Luke Notes for the weekend of December 21 & 22, 2024

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This Week's Bible Readings: Wednesday~ Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7 | Colossians 1:15-20 | John 14:1-11 | Saturday/Sunday ~ Psalm 85:1-7 | Zephaniah 3:14-17 | Matthew 1:18-25 |

For those with special needs who attend in person worship, large print bulletins are available from an usher. Assistive listening devices are available in the narthex and in the overflow area. Please do not hesitate to ask an usher for assistance if there is anything else you need.

This weekend's service will be shown on television on the following Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Solarus- Channel 3; Spectrum- channel 985. The services are also available on our website. Livestreaming of the 8:15 a.m. and the 10:30 a.m. Sunday services will be available depending on the availability of our volunteers. You can access the service at stlukeslutheran.com or our YouTube channel St. Luke's Church Wisconsin Rapids.

WEEKLY UPDATE FOR THE WEEKEND OF December 14 & 15, 2024

Weekend Worship Attendance=193

General Budget \$25,625.00 | Dedicated \$156.25 | Weekly Budget Need= \$14,670.35

Worship Services: Saturday 6 p.m. | Sunday 8:15 a.m. | 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School (adults, teens, children): Sunday 9:20 a.m.

<u>Pastor Carlton's</u> "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace". What do these famous names of Jesus from Isaiah 9:16 tell us about our Savior? Come and explore this question with Pr. Carlton between our Sunday services in the fellowship from December 1 – 29.

<u>Deacon Jim is hosting a support group</u> for parents and grandparents. We strive to grow closer to God so we can teach our children.

Christmas/New Years Services

Christmas Eve

1pm, 3pm, 5pm & 11pm (5:00 to be livestreamed)

Christmas Day- 9 am New Year's Eve – 6pm



<u>For teens:</u> Join us on Sunday at 9:20 am for bible study and on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm for youth group. Teens getting together for a time of fellowship, studying God's word and of course fun! Elaine Herman is our Youth Director



Hey kids! Join us for Sunday School at 9:20 am on Sundays. Our theme this year is Amour of God, and our verse is Ephesians 6:10-18. Come and learn what it means to put on the Armor of God.

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 to the
church office by this
date.

Weekly Prayers- **This does not include the people on our Continue to Pray list.

We thank and praise God - We thank God for who He is. He is the only true God, Our Savior and King.

We thank God for the healing that is taking place in the life of Ron Stowell, Betty Clouse, and Sherri Odem

<u>Prayer for comfort and strength-</u> Prayers for comfort and strength for Delores Ott and Lyle, Linda, Lisa and Larry upon the transitioning into the heavenly home of husband and father. Wilbur Ott.

Prayers for comfort and strength for Keith, Lisa, Maya and Nolan Keller upon the transitioning into the healingly kingdom of Keith's father Ron Keller.

<u>Recovering From Illness/Surgery/In Need of Healing</u>-Prayers for physical, emotional, financial, and Spiritual healing and relationship for the following people-

Ashley Groholski | Mike O'Neil | Diana & Jon Hillstead | Jill Hagen | Ron and Laura Hagen | Elizabeth Adams | Sharon's Brother | Betty Tuxhorn | Bea Henke | Virginia Halversma | Shirley Plowman-Wagner |

<u>Other-</u> God you have called us out of darkness into your marvelous light so that you can work in us and through us for you honor and glory.



Dorcas and Eve Circles will not be meeting in December. The card stamping group will not be meeting in December. Rebekah Circle will be meeting Monday, December 23rd

Priscilla Circle is looking for help with communion set up and altar care. 1 weekend every 6 weeks. Contact Annette Wussow, Jenny Damrau, Lori Hansen or Bonnie Rendmeister. Funeral committee is looking for more help for 2025. Signup sheets are in the narthex and office lobby.

You can also call Julie Spice at 715-570-7235

Women's Ministry is looking for a Treasurer. If you have any interest or questions, please contact Pamela Hilke at 715-421-3817 and leave a message. Thank you.

WE NEED YOU

THANK YOU to those who joined us for Christmas caroling. It was a great time singing, fellowship, and blessing others!











WEEK AT A GLANCE~ DECEMBER



Monday 23 rd	Tuesday 24 th	Wednesday 25 th	Thursday 26 th	Friday 27 th	Saturday 28 th	Sunday 29 th
10:00 a.m. Hope Support	1:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service	9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service	6:00 p.m. Bible Small Group	10:00 a.m. Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Worship	8:15 a.m. Worship
	3:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service		6:30 p.m. Life, Love, & Jesus			9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service					9:15 a.m. Youth Bible Study w/Elaine
						9:20 a.m. S.S. Parent Group
						9:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study
						10:30 a.m. Worship
						5:00 p.m. Game Group

Birthdays

DEC 23~ OWEN PORTER, DEAN LANGHOLFF, LINDSEY HANSEN

DEC 24~ CAROL KORN

DEC 25~ MARY BURMEISTER

DEC26~ KAITLYN SCHOFF

DEC 27~ DELORES OTT

DEC 28~ RONALD HETT, KAYCEA KOCH, TODD CALVERLEY

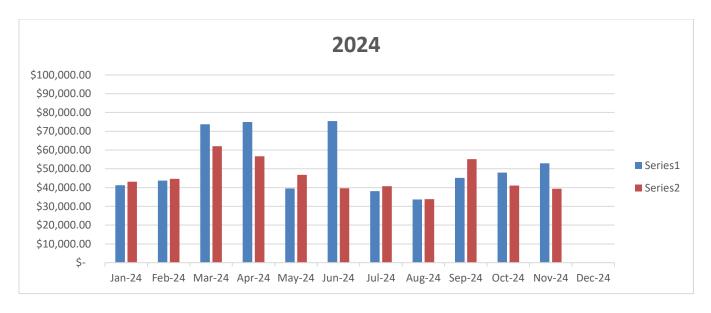
DEC 29~ BENTLEY LARSEN

Anniversaries

DEC 27~ RAYMOND & SUZANNE ONESTI 49 YRS

DEC 28~ CARLTON & ANNA ANDERSEN 40 YRS





Red= expense

Blue=income



Seroogy's Chocolates has increased their prices on chocolate bars. Due to the increase we will be updating our prices of chocolate bars to \$2.00 per bar in the office starting January 1st. Profits go to St. Luke's Youth Group.

<u>A LIFE QUOTE FOR LUTHERANS FOR LIFE</u> December 21"As we celebrate the birth of our Lord, let us pray for all mothers who find themselves pregnant and afraid. Abortion is never the answer. We pray daily that the Lord will strengthen all expectant mothers who find themselves alone and seemingly without hope and that He will help them choose life. Every_human being's life is a precious and beautiful miracle. "Judie Brown, American Life League – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org



We at St. Luke's dedicate ourselves to grow in faith and love, to serve together, and to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.