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## Luke Lines

There are 300 or more references to *God's glory* in the Bible. We hear some of the most inspiring ones around Christmas. "Glory to God in the highest," the angels sing in Luke 2:14 right after they announce the birth of Jesus to the shepherds. John 1:14 as well announces the coming of God's Son into the world with an exclamation of his glory: "The Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten from the Father..."

Still, as important as glory is for the message of the Bible, what exactly is it? When we use the word in everyday language we associate it with victory, fame and admiration. Someone *gets the glory*, we say, when they receive recognition for a success or an accomplishment. When we *give glory* to God we have something similar in mind. We praise God for his great creating and redeeming work. We give him credit for designing our vast and wonderful universe and for winning salvation for us on the cross.

But we also ascribe *glory* to God not only because of what He's done for us, but for who He is. And who God is in Himself is glorious. When Moses encounters God on Mt. Sinai he wants to see God. But God's glory is so brilliant and intense that God has to shield Moses from the full effect of it (see Exodus 33:17-23). God's glory is a divine radiance that shows his nature and character – it reveals his ultimate power, his majestic holiness, and his perfect goodness. God, in his glory, is completely above and beyond us in our sin and human limitations.

And yet God has revealed himself in such a way that we can worship him, come near to him, follow him, and reflect his own glory. As we quoted above, the apostle John tells us that in Jesus Christ we have seen the glory of the Father [John 1:14]. While God's Son becomes fully human like us at Christmas, still all the divine glory and perfection of God himself dwell in him. In Jesus the Holy One has not only come close to us, but as we worship and follow Christ, we reflect God's glory in our own lives. Jesus says in John 17:10 that he is even glorified in us. This means that as Christians, our job isn't just to believe and confess our faith in Jesus, but to reveal his godly character and presence to the world as we do.

The Christmas season is upon us. So let's use it to renew our commitment to living in the glory of God. Let's make our Advent and Christmas worship – and everything we do – reflect the glory of Jesus Christ our Savior!

**Merry Christmas!** 

Pastor Carlton



#### **ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT**

Save the date! Advent by Candle Light will be on Monday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m.

Our theme is "Birth of Our Savior". Scripture provided by Bill Seipel; music by Ole Oleson and Bill Seipel.

Sign up sheet on Bulletin Board in church narthex and by the church office for hostesses and guests.



Hostesses are needed for Advent by Candle Light! What does a hostess do? She sets a pretty table and serves a yummy dessert. Not sure how? Help is available if needed with place settings, table cloths, napkins and decorations. Call Cheryl Klingforth with questions, 715-421-4959.

#### JOIN US FOR CAROLING!

Sunday, December 15 | Meet in the office lobby at 1:15 pm

All members are invited to join in an afternoon of caroling for residents of nursing homes, assisted living situations or to members confined to their own homes.

We'll carpool to several places to sing Christmas hymns and carols. Families, youth & adults are all encouraged to participate. After sharing Christmas joy, we'll return to church for cookies and hot chocolate.



#### ADVENT MID-WEEK SERVICES

#### His Name Shall Be Called

During the season of Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of God's Son, who was given the name Jesus—a Hebrew name that means "God saves." In addition to His earthly name, Holy Scripture calls Jesus by various titles which describe something about His person or work.

In this year's Advent series, we are going to examine four titles given to Jesus in Isaiah 9:6. Those titles are "Wonderful Counselor," "Mighty God," "Everlasting Father," and "Prince of Peace." We will learn how each of these titles describes something about who Jesus is and what He did for our salvation.

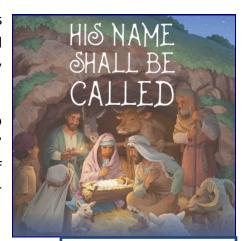
Please join us for Advent mid-week services beginning on Wednesday, December 4, 6:00 p.m.

**ADVENT 1: December 4 - Wonderful Counselor** 

**ADVENT 2: December 11 - Mighty God** 

**ADVENT 3: December 18 - Everlasting Father** 

A free-will offering meal will be served prior to services on December 4, 11, & 18.



