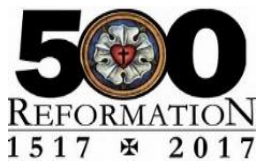




St. Luke's Stars – October 11, 2017
Lunch at Foxburg Inn
Meet at St. Luke's at 10:00 to carpool
Sign up in the Koinonia Café.



There is no true, basic difference between laymen and priests, princes and bishops, between religious and secular, except for the sake of office and work, but not for the sake of status. They are all of the spiritual estate; all are truly priests, bishops and popes. But they do not all have the same work to do. (AE 44:129) – Martin Luther



Help Wanted

Looking for a team-oriented, Christian leader who is committed to God's Word and enjoys discipling others to follow Jesus Christ to serve as the Director of Discipleship. If you are a good communicator with a heart for family, youth, and teen ministry, the ability to build and nurture relationships, and can organize volunteers, please contact us. 27 hr. avg./wk., pd. vacation, flexible schedule, and opportunity to further education. Send resume to: stlukechurch@consolidated.net

New Member's Blessing Coming Soon! October 29 Reformation Sunday



The Church is like a quilt, each part serves its own purpose! Come be an official part of the work God is doing to comfort and strengthen others through St. Luke's Ev. Lutheran Church.

If you are interested in more information about becoming an official Friend of St. Luke's, an Associate Member or a Member of St. Luke's Saxonburg, please contact the church office or Pastor Keller at 724-713-0549. The new member/seeker class will be offered at a time to be announced.

God's Love at Work

Highlights for St. Luke's: August 2017

This month in ministry we held services at Elmcroft and Saxony, and the church was Open for Prayer. Emery Bubb was baptized and Laura and Jake Miller were married. Plans were laid for the Saxonburg Festival of the Arts to include the Centennial Hall Quilt Show and a band concert from Kiski Valley. Pastor and Jeannine attended the NALC Convocation in Nashville.

Income received	13,493	YTD income received	144,609
Income needed	20,737	YTD income needed	165,897
We still need	7,244	We still need	21,288

Something to Celebrate!

St. Luke's purchased Luther House in 2005. Although we paid off the bank mortgage early we continued to carry a deficit due to renovations, repairs, and other expenses. I'm pleased to report that as of July 2017 Luther House has posted a positive balance. Thanks goes out to the many people who donated money to Luther House over the years and to the members of the congregation who faithfully give to Luther House each Sunday. Thanks be to God!

-Barb Reuning, Treasurer



Sunday School teaches the Bible, the message of God Almighty!

What does that mean?

Come find out!

Many thanks to this year's teachers! We're excited to start a new year with such gifted, spirit-filled and dedicated teachers:

Pre-K & K -- Mandy Jockel

1st & 2nd grade--Julie Edder

3rd & 4th grade--Kim Lunn

5th & 6th grade--Bill Gordon & Kris Crouch

7th & 8th grade--Jeannine Sanford & Jennifer Keller

High School--Cristie Crytzer

Adults--Susan Beatty



JESUS ROCKED THRU RALLY DAY

- \$213 collected so far for Hurricane Relief
- Over 50 people attended the picnic
- Rocks were painted with "God Sightings."
- Chris Coriale won the Corn Hole Tournament
- The Steelers rocked over the Vikings 26-9
- Nail and Candy Guess jars continues
- NALC warehouse collection continues



Save the Date for the next Tailgate!

October 22, 2017

12:00 pm

- Bring your favorite dish to share and the recipe!
- When you make a donation to the Hurricane Relief, you can take a recipe home.
- Steelers on the big screen TV.
- Corn Hole Tournament and other games
- Hurricane Relief effort continues on the move to \$5,000 by Super Bowl Sunday. (\$213 raised to date)



Adult Sunday School Class

“Detour: Finding Purpose When Life Doesn’t Make Sense” by Phil Tuttle
In the Hattie Cooper Room

We all learned years ago that the shortest distance between two points is a straight line. In our walk through life, God’s road map almost never takes us in a straight line from point A to point B. He inserts many “detours” along our life’s path. Know Joseph as your personal mentor. Learn to appreciate the “detours” in your life as never before.

