



2023

## Worship News

As St. Luke works toward finding a new Pastor to lead us, we are busy searching for Lay Leaders and ordained pastors to lead our worship services each Sunday. On July 2, Dennis Faust from St. Luke's, Obelisk will be joining us to lead worship. Dennis is a Eucharistic Minister and will be bringing consecrated communion elements which he will distribute during our worship on July 2.

## Communion Cards

As you may have noticed, we're getting back to "way things used to be" at St. Luke before the pandemic. For instance, you will notice that Kathy Billger is no longer sitting in the library taking attendance!!

Attendance was taken for two reasons during the pandemic. First, it was done so that in the case of someone contracting COVID, we could check to see who was also in the congregation that day, so as to let them know that COVID might be spread among members. Also, by taking attendance, we had a record of those who took communion. The communion cards were removed from the pew racks.

Now, we no longer have that weekly record of attendance or those who take communion. You may remember that St. Luke's bylaws stipulate that members need

to make a contribution of record, and take communion once every three years in order to maintain their membership at St. Luke.

Communion cards will now be on the small table in the narthex on Sundays when we celebrate communion. A jar with pencils will also be next to them. Should you need to fill out a card, feel free to do so, and place it in the offering plate. If you've been taking communion faithfully, there's no need to fill one out, as we have a record of it.

Many thanks for your help as we move forward without the pandemic!

## Endowment Grants

The Mission Endowment committee received 6 applications for the Mission Endowment fund and disbursed money to the following organizations:

- Fosterling Inc.-Kitten Rescue - \$500
- Spay & Save Inc. - \$500
- Boyertown Salvation Army - \$350
- Boyertown Multi-Service - \$350
- Loaves & Fishes Meal Ministry of New Hanover Lutheran Church - \$1000
- Pikes Pet Pantry-Humane PA - \$500
- ELCA Churchwide Ministries - \$700
- Peace Lutheran Church - \$300
- SLLC FUNdraising Committee - \$750



## SLC Council Minutes May 11, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:50pm by Dave Janzow, vice president. The motion passed.

Our meeting was held in person.

**Attendance:** Pam Reifsnyder, John Bealer, Joe Vendetti, Dave Janzow, Donna Conrad, Bonnie Kuser, Mike Ferraro, and Donna Biehl.

**Excused:** Scot Moyer, Connie Hukari, Tim Kenna, and Tom Undercuffler.

### Adoption of Current Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was adopted as is with a motion by Donna Conrad and second by Mike Ferraro. The motion passed.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting** of April 13, 2023 were approved with a motion by Bonnie Kuser and second by Mike Ferraro. The motion passed.

**Devotions** were led by Donna Conrad.

**Sharing** was held.

**Correspondence:** None.

### ❖ Unfinished/Old Business

➤ **Transition Team/Call Committee** – Call committee was chosen. The members are John Bealer, Ron Hukari, Leslie Romasco, Lee Moyer, Donna Biehl Carol Geiger and Emily Geiger. Leslie is chairman. Their first meeting is with Pastor Sease on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

➤ **Temporary Pastor** – We are good for June and July.

❖ **Pastor's Report** – No report.

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

➤ Donna Conrad made a motion to accept the report and Mike Ferraro made a second. The motion passed.

### Committees

#### ❖ Standing Committees

➤ **Worship & Music** – Linc out July 9. Positive comments about Easter service.

➤ **Finance**

➤ **Evangelism/Social Ministry** – Leslie Romasco has the rights to Facebook and Marsha for the website. We need to get the congregation to sign waivers to put their pictures on social media. We are revisiting sending out mailings to everyone in Gilbertsville.

### ➤ Property Committee

### ➤ Endowment (See minutes from meeting)

"In an effort to expedite grant payments, approvals of recommendations from Endowment committee, the council approved the recommendations via emails.

Bonnie made a motion 5/19/23 to approve the grant payouts recommended by the Endowment committee, as seen in the attached Endowment minutes

A second was made by Donna Biehl 5/19/23

Every council member voted in favor to accept the motion except for no reply from Connie, Pam, and Tom Undercuffler. The majority was in favor.

The motion carried.

### ❖ Organizations

➤ **Clothing Rack**

➤ **Girl Scouts**

➤ **Boy Scouts**

### New Business –

➤ **Facebook/website picture posting** – We need to get the congregation to sign waivers.

