

Souper Bowl Sunday! Make TODAY!!

Did you know that 1 in 7 Americans face hunger every day? Some 48 million Americans live in poverty and 16 million children live in food

insecure households. Souper Bowl Sunday is an annual tradition that mobilizes people to care for individuals in their local communities who are hungry and in need. Jesus calls us to care for the hungry and poor. Direct giving and serving in the name of Jesus provides lasting hope to those in need.

Youth will be at the doors following each service TODAY as part of Souper Bowl Sunday to collect monetary donations. Checks can be made out to St. Luke's with "Souper Bowl" in the memo.

Canned goods collection will run through February 16th for particularly soup, pasta sauce, canned fruit, cereal, paper products, juice and pasta for the Cabot Food Bank.

On a monthly basis, a dedicated group of St. Luke's volunteers meet at Cabot Food Bank to pack bags for distribution. The monthly ministry started 18 years ago as a project for the "30-hour famine." Many of the original youth have since graduated and their parents continue to serve in the ministry. Additional young people serve when they are home from college or work. The group meets at 6 pm on the Monday before the third Wednesday of every month. All are welcome to come and share in the ministry. The food bank is located at Cabot United Methodist Church on Winfield Road.

WELCOME SUE SHALTES

Sue is the head of the Cabot Food Bank. She is available in the narthex between services to answer any questions.



March 7th 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Centennial Hall

The "Congregational Workshop in Preparation for the Call Process" is scheduled for the first Saturday in March in Centennial Hall. It will start at 9:00 am and has been scheduled until 3:00 pm (but is expected to be wrapped up earlier). The workshop has several goals:

- to engage the congregation in biblical study and reflection upon the nature of the call of God;
- to invite congregational leaders and members to evaluate past relationships between pastors and the congregation;
- to consider leadership and how leadership functions within the congregation;
- to reflect on how conflict and tension are handled in the congregation;
- to enlist all members of the congregation in providing input into several aspects of the congregational profile.

The workshop is forward-looking, resulting in a number of helpful action-oriented steps to assist the congregation in preparing for the next pastor/congregation partnership. All members are encouraged to attend this important step in the Call Process.

Cindy Vanetta Book Cart Overflows With Great Literature



Have you checked out the Cindy Vanetta Book Cart recently? The book cart located in the North Narthex was purchased in memory of Cindy Vanetta and her joy of reading.

The book cart is getting really full, and it is time for a pre-spring cleaning! If anyone has books that they donated, and they would

like back, please do so before February 3rd. After that date, the outdated books will be offered for free as we have done in the past. Any books not taken at that time will be donated to the Saxonburg Library.

Everyone is welcome to bring Christian books and books with inspiring themes for readers of all ages. You don't need to bring a book to take a book. But once you have read the book, bring it back for someone else to enjoy! We encourage all readers to take advantage of the book cart and enjoy the great books there.

St. Luke's Stars



The St. Luke's Stars will be meeting on Feb. 5th at noon for the annual Valentine's Day lunch in the Fellowship Hall (church basement). We will be having pizza and then making valentines.

Please note this is a change to the normal St. Luke's Stars schedule as Feb. 12th was too close to Valentine's Day.

Please let Judy Gundlach know if you will be attending.

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Bulletin Cover Changes

Changes are coming to the bulletin covers starting in March. Church council voted in December to discontinue purchasing preprinted covers due to the cost. Covers will be created in-house using on-line programs.

Since both worship services are once again on the same communion schedule, bulletins can be returned to the narthex table after early service to be used at the late service. Please take the announcement insert if you would like, as additional inserts will be available if needed. Bulletins remaining after the late service are recycled.



Senior High Seminar

Fake News? Proving – Yes, I said PROVING – the Resurrection

What good is a dead Savior? How do we know Jesus was raised from the dead and this is not some elaborate game of hide and seek or dead man's bluff? Our entire Christian faith is based upon the resurrection. How can you be sure it was real?

Join us **today** as we discuss the evidence found both biblically and historically to debate the "Hoax vs. History" of the resurrection.

OUR JOYS, PRAYERS, CARES AND CONCERNS

Praise and Thanksgiving: for answered prayers (Beryl Mottern's successful surgery & Pat Brunn's recovery and return home), for Matt Geppert's visit last Sunday, for the wonderful fellowship enjoyed at the combined worship, lunch and annual meeting.

Healing, Cares & Concerns: Gary Bachman (cancer/radiation), Jennifer (Audrey's niece/colon cancer), Gail (pancreatic cancer), Ford Bartle (4 vrs/stage 4 cancer), Mark Kollinger (more herniated discs), Lorri, Bonnie Miller (breast cancer/radiation), Paul Brewer (cancer), J.J. (cancer), David Whitlinger (entering cancer study), Beryl Mottern (long recovery), Andrea (undiagnosed severe pain), Betty Conely (declining health), Doris Antoszyk (moved to Oertel), Jim (brain tumor), Jeff Markwell (shoulder surgery/recovery), Deb Shirey, Mary Ann (serious health issues), Mary Ann Jurysta (cancer recurrence), Jackie (sight), Barb Brison (cancer returned), Mary M. (stroke), Greg Hussar (Alzheimer's), Dot Hoffman (cochlear implant), Jackie Anthony (cancer treatment), Terri Warren (back surgery), Barb Wiegand (back injury), Donna Wolfe (Mary Elder's niece), Vivian (awaiting test results), Katie & Chad (pregnancy issues), Wayne Lambroff (multiple leg, heart stents), Janet Walsh (missing/safe return), all those who are suffering from the flu, Clarence (Buzz) Wagner, Bishop Emeritus Paull Spring (pneumonia), Jim (prostate cancer)

Bereaved: Family & Friends of Gail Anders, Ray Lassinger, Michele Boeke, Barbara Schneidmiller

Weekly Schools the Week:

Seneca Valley & Slippery Rock University

NALC Church of the Week:

St. Luke's ministry and pastoral search; Pleasant Union Lutheran, Kittanning

Monthly Mission: Lutheran Lay Renewal



Office Hours

Monday 9-3 Tuesday 9-3 Wednesday 9-3 Thursday 9-3

Birthdays

Ruth Cypher

Payne Crouch

Julie Edder

Allen Knappenberger

Sunday, February 2 Souper Bowl Sunday

8:15 am Worship Service – Communion
- Nursery Available

9:30 Sunday school

10:45 am Worship Service – Communion

2:00 pm Elmcroft Worship

3:00 pm Elmcroft Worship



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Tuesday, February 4

12:00 pm Prayer Circle

Wednesday, February 5

12:00 pm St. Luke's Stars Luncheon

Thursday, February 6

6:00 pm Praise Team 7:30 pm Generations Choir

Sunday, February 9 Council Installation

8:15 am Worship Service
- Nursery Available
9:30 Sunday school
10:45 am Worship Service
2:00 pm Orchard Worship

Newly elected and returning council will be installed at both services next week.



The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and with prayers of blessing to everyone by the Wills Family.

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