Luke Notes for the weekend of February 22 & 23, 2025

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This Week's Bible Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5 | 1 Corinthians 15:42-50 | Matthew 6:25-34 |

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 February 15 & 16, 2025

Weekend Worship Attendance= 211

General Budget \$9368.00 | Dedicated \$506.00 | 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 are thankful that the Holy Spirit is leading many people into a closer relationship with the Father and the Son.

<u>Prayer for comfort and strength-</u> We pray for comfort and strength for the family of Eva Skibba who was called 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 Shaffan | Ray Monge | Kaitlyn | Ann Weller | Randy Balko | Julie Spice | Judith Anthony | John Kolo | Elaine Tetzloff |

<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.

Jesus lead us to the person you want us to have as our next Senior Pastor.



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 Thursday evenings, 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! We are always looking for more helpers. If you would like to help please contact Tami Abel at 715-435-3282 (after 5pm).

Save the Date! Women's Ministry Annual Pie and Bake Sale is on March 1&2 before and after services, in the Office Lobby. All proceeds help fund our Women's Ministry 2025 Operating Expenses and Goals: St. Luke's Preschool, Student Fund, & Fellowship Hall. Donations of baked goods are greatly appreciated and need to be brought to the church by 2:00 p.m. March 1st. Needed: hungry people who love baked treats!

If you will be attending a Lutheran College this fall or will be going into full time ministry or church work, you may be eligible for financial assistance through the St. Luke's Student Fund. Applications are available in the church office. If you have questions, please contact the church office or one of the trustees of the Student Fund. Application deadline is July 1, 2025. Current trustees are Debra Alft, Cindy Weigel and Holly Johnson.

Senior Women will meet on March 3rd, 11:30 a.m. at the American Family Table



<u>THANK OFFERING/MEMORIALS-</u> The following were given to the Glory of God for the blessings received and/or in loving memory of the following:

• **Betty Tuxhorn** | given by Doug Tuxhorn

A LIFE QUOTE FOR LUTHERANS FOR LIFE~ February 23 "Handmade by the one true God and designed in His image, we are inherently valuable, not only for this life but for all of eternity." Michelle Bauman, Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org





WEEK AT A GLANCE~ FEBRUARY

Monday 24 th	Tuesday 25 th	Wednesday 26 th	Thursday 27 th	Friday 28 th	Saturday 1 st	Sunday 2 nd
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	10:00 a.m. Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Worship	8:15 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Card Ministry	1:00 p.m. Pastor C's Bible Class	6:00 p.m. Choir	6:00 p.m. Bibles & Bows			9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Hope Support	6:00 p.m. Family Ministry Meeting	6:00 p.m. Relationship Small Group	6:00 p.m. The Bible Small Group			9:15 a.m. Youth Bible Study w/Elaine
6:30 p.m. Walking w/ Jesus		6:00 p.m. Youth Group	6:30 p.m. GriefShare			9:20 a.m. S.S. Parent Group
		6:00 p.m. Confirmation	6:30 p.m. Life Love & Jesus			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

FEB 24~ LARRY BRANDT, JORDAN YOUNG

FEB 25~ GENEVIEVE RICKMAN, MILA ROMANSK

FEB 26~

FEB 27~REBECCA KNOLL, JULIE SPICE

FEB 28~ DALEN DAHL

MARCH 1~ RONALD STOWELL, BENTLEY GOODENOUGH

MARCH 2~ JOAN SPICE, DONNA VERJINSKY

Anniversaries

FEB 27~ JOSHUA & SHANNA KREUTZER, 25 YRS



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.

St. Luke's Family, He is Risen!



Easter is just around the corner, and we are excited to fill the altar with colorful potted florals to celebrate our Risen Savior. Please consider purchasing a potted plant to be placed on the altar for Easter Sunday, use the form below and <u>drop the completed form and payment to the church office by March 9th</u>. Wisconsin Rapids Floral & Gifts will be delivering the flowers for Easter Sunday. If you have any questions, contact the church office at 715-423-5990 and Paula will be happy to help.

Order Form for Easter Sunday Altar Flowers

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Type of Flowers	Quantity	Color	Price
Single Easter Lily			\$27
Triple Easter Lily			\$45
Azaleas			
Colors: white,			\$45
pink and red			
Hydrangeas			
Colors: Pink,			\$63
White, Blue			(3-5 bulbs) 6 ½" Pot
Kalanchoes			
Colors: White,			\$27
Yellow, Orange,			
Pink, Purple or			
Red			
6" Tulips			
Colors: Yellow,			\$27
Pink, Purple			
6" Hyacinths			
Colors: Pink,			\$27
Blue, Purple			

	Total Amount Due			
Name: Phone Number:				