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INTRODUCTION TO ST. LUKE'S MINISTRY AND MISSION

On these pages, you will find opportunities for study and serving, for growing and giving, for working and worshiping.

What these opportunities have in common are that they help us to carry out our purpose "The Making and Maturing of Disciples for Ministry and Mission." In each of these ministries we are seeking to make disciples of unbelievers, mature disciples as followers of Christ, and equip disciples for ministry according to each person's giftedness. Then sending them into the mission field of their lives with the power of hope.

A few years ago, our vision statement was developed. A statement that expresses the identity we are striving to establish in the community around us. "By the power of Christ, we carry the power of hope to the poor, the broken and the outcast."

Now, we are on the threshold of taking this vision statement to the streets and homes of Butler. People living at or below the poverty level in Pennsylvania is 12.9 %. In the city of Butler, it is 27.4 %. The mission field is right at our doorstep.

It is my prayer that through all our ministries we will carry the power of hope to the glory of His name.

Barry J. Keurulainen
Senior Pastor

The captioning of St. Luke's mission statement since its adoption in 1991 and subsequent minor revisions:

"Setting the Course" (August 1991)
"Setting Sail" (June 1995)
"Sailing the Seas" (December 2006)
(Vision Statement 2015)

DIVINE WORSHIP

W O R S H I P
S E R V I C E S

Saturday 6:00 PM

Divine Worship

Sunday 8:00 AM

Divine Worship

Sunday 10:30 AM

Divine Worship

Sunday 10:45 AM

New Life Worship

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship” (Rom. 12:1.)

Worship Services

Saturday Evening, 6:00 PM

Evening Worship in the Sanctuary.

A casual, relaxed atmosphere in the way

people relate to each other and in worship

Holy Communion is celebrated on the second Saturday of each month.

Sunday Morning, 8:00 AM

Divine Worship in the Sanctuary.

A blended service of traditional liturgy and music.

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

Sunday Morning, 10:30 AM

Divine Worship in the Sanctuary.

A blended service of traditional liturgy and music.

Holy Communion is celebrated on the third Sunday of each month.

NEW LIFE WORSHIP

NEW LIFE
WORSHIP

Computer Team

Set-Up Team

Tech Team

Welcome Team

Worship Team

“Praise the Lord in his sanctuary... with trumpets, harp, lute, tambourines, pipe, strings and cymbals, praise Him!” (Psalm 150).

Sunday Morning, 10:45 AM:

New Life Worship in the Activity Center.

Built on the solid ground of God’s Word and a contemporary style of worship, this service speaks to today’s needs in a relevant and heartfelt manner. Those who did not grow up

in the church and those who prefer contemporary music will find New Life Worship a great place to be on Sunday mornings. Holy Communion is celebrated on the third Sunday of each month.

For more information about our four worship services, or to share your thoughts regarding future planning, please contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Computer Team

This team helps lead the congregation in worship through the ‘on screen’ visuals. Using software called ProPresenter 6’ the computer operator works in the sound room to project song lyrics, sermon slides, digital movies, etc. during the service. Training is provided in running this user-friendly software. Prior to the service (9:00 – 10:30 AM), the operator runs through the service with the band. For more information, please call Cheryl Prybock 724-285-4725.

Set-Up Team

Members of the Set-Up Team meet on Saturday each week to set up chairs, stages, altar and cross in the Activity Center for the New Life Worship services, and to pray for those who will attend the worship. All that is required for this team is a heart for service to our Lord to reach lost people and help His children draw close in worship of Him. Both men and women are welcome to join this vital team. If interested, please call Mike Fabrizio 724-283-5560.

Tech Team

The Tech Team sets up the sound equipment each Sunday morning at 8:00 AM for the New Life Worship. They mix sound and operate lights for the worship teams, the Pastors and the dramas. If you have an ear for sound/music, a heart for service, and a willingness to commit to a job done well for the Lord, you would enjoy this ministry. Responsible teens are welcome. Training is provided. For more information, call Scott Emmel 724-283-3446.

Welcome Team

This ministry serves to welcome all who come through the doors of St. Luke in the name, the love and the warmth of Christ Jesus. This team seeks to make sure that no one feels like an ‘outsider,’ especially those who are new to St. Luke. The Welcome Team has three “sub-teams”:

Greeters warmly welcome people as they enter the building and help direct them to the Activity Center, the Nursery, or Sunday School classes.

