

FEBRUARY 2024

The Acts of St. Lucas



for nothing will be impossible with God. Luke 1:37

The seal of St. Luke

The Holy Season of Lent

LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 14 ASH WEDNESDAY

Noon Lower Church7pm Main Sanctuary

LENTEN WEDNESDAY SERMON SERIES

MYSTERIOUS SAYINGS OF JESUS IN JOHN'S GOSPEL

Noon Responsive Prayer Lower Church

7pm Holden Evensong Main Sanctuary.

February 21

The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit. John 3:6

February 28

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth. John 4:23-24

March 6

Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. John 5:25

March 13

Is it not written in your law, 'I said, you are gods'? ³⁵If those to whom the word of God came were called 'gods' — and the scripture cannot be annulled — can you say that the one whom the Father has sanctified and sent into the world is blaspheming because I said, 'I am God's Son'? John 10:34-36

March 20

I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.

John 14:6-7

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

March 28

Maundy Thursday Spiritual Stations

Noon Main Sanctuary7pm Main Sanctuary

March 29

Good Friday

Noon Tre Ore Stations of the Cross Main Sanctuary

8pm Tenebrae (Service of Shadows) Main Sanctuary

ON WEDENSDAYS IN LENT THERE WILL BE NO 9PM COMPLINE DUE TO LIVECASTING THE 7PM EVENSONG, EXCEPT ON MARCH 6 FOR THE FIRST WEDNESDAY GUIDED HEALING AND MARCH 27 (HOLY WEEK) WHEN THERE IS NO EVENSONG SERVICE.



PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY ASHES

If you placed your palm from last year's Palm Sunday behind a cross or religious picture, please bring in them in, so that we

may use them to create ashes for Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14. The "golden" wicker basket in the narthex for collection. If you forget to bring yours to church, they will be burned Tuesday a.m., so get them to us by 10am on Tuesday.



PASTORAL ACTS

Pastor Martin E. Billmeier

The Promise of Renewal

Brian Hoch and I have had a disagreement over Lent since year one of my pastorate here. Brian seems to think that the minor music, the solemn themes and the muted sanctuary decoration during Lent are—less than inspiring, shall we say? That is one way to look at it.

For me, the church year follows a path of spiritual growth that is repeated in our lives many times. Advent/Christmas remind us that our lives, through various circumstances of our histories grow us into the birth of something new. Baptism births us into the spiritual life. Confirmation invites us to reaffirm our birth in Christ. We have spiritual awakenings throughout our journeys from infancy, childhood, adolescence, young adulthood and full adulthood. We have births



into new awarenesses about God and ourselves. Epiphany is the season of growth into the light. Part of the spiritual journey is basking in the presence of the Christ and learning from the wisdom of his teaching and wonder of his miracles, seeing God in Jesus the Christ in spiritual moments like his baptism and transfiguration.

But then comes Lent, to remind us that the spiritual life also involves practice of disciplines like prayer, charity and self-denial. We follow Jesus to the wilderness where he prays and is tempted, where he denies himself the indulgences that would stunt his development as a human, where he begins his ultimate act of charity in suffering for the sake of the world. In Lent we also hear of Jesus' opponents confronting him, because they don't like his take on who God is. We are reminded of our own weaknesses and vulnerabilities, and the fact that we cannot grow up in this life without suffering in this life. Finally, as Holy Week approaches the church year invites us to contemplate the fear and mystery surrounding death. The pain of it all! The grief over lost loved ones! The finality of it all! To follow the Christ is to follow him into the deepest and most painful parts of human existence, so that he may teach us there, too. So we learn from the broken hearts, the divorces, the losses of jobs & friendships, the loss of health, the loss of security, the unexpected disasters, the traumas, the aging process. The Christ leads us into all truth as to what is worthwhile and what is not, into what is eternal and not.

In the Easter resurrection celebration we discover that what Paul says is true. Nothing will separate us from God. There is no power of darkness that can ultimately destroy us. We are a people with a future and with hope, who are called on Pentecost to form a community that shares the good news that God's love is both our source and our destiny, that God will not let us go, that God's love is stronger than death.