Advent Meals
Dec 4th— St. Luke's
Preschool BBQ
Dec 11th— St. Luke's
Youth
Chicken Noodle Soup
Dec 18th— Veterans
of the Cross

#### CHURCH COUNCIL OPENINGS

Your Church Council has openings beginning **January 1**, **2025**. Please prayerfully consider putting your name on the December ballot for one of the open positions.

- Secretary
- Ministry of Missions
- Financial Secretary
- Ministry of Property Care
- Ministry of Discipleship
- Ministry of Social Concerns

Please Contact David Mancusi with your interest and for more information on the positions at (715) 423-8158.



#### **QUILTING BEE**

All women of St. Luke's are invited to the quilting bee to be held on Monday & Tuesday December 9th & 10th. The quilting begins at 9:00 a.m. with a luncheon served at noon. Come when you can, spend and hour or all day. Many hands make for light work. Hope to see you then.

The Card Stamp Group will not be meeting in December



#### CHILD CARE AVAILABLE

Child care is available during the Sunday school, Bible study hour for children too young to attend Sunday school. We offer this to allow parents to attend Bible study or to assist in the SS program. Two volunteers provide care from 9:10-10:25. All volunteers have met Risk Management requirements to work with your children.

St. Luke's loves to have children participate in worship. We also recognize that there may be times when this becomes difficult for parents.. The Family / Child care room is open during worship services every weekend for parents to use with their child(ren) who may be having difficulty sitting in church. There is a changing station in the room as well.

The Family/Child Care room can be accessed through the glass doors toward the front of the sanctuary.



#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY CORNER**

We are approaching our Christmas season- a time of special decorations and special services. A time to spend special moments with our families. Women's Ministry has two events coming up that help us focus on this wonderful time of the year celebrating Christ's birth:



- Advent by Candlelight is Monday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m. It features beautifully decorated tables and delicious dessert as well as an inspirational program.
- o Spirit of Advent is Tuesday, December 10th at 1:30pm

Women's Ministry is still in need of a Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary for 2025. For more information contact Julie Spice 715-570-7236. May God bless you and your family during this Advent and Christmas season. Have a safe holiday season.

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

- Monday, December 2: Advent By Candlelight at 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, December 3: WM Board Meeting at 6:00 pm
- Tuesday, December 10: Spirit of Advent at 1:30 pm

### Senior Women will meet Monday, December 2nd 11:30am at Tamarack's.



#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY DECEMBER CIRCLE MEETINGS

Anna Circle	Thursday, December 12	10:00 am	Bookstore
Dorcas Circle	No December Meetings	9:00 am	Fellowship Hall
Eunice Circle	Thursday, December 12	1:00 pm	Renaissance
Eve Circle	Tuesday, December 17	9:00 am	Room 102
Lois Circle	Monday, December 9	6:00 pm	Room 103
Rebekah Circle	No December Meeting	8:30 am	Room 105

#### May December be filled with Hope, Love, and Promises

I want to start with saying "Thank You" to all the people that look out for me by praying and just keeping tabs on me.

Also want to add that after all the funerals that I have been to recently and the study we are doing on death on Sunday mornings got me thinking about these books. I apologize now for sad topics.



<u>Th1rteen R3asons Why</u> is a novel by Jay Asher about a girl that committed suicide and the tapes she made for the 13 people in her life. If you decide to read this book, I will tell you to turn to page 293 (it is not marked with a page number) and read why Jay wrote the book.

I enjoyed the book because it helped me to know what to look for when a person is thinking about suicide. I am going to check on where to find some more books on noticing people in this state of mind.

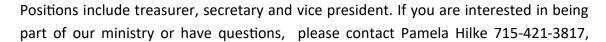
<u>The Last Gifts</u> by Jillian Brasch, OTR. The stories of seventeen patients about compassion and caring. Each patient's story brings forth the message that while dying may be welcomed, untimely, or unwanted, death comes as a natural process of living. Jillian guides us through the process of "being with" those who face the challenges of limited life and certain death. It is called just being with folks. Section 11.