Ushers hand out bulletins to people as they enter the Activity Center, help people find seating, and collect the offerings.

Information Table Hosts/Hostesses stand at the Information Table to warmly greet people and answer questions about St. Luke. If someone needs prayer, this team will take time to pray with them.

For more information about the Welcome Teams, contact Sharon McCormick at hiscraftylady@zoominternet.net

Worship Team

The New Life Worship Team consists of musicians and vocalists with a heart for reaching the lost and the unchurched with God’s message of salvation, and a desire to provide the believer with an opportunity to worship and praise our Lord. Rehearsals are usually Wednesdays from 6:30-9:30 PM. Participants are in Grade 6 through adults. If you have a gift for vocal or instrumental music and are interested in participating occasionally or on an ongoing basis, please contact Jason Turner 724-477-0053 or Crystal Berteau 757-618-2096.

FELLOWSHIP

F E L L O W S H I P
4x4 Fellowship Groups
Anna's Circle
Men's Group
Women's Thursday AM Bible Study
Your Voice Women's Group
Mon's Ministry
Play Date's in the Park
Time for Two
LWML

“They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer” (Acts 2:42).

4x4 Fellowship Groups

The 4x4 Fellowship Groups provide an opportunity to get to know more people and develop relationships. These are shorter term and lower commitment than the Small Groups. An individual or family can sign up and be placed in a group with four other individuals or families. This

group makes a commitment to get together for fellowship once a month for four months, with each family taking a turn to organize one of the gatherings. For more information about the 4x4's, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Anna's Circle

Anna – A widow who had worshiped in the temple for eighty-four years and then witnessed the presentation of Jesus at the temple. (Luke 2:36-38)

Circle – A group of women bound together by a common journey, having Christ as the center.

Flower – Day Lily – blooms “One day at a time”

Goal – Pray for and support each other in our new journey as widows and sisters in Christ.

Meetings – We meet at 6:00 PM the third Monday evening of the month from March to October (during Daylight Savings Time) in the Discipleship Room where we have Bible Study as well as lift each other and families in prayer.

Social – We meet one Saturday a month at various local restaurants for fellowship and lunch.

Please contact Linda Bogan at 724-295-4780 for more information.

Men's Group

The men's group consists of individuals both married and single, of college age up through retirement age. This group meets weekly in prayer and the study of God's Word on Sunday mornings. They participate in various topical bible studies which are often video-based series. They rally together to pray over one another, to encourage one another, and to build one another up. They participate in social events throughout the year such as a men's breakfast, barbecues, and other manly stuff. Contact person: Ken Kupec 412-629-7801 or Brian Bocian 724-822-3842.

Women's Thursday AM Bible Study

Join women of all ages for a weekday Bible Study which meets on Thursdays during the school year from 10-11:30 AM in the Old School House. The study might focus on a book of the Bible or be topical in nature. Group discussion is encouraged and participants also share a time of prayer at the end of the study. The study is led by Cyndi Alviani. For more information, you may contact her at 814-221-8696 or email her at cyndialviani59@gmail.com. Be sure to watch the church announcements for the beginning of each new study.

Your Voice Women's Group

A monthly women's group called "Your Voice: Learn to find your voice, learn to use your voice". It will be a monthly gathering of women processing life as we see it. We'll follow 'conversation rules' so we can continue to learn from one another by listening and also sharing. In this hour, or so, together, the leader will bring a couple of questions that we can discuss. Contact the church office for more information 724-352-2777.

Moms Ministry

Provides a community for moms where they make lasting relationships with other moms, give and gain support from one another, and ultimately grow closer in their relationship with Christ. We'll do this through play groups, a mother's support group, and special events. Anyone seeking to help in this ministry by being a prayer

sponsor for expectant moms, cooking meals for moms with a new baby, or organizing the special events, contact the church office for more information.

Play Dates in the Park

During summer break from school, mom's (or other motherly figures) meet at various local parks once a week with their child(ren) to play, socialize, bond, and build friendships. Weather permitting, the meeting time is Wednesday at 1030 PM. Each group may bring their own picnic lunch. The park locations will be announced around the start of summer break. Please contact Chrissy Barnhart at 724-316-2979 for further information.