So Lent plays a very important part as it invites us to a simple contemplation of the mysteries of this life and its struggles, and how God is a work in our journeys, calling us from death to life, and to a deeper love that the world is always trying to kill, but that just won't stay dead. Love always rises anew to bring healing and true progress to the world.

NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOTION LEADER



Thanks to Ed Kane who has accepted the invitation to be the regular 9pm Wednesday Prayer at the Close of Day devotion. Ed has led guided meditations on the first Wednesday and has subbed for

Pastor Billmeier on occasion. His gifts were apparent, so we invited him to take on the leadership every week. He joins Georgia Steele (Thu. Night) and Steve Seaton (Fri. night) as lay devotion leaders.

COMING UP

Feb 8, 6:30 pm Child Safety meet Via Zoom

Feb 13, 7:00 pm Church Council

Feb 14, 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service

Feb 20, 6:30pm BUC via Zoom

Feb 21, 9:30 WELCA Business Meeting

Feb 21, 10:00 WELCA Bible Study

Feb 21, 4:00 pm Healing Ministry

Feb 21, 7:00pm Holden Evensong

2024 FLOWER CHART is now up on the bulletin board in the narthex. Open dates remaining: April 7; June 2; August 4,11; September 8,22; October 13; November 10,17; December 1.

NOTE ABOUT WEATHER RELATED CLOSINGS The policy adopted by church council last February is as follows: When a Level 2 snow emergency has been issued 60 minutes before a church service or any church function that service/activity will be cancelled and the church closed, including the church office. When we close due to weather we will post on FB and local news stations. If you have a group or program that meets at St. Lucas that is closing due to weather, please contact the office so we can include you in our closing announcement. The policy of St. Lucas Cindy's Corner Café & Outreach will be to close when Toledo Public Schools close.

ANOTHER ISHA HEALING CLASS AT ST. LUCAS!
SAVE THE DATES Deb Reis will lead the ISHA 104
class scheduled for 2 Saturdays, March 2 and March 9.
This is the code for St Lucas for 20% off registration:
LUCAS20. Please let me know if you have any questions. Must have taken ISHA 103 class to register for this class. —Deb Reis

A VALENTINE'S DAY PRAYER

Eternal and Loving God,

In your very being, we discover the essence of relational love revealed in your Holy Trinity. You are the Lover, the Beloved, and the Love that flows between each person of the Trinity. As people created in your image, empower us to be people of a deeper love who embrace your heart with our soul, mind, and strength – not only for you but also for those around us.

- Teach us to love those whom we hold dear, those with whom we are most vulnerable and most guarded. Help us to rebuild trust and authenticity with each other. Increase our love of all creatures in your creation.
- Enable us to forgive and to ask for forgiveness, that we may share in the renewing work of Christ. May the impact of hurtful memories wane over time, along with ill will and resentment of others.
- Grant us deeper friendships with those who can help us to be fully who we were created to be. May friends help us to be accountable for our actions, offer us godly advice, and speak the truth to us without judgment.
- Allow us to interact more directly with those who feel unloved. Strengthen our resolve to offer hospitality to the lonely, comfort to the frightened, and mercy to the hurting.
- Open our hearts to a greater sense of your unending love for us a love that is tenacious, patient, and unconditional. Remove the barriers that we have erected in our spirit that blocks the free flow of your love in our lives. Work through our doubt. Do not be deceived by our pride and heal us of any guilt or shame.

In you, we find our perfect self, O God – one created in your image. Thank you for your grace, beauty, and unending love. Amen.

Adapted from The Rev. Magrey deVega Hyde Park United Methodist Church by Rev. John Meulendyk. Father John Meulendyk is an ELCA Lutheran pastor and Episcopal Franciscan Priest presently serving St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Rochester, Michigan Sunday School Meets at 10:15 in the gym every Sunday

ACTS OF EDUCATION

Cindy Kirk , Sunday School Superintendent
SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION: LOVE, LEARN, AND SERVE GOD

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR 1-15 29 - 4-4-68

(Continued from last month)

King

by Sharon Schaefer

Last month under "Evangelism Corner" I wrote in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, challenging the congregation to make brave stands for the gospel and invite folks into the ministry and mission of St. Lucas. This month, in honor of Black History Month, I continue with the contributions of Dr. King for the education

of us all in how to stand up for the gospel and what is right in the world, in the example of Jesus Christ. We have a lot to learn from this African American Icon in our nation's history.

