



MARCH NEWSLETTER

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

PASTOR CALL PROCESS UPDATE

The call committee has been finalized! The members on the call committee are Jeffrey (JT) Bassler, Joyce Brozik, Cathy Luetje, Marcy Munshaur, Rick Peters, and Steve Schroeder. The draft of St. Luke's Ministry Site Profile (MSP) has been sent to congrega-

tion members by email and/or postal service. Any comments need to be returned by Sunday March 27, 2022 to the office or to Ona Martin at ona@hogpenartstudio.com (please add MSP to the subject line). Once we receive the comments, the MSP will

be updated, voted on by Council and then sent to the Synod. Synod will take care of posting our MSP and will vet any potential candidates before sending their information to our call committee members.

March 2022

Special points of interest:

- Lenten Plans
- Youth Group
- New feature Monthly Reports

LENTEN PLANS

Ash Wednesday is next Wednesday on March 2nd. St Paul Methodist in New Windsor will be joining us. The worship is at 7pm. We will have communion and offer ashes. Pastor Bob also will be at church that day from 11am to 1pm to offer ashes. **Wednesday evenings in Lent** we will have online Zoom meetings. A short devotional will be shared followed by conversations.

During this Covid times this provides opportunity to electronically share fellowship. The worship committee selected theme "Gathered around the hearth". Join us for this fireside chat around the glow of your electronic devices. Weekly Wednesday Zoom Meetings (**starting March 9th**). <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83602541109>

or dial in by phone
+1 301 715 8592
US (Washington DC)
+1 646 558 8656
US (New York)
Use meeting ID: 836 0254 1109

In April, during Holy Week, we will join St Paul Methodist on Maundy Thursday. Joint Good Friday services will be at St Luke's. Details to follow

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YOUTH GROUP IN ACTION

The Youth Group met in February. Made blankets for Linus Project and wrote letters for St. Dysmus. The also enjoyed good food made by our Wendy Peters and played some interesting card games.

For the month of **March** all youth and their parents are invited to attend the 11am



Service on Sunday, March 13th followed by lunch and information session.

There are several options available for our youth to participate in. The details will be shared and questions

can be answered.

If the youth have younger siblings they came stay for lunch and activity will be provided for them while meeting is in progress.

Please contact the church office, Beth King or Jeffrey Bassler if you plan to attend and the number so we can plan lunch.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There will be Sunday School on Palm Sunday, April 10th. At the beginning of each worship service, the children will wave palms as they enter the church. On Easter Sunday, April 17th, there will NOT be Sunday School. However, there will be an egg hunt for children ages 2 to 4th grade between worship services. Before the egg hunt, the children will place fresh flowers on the cross in front of the church. Classes will resume on April 24th.

Also, the children will participate in "Buck A Chick" where for each picture they color, \$1.00 will be given to ELCA good gifts. This provides a family in need with eggs to eat and sell at the market. With this gift of \$1.00 for each colored pict

ure, a family can escape hunger for good.

Dozens of empty eggs will be placed in the Narthex for those that would like to fill the eggs with wrapped candies for the children's egg hunt on Easter morning. We are most appreciative of your assistance. Filled eggs should be returned by Palm Sunday.

"Let the little children come to me."
Matthew 14

UNION BRIDGE FOOD PANTRY

We collect weekly nonperishable food items for Union Bridge Food Pantry.

Collection box is in the Church Narthex.



Feeding the Community

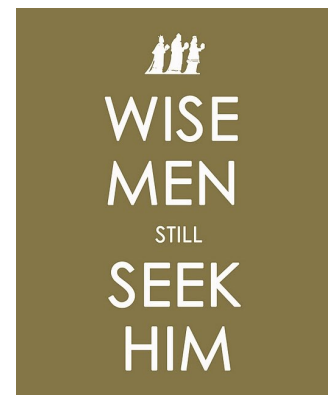
LUTHERAN MEN'S DINNER SCHEDULED

The Lutheran Church Men of the Westminster Conference will hold their Spring Dinner Meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, April 25th, at Calvary Lutheran Church, 16151 Old Frederick Road, Mt. Airy, Maryland, 21771. The ladies of the church will be serving a family-style Baked Ham dinner. A free-will offering will be received for the meal with at least \$13.00 expected.

These semi-annual dinners had become a wonderful opportunity for the men of the churches of our conference to socialize and renew friendships. Unfortunately these gatherings have been missing the past two years due to the pandemic. However, we look forward to welcoming a large group of men and the pastor from your church. When you arrive, please meet in the sanctuary for Greetings and Opening Prayer prior to dinner.

*An estimate of reservations is due by Monday, April 4th
Contact the Church Office if you are interested in attending. 410-635-6177*

Extension #1



MONTHLY REPORTS for JANUARY

Attendance Average Weekly:

In-person- 21

Virtual- 79

Financial Report:

Receipts—\$8,489

Disbursements—\$8,117

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT

Has part of the ac units replacement through out the church, an ultra violet

light was added to the air handler. Which runs every 15 minutes to filter and sterilize the air. This was done for the safety of our parishioners.



CHURCH PICTURE DIRECTORY

We are getting some great picture for our Church Pictorial Directory.

Kase is with his parents' Steve and K Dee Schroeder.

We sure miss them!

Please e-mail your family or individual pictures to the church secretary.

We miss seeing a lot of our

MARCH



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

SUNDAY	MON- DAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURS- DAY	FRI- DAY	SATURADAY
			1 ASH WEDNESDAY 9a R&R (offsite) 11a-1p Walk in Ashes with Pastor Bob 7p Ash Wed Service 7:30p Al-anon Meeting	3	4	5
8:30a Worship 9:45a Sunday School Confirmation Class 11a Worship with Communion	6 Boy Scouts	7	8 9a R&R (offsite) 7:30p Al-anon Meeting	9	10 11	12
8:30a Worship with Communion 9:45a Sunday School Confirmation Class 11a Worship Youth Service 12p Youth Event and Parents with Lunch (Registration)	13 Boy Scouts	4	15	16	17 18	19
8:30a Worship 9:45a Sunday School Confirmation Class 11a Worship with Communion NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	20 Boy Scouts	21	22	23	24 25	26
8:30a Worship with Communion 9:45a Sunday School Confirmation Class 11a Worship	27 Boy Scouts	28	29	30	31	
MPS Feedback Deadline			7p Fireside Chat With Pastor Bob (zoom) 7:30p Al-anon Meeting			

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Lent Begins Ash Wednesday



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God's work. Our hands.



We are on the Web!

www.stlukesnewwindsor.org

OLD FASHION PRAY CHAIN GOES MODERN



"Thoughts and
Prayers"

Receive a text message from the church when a prayer request is received.

If you would like to receive a text message for a new prayer request or updates, contact the church secretary.

Either by e-mail:
secre-
tary@stlukesnewwindsor.org

Or phone: 410-635-6177
ext. 2

We post a prayer list in each Sunday's bulletin and try to include an explanation when someone is newly added. Or when we have an update on someone's status. Some people stay on this list for a long period of time because they are suffering from a chronic declining condition or some are just struggling. During these times many people just want prayers

because of the challenges life gives us with COVID, loss, raising children, caring for a loved one and the list goes on. We try to track our prayer list in order to keep current and rely on everyone's help with this.

All are welcomed to request prayers from our church members. We are a praying group! God invites us to pray and help our brothers and sisters.