Time for Two

Time for Two is a program for two-year-olds and their parents. Through the use of age-appropriate Bible stories, songs, and seasonal units, teachers and families nurture children in their faith in an interactive classroom setting.

Weekly sessions will encourage children to explore God's world through songs, finger plays, puppets, art and Bible stories, all geared especially toward very young children. Children choose from different activities for the beginning of the time and are never asked to sit for very long. Call St. Luke School office for more information 724-352-2221.

LWML

The LWML (Lutheran Women Missionary League) is the official auxiliary of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. St. Luke Women in Mission sponsor Dress A Girl Around the World by making sun dresses and T-shirt dresses to be distributed in the U.S. and many countries around the world. **MITES** (pocket change), which fund much needed Grants chosen at District and National Conventions, are collected monthly. We also participate in the Pittsburgh Zone Spring Rally in April and the Fall Rally in October. All Women of the congregation are invited to participate. For more information, please contact Diane Olmstead (724-352-2443), Darlene Garcia (724-841-7697) or Linda Bogan (724-295-4780).

MUSIC MINISTRY

MUSIC

Handbell Choir

Orchestra Ensembles

Children's Choir

Youth Choir

Adult Choir

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! (Psalm 150:6)

Handbell Choir

The Handbell Choir at St. Luke has been a great way to praise God in Worship through a choir of musical instruments. No music experience is necessary but helpful. If you are interested in directing or playing, please contact the church

office, 724-352-2777.

Orchestra Ensembles

The Orchestral Ensemble gathers instrumentalists in the congregation to play in Worship during the Christmas and Easter season. All instrumentalists are welcome to join this ensemble. Rehearsals are held on the weeks before performing. Contact Ingrid Tallerico 724-283-5598.

Vocal Choir

Mission Statement: Through God's gift of song, our choirs will encourage each other in faith, learn to skillfully sing quality music, and contribute in a meaningful way to worship within our congregation.

St. Luke offers three different choirs, each with a **six-week rehearsal schedule**.

Children's Choir: Open to children in Kindergarten through 2nd Grade.

Rehearses on Tuesdays 6:30-7:15 PM in the school music room.

Youth Choir: Open to children in 3rd through 6th grade.

Rehearses Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 PM in the school music room.

Adult Choir: Open to all adults, including high school students.

Rehearses Tuesdays 7:00-8:30 PM in the choir room.

For more information, contact Diane Beckstead at dbeckste@stlukecabot.org or 724-352-5364.

Instrumentalists are also encouraged to use their musical gifts to praise God in worship. Anyone who plays an instrument skillfully may contact the church office to inquire about participation in an ensemble. Ensembles may contribute as needed to pre-service or post-service music offering anthems, or special music at Christmas and Easter.

SERVING MINISTRIES

S E R V I N G

Altar Guild

Visitation Team

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“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”
Acts 1:8

Altar Guild

The Altar Guild offers a pleasant and loving service to our Lord’s church in a variety of ways: caring for and changing the altar paraments and linens, maintaining the communion vessels, preparing for and cleaning up after communion services, providing baptismal napkins, laundering Elders' and Acolytes' robes, caring for the United States and Christian flags, arranging flowers, and replacing bulbs in the candelabras. The Altar Guild meets as necessary, usually every other month. For additional information about the Altar Guild, contact Rachel Meissner 724-352-4741.

Visitation Team Ministry

Members of the Visitation Team offer support and prayer to those who are at home or hospitalized. Meeting/training

sessions are held periodically. Contact the Associate Pastor through the church office 724-352-2777 to join a visitation team or to request a visit.

CD Ministry

Through this ministry, CD’s of the worship services are available after worship in the narthex and are delivered weekly to at-home members of the church. To obtain a copy of a CD or to learn more about the CD Ministry, contact Ray Koegler 724-352-2081.

Servant Day

Servant Day is a day of serving that brings congregation members together for a common purpose – serving others to glorify our Lord. St. Luke Servant Day is a day in which items are made for area missions (tying blankets, preparing dry soup mix, making greeting cards for military, framing houses, etc...) Servant Day may take you off campus to lend a hand at area missions. It's one day to put aside your schedule and activities and join us at St. Luke to reach out and serve others. Contact Brenda Fett through the church office 724-352-2777 for more information.