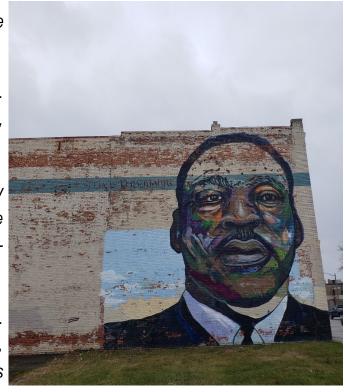
There are so many meaningful and thought provoking Martin Luther King Jr quotes to share, there was not enough room to include them last month.

Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education.

If you can't fly, then run. If you can't run, then walk. If you can't walk, then crawl. But whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward.

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.



MLK, Jr. mural in the Old South End at Broadway & Knapp, about a mile away from St. Lucas

ST. LUCAS SUNDAY SCHOOL meets on Sundays at 10:15 in the gym. Our young people then walk through the tunnel to the main sanctuary for the Young People's Time at worship, after which they return to the gym for breakfast and a lesson. Kids age 5 to high school are welcome to come to Sunday School. For younger children there is a Babyland Nursery in the lower church that parents may use at their choice during any worship service. There are speakers in the lower church so that parents may continue to hear the service while in the nursery.

| Time and Talent | Organizations & | Sunday School | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Sheet 2024 | Special Events | Music | | |
| What gifts has God given you? These | Altar Guild | Teacher | | |
| Are My Gifts For My Lord at St. Lucas | Cindy's Corner Volunteer | Saturday Kid's Kafé & | | |
| Committees | Community Garden Worker | Thrift Shop | | |
| See reverse for descriptions | Dartball | Substitute Teacher | | |
| Archives | Fundraising Projects | Sunday Kitchen Help | | |
| Audit | Funeral Dinners | Start Up Ministries | | |
| Building Use | Healing Team | I would be interested in helping, start | | |
| Christian Education | Rummage Sales Helper | or attending the following at St. Lucas: | | |
| Cindy's Corner Board | Thrift Shop Volunteers | Adult Fellowship | | |
| Community Garden Board | Special Events (dinners, | Senior Group | | |
| Evangelism | concerts, etc.) | Prayer Ministry | | |
| Healing Team Board | Wedding Coordinator Ass't | Youth Group | | |
| Long Range Planning | Women of the Church | | | |
| Property | Property | Visitation/Phone Calls | | |
| Stewardship | Carpentry | New Members | | |
| Thrift Shop Board | Electrical | Distant Members | | |
| · | Flooring | Shut-ins | | |
| Worship | Painting | Hospitals | | |
| l andonebio | Plastering | | | |
| Leadership | Plumbing | | | |
| Council member | Roofing | Administrative | | |
| President | Seek Bids for Projects | Office Volunteer | | |
| Vice President | Yard Work | Newsletter Articles | | |
| Secretary | | | | |
| Treasurer | Tear out this page and return it to | the church office or offering plate | | |
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COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

Archives Committee: requires desire to organize, display, preserve and clean St. Lucas historical Artifacts

Audit Commitment: requires knowledge of audit procedures for financial books

Building Use Committee: requires desire to plan and provide for the best use of the St. Lucas buildings

Christian Education Committee: requires desire to help children and families learn about Jesus

Cindy's Corner Board: requires a desire to serve individuals and families in need

Community Garden Board: requires desire to plan and produce a garden for the sake of others

Evangelism Committee: need an enthusiasm to devise strategies for sharing the gospel of Jesus with our neighborhood and city, and to assist new members in assimilating into the St. Lucas community

Healing Team Board: need desire to learn the practice of Christian healing and plan healing events

Long Range Planning Committee: need a desire to lead long range vision planning for our faith community with an eye to our spiritual growth

Property Committee: requires desire to keep our church in clean condition and good repair; carpentry, electrical, plumbing, handy skills desirable, but not required

Thrift Shop Board: requires desire to manage a ministry of clothing and household goods for low income people

Stewardship Committee requires a desire to educate Christians to the need to joyfully give back to the Lord what He has first given us.

