUNCEMENTS DECEMBER 10, 2017

Sun., 12/10

ADVENT 2

8:15 AM

Worship

9:30 AM

Learning Hour
Evangelism Team Mtg

11:00 AM

Celebrate Worship

4:00 PM

Girl Scouts

Mon., 12/11

9:00 AM

G&G

7:00 PM

Pastors' Bible Study
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AA

Tues., 12/12

9:00 AM

G&G

10:30 AM

Women's Small Group

5:30 PM

Executive Council

6:30 PM

Fellowship Team

7:00 PM

Lifelong Learning Team

Wed., 12/13

8:00 AM

LICEAF

9:00 AM

G&G

9:15 AM

Ecumenical Eucharist

10:30 AM

Bible Study

5:00 PM

Daisy Scouts

5:45 PM

Dinner Church

Thurs., 12/14

9:00 AM

G&G

1:30 PM

Blood Drive

Fri., 12/15

9:00 AM

G&G

Sat., 12/16

10:00 AM

Overeaters Anonymous

7:00 PM

AA

Sun., 12/17

ADVENT 3

8:15 AM

Worship

9:30 AM

Learning Hour
Outreach Ministry Team Mtg

11:00 AM

Celebrate Worship

3:00 PM

Girl Scouts

6:00 PM

Groton/NL Church of Christ

Gifts for Jesus

What do you think,
Balthazar? Are we gonna
have enough gifts?

I dunno. Hey, Mell
How's the gift tree doing?

Well, Caz... I'm afraid
There are still lots of
ornaments on the tree!



Please check out the
alternative gifts table.

Take an ornament.

Buy a gift.

Make someone happy!

-  During the learning hour on December 10 and 17, the Sunday School will rehearse the pageant to be presented during the 11:00 AM worship on December 24. Please make every effort to attend!
-  NEW — Youth group, grades 6-12, TODAY after the second service. We will be putting together gift baskets for the needy. Pizza provided.
-  NEW — If you haven't already, please submit your pledge card so that the budget for next year may be finalized.
-  Give the gift of life on THIS Thursday, December 14, by making a blood donation. Help is also needed to staff the blood drive and prepare refreshments for the donors.
-  Confirmants are collecting for the Reverse Advent Calendar until December 17th. Boxes are in the Narthex. See poster for items. Next Sunday — Kids' care
-  There is a sign up sheet for poinsettias to decorate the Sanctuary on Christmas Eve. Choose red or white. They are \$10 each.
-  NEW — On Christmas Eve, we need volunteers to serve as Greeters, Altar Guild, Communion Deacons, Acolytes, Tech Team, and Assisting Ministers. Please contact Kathleen in the Church Office if you are able to help.
-  NEW — Christmas Eve schedule: 8:15 AM—traditional; 11:00 AM—Children's Pageant; 8:30 & 11:00 PM—Candlelight Services
-  NEW — Council positions will be opening in January. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, contact Helmut Steinnagel, 860-887-9305, hjsteinnagel@sbcglobal.net.

Calumet Adult Winter Weekend is Thursday—Sunday, February 8-11. A deposit of \$25 is due by January 7. Checks may be made out to St. Luke and given to Wally Stone. stonewm@sbcglobal.net or 860-908-1204.

Upcoming Scripture Readings:

December 17
Word Accomplishes
God's Purpose
Isaiah 55:1-11

December 24
Advent 4
Word Made Flesh
John 1:1-18

December 24
Christmas Eve
Birth of Jesus
Luke 2:1-14