Bus Ministry

People in this ministry take turns driving Concordia's bus on Sunday mornings to bring residents to the 10:30 worship service at St. Luke. A driver must have their CDL (Commercial Driver's License) to serve in this ministry. For more information, contact the Business Manager through the church office, 724-352-2777.

Card Ministry

Since 1984, St. Luke has supported a quiet, but caring ministry made up of devoted people who reach out with encouraging notes and cards. These faithful followers share Christ's love with others at eventful times in their lives, including births, baptisms, weddings, anniversaries, confirmations, church membership, graduations, birthdays, hospitalizations, convalescence, being homebound, and deaths. If you would like to serve from your home in this ministry, please contact Debbie Greenawalt 724-282-0355.

Dress a Girl

Dress a Girl Around the World is a Christian organization which provides handmade dresses to girls in third world countries who are at risk for being kidnapped into human trafficking. The goal is to provide dignity and hope and let girls know that God loves them! Village pastors say that a girl wearing a new dress presents an appearance that she is well cared for and may discourage would-be predators. In our own country, Dress a Girl gives clothing to abuse and homeless shelters. Clothing also is delivered to Appalachian areas and to Lakota children in South

Dakota. Since the start of Dress a Girl in 2009, 300,000 dresses have been distributed in 81 countries!

With the help of the students in St. Luke School who have assembled dress kits on their annual Servant Day, dedicated women of St. Luke in the past year have sewn 210 dresses! Please contact Darlene Garcia through the office 724-352-2777 to be involved.

Food Pantry

Throughout the Bible, we are told by God to help, encourage and support one another spiritually and physically. Supported and funded by the congregation, the Food Pantry was started to help families in our own area with the physical support of groceries. Recipients—families in need due to illness, job loss, divorce, or other situations—can be short or long term and are kept strictly confidential.

Non-perishable items are collected in baskets in the church narthex and school lobby on the first weekend of each month. For more information, call the church office 724-352-2777.

- 25 current recipients (80% seniors and 20% families with children)
- Approximately 15,000 pounds of food given away each year
- 14 Volunteers that shop, stock and pack grocery bags
- Non-Perishable foods only with seasonal produce

Typical Donations Desired

Condensed Soups, Chunky Soups
Canned Chicken, Canned Tuna
Cereal
All types of canned fruit
All types of canned vegetables
Canned Pastas, Pasta Sauce and Pasta
Rice, Pasta Boxed Side Dishes and Mac N Cheese
Kids Snacks
Crackers of any Kind
Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Paper Towels
Cleaning Supplies of Any Type

Funeral Dinners

People who serve in the ministry of Funeral Dinners offer comfort and show the love of Jesus to families and friends who are mourning the death of a loved one by preparing and serving a meal following the funeral service. Contact Gwenn Neubert 724-352-3768 or Nancy Witenski 724-295-9886.

Mission Projects

Throughout the year various opportunities arise in which volunteers are needed to support mission projects locally, nationally, and on an international basis. Local servant events include *Katie's Kitchen*, *Produce to People*, *Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank*, *Ronald McDonald House*, *Grace's Closet*, *Lighthouse Foundation*, and *Unity Lutheran Mission*.

Support (financially and volunteering) is welcome for our troops, mission trips, and local servant events. St. Luke has been blessed with a number of opportunities to support missions with prayer and finances, and to go out and volunteer. For more information, contact Brenda Fett through the church office 724-352-2777.

Fishbone

Fishbone Ministries is a Christian ministry in Butler striving to bring the Gospel to the young people in Butler who may not otherwise hear the word of the Gospel. Fishbone Ministries is located on "The Island" of Butler where there is a significant need for this service. This is an area where there is a concentration of low-income, single-parent homes and many negative influences. St. Luke coordinates with them to provide Christmas gifts at their Christmas dinner where the adults and children hear the Christian message of Christmas. We provide gifts for the children that are distributed during the dinner.

Matthew 25:34-40 *"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the*

righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?'³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you?'³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?'⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'"

Meals on Wheels

As a Meals on Wheels volunteer, you will deliver a hot meal and brown bag to the elderly and disabled in Saxonburg or Cabot once or twice a month. Please contact the church office 724-352-2777 or Jan Frohn 724-294-0154 for more information.