Worship Committee: requires desire to assist with providing for the best worship at St. Lucas, assisting the staff in that regard when called upon (last major project: acquisition of new hymnals)

MARK YOUR AREA OF SERVICE ON THE OPPOSITE PAGE, INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND INFORMATION, TEAR
OUT THAT PAGE AND TURN IT INTO THE OFFICE OR OFFERING PLATE.





Theresa Johnson, R.N. Cindy's Corner Representative

St. Lucas Cindy's Corner Ministries

- *Cindy's Corner Café
- *Cindy's Corner Outreach
- *Lorraine's Kids' Closet

ACTS OF SERVICE: ST. LUCAS CINDY'S CORNER PAGE

Welcome to the month of February. Things are going well here at Cindy's Corner. Theresa took the ball Cindy threw her and has run with it. She is currently getting the kitchen, stage, volunteers and guests all settled.

Office volunteers have moved our office back upstairs to our old office on the second floor. It does give us more time to work and is less distracting. We do, however, come down for lunch and mingle with our neighbors.

We have also changed when we serve lunches-Tuesday through Friday. We welcome all to enjoy our lunches and our neighbors. The Cindy's Corner ministry has

designated who will be in charge in areas of the ministry. Melissa is in charge of the kitchen. Angie cooks every Tuesday, but comes in every day to help (nothing keeps Angie down!). Ken cooks every Wednesday. Melissa cooks every Thursday and Friday. Anna is in charge of all WEP workers-scheduling and sending in their hours. I (Joy) am our new promotion staff, taking care of all mailings and meetings to promote Cindy's Corner. Theresa oversees all of us and we respect her because she does a great job and she manages to get everything handled! Pastor Martin has been very helpful during this transition.

This month we honor Theresa Johnson as our volunteer of the month. Theresa has really done a great job with the program since Cindy's passing. We are grateful she is part of the St. Lucas faith community and pray God's rich blessing on her in her new calling as the Cindy's Corner Representative Leader.



The Animated



Theresa Johnson



Last week, I had a young woman come up to me with tears in her eyes. She had found out about Cindy's passing. She was afraid to come back here because Cindy meant so much to her. I reassured her that everyone cares for her and is thrilled to have her back. She was afraid that Theresa would not take care of her like Cindy did. I assured her that Theresa loves this program and will not let anyone be left behind. I told her to introduce herself to Teresa. I am unsure if she did. She finally went and took her food and sat down. We will keep an eye on her and give her all the love we can.

We are all still in shock over the loss of Cindy, but Jesus has assured us by His word-

I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in Me though he dies yet shall he live, and everyone who loves and believes in Me shall never die.

John 1: 24-26



SERVANTS IN THE CHURCH OF JESUS

FEBRUARY WORSHIP SERVANTS

4:00 Elder Kate Gladieux 9:00 Elder Gary Stofan

10:30

Lector Sally Ortiz

Elders Georgia Steele

Patrick Codden

John Kern Jill Hojnacki

Head Ushers

Sally Ortiz Kelly Kane

Offering Ushers

Pam Hoch Russ Wells

Acolyte Faith Wolfram

Camera Steve Seaton. Pat Wilson, Sarah Sigurdson

Healing Station Annette Mason



DARTBALL SEASON SCHEDULE

Feb. 5 vs Messiah

Feb. 19 @ 1st St. John #2

Mar. 4 Tournament @ 1st St. John

Mar. 18 @ Trinity

Apr. 1 vs 1st St. John #1

Apr.15 vs Prince of Peace

Apr. 22 Banquet @ Messiah

If you would like to play on the team, please contact Kevin Hejnicki at 567-395-4148.

