



2026

A Word from Minister Bobbie



As we step into a new year, we are invited to slow down and

remember the foundation of our lives together: faith in Jesus Christ.

Rooted in the promise that "we live by faith, not by sight"

(2 Corinthians 5:7), this prayer calls us to enter the year ahead with

gentleness, reverence, and joy,

trusting God's grace to guide our steps. *God of all time, help us enter the New Year*

quietly, thoughtful of who we are to

ourselves and to others, mindful that our steps make an impact and our words carry power. May we walk

gently.

May we speak only after we have

listened well. Creator of all life, help us

enter the New Year reverently, aware that you have endowed every creature and plant, every person and

habitat with beauty and purpose. May we regard the world with tenderness.

May we honor rather than destroy. Lower of all souls, help us enter the New Year joyfully, willing to laugh and dance and dream, remembering our many gifts with thanks and looking forward to blessings yet to come. May we welcome your lavish love. In this new year, may the grace and peace of Christ bless us now and in the days ahead.

- Vinita Hampton Wright; Offered by Douglas Ruschman

With Love in Christ,

Minister
Bobbie



2026 St. Luke Council Members

We extend our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to **Mike Ferraro, Bonnie Kuser, Pam Reifsnyder, and Joe Vendetti** for their many years of dedicated service as council members. Their contributions have been Invaluable to our church community.

We are pleased to welcome **Donna Conrad, Connie Schwartz (Hukari), and David Durante** to our **2026 Council**. We look forward to their leadership and the fresh perspectives they bring.



January Birthdays

Jan. 1	Lindsay Roeder
Jan. 3	Seneca Rech
	Devon Kuser
Jan. 5	Val Schlegel
Jan. 6	Rocky Butcher
Jan. 11	Kim Spiece
Jan. 13	Melissa Burkhardt
Jan. 14	Carli Finger
Jan. 15	Clayton Ingram
	Clint Moyer
Jan. 17	Olivia Casas
Jan. 18	Sharon Hoffa
Jan. 19	Rebecca Dreyman
Jan. 21	Christa Shankweiler
Jan. 22	Pete Huber
Jan. 23	Josh Harris
	Haley Hukari
	Alfred Nelson
Jan. 24	Bonnie Kuser
Jan. 26	Christyann Pulliam
Jan. 28	Paul Lyons
	Duane Thomas
Jan. 29	Timothy Janzow
Jan. 30	Jenna Treichler

St. Luke Calendar

Jan. 1	CCR Closed
Jan. 2	AA 8:30 pm
Jan. 6	Boys Scouts 7 pm
Jan. 7	CCR Shopping 1-4pm
Jan. 8	Council Meeting 6:45pm
	CCR Shopping 6-8pm
Jan. 9	AA 8:30 pm
Jan. 13	Boys Scouts 7pm
Jan. 14	CCR 1-4 pm
Jan. 15	Girls Scouts 6:30 pm
Jan. 16	AA Meeting 8:30 pm
Jan. 20	Boys Scouts 7pm
Jan. 21	CCR Shopping 1-4 pm
Jan. 23	AA 8:30 pm
Jan. 27	Boys Scouts
Jan. 28	CCR Shopping 1-4 pm
Jan. 29	Girls Scouts 6:30 pm
Jan. 30	AA Meeting 8:30 pm



God's Work, Our Hands

St. Luke participated in the annual Christmas program at Boyertown Area Multi Service. This year we purchased gifts for eight children. Gifts were delivered to Multi Service where the Elves sort them by families and put the items in a large bag with wrapping paper. The parents then wrap the gifts so their children have a special Christmas morning. Ron Hukari's Action Team funds purchased additional gifts not donated by St. Luke members. Thank you Connie for organizing this holiday project. Thank you everyone who helped make Christmas happier for these families. On the final evening of the

women's Bible study/ book discussion we made and decorated Christmas trees. Celeste Ball, our resident Master Gardener, taught us how to create these beautiful trees. It was a special evening of fellowship, fun and food. Thank you, Celeste! We start a new book in 2026. Talk to Sharon Smith or Leslie Romasco for information. Celeste is planning another craft project for spring.



Wedding Anniversaries



Jan. 4 Norman & Merrie Gephart

Jan. 5 Lee & Joy Moyer

If you celebrate an anniversary but it is not listed or have any other corrections, please contact the church office.

December Attendance

December 7	48
December 14	0
December 21	55
December 28	44
2025 Yearly Average	47.9
2024 Yearly Average	50.8

COOKIES, COOKIES AND MORE COOKIES!

Not even a cancelled church service could prevent the St. Luke cookie people from coming through in the end! Lots of them magically appeared in the church kitchen.

