



St. Luke's United Methodist Church
 Hours: Tues./Thurs. 9:00 am-2:30 pm; Mon./Fri. Noon - 2:30 pm
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... At St. Luke's

This Week at St. Luke's:

Sunday, March 1

9:30 am Worship; Holy Communion

10:30 am Fellowship

11:00 am Bible 101 Class: Multipurpose Room

11:00 am Children's Choir: Room TBA

6:00 - 7:30 pm Youth Group Meeting

Monday, March 2

7:30-8:30 pm "Living Sober": Room 102
(Outside Group)

Tuesday, March 3

6:45-9:00 am BNI Group: Fellowship Hall
(Outside Group)

9:30 am Prayer Group: Cantor Area

7:00 pm Trustees: Room 201

Wednesday, March 4

9:30 am WWW Meet at Church

9:30 - 11:30 am St. Luke's Busy Fingers Sewing
 Group: Rooms 101-103

7:30-8:30 pm AA Group: Room 102
(Outside Group)

Thursday, March 5

7:00 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, March 8

9:30 am Worship

10:30 am Church Conference / VCI Vote

12:00 pm SPRC Meeting: **CANCELLED**

6:00 - 7:30 pm Youth Group Meeting

By The Numbers

Each week, we will report key financial results here and in the Worship Bulletin. It's important that each one of us understands what it takes to operate and maintain St. Luke's. We welcome all questions about this and other financial data. Just contact Finance Committee Chair Mark Chockley, or any other member of the committee.

| <i>Weekly operating expenses</i> | <i>Average Weekly General Fund Donations</i> | <i>General Fund Donations 2015 YTD</i> |
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| \$4,600 | \$4,318 | \$34,547 |

Apportionments Paid 2015 YTD = \$1,253

Did you know you can make donations on-line?

Online giving allows for a specific dollar amount to be deducted from a bank account through the use of a check or debit card or contributions may be placed on either a Visa card or MasterCard. All contributions are made via a secure internet connection. To explore this option, visit St. Luke's web site at www.stlukesrochester.org and click on the Giving option. You'll be provided the opportunity to set up an account from which one-time or recurrent gifts can be made. The recurrent option is a great tool to pay regular tithes and offerings—you specify the amount and frequency and donations are made automatically! No more searching for the check book or forgetting to place your contribution in the offering plate. All donations are confirmed by email and your online account provides a summary of donations for your review and/or tax purposes.

Questions or assistance in setting up an online account is available from Chuck Price, St. Luke's Treasurer, at

Please Note: New church directories are now available on the Welcome Center. The software used to track our Membership and Attendance was just upgraded - the new version of the standard directory doesn't include emails. We are working to correct this.

Easter Flowers

Easter Flower orders will be taken through Sunday March 22nd. Forms are available outside of the Sanctuary and on the Welcome Center.

March Family Fun Event – Chili Cook-Off – MARCH 22nd after Sunday Worship

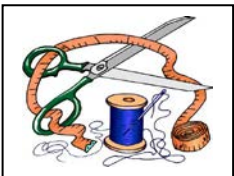
Get your recipes ready! We'll be collecting entries soon to compile our list of contestants for the chili cook off. The day will also include games, music and an introduction to Care Groups. Please stay after and join us for some family fun!

VCI - SAVE DATE:

March 8:

Special Church Conference - VCI Vote

This is the culmination of all the work and suggestions. This vote is the crossroad and we must decide as a church body which path we want to take. Our District Superintendent Rev. Melanie Carey will convene the meeting immediately after the morning worship in the Sanctuary.



St. Luke's Busy Fingers - NEW Sewing Group

Anyone who is interested in a sewing (social) group come join us in the newly formed Sewing

Ministry Group. The new group will meet in the downstairs rooms on Wednesday mornings, 9:30—11:30 am, beginning February 11th. Please contact Diantha Rhodes or the church office for more information.

Bible 101 Class – Begins THIS WEEK at 11 AM

The next 11 AM Christian Education Class, Bible 101 starts this week. **BE SURE TO BRING YOUR BIBLE!** The six class dates and topics are:

March 1: Chapter 1 - Understanding the Bible

March 15: Chapter 2 - How to Read your Bible

March 29: Chapter 3 - Bible Culture

April 12: Chapter 4 - Bibles and Translations

April 19: Chapter 5 - Where to find it

April 26: Chapter 6 - Book Overviews

Children's Choir Begins THIS WEEK at 11 AM

For children, grandchildren, neighbors, friends, extended family - any children that would like to sing in a children's choir. Practices begin today, right after church (at 11 AM) and will last about 1/2 hour to 45 minutes. Palm Sunday will be their debut. Please contact me and let me know if you are interested, so I can get an idea of how many kids we might have. Thank you and God Bless you and your kids - David Middler.

Prayer Requests

The Worship Leader will read prayer requests from blue cards collected in the offering plates. Please be sure to write the names clearly so we can lift these individuals in prayer. Prayers will be printed in the News & Notes for the following two weeks (unless noted otherwise on the card). Please let the office know if someone you have submitted for long term inclusion can be removed from the prayer list.

PRAYERS FOR THE ST. LUKE'S COMMUNITY

Remember those for whom prayers have been requested:



Frank Beach, Paul Carey, Patty Dennis, Flo Dorman, Jake Gwinn, Gene Heline, Brittney Kyle, Ethyle Marshall, Billie Martin, Doug Roberts, Pete Sherrick, Debbie Shultz, Theresa & Brandon Watson

Prayers and Condolences to:

Jim Stewart and family on the passing of his sister, Carol Burdek

Pete Sherrick and family on the passing of Ruth Sherrick

Robert Treppa (friend of Jess Parman) on the passing of his spouse

Also:

Roland Williams (Karen William's father)
Beckie Roberts (Julie Postek's sister)
Costew Family (friends of Jess Parman)
Joshua Del Pino (Rev. Del Pino's son)
Sharon Zumbrunnen (Karen Roberts' niece)
Bruce Theunissen (friend of the Careys)
Willard Funk (Julie Postek's father)
Andrew Settecerra (friend of Patty Dennis)
Laura (Stacy Swank's sister in law)
Sonny Felton (family friend of Julie Postek)