FEBRUARY THRIFT SHOP SCHEDULE

Thu Feb 1 Yvonne Reed

Deb Hurley

Tue Feb 6 Yvonne Reed

Sally Ortiz

Wed Feb 7 Susan Lang

Sue Alley

Thu Feb 8 Yvonne Reed

Deb Hurley

Tue Feb 13 Deb Hurley

Sharon Olmstead

Wed Feb 14 Susan Lang

Sue Alley

Thu Feb 15 Deb Hurley

Yvonne Reed

Tue Feb 20 Deb Hurley

Sharon Olmstead

Wed Feb 21 Susan Lang

Deb Hurley

Thu Feb 22 Yvonne Reed

Deb Hurley

Tue Feb 27 Sally Ortiz

Deb Hurley

Wed Feb 28 Susan Lang

Deb Hurley

Thu Feb 29 Yvonne Reed

Deb Hurley

Subs are Jan Hoffman 419-740-2302 or Sally Wing 419-349-0981, or call Yvonne Reed 419-484-1433 or Deb Hurley 419-691-7321.

NEW CINDY'S CORNER CAFÉ & OUTREACH DAYS

Starting this week the Café and Outreach will serve lunch Tuesday-Friday Noon to 12:45.

ST. LUCAS PRAYER LIST

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS: HOSPITALIZED

ADVANCED SPECIALTY HOSPITAL
Sharon Kampfer
Toledo Hospital
Lorraine Willoughby

REHABILITATION FACILITY

KINGSTON PERRYSBURG
Carol Petoskey

GENERAL HEALTH

Keith Johnson, John Kern, Dave Jerman, Savannah Scott, Beth Cousino, Barb Beaverson, Pat Beaty, Angel Pringle, Steve Hudson, Kathy Jackowski, Anna Ponce

VISITATION LIST (RARELY OUT)

Cheryl Ivy, Roger Druckemiller, Joyce Mason



SYMPATHY & PRAYERS We offer our sympathy and prayers for Dave Granata and family at the death of his son-in-law, Scott. Special prayers for Dave's daughter, Emily.

SYMPATHY & PRAYERS We also pray for Tanja and Jessalyn Miller at the death of their mother and grandmother, Barb Miller.

SYMPATHY & PRAYERS We offer our sympathy and prayers for the family of Mary Frances Berger who passed into the church triumphant on Sat. Jan. 27, 2024. Mary Frances was the widow of Pastor John Berger, the 6th pastor to serve at St. Lucas and Pastor Billmeier's immediate predecessor. Services were held at St. John's Lutheran Church on Fri. Feb 2. where she attended these last years.

SYMPATHY & PRAYERS We offer our sympathy and prayers for the family of Michael C. Foreman, Sr., who passed away on January 20, 2024.at UTMC. Pastor Billmeier conducted funeral services for Caring Cremations at Bersticker-Scott Funeral Home on Sunday, January 28 at 2pm.

SYMPATHY & PRAYERS We also offer our sympathy and prayers for the family of David Lee Young, who died



Happy February Birthday

| Salar Cal | Say a prayer for each of these on their special day. |
|-------------------|--|
| Sharon Olmstead | 1 |
| Carlos Lucio | 1 |
| EricaRae Herrick | 7 |
| Matt Rodnicki | 7 |
| Dave Jerman | 9 |
| Barbara Beaverson | 11 |
| Harold Petoskey | 11 |
| Pat Bair | 11 |
| Theresa Johnson | 13 |
| | |

18

22

24



Carol Gallagher

George Brasel

Lanny Milligan

HAPPY FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARY!

Say a prayer for each of these couples on their special day:

| Gary & Sharon Stofan | 14 |
|----------------------------|----|
| Ernest & Joyce Mease | 14 |
| Gary & Robin Walton | 14 |
| Ken Sikorski & Dan Markley | 16 |
| Jim Bischoff & David Kroll | 22 |

on January 21, 2024 in Hilliard. Pastor Billmeier conducted services at Bersticker-Scott Funeral Home on January 29 at noon, with burial at Historic Woodlawn Cemetery.

SYMPATHY & PRAYERS We pray for Keith and Sue White Johnson at the passing of their loyal dog companion and friend Scout.

EVANGELISM CORNER

EVANGELISM SUNDAY 2024

APRIL 23-24 All Services

What does evangelism mean?

How do most people come to St. Lucas?

What's their story?

Taped interviews of church members telling what they think evangelism is.

Lunch Reception after 10:30 Church with fun Evangelism activities.

You are invited to become thoughtful about what it means to be an evangelist.

