Luke Notes for the weekend of January 18 & 19, 2024

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This Week's Bible Readings: Isaiah 62:1-5 | 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 | John 2:1-11 |

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 January 11 & 12, 2024

Weekend Worship Attendance= 234

General Budget \$8778.00 | Dedicated \$964.00 | 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>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.



For teens: 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 Armor of God, and our verse is Ephesians 6:10-18. Come and learn what it means to put on the Armor of God.



St. Luke's Preschool/4K is accepting registrations for 3K and 4K for the 2025-2026 school year. A child must be 3 or 4 prior to September 1, 2025 to be eligible. Registration forms are available online, at the church office, and at the preschool office. If there are questions, please call preschool at 715-423-5990. St. Luke's is nationally accredited and state licensed. The theme for the year will be "On Track with Jesus". We look forward to an exciting year!

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 calling people in the past and the present to build His kingdom in and through the people worshiping at St. Luke's.

<u>Prayer for comfort and strength-</u> Prayers for strength, comfort and hope for David and Jerri Haferman upon the transitioning of David's mother to the eternal Kingdom.

<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 | Catherine O'Neil | Tim Neumann | Marge Ross | Diane Schoenholz | Kaitlyn | Brayden & Aryanna Mitchell | Ray Monge | Dale Scheuneman | Jim Klingforth | Jim Heineuch |

<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.

We pray for all of our political leaders and all of the people living in our country that we all would follow the will of our King and Savior Jesus..

Continue to pray for victims and workers of the wild fires



Pastor Carlton's New Bible Study Class~ 'The Bible in 12 Weeks (or a little more)'
So many of us know great passages and stories in the Bible but don't know how it
all fits together. Come join us Sunday's in the fellowship hall these winter months
for an inspiring overall look at the greatest book ever written. Classes meet
between Sunday services from January 12th- April 6th, 2025.

Bibles & Bows will be starting up in February! We are always looking for more helpers if you would like to join our ministry. Please contact Tami Abel at 715-435-3282 (after 5pm) if you are interested in helping. Classes will be every Thursday evening, February 6th through March 20th, from 6pm to 8pm. Kids ages 8 through 18 are welcome to participate. Depending on ages of participants, we may split into two groups - ages 8 – 13 yr. olds and 14 - 18 yr. olds. Please join us for archery & bible devotion fun!

Senior Women will meet on Monday, February 3rd, at 11:30 a.m. at Tamaracks.

January 19 at 12pm. Women's Ministry January Joint Meeting, in the Fellowship Hall. We begin with a noon luncheon followed by our business meeting. Agenda includes voting on 2025 goals and fundraising projects, society by-law revisions, mites collection and more. Any lady of St. Luke's is cordially invited to join us this afternoon. Hosted by Lois and Eve Circles. Would love to see you at our meeting. Questions? Please contact Pamela Hilke 715-421-3817.

Card Ministry will not be meeting in January.

We currently have a need for someone to wash our dish towels from the kitchen for the months of January, July, and December 2025.

Please call Julie Spice if interested at 715-570-7235

Women's Ministry needs a Christian Life Chairman to present the devotion at Board and Joint meetings. If you are interested please call Julie Spice at 715-570-7235

GriefShare has moved to room 105

FOCUS is sponsoring the South Wood County Empty Bowls again this year. The event this year will be held on February 15 from 11am-2:00pm. The event will include a sit down meal including Soup, roll, beverage and dessert meal, a handmade bowl, and a basket raffle featuring over 70 different baskets to bid on. We need the following volunteers:

- Greeters- 2
- Parking attendants- 2
- Ticket sales- 2- Lisa
- Ticket takers- 2
- Bowl supervisors- 2
- Number caller- 1
- Table servers- 10
- Beverage bar- 2
- Order takers- 2
- Desserts- 2

- Soup Servers- 6-8
- Dish station- 2
- Dish washers- 3-4
- Table waiters- 6-8
- Dining room monitor-1
- Raffle- 6 at least plus Mari Jo and Bob
- Clean up- 6-10
- Closers- 2
- Runners- 2
- To go meals- 2

If you would like to work in any of these areas, please email Don Mancl at lindaanddon@solarus.net or call him at 715-451-1404 with the area you would like to work in. Descriptions of each job will be posted outside the Church Office and in the Narthex. We thank you in advance for considering helping with this event.



A LIFE QUOTE FOR LUTHERANS FOR LIFE~ January 19 "No amount of scientific progress can defeat death. No political ruler can promise eternal life. Only Jesus can make and keep that promise. The promise of hope and life is ours to proclaim. It is the promise that a world without hope needs to hear. In Jesus we have hope for the future, the living hope of life in His presence forever." Dr. Carol Geisler, Lutheran Hour Ministries – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •



The Wenger Camp Luther Scholarship Fund was created in Pastor Tim Wenger's name when he retired from fulltime ministry after 40 years of serving St. Luke's. During the month of February you many contribute toward this fund to honor Pastor Tim and keep the fund going for years to come. You may use a pew envelope and write Wenger Scholarship Fund on the memo line to contribute. This fund provides scholarships for youth in 3rd - 12th grade who have attended Camp Luther in the past and would like to go again. Three full scholarships will be drawn from that fund on Monday, Feb 24.

If you would like to put you/your child's name in for the Wenger Scholarship drawing.

Please use the form provided or find one on the bulletin board. Forms should be turned into the office by 10:30 a.m. on Sunday February 23.

Pastor Tim Wenger Camp Luther —Scholarship Form

This scholarship is for a week long camp in the summer of 2020 at Camp Luther for grades 3rd thru 12th grade to anyone who has attended before and wants to go again



 Name of Camper	to anyone who has attended before and wants to go again Grade	CAMP LUTHER				
Address:		_				
Phone or email						
	Winners will be chosen on Monday, Feb. 24.	Grade				



WEEK AT A GLANCE~ JANUARY



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Monday 20 th	Tuesday 21 st	Wednesday 22 nd	Thursday 23 rd	2	riday 14 th		Saturday 25 th		Sunday 26 th		
8:30 a.m. Veterans of the Cross	9:00 a.m. Eve Circle	9:45 a.m. Women in the Word	10:00 a.m. GriefShare		0:00 a.m. lible Study		6:00 p.m. Worship		8:15 a.m. Worship		
10:00 a.m. Hope Support	1:00 p.m. Pastor Carlton's Bible Class	6:00 p.m. Relationship Small Group	6:00 p.m. The Bible Small Group						9:15 a.m. Sunday School		
6:30 p.m. Walking w/ Jesus	6:00 p.m. Family Ministry Meeting	6:00 p.m. Choir	6:30 p.m. Life Love & Jesus						9:15 a.m. Youth Bible Study w/Elaine		
		6:00 p.m. Youth Group	6:30 p.m. GriefShare						9:20 a.m. S.S. Parent Group		
		6:00 p.m. Confirmation							9:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study		
									10:30 a.m. Worship /HC		
									5:00 p.m. Game Group		
									6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry		

Birthdays

JAN 20~ HERMAN RISTOW, LAUREN CALVERLEY, KENLEY COOK

JAN 21~ DOUGLAS VAN NATTA, DEVIN DAHL

JAN 22 ~ JON HILLSTEAD, DAVID ROMANSKI

JAN 23~JANET MEDDAUGH

JAN 24~ TIMOTHY HANSEN

JAN 25~ VICKI BALKO, TRISTA MARZOFKA, MAXTON

KLINGFORTH

JAN 26~ WENDY KOCH

Anniversaries

THERE ARE NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



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.