

March & April 2023

NEWSLETTER



Saint Luke's
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Annual Meeting Recap

Our Annual Congregational Meeting was held on Sunday, February 26. The meeting included the presentations of reports from our President, Call Committee, Deaconess, Lay Minister, Music Director, Financial Secretary, Business Manager, and Children's Center Director. If you were unable to attend the meeting, a video recording can be found online at saintlukes-cs.org under the *videos* tab. Additionally, if you would like a report, please send an email to saintlukes@saintlukes-cs.org and a copy of the Annual Report will be sent to you. As was said during the meeting, we all very much appreciate your support throughout the past year and your continued support as we await our new pastor.

Vespers & Soup Supper | Weds. in March

Our Lenten Vespers services will be held every Wednesday in March. Soup Suppers will be at 5:30 pm and services will be at 6:30 pm. Please sign up in the atrium if you are willing to help cook soup or bring food.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday | April 2 | 9:30 am

Maundy Thursday | April 6 | 11:30 am & 6:30 pm

Good Friday | April 7 | 6:30 pm

Easter Vigil | April 8 | 6:30 pm

Easter | April 9 | 9:30 am

Call Process (Excerpt from the Annual Report)

As a reminder of what was discussed during the Congregational Workshop in Preparation for the Call Process in October, this is how the call process works:

- “The call process is a spiritual process of discernment led by the Holy Spirit. It is God’s process, not the congregation’s. It will take whatever time God intends...and is about the revealing of God’s will, not completing the process as quickly as possible” (page 9 of the NALC Call Process Manual). This is NOT a typical hiring process. Pastor Shultz has repeatedly reminded our team of the need to wait on the Lord during the call process.
- The NALC does NOT send a list of recommended pastoral candidates to the call committee. (This is a big difference from the previous process used to call Pastor Josh approximately 12 years ago.)
- NALC pastors interested in specific calls then submit their personal profiles to Pastor Schultz, NALC Call Coordinator. Pastors may request that NALC forward their profiles to one or more congregations. “Pastoral profiles will not be forwarded to call committees until the pastor has been approved for certification, having completed the vetting and certification process and background check” (page 12 of the NALC Call Process Manual). Non-NALC pastors need to complete an eligibility process prior to having their profiles forwarded to NALC congregations.
- The call committee then interviews every pastor who submits a profile forwarded by the NALC. Candidates may then be interviewed a second time. Candidates must agree to the NALC’s thorough background check which includes criminal and financial screening. The call team may contact references at any time throughout the process, and they may also request sermon recordings.
- The entire process is confidential due to the fact that most pastors may not have told their current congregations that they discern their present call is ending.
- After interviews are completed and a call team consensus has been reached, the Saint Luke’s Call Committee and the council will invite one pastor and his or her family for an on-site visit. After the visit, the call team will determine whether to recommend this candidate to the council for the call at Saint Luke’s. The church council then begins the process to schedule a congregational vote to extend the call to that candidate. By that point, the candidate and the council should have agreed on a formal Compensation Agreement.

Parents Night Out | Saturday, March 11 from 5-8 pm

Jami Miller will be hosting a Parent's Night Out in Luther Hall. Parents can drop children 3 years (and potty trained) to 5th grade for an evening of fun! Parents get an evening out for an affordable price, and children get a night of fun and fellowship with friends.

The cost is \$5 per child (covers food and activity)

Space is limited! Please contact Jami Miller to reserve your child's place!
720-206-8787

Choir & Bell Choir

Bell Choir: Thursdays at 5:30 pm

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Children's Choir: Sundays after the service

This schedule is subject to change, so please contact Katy Mayne for the most up-to-date information!

Council Nominees for 2023

Reelected:

Duane Lighthall

Keith Lundquist

Nick Miller

Newly Elected:

Mike Brownworth

John Johnson

Children & Youth

Confirm+ | Sundays after the service

We will be going through Luther's Small Catechism in a fresh way this Spring.

Wednesday Family Worship + Dinner | Resuming April 19

We will be offering our Wednesday Family Worship service (specially designed for families with children) and dinner on Wednesdays at 5:30 resuming on April 19.

Children's Church | During the readings and the homily

This is a time for children ages second grade and younger to learn about God with songs, videos, activities, and play (based on the lectionary). It takes place during the second service in the Melancthon Room.

Childcare | During service

Childcare is available during the service from 9:15 am to 11:15 am. This care is provided by staff from the Children's Center and located downstairs.

First Communion

You are always welcome to talk to any members of the staff about your child receiving Communion at any point in time.

Online Lessons

All the elements from the lessons done in children's church each week are also posted on the church website. Just click on "Resource Blog" in the menu to find them!

Readers for Palm Sunday and Easter Vigil

If you would be willing to read one of the passages for Palm Sunday (April 2) or Easter Vigil (April 8), please contact Deaconess Kathy (kathyberrill@hotmail.com) or James (saintlukes@saintlukes-cs.org)

Women's Coffee

Saturday, March 11 & April 8 at 8:00 am

All women of the church are invited to join us for coffee at Panera Bread at 7344 North Academy Blvd.

Men's Breakfast with Bonhoeffer

Saturday, March 25 & April 29

Time and venue to be emailed to be sent to those who signed up.