EVANGELISM IS ABOUT WELCOME AND HOSPITALITY WHILE SHARING THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

- Do you take time to greet and listen to St. Lucas visitors, and to pray with them if it seems appropriate?
- Are you familiar with all of our ministries (worship, Sunday School, healing team, Cindy's Corner, thrift shop, community garden), so that you could speak knowledgeably to a newcomer, who might benefit from one of those ministries?
- How are you about being a non-anxious presence when greeting a newcomer?
- Do you pray that God will give you opportunities to evangelize?



But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you,

and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

1 Chronicles 29:14 New International Version

GOD GIVES TO US, SO THAT WE MAY FREELY GIVE BACK TO GOD FOR GOD'S WORK

But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

Do you think it is unusual to see a verse from the Old Testament that can help us learn about Stewardship? 1 Chronicles brings us to David becoming king of Judah in 1010 BCE. David's "magnificent prayer of praise" is in 1 Chronicles 29:10-19 which includes our verse. At the beginning of Chapter 29, King David speaks to the whole assembly and lets them know the work that has been done on the Temple of God and lists in stunning detail the amounts of gold, talents of silver to overlay the walls, and the payment of craftsmen to do the work. He states that he himself has contributed all of those items and paid for the work to build the Temple up to this point. He then asks, "Now, who is willing to consecrate himself today to the Lord?" What happens next causes great joy to King David because the family leaders, officers, commanders and the officials "gave willingly." The list of their giving is as impressive as David's. The people themselves rejoiced that the leaders of their country, Judah, had given "freely and wholeheartedly to the Lord. David the king also rejoiced greatly."

David's reaction made me think of the fog that has been part of our landscape the last few weeks. Not knowing what the reaction will be to his question to the whole assembly, David is joyful and reacts like he can suddenly see the sky without fog. We so often do not have a tangible building like the temple of God to direct our giving like the people do in this time of David. Does that make it any less real to us? Does that make it harder for us to understand why we are giving or what we are giving for?

David's words "I" and "my people" recognizes his and their generous giving to complete the work on the temple of God. He acknowledges that everything they have given so generously comes from God. That theme is well known to us as a thread that weaves together the different aspects of giving. Do you consider that your giving is raining down on you from God and you are giving to God only a portion of what has come from him?



—Sharon Schaefer, Stewardship Committee

| BOILER FUND REPORT | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Original Loan Balance | \$45,000.00 | | |
| Received in 2023 | 11,733.09 | | |
| Remaining Owed | 33,266.91 | | |
| Received so far this year | <u>297.25</u> | | |
| Remaining Owed | 32,969.66 | | |

| General Fund | Report |
|--------------------|-------------|
| DEC 1 BALANCE | (43,643.58) |
| RECEIPTS | 34,949.87 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | (24,358.64) |
| DEC 31 BALANCE | (33,052.35) |
| YR. END TRANSFER | 33,431.25 |
| FINAL BALANCE 2023 | 378.90 |
| BALANCE LAST YEAR | 753.39 |
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THE ACTS OF ST. LUCAS NEWSLETTER

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Worship & Sunday School Times

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. **Sunday School:** 10:00 a.m. Sept. to May

The Sacrament of Holy Communion and healing rite are offered at all services.

Mission and Vision

ST. LUCAS PURPOSE STATEMENT:

The people of St. Lucas Lutheran Church invite and welcome everyone to enter and feel God's presence.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES:

- 1. We believe that Jesus is Lord and Savior.
- 2. We embrace diversity and welcome all unconditionally.
- 3. We commit to live God's Word and share the Good News.
- 4. We strive for closer relationship with God and each other.
- 5. We demonstrate compassion and forgiveness through open hearts and open minds.

Handicap Accessible Building
Elevator Next to Handicap Parking on Walbridge Ave.
Please come dressed as you are...ALL ARE WELCOME

AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME - adopted 1999

In accord with the gospel of Jesus Christ St. Lucas welcomes all. By this we mean that we extend the radical welcome of Jesus Christ to people of every age, race, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic level, mental health diagnosis, recovery status, education level, or previous religious experience to participate in the sacramental life and work of our congregation.