The Women's Study

Join us this fall as we learn together how to strategically pray for our identities, our families, pressures, fears and more through the book Fervent by Priscilla Shirer. We will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 19th at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall with the movie "The War Room". Contact Jessica Andrews, jessicaeden79@gmail.com, with any questions.



Safety On Campus

The St. Luke's Risk Assessment Task Force has carefully assessed St. Luke's campus and identified multiple items that are needed to improve the safety for all who use the church grounds and protect what God has given us.

The estimated total cost of all needed items = \$5,000 To date we have received - \$2,995

Total remaining = \$2,005

Please consider how you can support the efforts to fund these essential life safety items to enhance the protection of God's precious members and visitors to St. Luke's. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

FCS Matching Funds

With the grace of God, our senior high teens had a successful summer of working. Work hour documentation for FCS matching funds must be turned in to the office or Barb Reuning by September 15th.

Foundations in Personal Finance High School Edition Class starts September 16th. To register or for more information, contact Beverly Miller at 724-448-6730 or Marge Kollinger at 724-822-7760.

Office Upgrade - New Copier

We thank God for the length of time the current copy machine has lasted, but all good things come to an end. Council has approved the purchase of a new copier. If you would like to support the purchase of the new machine, please place your donation in the offering plate labeled "copier" or drop it off in the office. Total cost of the new copier is \$6765.00

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord M

Music Message from Miss Holly:

We have three wonderful music opportunities starting this fall! I am in the process of building three music groups and would like YOUR participation, should God move you to do so.

- 1. We are putting together two <u>praise teams</u> one to sing at the 8:15 service during communion (twice per month) and one group to sing at the 10:45 service during communion (twice per month). This is contemporary music with piano, singers and guitars and drums or violins or other instruments as well! We are especially in need of guitars. Rehearsals are every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. The <u>Generations Choir</u> continues to sing during Offertory on Sundays at 10:45. All are welcome to join! We are in special need of men, especially tenors! First rehearsal on Thursday, Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m.
- 3. The <u>Bell Choir</u> is looking for youth to join up! Rehearsals at 5:00 Thursdays for now, with a possible change of time. First rehearsal Thursday, Sept. 20 at 5:00 p.m.

9:30 Service will not be offered this fall

Church council has prayed, debated and surveyed the members of our congregation who have attended the 9:30 service to determine how best to use our resources to share the gospel. After receiving three surveys back of 25+ sent, reviewing the last three years of attendance and the extreme difficulty of assembling musical talent to support the service, the conclusion made by church council is to discontinue the worship service and use our resources in a different manner.

How will we reallocate our resources?

- music ministry will modify our musical resources by giving careful attention to adding occasional contemporary hymns to the other worship services,
- fellowship times will be extended giving increased time to visit between services.
- Pastor Keller will return to teaching during the Sunday school hour.

The nursery will continue to be offered during the 9:30 Sunday school hour to encourage and support young families to attend an adult class or program and at the 10:45 service to support our young families in regular worship attendance. King's Kidz (5 years old - 4th grade) will be invited to a time of lesson during the sermon at the 10:45 service. Finally, communion will be offered on festivals at both services and during the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 8:15 and the 1st and 3rd Sundays at 10:45; thus, allowing St. Luke's to offer weekly communion in the apostolic, confessional tradition of the Body of Christ.

If you have any questions or thoughts to help guide the decision making of stewarding the resources of St. Luke's, please don't hesitate to contact a member of church council.

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The Story continues....
"What's the story on The Story"
Find out on Rally Day, September 16th.

Nursery Volunteers Needed

Kristen Begeman will continue her nursery work at the 10:45 am service starting September 16th, but she is in need of a few volunteers to support this wonderful ministry. So, if you have a way with the little ones and would like to share your talents, please sign up in the Koinonia Café. Volunteers need to be in at least 7th grade.



Childcare Worker Needed

We are in need of a childcare worker to assist with a growing Parent's Morning Out (PMO) ministry. Hours are from 9:00 to 12:45 every Tuesday. Please send a notice of interest to the church office stlukechurch@consolidated.net or 724-352-2333.

OUR PRAYERS, JOYS, CARES AND CONCERNS

Praise and Thanksgiving: For answered prayers, for Kelly Weston, Bob King and Chuck Learn's continued healing, Bill Sweeney's (beginning a year-long internship at Cross Way Camping Ministries in Wisconsin)

Healing, Cares & Concerns: Baby Marek Wabazewski (home/blood clot), Jim Fonner (cancer), Bruce Wiegand (cancer), Christian Foertsch (brain cancer), Brian Hamilton (allergic to chemo), Jim Bearrows (bladder cancer), Charles Hold (cancer), John (cancer), Wes Wetzel (heart/Shadyside Hospital), Pam Hammonds (chemo) Rachel Lang Meissner (cell harvest/transplant), JD (brain cancer), Dale Brendon (Liz Gordon's sister/breast cancer), Neal Bachman (/home/cancer), Margaret Loncar (Cathy Boyd's sister/COPD), Bob Shipe (AFib & health concerns), Rose Shuler (cancer), Adrienne Natili (job search), Linda Brunn (Kerri Hay's sister), Carol Nelson (Karen Foertsch's sister/hospice), Gracie (3 yr old/ leukemia), Naomi Howard (Pastor Storm's daughter), Michele Boeke (double lung transplant), David Questiaux (stage 4 cancer), Eli (hip injury recovery), Edna Weckerly (stroke), Al Ott, Jean Brackett (Ronna's mom/Concordia), Cindy Wills (tests), Dave, Rich Beatty, Ron Fetters (Guillain Barre Syndrome) and his wife Joan, Jim (Audrey Lott's son/severe hand foot & mouth disease), Ezra Broeren (surgery to reconstruct knee), Tom Broeren (Ezra's dad/massive stroke), Sandy Morris (AGH stroke/ brain bleed), our students returning to classes, Austin, Mary Freehling, John Gundlach (breathing problems), Helen (hospitalized for tests), Clint Frontz (severe pneumonia), Sallie Pfabe (tests)

Bereaved: for family and friends of Bob Ciani and Ruth Powell (Terry Antosyzk's mother)

Schools of the Week:

Holy Sepulcher and Carlow University

NALC Church of the Week:

Pleasant Union, Kittanning, PA

Monthly Mission:

Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Anthony Infante



Sunday, September 9, 2018 Happy Grandparents Day

8:15 am Worship 10:00 am Worship Outdoor 12:00 – 5:00 pm Quilt Show 2:00 pm Saxony Service

Monday, September 10, 2018

6:30 pm Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

12:00 pm Prayer Circle

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

11:00 am Senior Stars Lunch

Thursday, September 13, 2018

7:30 pm Generation Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, September 16, 2018 RALLY DAY

8:15 am Worship 9:30 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship



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Monday

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Birthdays

Noah Jockel

Jovce Perkins

Ronald Boltz

David Fennell

Michael Begeman

Michael Bearrow

Frances Setzenfand

Natalie Savannah

Wednesday

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones, by Marie McGrath.



Happy 90th Birthday Frances Setzenfand

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