

Sunday, December 10 4:00-6:00 pm

Join your friends at St. Luke's for a party to celebrate Christmas! There will be a display of nativity scenes to view, dinner, games (with prizes), crafts and a retelling of the Christmas Story told through the nativity characters. Sign up in the Koinonia Café to reserve a spot for your manger scene to be part of the display. Bring your favorite scene to set up and share with all.

We ask that you bring a dozen favorite cookies to share before we conclude our Nativity Party. Come join us for a relaxing and interesting time for all, 0-100!

Caroling

December 17th After Late Service

As the angels sang that first Christmas, Christians have long celebrated and borne witness through song to the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Words in song stir the spirit of the person who sings as well as the one who receives the music. Through song and gift giving, hearts will be touched on December 17th when St. Luke's members visit over 20 special people, friends and family. Come be part of a very special way to offer Christmas comfort and joy. Lunch will be served at 12 after late service. We will carpool and visit from 1 to 4. If not having lunch, come at 12:45 for team assignments. Sign up in the Koinonia Café.



Sight and Sound Theater Trip Lancaster, PA November 30- December 1 Cost: \$120-130 Deposit of \$55 due by Nov. 15th



Marriage Enrichment!!! Great marriages don't just happen.

Greatness takes investment. A Weekend to Remember (held conveniently in Cranberry Township) 11/10-11/12 or 11/17-11/19

Go to familylifeministries.org for more information. There is a Pittsburgh discount and see Pastor Keller for scholarships to help with housing. This is an investment of time and money that will payoff for years afterward. Pastor Keller is praying for four couples from St. Luke's to take this opportunity.









Plans are underway for the Christmas Float that will be in the Saxonburg Parade on November 24th. See Jeannine Sanford or Kelly Weston or Kristen Begeman to see how you can show God's love at work at St.

Luke's Lutheran Church

Fourth Sunday of Advent Poll

Christmas Eve Services will be held on Sunday, December 24 at 4:00, 8:00 and 10:00. In place of a Sunday morning service, the Fourth Sunday of Advent can be acknowledged in the time it takes for baby Jesus to be placed in the manger; thus kicking off Christmas Eve worship. If you would like a more traditional service for the Fourth Sunday of Advent on Sunday morning, please contact Pastor Keller.



□ Hurricane Relief Efforts

Thank you to all who donated recovery relief items. The buckets were delivered to **DISASTER** the NALC Disaster Relief Program on

Friday. St. Luke's set a financial goal of \$5,000 to raise for this effort. To date, we have raised \$2,539.66. We will continue to take contributions until Super Bowl Sunday. To support Hurricane relief efforts, you may send donations to St. Luke's Domestic Disaster Relief by dropping off a check or mailing a check made out to St. Luke's with Disaster Relief in the memo, to the church office at PO Box 187, Saxonburg, PA 16056 and we will forward to the NALC Disaster Relief program.



Cabot Food Bank Holiday Drive

Super Spud heroes of all types are visiting St. Luke's worship service TODAY to help make Thanksgiving dinner brighter for 120 area families

served by Cabot Food Bank. The Super Heroes are making a return for the 9th straight year. Our goal is to raise money for potatoes and additional contributions will be used for Christmas fruit baskets. Altogether, the League hopes to raise about \$1,000. Last week we collected \$490.75! So come on Tater Tots, Small Fries and Big Spuds! The Super heroes will be visiting a pew near you!



A cobbler, a smith, a farmer, each has the work and office of his trade, and yet they are all alike consecrated priests and bishops, and every one by

means of his own work or office must benefit and serve every other, that in this way many kinds of work may be done for the bodily and spiritual welfare of the community, even as all the members of the body serve one another. – Martin Luther

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FCS Annual Board Meeting Update

At the October 29th annual meeting it was a joy to see the goals of FCS met, that Christian youth are learning with the help of FCS to make wise decisions about what God has first given them, their time, talent and money! Saving for their future and learning about the power of interest through investing is a key part of FCS! Below is the report of the amount 5 students saved and the report of the 1:1 matching funds. These students are Katie Drennen, Alex Edder, Eli Keller, Katie Hartzell and Adam Hartzell.