We are forming a monthly men's breakfast on the last Saturday of each month in 2023. The theme for the year will be "Breakfast with Bonhoeffer" as we will be reading portions of *Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy* in preparation for the gatherings.

The first meeting will be on Saturday, Jan. 28 - Please have the Prologue and Ch. 1, 2, & 3 read before we meet.

Please send an email to James Clapper (saintlukes@saintlukes-cs.org) or Scott Ayler (scottayler@yahoo.com)

Winter Weather Policy

With winter starting, please be aware of the following procedures:

- If District 11 is closed or on a two-hour delay, all daytime activities are canceled and we will not be making any phone calls.
- Evening services on snowy days will be determined by 2:00 pm. Please check the website or Facebook for updates.
- If you are in doubt about whether something is canceled or not, please contact the church staff.

Always use your own judgment as to whether you should venture out or not. Our primary concern is your safety!

Blood Pressure Check

Sunday, April 2 before and after service in Luther Hall

In keeping with our namesake, Saint Luke, the beloved physician, we will offer the opportunity for blood pressure checks on the first Sunday of each even-numbered month. This is available for anyone who would be interested and would be confidential between you and your nurse.



Wednesday Church Study & Holy Communion Spoken Service

Wednesdays | Study at 10:15 am | Communion at 11:30 am

We will continue examining different church traditions in the fascinating context of church history. Afterward, join us for our spoken service with Holy Communion.

Children's Center Update

Happy spring, everyone! Our spring book fair is coming up on March 24-31. The proceeds from this will go towards new books for our classrooms.



We are excited to share the good news of the Resurrection with our families by gifting all the children attending chapel a set of Resurrection Eggs. We will be closed in observance of Good Friday. Later in April, we will resume our Wednesday Family Worship + Dinner.

Erin Cowan
Children's Center Director

Council Members

Kathy Berrill | Deaconess
James Clapper | Lay Minister
Drew Schafer | Financial Secretary
Janet Anderson
Mike Brownworth
Jerry Carnal
Becky Hureau
John Johnson
Duane Lighthall
Keith Lundquist
Nick Miller
Dave Watt

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March 2023

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April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 April Fool's Day
2 Palm Sunday 9:30a Service 11:00a Confirm+	3 7:30p MESH	4	5	6 Passover Maundy Thurs. 6:30p Service	7 Good Friday Good Friday 6:30p Service	8 8:00a Women's Coffee Easter Vigil 6:30p Service
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March Server Schedule

	March 5, 2023	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	March 26, 2023	April 2, 2023
Sacristan	Jennifer Lighthall Margaret Loucks PURPLE	Margaret Loucks Barb McDonough PURPLE	Barb McDonough Ellie Rosenberg PURPLE	Ellie Rosenberg Jan Butler PURPLE	Jan Butler Sue Currey PURPLE
	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 PM	9:30 AM
Asst. Minister	Cynthia Hastings	Elly Durden	James Clapper	Tom Clark	Dick Currey
Crucifer / Communion	Elly Durden	Cynthia Hastings	Kathleen Kleinhuizen	Becky Hureau	Tom Clark
Acolyte	Claire Schafer	Ari Hilton	Abby Carnal	Addie Miller	Ryan Vsetecka Abby Vsetecka
Ushers	Art Schwall Warren Kipps	Paul Traub Warren Kipps	Dave Watt Warren Kipps	Keith Anderson Warren Kipps	Maggie Carpenter Warren Kipps
Greeters	John Johnson	Ellie Rosenberg	Teresa Watt	Dave Watt	Janet Anderson
Sound Board	Duane Lighthall	Janet Anderson	Kip Kleinhuizen	Bonnie Clark	Duane Lighthall
Children's Church	James Clapper	Elizabeth Berrill	Dorothea Clapper	James Clapper	Elizabeth Berrill

April Server Schedule

	April 9, 2023	April 16, 2023	April 23, 2023	April 30, 2023	May 7, 2023
Sacristan	Sue Currey Jennifer Lighthall WHITE	Jennifer Lighthall Margaret Loucks WHITE	Margaret Loucks Barb McDonough WHITE	Barb McDonough Ellie Rosenberg WHITE	Ellie Rosenberg Jan Butler WHITE
	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM
Asst. Minister	Cynthia Hastings	Miriam Glock	Cynthia Hastings	Kathleen Kleinhuizen	Teresa Watt
Crucifer / Communion	Elly Durden	Ryan Vsetecka	Abby Carnal	Elly Durden	Abby Vsetecka
Acolyte	Claire Schafer Sam Schafer	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ushers	Nick Miller Dave Watt Warren Kipps	Frank Rosenberg Warren Kipps	Drew Schafer Warren Kipps	Art Schwall Warren Kipps	Paul Traub Warren Kipps
Greeters	Roger Hyttinen	Cheryl Johnson	John Johnson	Linda Osten	Ellie Rosenberg
Sound Board	Janet Anderson	Bonnie Clark	Duane Lighthall	Kip Kleinhuizen	Janet Anderson
Children's Church	Dorothea Clapper	James Clapper	Elizabeth Berrill	Dorothea Clapper	James Clapper



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RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED

Sunday Worship at 9:30 am

Wednesday Spoken Service 11:30 am