<u>Life After...Devotions for Widows</u> by the Christian Life Committee of LWML. This devotion book was written by widows for widows, and for those of us who love them. The devotions were written and based on the very Word of God. You will laugh, and you will cry, as you delve into God's Word and learn some tips for survival from our authors.

Pastor Zobel has respectfully returned our call and a new call has been extended to Pastor David Schultz of Saint Paul Lutheran Church in Wood River IL. We await his response by mid to late December.

#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY OPEN POSITIONS

Women's Ministry is seeking ladies who might be willing to serve on the 2025 board.





#### KWIK TRIP CAR WASH FUNDRAISER to benefit ST. LUKE'S PRESCHOOL/4K

KWIK TRIP Gift Cards are still available to purchase. St. Luke's Preschool/4K still has a few gift cards to sell: 1 @ \$10 and 14 @ \$20 cards on hand. The gift cards can be used for fuel or anything in the store. When they are gone, they're gone. These make nice Christmas gifts for teachers, special service people, or just to use yourself. Buy yours during regular office hours, Monday-Friday.



St. Luke's Preschool/4K thanks all of you who supported our Kwik Trip Fundraiser. It was a great success and helps us maintain lower tuition costs for parents and a great program.

#### LOVE INC. CHRISTMAS SHOP

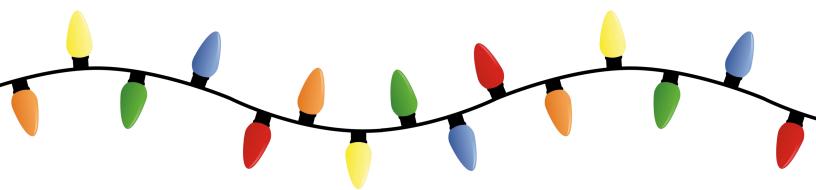
Love In the Name of Christ (Love INC) is hosting a Christmas Shop event on Sunday, December 8, for those in our community who may have difficulty providing Christmas gifts for their children. A variety of items such as toys, electronics, gift cards, clothing, crafting sets, etc., will be available for parents to select for their children. Children will be able to find a gift for their parents or special people in their lives at the Love It Again Thrift Store.





We are requesting donations of gift items or gift cards ranging from \$25-\$30. If you would like to provide gift(s) for this shopping event, please refer to the Love INC social media sites or call the Love INC office at (715)818-5927 or <a href="mailto:info@loveincswc.org">info@loveincswc.org</a>. A specific list of items will be available after wish lists are provided by the families. Donations may be brought to the Love INC building at 710 20<sup>th</sup> Ave South until Thursday, December 5 between the hours of 9:00 am to 2:30 pm, Monday through Thursday.

In addition to the "shopping", participating families will enjoy holiday themed activities like cookie decorating, crafts, hearing the nativity story and more. Volunteers are needed in several areas. If you would like to be part of this magical day, contact Dawn 715-818-5927.



#### **BOOKSTORE NEWS**

#### Merry Christmas!

Wow where has the year gone? Karen, Sally & Deb are thankful for all the support you have given the bookstore this year. The proceeds from the bookstore go to support the Student Fund in assisting in tuition for college students attending a LCMS college. The Student Fund is currently supporting 3 students.

The bookstore has many items for sale to help support our Student Fund recepients. There is a large selection of Christmas cards. Cookbooks make a great gift, there are many children's books and crafts. There is a selection of jewelry, including crosses. There are individual Rada items and gift sets that also make great gifts. There are bibles, journals, bible covers, devotional books and other books available.

Please stop by the bookstore and check out what we have. There is a box on the counter for money if there is no one at the counter. If you see anything in the cases you are interested in please feel free to call Deb Alft .715 424-3932, Karen Peters 920 574-8206 or Sally Heinzen 715 869-2115.