New Member Sponsors

The purpose of New Member Sponsors is to assist new members in becoming familiar with and involved in the fellowship and ministry at St. Luke. New Member Sponsors assist a new family for a period of time in meeting other people and understanding various activities and practices of the church and school. For more information, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Weed 'N Feed

A group of dedicated helpers plant flowers, weed the flower beds weekly, and occasionally prune the shrubs on the church property to beautify the church grounds with God's glorious creations. Yard work is done whenever the need arises for planting, weeding, watering, etc. Contact Rich Ambrose 724-352-2089 or Lynn Wonderling 724-294-3041.

Parent-Teacher League

The focus of this group is to promote the welfare of children, especially to bring the home into a closer relationship with the educational ministry of the church so that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in gaining the best conditions in the training and education of the children in both the parish school and the home. PTL sponsors many of the programs and events associated with the Day School. For more information, contact the school office for more information 724-352-2221.

Nursery *

We provide a safe, happy environment for healthy, active children who find it difficult to sit quietly through an entire worship service. Nursery is provided in Room #101 during the Bible study hour. We provide Bible stories on video for the children to watch and listen to, pictures to color, books to read, puzzles and other age-appropriate toys, and a snack. There is plenty of room for more children. All children age five and under are welcomed with open arms and lots of hugs. We have a paging system in place if your child needs you. For more information or to volunteer to serve, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Greeters

There is nothing like a warm welcome to help everyone feel at home in God's House. Warm hearts and friendly smiles greet worshippers at each entrance through the loving ministry of our Greeters. Assistance is also offered in finding locations of Sunday School and Bible classes or restrooms. To become a Greeter, call the church office at 724-352-2777

Ushers

Through the ministry of our ushers, worshippers are served in many ways: receiving bulletins, announcement sheets and other information; seating and communion assistance; and the gathering of their tithes, offerings, and record of fellowship. To volunteer to serve in this ministry area, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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Christian Day School *

Confirmation Classes *

Confirmation Mentoring *

Discipleship Series

Sunday Morning Adult

Bible Classes

Sunday School *

Congregational Journey

“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work” (2 Tim 3:16-17).

Christian Day School *

St. Luke Lutheran School offers a Christian education to as many children as possible, preschoolers through the eighth grade. It is the school’s goal to assist the parents in providing Christian training and nurturing, so that our students will be equipped to lead a life of service to the Lord. There are

many opportunities to serve as a volunteer in the school: in the office, the classroom, the library, or a number of other ways. For more information about St. Luke School, contact the Principal through the school office 724-352-2221.

Confirmation Classes *

Catechism classes provide instruction of basic principles of the church for young adults who desire to become communicant members. Classes are held on Thursday evenings from September through April. Seventh and eighth graders meet from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. For more information about confirmation classes, contact the Associate Pastor through the church office 727-352-2777.

Confirmation Mentoring *

A Mentoring Ministry is provided for students in seventh and eighth grade confirmation classes. An adult is paired with a confirmand to offer spiritual guidance in their journey. For more information about Confirmation Mentoring, contact Mary Jean Montag 724-352-9235.

Discipleship Series

“Growing in Discipleship” is a four-level series designed to portray St. Luke’s mission of *“Making and Maturing Disciples to Minister.”*

Every member of St. Luke and those who desire to know more about our beliefs and our vision are encouraged to take part in all four levels. More than a class, “Growing in Discipleship” is a journey of transforming our lives to the likeness of Christ. We believe you will discover there is a difference between being a member and being a disciple, between knowing Christ and being committed to Christ, between practicing a solitary faith and belonging in the “community of faith” with other devoted Christians.

Discipleship 101: Discovering Membership in Christ’s Body

Knowing Christ both in a personal relationship and in His community of faith.

Discipleship 201: Discovering Spiritual Maturity

Growing in Christ and striving for spiritual maturity.

Discipleship 301: Discovering My Ministry

Serving Christ by discovering and developing spiritual gifts for a personal ministry to others.

Discipleship 401: Discovering My Life Ministry

Sharing Christ with others through a personal life mission.