FISH (Friends in Service for Him)



Come and explore how St. Luke’s is reaching out to others and growing the gospel through mission. An evening fellowship will focus on what Scriptures say about mission and how the congregation is doing outreach and support. The first session begins 9/27 in the fellowship hall of the church. In addition to study and prayer, the group will review St. Luke’s current monthly benevolences and ministries, consider what can be done differently, and/or introduce any new ministries. Come for a light fellowship at 6:30 pm and bring a brown bag meal. Or you can eat at home and then come for the session from 7 pm to 8 pm. The group will meet about six times. Jesus has called us all to be witnesses for Him, to love and serve one another. How exciting it is to be a part of leading St. Luke’s Church that gives more than \$25,000 each year for Christian mission support! Please see Jeannine Sanford for further information.

Summer Music

What wonderful music we have had in the absence of our choirs this summer. Thanks so much to Cortney Christoforetti for organizing all of these fabulous artists. We heard: David Kurowski, Peggy Crawford, Maddie Crytzer, Zachary Wilbert, Mihkaya Perkins, Rachel Steiner, Bill Champion and Jeannine Sanford. Praise God for all His gifts bestowed upon us!

OUR PRAYERS, JOYS, CARES AND CONCERNS

Praise and Thanksgiving: For the wonderful Rally Day picnic and the great time everyone had.

Cares/Concerns: Persecuted Christians, Dalton Ingley (stage 5 kidney failure/dialysis), Raj Boehm (ALS) & her caretakers, Tom Patterson (chemo), Baby Merek Wabazewski (daily chelation therapies at Children’s), David Willamson (Kristen Begeman’s uncle/spinal cord surgery), Adam Heade, Karla Wirth (multiple, long-term health problems), Carrie Nelson, John Foertsch, Tancie Plutyk (bleeding ulcer), Jean Knappenberger, Mike & Jenna Bearrows (miscarriage), Diane Deal (lung biopsy), Carol McRandal (testing), Jim Bearrows (heart catheterization), Hurricane victims including family & friends of St. Luke’s members, negotiation of teachers’ contract, Catherine Drescher (heart attack), Wes Wetzel (hospital), Audrey Gerlach (fall), Al Kobert (lungs/fluid removed), Goldstrom family (accident), Dave Biestal (cancer), Gerry Shurlock (Cindy Bearrow’s mom), John Daum (cancer), Mike Christoforetti (accident)

Bereaved: Friends and family of Nancy Simpson, Joan Bachman, and George Murphy

NALC Church of the Week: First Lutheran, Ridgway PA
School of the Week: Freeport Schools



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and celebration of all my loved ones by Pearl Parnell.



Thanks for pitching in! The St. Luke’s Sewing Ministry and Gayle Gundlach would like to thank all of those people who pitched in and helped with the food sales this past weekend at the Saxonburg Festival of the Arts. From those who collected money, dished out the food to those who came for a great home cooked meal, everyone came together to help the Sewing Ministry raise \$700 to further their ministry. The Sewing Ministry makes blankets and quilts that have been given to the Linus project and to Lutheran Disaster Relief over many years.



Sunday, September 24, 2017

8:15 Worship

9:30 Sunday School

9:30 Communion Service

10:45 Worship

Monday, September 25, 2017

6:00 Open for Prayer

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

9:30 Parents Morning Out

12:00 Prayer Circle

Thursday, September 28, 2017

9:30 Parents Morning Out

5:00 Bell Choir

7:00 Praise Team

7:30 Generations Choir

Sunday, October 1, 2017

8:15 Communion Worship

9:30 Sunday School

9:30 Service

10:45 Communion Worship

2:00 Elmcroft: Outreach and Evangelism

In Our Community

Walk Against Addiction

Overdose Awareness Candlelight Walk
Grace at Calvary Church
Wednesday, October 4 at 7:00 pm

Lutheran Lay Renewal Worship

Spot the Spirit Workshop
Saturday, October 7, 2017 9:30 – 3:00
NALS Ambridge, PA
Call 724-287-5151 for information

Ladies Day: You Are Beautiful!

Saturday, October 14, 2017
9:00 – 3:00 Zion UMC
www.iennifercadamore.com

Office Hours

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

Birthdays

Neal Hay	9/25
Jim Wright	9/25
Austin Heade	9/26
Francine Messmer	9/27
Josh Johnson	9/29
Chris Arthurs	10/1
Clint Cehily	10/1

Anniversaries

Neal & Cindy Hay	9/25
Dale & Emily Wible	9/25
Eric & Julie Edder	9/27
Mike & Kristin Begeman	9/30
Mike & Kris Crouch	10/1