

Luke Notes for the weekend of March 29 & 30, 2025

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This Week's Bible Readings: Isaiah 12:1-6 | 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 | Matthew 26:3-16 |

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...).

WEEKLY UPDATE FOR THE WEEKEND OF March 22 & 23, 2025

Weekend Worship Attendance= 264

General Budget \$10,079.58 | Dedicated \$101.00 | 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.

Deacon Jim is hosting a support group 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.



April 2nd.
office staff
Lenten Meal
12pm & 5pm
Baked Potato
Bar

April 9th.
Women's
Ministry
Lenten Meal
12pm & 5pm
BBQ, Baked
Beans,
Coleslaw

Please pick up your 2024 giving statement in the church lobby, we will not be mailing them out.

Dorcus Circle will not be meeting on the 14th, 15th, or 29th of April.



Weekly Prayers- ****This does not include the people on our Continue to Pray list.**
We thank and praise God – We thank God for his healing of Own the grandson of Bob and Tami Klingforth who was born with some medical issues. He had surgery and is doing well, we thank God for the healing that has taken place and for continued healing and growing closer spiritually to Jesus.

We are thankful that the Holy Spirit is leading many people into a closer relationship with the Father and the Son.

Prayer for comfort and strength-

Recovering From Illness/Surgery/In Need of Healing-Prayers for physical, emotional, financial, and Spiritual healing and relationship for the following people-[Ashley Groholski](#) | [Diane Steffan](#) | [Kaitlyn](#) | [Randy Balko](#) | [Jody Cook](#) | [Ardene Nack](#) | [Jan Fisher](#) | [Jan Fisher](#) | [Tammy W](#) | [Bev Dahn](#) | [Nancy Mancusi](#) | [Charles Boudreau](#) | [Kerry Adams & son](#) |

Other- 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 Pastor Kent Pierce who has received a call from St. Luke's Lutheran church to be our next senior pastor. We pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit as he considers not only our call but also reviews his present call to serve the Lord.



LWML Zone 17 Rally, April 5 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Nekoosa. 8:30am Registration, 9am Rally, \$5.00 for materials and lunch. A copy of the invitation will be posted on the church bulletin boards for more information. "Gifts of the Heart" monetary donations go for Orphan

Grain Train WI. You may also bring stamps for missions, beverage tabs and unused eyeglasses and cases.



St. Luke's Preschool/4K is having a Noodles & Company Fundraiser! When you order online on April 5th from 4pm-8pm, enter the code GIVING25 and 25% of sales will go towards St. Luke's Preschool 4K. If dining in, make sure to mention St. Luke's Preschool/4K when ordering.

Please join us for the annual cleaning of the church. April 7th. Lunch will be provided. See you there!



The cleaning is from 8-4 on

Donna Jensen will be the Co-Ambassador to Love In the Name of Christ (Love INC) along with Jonna Kronholm. We would like to meet with Ministry teams and small groups at St, Luke's in order to talk about how Love INC can serve the church and individuals in our congregation. Please call or text Jonna at (715) 323-7834 to set up a time.

A LIFE QUOTE FOR LUTHERANS FOR LIFE~ March 30 "Our Lord dwelt among us for quite some time without anyone seeing or meeting Him. Yet in this span, He consecrated and sanctified every human life from its very beginning at the moment of fertilization. And He demonstrated that neither age nor appearance nor ability—nor any lack thereof—improves or impairs anyone's worth. God creates, redeems, and calls each one as His own to start with." *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •*

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WEEK AT A GLANCE~ APRIL

Monday 31 st	Tuesday 1 st	Wednesday 2 nd	Thursday 3 rd	Friday 4 th	Saturday 5 th	Sunday 6 th
10:00 a.m. Hope Support	11:a.m. Ministry on Missions	9:45 a.m. Women in the Word	10:00 a.m. GriefShare	10:00 a.m. Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Worship/HC	8:15 a.m. Worship/HC
6:30 p.m. Walking w/ Jesus	1:00 p.m. Pastor C's Bible Class	12:00 p.m. Office Staff Lenten Meal	6:00 p.m. The Bible Small Group			9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	5:00 p.m. Choir	1:00 p.m. Lent Service	6:30 p.m. GriefShare			9:15 a.m. Youth Bible Study w/Elaine
	6:00 p.m. Women's Ministry Meeting	5:00 p.m. Office Staff Lenten Meal	6:30 p.m. Life Love & Jesus			9:20 a.m. S.S. Parent Group
		6:00 p.m. Lent Service				9:20 a.m. Adult Bible Study
		6:00 p.m. Confirmation				10:30 a.m. Worship
		6:00 p.m. Youth Group				5:00 p.m. Game Group
		6:00 p.m. Relationship Small Group				

Birthdays

MARCH 31~ JILL WETMORE, JEFFREY YOUNG
 APRIL 1~ KASANDRA ENKRO, HEATHER UTECHT
 APRIL 2~ CONNIE SHERD, SALLY CAPTAIN
 APRIL 3~
 APRIL 4~ LUCILLE SPAULDING, MARY EBERT
 APRIL 5~
 APRIL 6~

**Happy
 Birthday**

Anniversaries

APRIL 1~ VIRGETL & PAMELA BERNDT, 25 YRS
 APRIL 4~ GREG & SHERYL ROMANSKI, 44 YRS
 APRIL 6~ DANIEL & CARMEN SMALLBROOK 41 YRS
 APRIL 6~ DAVID & PHYLLIS LEHMAN, 34 YRS

*Happy
 Anniversary*



As we all know, we live in an ever-changing world. Those changes sometimes present us with challenges in keeping our facilities safe and secure as well as those who work, visit, or attend St. Luke's.

In continuing efforts to fulfill this mission, Church Council, Ministry of Worship, Ministry on Property Care, have been working with the help of our insurance company and other professionals, to implement programs and technologies to make our facility more safe and secure.

Some changes have been made, some are work in progress, and some are in planning stages. Areas that are already in progress are additional security cameras are being installed to cover the playground, shelter house, garages, east doors, east parking area and north parking area. The installation of a video doorbell and intercom system with controlled lock for the north entry doors A and B will be primarily used when staff are alone in the building or after worship services have begun. Upcoming work will take place in the Preschool/4k classrooms with installing heavy duty doors and locks with bullet proof window panels in the summer of 2025 to better secure the classrooms.

Our building has many entrances that our insurance company has concerns about the ability of the church providing adequate safety to all those who enter and use our facility. For us to provide adequate safety, reducing the number of doors that are used as entry doors and the number of doors that can be locked open will help with that effort. As this part of our security evolves, we will be providing information as how these practices will be handled and how you can help to ensure that St. Luke's is a safe place to worship, fellowship and play.

So, if you see any work being done throughout the building, it is more than likely that it is part of our security efforts to make it a safer place to be. We ask for the understanding of all our members as these changes take place. If you have any questions, comments, suggestions, or input concerning any of these safety measures, please contact Jim Nooyen, Dave Mancusi, or John Klingforth.

As we continue to live out St. Luke's mission to grow in faith and love, to serve together, and to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we want to do that in the most safe and secure possible way.

God's Blessings to all!

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