Discipleship Classes are generally held on Sunday mornings during the Adult Bible Study hour from 9:15-10:15 AM. At times they are also scheduled in the evening. For more information, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Studies

St. Luke invites you to be in the study of God’s Word each Sunday morning from 9:15-10:15 AM. Throughout each session of Sunday Morning Bible Studies, the goal is to make available selections from the following areas:

1. **Bible** - Studies examine particular books of the Bible or topical studies and discussions on people, history, or events in the Bible.
2. **Doctrine** - Studies that examine Lutheran doctrine (teachings) and early church history.
3. **Family Issues and Concerns** - Studies geared toward parenting, grandparenting, and topical issues within the home.
4. **Spiritual Growth** - As part of our purpose to grow as mature disciples, these studies are focused on assisting one's individual spiritual journey.
5. **Reaching the Lost and Unchurched** - Studies and discussions to train and equip the believer as well as developing and gaining an understanding of who the unchurched are.

For more information about our Sunday Morning Adult Bible Studies, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Sunday School *

Our Mission: To assist the family in their spiritual growth and in creating a foundation that in God's time will lead a child into a personal relationship with their Lord and Savior. Classes for age 2 through Grade 8 are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15 – 10:15 AM. Devotional books are provided for use in the home. Please ask for a copy of "My Devotions" and use these as a means for growing together spiritually as a family. Dedicated teachers and helpers spend an hour sharing Jesus with the children. For more information about the Sunday School, contact Karen Grelling 724-285-4672

Congregational Journey

Once a year, St. Luke is involved in a five to six-week journey in the Word through small groups. Each week begins with the weekend sermon, followed by groups meeting in homes during the week. Whether a participant, host or small group facilitator, we hope you will be involved. For more information call the church office 724-352-2777.

YOUTH MINISTRY

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MINISTRY

Cornerstone *

Middle School *

Senior High *

National Youth Gathering *

Kid's Club *

Summer Camps *

Vacation Bible School *

“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.” (Ephesians 2:19-22).

Cornerstone *

Our Youth Ministry serves three main functions: (1) to study God's Word, (2) to gather socially with other believers in Christ, and (3) to reach out and serve others.

Middle School Youth * (Grades 5-8) currently meet once a month on the second Sunday of the month. Meetings are parent led.

Senior High * (Grades 9-12) currently meets on Sunday morning for Bible Study at 9:15 AM.

The LCMS National Youth Gathering * happens every three years. It will take place next in Minneapolis, MN on July 11-15. If you are interested in more information, contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Kids Club *

The purpose of Kids Club is to introduce children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 to Jesus and to teach them God's purpose for their lives. The children have a light dinner and then enjoy group activities such as Bible lessons, skits, crafts, songs and prayer. Kids Club meets from November through early March on Thursday evenings from 5:30 –

7:30 PM. For more information about Kids Club, contact Mary Jean Montag 724-352-9235.

Summer Camps *

Each summer a variety of opportunities are available for children to participate in. Camps include activities in the areas of sports, art, science, various training classes, and much more. For more information, contact Brenda Fett through the church office 724-352-2777.

Vacation Bible School *

Each summer St. Luke provides a Vacation Bible School for children, ages four through sixth grade. The children learn about Jesus through Bible stories, fun learning activities, music, crafts, games, snacks and more! For more information, contact Brenda Fett through the church office 724-352-2777.

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“Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many” (Matt. 20:26-28).

Elders

It is the duty of the Elders to be concerned with the spiritual life and welfare of the congregation which includes the doctrine being taught, the public life and conduct of those in leadership, participation in worship and Holy Communion by our members, the needy, aged, and homebound members, the nature, purpose, and conduct of God-pleasing worship, the music in the worship services, the needs of the altar, the instruction of adults and youth for confirmation and membership, carrying out church discipline, and being bound to confidentiality. For more information about our Board of Elders, contact Mark Peffer through the church office 724-352-2777.

Stewardship

The Board of Stewardship is dedicated to helping everyone grow spiritually by educating them in the proper stewardship of all the blessings God has given them. The stewardship emphasis is not only on financial blessings, but includes the blessings of time, talents and skills, and all other material treasures as well. To be able to give some of these gifts back to God, and share them with others, is a blessing in itself. For more information about our Board of Stewardship, contact Lynn Capestrani 724-290-7099.