➤ **Removal of Dead trees - Neighbor complained about branches on dead tree. Recommendation was made by Dave Janzow to remove.**

➤ **Bringing back handshake for the Peace** – Worship & Music will look into.

### Adjournment

❖ Dave Janzow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. Bonnie Kuser seconded the motion and the motion passed.

❖ Donna Conrad concluded with a prayer.

❖ Our next meeting is Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 6:45 pm.

❖ Tom Undercuffler will lead devotions at the next meeting.

❖ Connie Hukari will provide refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Reifsnyder  
Secretary of Church Council



## St. Luke Calendar

July 2	5th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am
July 4	Independence Day, office closed
July 5	CCR donations 9:00 to Noon
July 7	AA meeting 8:30 pm
July 9	6th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am
July 11	Boy Scouts 7:00 pm
July 12	CCR shopping 9:00 to Noon
July 14	AA meeting 8:30 pm
July 16	7th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am
July 18	Boy Scouts 7:00 pm
July 19	CCR shopping 9:00 to Noon
July 21	AA meeting 8:30 pm
July 23	8th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am
July 25	Boy Scouts 7:00 pm
July 26	CCR shopping 9:00 to Noon
July 28	AA meeting 5:30 pm
July 30	9th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am

*"When I was growing up I always wanted to be someone. Now I realize I should have been more specific." - Lily Tomlin*



On June 7 Keystone-Miller held a blood drive for the Boyertown Community here at St. Luke. There was a great turn out with 30 registered donors and 25 units of blood collected. Thank you to the donors.

## Sponsors

There are open slots for sponsoring the Flowers, Communion Elements, Sanctuary Lamp and Bulletins for our weekly worship services.

Communion Elements, Sanctuary Lamp and Bulletins are a \$10 donation. Flowers are purchased and brought to the sanctuary. Please let the church office know if you would like sponsor a date.

### Audio Visual Schedule

Date	Tech
July 2	Ron Hukari
July 9	Ron Hukari
July 16	Mike Ferraro
July 23	Ron Hukari
July 30	Ron Ball

### Worship Leader Schedule

Date	Lector	Ushers	Office Volunteer
July 2	Ron Ball	Ron Hukari Dave Janzow	Donna Biehl (June 29)
July 9	Pat Hallman	Gary Fronheiser Ron Hukari	Cindy Bealer (June 6)
July 16	Mike Romasco	Dave Girtton Ron Hukari	Pat Hallman (July 13)
July 23	Dave Janzow	Larry Billger Terry Conrad	Donna Biehl (July 20)
July 30	Joe Vendetti	Ron Hukari Dave Janzow	Cindy Bealer (July 27)
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## June Birthdays

July 1 Philip Huber  
 Kathrynne Thomas  
 July 3 Jack Ingram  
 July 7 Richard King  
 July 8 Jean Rome  
 July 11 Lisa Smoyer  
 July 14 Pat Hallman  
 Rev. Chris Weidner  
 July 16 Cayden Burkhart  
 July 17 Pauline Blackwell  
 Krystle Hess  
 Madison Stern  
 July 25 Martyne Moyer  
 July 26 Asher Casas  
 July 28 Richard Steffie  
 July 31 Amelia Chalifoux  
 Larry Kuser



*"Would I rather be feared or loved? Easy. Both. I want people to be afraid of how much they love me." - Michael Scott, The office*

## June Attendance

June 4	42
June 11	39
June 18	38
June 25	31
2023 Yearly Average	42.0
2022 Yearly Average	43

## St. Luke Prayer Chain Ministry

As a reminder, St. Luke has an active prayer chain ministry. If you have a life event or health concern that you would like to have aided by prayer, please call the church office. We have a group of prayer warriors lead by Ruth Nice who are here for your needs.



## Wedding Anniversaries

July 14 Mark & Lori Fitzgerald  
 July 23 Scott & Marsha Staub  
 July 28 Brad & Beth Boyer  
 July 28 Doug & Donna Trout

*Happy Anniversary!*

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

## Life's Antidotes

"I want my children to have all the things I couldn't afford. Then I want to move in with them."  
 —Phyllis Diller

"People waste their time pondering whether a glass is half empty or half full. Me, I just drink whatever's in the glass." — Sophia Petrillo, *The Golden Girls*

"The only thing worse than being talked about is not being talked about." —Oscar Wilde

"The Lord gave us two ends: One to sit on & the other to think with. Success depends on which one we use the most." —Ann Landers



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