#### SOCIAL CONCERNS—HURRICANE RELIEF

- 2 Corinthians 8:2

In October, Social Concerns asked the congregation to give money to aid in the restoration of towns, in repairing roads, and in offering relief to people who are suffering in the aftermath of two devastating hurricanes. The people of St. Luke's responded in much the same way as the church in Macedonia responded in Paul's day. The Macedonia church gave joyfully and abundantly and saw their giving as a privilege. They understood that they were stewards of God's resources. Giving was a way to show their trust in God, who is the provider of all our needs.

Like the Macedonians, the church at St. Luke's reflected God's provision by giving generously out of what we have. More than \$4,000 has been given in response to the call offered by Social Concerns last month. Praise the Lord! Social Concerns is humbled and grateful for the outpouring of generosity that has been demonstrated through the congregation of believers at St. Luke's. To God be the glory.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS							
Thomas Sachs	December 1	Kathy Sedevie	December 8	Peggy Mertins	December 22		
Olive Stoflet	December 1	Betty Joch	December 9	Paige Larsen	December 22		
Douglas Tuxhorn	December 1	Nicole Young	December 9	Owen Porter	December 23		
Bobbie Dilley	December 1	John Kane	December 11	Carol Cherney	December 23		
Timothy Anderson	December 1	Betty Clouse	December 12	Dean Langholff	December 23		
Parker Marzofka	December 1	Vickie Schwalbach	December 13	Lindsay Hansen	December 23		
Timothy Anderson	December 1	Ann Stainbrook	December 13	Carol Korn	December 24		
Bobbie Dilley	December 1	Sally Heinzen	December 14	Mary Burmeister	December 25		
Jean Grimm	December 2	Cheryl Giese	December 16	Kaitlyn Schoff	December 26		
Lisa Jinsky	December 2	Raegyn Tietsort	December 16	Delores Ott	December 27		
Brayden Gies	December 2	Kasia Janicki	December 17	Ronald Hett	December 28		
Lisa Jinsky	December 2	Ava Genett	December 20	Kaycea Koch	December 28		
Emma Hamm	December 6	Dale Scholze	December 20	Todd Calverley	December 28		
Luke Romanski	December 6	Bev Bowman	December 21	Bentley Larsen	December 29		
Jacob Johnson	December 6	Phillip Abel	December 21	Kimberly Hansen	December 30		
Terry Hagen	December 7	Rick Austin	December 22	HADD	V		
Dale Damrau	December 8	Kenneth Henke	December 22	BIRTH	NOU		
Cynthia Lilley	December 8	Barbara Hunt-Caves	December 22				

#### **CHRISTMAS MEMORIES**

submitted by Pamela Hilke

As part of St. Luke's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary our parishioners were invited to write about their memories of St. Luke's. This is what I remember about Christmas time here at St. Luke's.

While growing up in the 1960's and 1970's I was always part of St. Luke's Sunday School Christmas program. We had so many students that there were two services, the alphabet was divided in half by your last name, such as A-L in the first service and M-Z in the second. The services were held late in the afternoon, always on Christmas Eve. We practiced on the Sunday afternoons, from just after Thanksgiving until the Sunday, before the big night. Our leader at the time was Mrs. Irene Kruger and she always wanted us to do a very nice presentation of our service. We learned how to do everything just perfectly and memorized many of our songs. Students in the older grades had recitation pieces and verses and would step to the microphone to talk. The youngest children would often come up to the altar area steps and sing their songs and speak their recitation pieces. Everything was to be just right for all of our guests: parents, grandparents, siblings, aunts, uncles and others. I must say that we put on a great service. We would all gather together with our classes in the Fellowship Hall and enter together and take our seats. How exciting it was to finally go into church. There were traditional entrance and exit hymns to sing and after the service everyone received a bag of goodies, usually containing fruit, candy, nuts and always popcorn balls! All the children and teachers wore their very best outfits for our Christmas program. We really did look and great!