Trustees

Those who have skills such as cleaning, painting, carpentry, plumbing, electric, masonry, or any other maintenance skills assist the Trustees and serve the congregation by helping to maintain the facilities and grounds. For more information, contact Andrew Burd 724-996-5832.

Evangelism

The Evangelism Board shall plan, promote, and carry out an evangelism program in the congregation and in the community, integrate new members into the life and work of the church, establish procedures whereby all visitors signing the guest register receive an appropriate card or note in the mail the following week. For more information please contact the church office 724-352-2777.

Finance

The Finance Board is responsible for receiving, recording, banking and accounting for all incoming monies to the congregational general fund and any special funds. Removing of all offerings from the chancel to the safe immediately after the close of service. Establishing and maintaining a system and schedule for “counting” of all offerings. Identifying individuals who will post the individual member’s contributions. Reviewing the annual budget generated by the Business Manager with the assistance of the treasurer for the approval of the voters’ assembly at the regular April meeting. Conduct a financial review of all St. Luke Lutheran Church financial transactions each year. Establishing and periodically reviewing required financial policies. For more information please contact Penny Bacher through the church office 724-352-2777.

Mission Board

The Mission Board shall work to focus the congregation on reaching the lost by lifting up externally focused components of St Luke’s mission and vision. The Mission Board shall be a voice for the external, servant focused point of view at St. Luke. The Mission Board serves as the key group to define how we link our members to mission activities so that they can grow as disciples and reach the lost. The Mission Board defines mission activities as well as defines strategies for helping people grow in the area of externally focused service. For more information about Mission Board, please contact Mark Fanton through the church office 724-352-2777.

Parish Board

The Parish Board of Education is responsible for overseeing the educational mission of the church. Education spreads far and wide across St. Luke Lutheran Church and School and the job of the board is to assist in the functionality of the education system as well as assist in developing visions and planning for the educational ministries aligned under the Parish Board.

Ministries that Parish Board supports include *Sunday School, Adult Education, Confirmation, Youth Group, Kids Club, and St. Luke Lutheran School*. The board is comprised of 6 elected seats serving a term of 3 years. For more information about the Parish Board of Education, contact Michelle Rhodes through the school office at 724-352-2221.

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Leadership Training

“It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until

we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ” (Eph. 4:11-13).

Leadership Training

Leadership carries many challenges, many demands, and provides many joys. Leadership in the church seems to get more complex as the years go by. One must understand what is happening inside the church, but also what is evolving outside the church in an ever-changing world.

As a way of preparing, equipping, strengthening and celebrating, Leadership Events are scheduled. While focused on the leadership of the church, everyone is invited as the principles apply to any aspect of life itself. For more information, contact the Senior Pastor through the church office 724-352-2777.

Who to Contact

“Whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved” (Acts 2:21).

Information about the various ministries described in this catalog may be obtained by contacting the leaders identified in the ministry descriptions. Each leader also has a mailbox in the copier room of the church office. The following list reflects some frequently raised inquiries:

Address/Phone Corrections	Church Office	724-352-2777
Altar Guild	Rachel Meissner	724-352-4741
Bulletin Announcements	Beth DeLibero	724-352-2777
CD Ministry.....	Ray Koegler	724-352-1627
Cemetery	Jerry Kaczmarczyk	724-991-6491
School Information	Susan Ambrose	724-352-2221
Facility Maintenance	Andrew Burd	724-996-5832
Facility Use (scheduling)	Church Office	724-352-2777
Flowers on the Altar	Cathy Miller	724-352-4611
Food Pantry	Church Office	724-352-2777
DiscipleShip Newsletter	Beth DeLibero	724-352-2777
Kitchen Committee	Lois Rankin	724-352-3223
School Library	Brenda Fett	724-352-2221
Membership Classes	Church Office	724-352-2777
Mission Trips and Projects	Brenda Fett	724-352-2777
Pre-School Information	Susan Ambrose	724-352-2221
Resource Room	Rachel Meissner	724-352-4741
Small Groups	Church Office	724-352-2777
Spiritual Gifts	Church Office	724-352-2777
Summer Camps	Brenda Fett	724-352-2777
Sunday School Information	Karen Grelling	724-285-4672
Vacation Bible School	Brenda Fett	724-352-2221

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