Total Matching Deposits: \$5,387

The remaining balance will be applied to 2017-18 expenses. Please be sure to affirm our FCS members when you see them and engage them in the discussion of what it means for them to put their hard earned money into savings!

Spread the word about FCS! There are still many students who haven't joined the program.

	Total Earnings Deposited to ESA	Total Dollars Matched
2012-13	\$1535	\$3070 (2:1)
	6 participants	
2013-14	\$2179	\$4358 (2:1)
	7 participants	
2014-15	\$1910	\$3820 (2:1)
	6 participants	
2015-16	\$5544	\$5544 (1:1)
	7 participants	
2016-17	\$5387	\$5387 (1:1)
	5 participants	
Totals	\$16,555	\$22,179

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OUR PRAYERS, JOYS, CARES AND CONCERNS

Praise and Thanksgiving: For the Reformation and its lasting impact on Christianity and the world, Pearl Parnell's 100th birthday and her continued witness to us, the birth of Aubrey Grace Muchow, daughter of Lisa Hay and Ryan Muchow.

Cares/Concerns: Persecuted Christians, Tom Patterson (chemo, hospitalized for falls), Baby Merek Wabazewski (daily chelation therapies), Adam Heade, Audrey Gerlach (blood clot), Dave Boyer (coma/quad accident), Jim Fonner (cancer), Jessica and Casey Boyd (high risk pregnancy), Wes Wetzel (heart), Patty Christy (cancer), Bruce Wiegand (home recovering from surgery), Patty Burns (Bill Gordon's cousin/hospice pancreatic cancer), Jay Rinebolt (kidney problems), Jeffery (Audrey Lott's friend/in serious condition), Maddie Crytzer (cracked bone from fall), Reuben Hold (kidney failure), Kathryn Ziegler (heart ablation & bronchitis), victims of violence, especially those at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs Texas.

Bereaved: Friends and family of John Foertsch, Clarence Bacher (Alicia Haas' grandfather), Louise Johnston (Judy Gundlach's friend), Betsy Cypher, Harry Mottern (Bert's brother)

NALC Church of the Week: First Lutheran Ridgway, PA (Pastoral Search)

Schools of the Week: St. Luke's Lutheran School and Westminster College

Mission of the Month: Shepherd's Canyon

Altar Flowers

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God with thanksgiving for the

baptism of Parker Ann Zellhart, daughter of James and



Shelby on November 5, 2017

Sunday, November 12, 2017 8:15 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Communion Service 10:45 Worship **2:00 Saxony** Monday, November 13, 2017 6:00 Cabot Food Bank 7:00 Council Meeting 7:00 FISH Tuesday, November 14, 2017 9:30 Parents Morning Out 12:00 Prayer Circle 7:00 Sunday School Meeting Thursday, November 16, 2017 9:30 Parents Morning Out 5:00 Bell Choir 7:00 Praise Team 7:30 Generations Choir Saturday, November 18, 2017 5:00 Parents Night Out Sunday, November 19, 2017 **Stewardship Sunday**

8:15 Communion Worship

9:30 Sunday School

9:30 Service

Office Hours

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

Birthdays	
Andy Olczak	11/13
Donna Shipe	11/14
Dana Haas	11/15
Cora Christoforetti	11/16
George Reuning IV	11/16
Barbara Edinger	11/17
Dylan Lunn	11/18
Thomas Sweesy	11/18
Jay Rinebolt	11/19

10:45 Communion Worship

God's Love at Work – October 2017
As 2017 comes to a close we need to keep the current ministry budget in our focus and in our prayers.

Our giving towards the budget is down.

Let's continue to work together to support the ministry we do here at St. Luke's.

Income received 24,148 YTD income received 187,435 Income needed 20,737 YTD income needed 207,372 Surplus 3,411 We still need 20,937