Our choirs at church always played a big part during December. There were three choirs: the Senior, Junior and Cherub. The Junior and Cherub were for the children and Senior for high school and adults. Sometimes there was a special evening with just our choirs performing their Christmas music, with the organ accompanying the singers. The choir members would often walk into church wearing their choir robes. The older children got to carry lit candles and battery lit for the youngest kids. It was always special when we were old enough to carry real candles! I was also part of the children choirs and we had certain attire: girls wore white tops/black skirts and boys wore white shirts/black slacks. And often had white choir gowns to wear too. This was always a special night. And also, I remember at the 11 pm Christmas Eve service, the choirs would sing, sitting up in the balcony. Us kids would get to church and talk about presents we had already received. And a very special solo, O Holy Night, was often sung by Bryce Anunson, at the end of the

service. The lights were dimmed and everyone had their own candle too. It was a wonderful way to end the Christmas Eve service. And generally it would be so very cold when we finally left church to go home!

The church was always decorated up beautifully, usually a pair of large real trees in the altar area. There were Christmas trees all around the buildings in the other areas too and usually the manger scene outside on the front yard. Plus wreaths and Christmas lights all around the church. And beautiful flowers to adorn the altar. I hope you've enjoyed reading about my memories of Christmas at St. Luke's.

Merry Christmas and God's blessings to you and yours.



#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Theme of the year: Amour of God

Verse of the year: Ephesians 6: 10-18

#### **November Recap:**

In November these are the stories and the verses that we had gone through:

- Samaria this is one of the dogs that is part of our mission for the year
- His Father's House Boy Jesus in the Temple; Luke 2: 41-52
- The Pointing Prophet John Points to Jesus; Matthew 3; John 1 29-34
- A Temple Cleansing Jesus clears the temple; John 2: 13-22

As was stated in the October newsletter our theme is the Amour of God. In Ephesian 6: 10-18 talks about the putting on the whole amour of God. The parts of the amour of God are:

- 1. The belt of truth buckled around your waist
- 2. The breastplate of righteousness in place
- 3. The gospel of peace fitting the feet with the readiness of peace.
- 4. The shield of faith extinguish all of the flaming arrows from the evil one.
- 5. The helmet of Salvation
- 6. The Sword of the Spirit which is the word of God.

In scripture the second item of the amour of God is the breastplate of righteousness. Why is the second piece of the amour of God the breastplate of righteousness and how does this piece help us with our spiritual battles? When a roman solider wore this piece of amour it would cover his heart to keep it safe from being pierced by a sword. In the same way the breastplate can help us with helping to protect our heart from Satan and of his schemes that could hurt our heart.

As believers we have righteousness because Jesus had died on the cross for us. By putting on the breastplate of righteousness we are protected by His righteousness. Daily we have to choose to do the right thing. What is the right thing? Some of these things are living a right life, we need to be rooted in God's Word. How many of us take time daily to be in God's Word, always try to live like Jesus lived his life. This is not an easy task however God has given us some tools to help with living the right life taking a look at activities that may weaken our breastplate of righteousness.

#### If you have any questions, please contact:

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#### THANKSGIVING!



November is the month we traditionally remember the blessings that we have received. But St. Luke's Preschool/4K and the staff is blessed all year! We especially thank those in the community who have been  $St.\ Luke's\ Preschool/4K$  generous with their time and allowed the students to visit their businesses. We have learned so much from these community helpers. In

November 4K students went to Baker Street IGA and Rocky Rococo's while they learned about nutrition. What fun!

Both 4K and 3K students enjoyed their thanksgiving feasts. 3K students continued to work on the alphabet and patterning. They are making friends and working on social skills. Turkeys filled the bulletin boards!

Now it's time to get ready for the Christmas season and Christmas programs. Jesus is the reason for the season at St. Luke's! As the season changes so do the seasonal cloths on our altars. These have been a wonderful addition to our rooms.

Thank you to those who purchased Kwik Trip cards during the fundraiser in November. We invite you to join us for BBQ at the Advent meal on December 4th before church.

Looking ahead – pre-registration for the 2025-2026 school year begins in January!

Just a reminder... Donations to St. Luke's or St. Luke's Preschool need to be received by St. Luke's on or

before December 31st, 2024. Please make sure that it arrives in the church office by this date.