Our youth and their friends, got together to do some fun friendly cookie baking on Saturday, Dec. 6th. The gang also prepared boxes and cards to go with the cookies to the St. Luke Knolls residents. Thanks to Ashley Ramus and her elves for organizing the event and Minister Bobbie, Bonnie Kuser, Karen Girton and Dave Girton for assisting. Minister Bobbie made sure there was a group quality control check before the products could be delivered. The cookies were delivered to the Knolls residents along with New Hanover Upper Frederick, Gilbertsville and Boyertown elementary schools on the 17th. The packing and delivery crew included: Joe Vendetti, John Bealer, Bonnie Kuser, Karen and Dave Girton along with Minister Bobbie.





**St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes**
Date: October 9, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm by Leslie Romasco President. The motion passed. Our meeting was held in person.

Attendance: Pam Reifsnnyder, Donna Biehl, SAM Bobbie Hoffman, Leslie Romasco, Joe Vendetti, Dave Girton, John Bealer, Scott Moyer, Tom Undercuffler, Pete Huber and Vince Harris

Excused: Bonnie Kuser and Mike Ferraro

Adoption of Current Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was adopted as is with a motion by Tom Undercuffler and second by Dave Girton. The motion passed.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting of September 17, 2025, were approved with motion by Tom Undercuffler and second by Vince Harris. The motion passed.

Devotions were by Dave Girton

Sharing was held.

Correspondence: None.

❖ **Unfinished/Old Business**

≥ **Stewardship** – Met on Oct. 1. November 9 is Stewardship Sunday theme is thankfulness and generosity. Promise of giving card will be sent out.

➤ **Updating the Church directory** – Font size was too small, Leslie will try to fix.

➤ **Administrative Assistant Search Team** – We have a new secretary, Chritine Winsor.

➤ **Organist/Music Director** – Job posted on the sign.

❖ **Pastor's Report** – Picnic was a success. St. Luke Knolls were invited and several attended. Pastor went to several committee meetings. Made 32 calls and texts to check in with people.

❖ **Treasurer's Reports (see report)**

≥ Vince Harris made a motion to accept the report and Dave Girton made a second. The motion passed.

Committees

❖ **Standing Committees**

≥ **Worship & Music** – See report

➤ **Stewardship**

≥ **Finance** – Working on budget.

➤ **Evangelism** – Boscov's event on 10/22.

➤ **Social Ministry** – See Report

➤ **Property Committee**

➤ **Endowment**

➤ **Youth Group**

➤ **Christian Ed**

➤ **Parish Life** – Oct. 19 will be a celebration for Marsha.

➤ **Mutual Ministry**

➤ **Audit**

➤ **Technology** – Need to find a home for the old carillon. The new phone system is set up. Bobbie's laptop is up and running.

❖ **Organizations**

≥ **Clothing Rack**

➤ **Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts** – 13 kids in the troop. They had a work weekend the cabin and they did an awesome job.

➤ **Community Connections/St Luke Knolls**

New Business –

Committee Reports of the Budget – Reports due so the year end congregational report can be generated

Adjournment

❖ Tom Undercuffler moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. Vince HarrisukariH seconded the motion and the motion passed.

❖ Dave Girton concluded with a prayer.

❖ Our next meeting is Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 6:45 pm.

❖ John Bealer will lead devotions at the next meeting.

❖ Donna Biehl will provide refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Reifsnnyder
Secretary of Church Council

Worship Leader Schedule					
Date	Worship Leader	Lector	Ushers	Audio Visual	Office Volunteer
Jan. 4	Min. Bobbie Hoffman	Leslie Romasco	Larry Billger Terry Conrad	Mike Ferraro	Cindy Bealer (Dec. 30)
Jan. 11	Min. Bobbie Hoffman	Carol Geiger	Gary Fronheiser Ron Hukari	Ron Hukari	Pat Hallman (Jan. 8)
Jan. 18	Min. Bobbie Hoffman	Pat Hallman	Dave Girtan Pete Huber	Ron Ball	Donna Biehl (Jan. 15)
Jan. 25	Min. Bobbie Hoffman	Emily Geiger	Larry Billger Terry Conrad	Mike Ferraro	Cindy Bealer (Jan. 22)
Sacristan for January - Val Schlegel					

2025 Annual Report

The **Congregation Annual Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, January 25, 2026**, at 9:30 am in **Memorial Hall**, immediately following our worship service. A light lunch will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

All **committee reports** are due to the **church office by December 31, 2025**. Reports must be **typed** and ready for copying for inclusion in the annual report.

Giving Statements

2025 Giving Statements to St. Luke will be emailed out by the end of February. If you would like a hard copy of your giving statement for 2025, please contact the church office. 610-367-9738.



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