Due to an increase of manufacturing prices, Seroogy's Candy Bars in the office will now be \$2.00 per bar starting January 1st 2025.

#### **DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Gerald & Marjorie Wendt	Dec 9	63 years	Carlton & Anna Andersen	Dec 28	40 years
Thomas & Ellen Sachs	Dec 10	47 years	Charles Brody &		
Bernard & Geraldine Enkro	Dec 10	58 years	Carol Wunrow-Brody	Dec 30	24 years
Maisie & Eric McClure	Dec 12	4 years	** <b>*</b> **	<b>P</b>	
Donn & Becky Krenz	Dec 18	42 years	* * 100		
Thomas & Emily Andres	Dec 21	50 years		ersary	
Raymond & Suzanne Onesti	Dec 27	49 years	**************************************	***	

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**DECEMBER HELPERS TO WORSHIP** 

Elders: 6:00 Gary Shaw, Ron Herman, Tom Sachs 8:15 Dale Scheunemann

10:30 Ron Stowell

**Ushers:** 6:00 Ron Hagen, Ron Bohn, Jerry Klingforth, Steve Duranceau

6:00 (Dec 18) Jim Nooyen, Jim & Iris Fischer, James Wunrow

8:15 Paige & Brady Jackan, Ned & Kami Kubisiak 10:30 Tim, Ayden, Brian & Heather Stainbrook

Altar Guild: Dec 1 6:00 & 8:15 Lori

Dec 7&8 10:30 Jenny

Dec 14 & 15 6:00 & 8:15 Bonnie Dec 24 & 25 10:30 Annette

Dec 28 & 29

Dec 31

**Pew Maintenance:** 

Saturday/Sunday, December 1, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00 Jim Nooyen 8:15 Richard Casper 10:30

Readers: 6:00 Jim Tellekson 8:15 Kathy Lewic 10:30 Barbera Hunt-Caves

Greeters: 6:00 Jean Grimm 8:15 Tona & Bob Kubisiak 10:30 Barb Kasten

Wednesday December 4, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00

Readers: 6:00 LouAnne Pufall

Greeters:

Saturday/Sunday, December 7 & 8, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00 8:15 10:30 Herb Kronholm
Readers: 6:00 Jim Tellekson 8:15 Barbera Hunt-Caves 10:30 Dave Urban
Greeters: 6:00 Sandy Sanger 8:15 Bonnie Rendmeister 10:30 Arlene Van Duser

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00

Readers: 6:00 Cheryl Hasenohrl

Greeters: 6:00

Saturday/Sunday, December 14 & 15, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00 Chuck Gibbons 8:15 Richard Casper

Readers: 6:00 Bill Seipel 8:15 Cheryl Hasenohrl 10:30 Herb Kronholm Greeters: 6:00 Virgel & Pam Berndt 8:15 Emily Hansen 10:30 Carla Brizzee

Wednesday, December 18, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00

Readers: 6:00 Nancy Koch

Greeters: 6:00

Saturday/Sunday, December 21 & 22, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00 8:15 10:30 Herb Kronholm

Readers: 6:00 LouAnne Pufall 8:15 Jan Langholff 10:30 Bill Seipel Greeters: 6:00 Pam Shaw 8:15 Sandy Christman 10:30 Pam Hilke

#### **DECEMBER HELPERS TO WORSHIP**

Elders: Dec 24: 1:00 Richard Clasen 3:00 Jeff Rieckenberg 5:00 Gary Shaw 11:00 Ron Herman

Dec 25: 9:00 Ron Herman

Dec 28 & 29: 6:00 Gary Shaw 8:15 Dale Scheunemann 10:30 Ron Herman

Dec 31: 6:00 Gary Shaw

**Ushers:** Dec 24: 1:00 Terry Hagen, Dean Langholff, Gerald Geishart, Rick Austin

3:00 Kim & Pat Young, Pam Hilke

5:00 Lon, Hayden, Tracy & Pam Shaw 11:00 OPEN

Dec 25: 9:00 OPEN

Dec 28 & 29: 6:00 Lon, Hayden, Tracy & Pam Shaw 8:15 Paige & Brady Jackan, Ned & Kami Kubisiak

10:30 Tim, Ayden, Brian & Heather Stainbrook

Dec 31 6:00 Lon, Hayden, Tracy & Pam Shaw

Altar Guild: December 24 & 25: 10:30 Annette

December 28 & 29: December 31:

#### **Pew Maintenance:**

Tuesday December 24—Christmas Eve

Communion Helpers: 1:00 3:00 5:00 11:00 Ron Herman

Readers: 1:00 Barbera Hunt-Caves 3:00 Jan Langholff 5:00 Bill Seipel 11:00 Ron Stowell

Greeters: 1:00 3:00 5:00 11:00

Wednesday December 25—Christmas Day

Communion Helper: 9:00 Richard Koch

Reader: 9:00 Nancy Koch

Greeters: 9:00

Saturday/Sunday, December 28 & 29, 2024

Communion Helpers: 6:00 8:15 10:30

Readers: 6:00 Barbara Hunt-Caves 8:15 Nancy Koch 10:30 Brian Radtke

Greeters: 6:00 Sandy Sanger 8:15 Tina & Bob Kubisiak 10:30 Nancy Mancusi

December 31—New Years Eve

Communion Helper: 6:00 David Urban

Reader: 6:00 Barbera Hunt-Caves

Greeters: 6:00

Ron Herman schedules the Elders, Communion Helpers, & Ushers

Ron Stowell schedules the Greeters Barb Hunt-Caves schedules the Readers

Jenny Damrau schedules Altar Guild

#### **CAMP LUTHER UPDATES**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

• Winter Blast Youth Group Retreats | January 24-26, 2025 (other weekends are full)

Our Winter Blast weekends are designed to provide your middle school and high school youth group with the opportunity to recharge and be reminded of who they are in Jesus Christ. Join us for a weekend of fun, fellowship, and snow-filled activities!

Men's Retreat | January 30 - February 2, 2025
 MEN!! Come for a relaxing or adventurous weekend together with other men of God to be built up in your faith, encouraged, and challenged. This full weekend retreat will be a time of disruption of the norm while being surrounded by God's creation and in fellowship with each other and Jesus.

Activities include: ice fishing, snowmobiling, close quarter combat training/conceal carry training, board games, Bible study and alone time with God.



Registration is now open at <a href="https://campluther.com/adults#men">https://campluther.com/adults#men</a>

#### APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER STAFF POSITIONS

• Summer Staff Applications are Open! Do you want a job that will change your life? Spend this summer serving at camp. A summer on staff at camp means diving into something that's real, that immerses you in what it means to love Jesus and love like Jesus. It's Kingdom-focused ministry that's impactful, purposeful, and life-changing.

This summer, Camp Luther is hiring 45 college-aged staff, including:

- 26 x Summer Counselors
- 11 x Program Coordinators
- 8 x Specialty Staff (Kitchen, Office, Float)

Are you ready to spend the summer telling others about Jesus? Apply today at <a href="https://campluther.com/summerstaff">https://campluther.com/summerstaff</a>

• Junior Counselor Applications are Open! Our Junior Counselor program is for high school students who have completed 10th-12th grade. This program offers so much to both those who apply and those they impact through their service here at Camp Luther. Junior Counselors volunteer for two weeks at camp during the summer. In those two weeks they get the chance to grow in their leadership abilities, learn what it means to serve others, and be strengthened in their faith. Apply at <a href="https://campluther.com/juniorcounselor">https://campluther.com/juniorcounselor</a>. Applications due February 1st.

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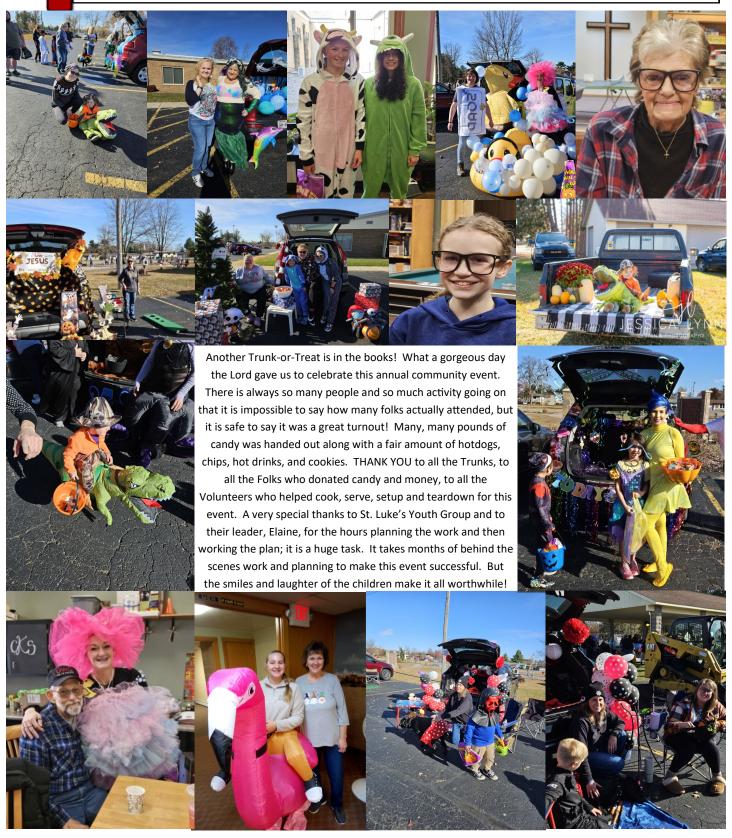
# **DECEMBER 2024**

SUNDAY			WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:15 Worship/HC 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Youth Bible Study 9:20 Adult Bible Study 9:20 SS Parents Group 10:30 Worship 5:00 Game Group	8:30 Veterans of the Cross 10:00 Hope Support 11:30 Senior Women 6:30 Walking with Jesus	3 11:00 Ministry on Missions 1:00 Pastor Carlton Bible Study 6:00 WM Meeting	4 9:45 Women in the Word 6:00 Relationship SG 6:00 Youth Group 6:00 Advent 1 6:00 Choir	5 10:00 GriefShare 6:00 The Bible Small Group 6:30 GriefShare 6:30 Life Love & Jesus	<b>6</b> 10:00 Bible Study	7 6:00 Worship
8 8:15 Worship 9:15 Sunday School 9:15 Youth Bible Study 9:20 Adult Bible Study 9:20 SS Parents Group 10:30 Worship/HC 5:00 Game Group 6:00 Stephen Ministry	9 10:00 Hope Support 6:00 Lois Circle 6:30 Walking with Jesus	<b>10</b> 6:30 Church Council	11 9:45 Women in the Word 6:00 Relationship SG 6:00 Youth Group 6:00 Advent 2 6:00 Choir 7:30 Congregational Mtg	12 10:00 GriefShare 10:00 Anna Circle 1:00 Eunice Circle 6:00 The Bible Small Group 6:30 GriefShare 6:30 Life Love & Jesus	<b>13</b> 10:00 Bible Study	<b>14</b> 6:00 Worship/HC
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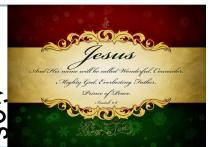
## Christ be Our Leader October/November 2024

St. Luke's youth seek to be united in Christ, share His love and celebrate our growth in faith.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Bible Study 9:15—10:15  Parker Marzofka	2  Brayden Gies	3	Youth Group 6-8 p.m.	5	6	7
8  Bible Study 9:15—10:15	9	10	Youth Advent Meal Youth Group 6-8 p.m.	12	13	14
Bible Study 9:15—10:15  CAROLING After 10:30 service	16	17	18  Youth Group 6-8 p.m.	19	20	21
Bible Study 9:15—10:15	23	CHRISTMAS EVE	25  ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** *	26	27	28
29  Bible Study 9:15—10:15	30	New Year's				