

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

Dear Member of St. Luke's,

An exciting year at St. Luke's lies ahead as we begin the celebration of our 100th anniversary. In August 1921, 39 participants attended the first worship service of St. Luke's Lutheran Church. What wondrous challenges, blessings, and grace have been brought to this congregation since those early days!



The St. Luke's 100th Anniversary Planning Committee has been hard at work since January of 2020 identifying ways for us to share stories from our past, support our community in the present, and look forward to the next 100 years! Throughout the coming year, be sure to closely review the Epistle for updates and many opportunities for your involvement.

Celebrating 100 Years: Fed at God's Table is the theme for our celebration. A commemorative 2021 calendar is being printed with photos each month to celebrate St. Luke's. "Spirit Wear" is being planned that will include our 100th anniversary logo. The highlight of the Anniversary year will be a catered meal during our celebration weekend, August 27-29, 2021. Please mark your calendars now!

Our initial reflection will be on the founding of the Child Life Ministries program 25 years ago. Look for details in the Epistle to learn more about the three grandmothers who shared their vision and began St. Luke's journey to providing community leading Christian-based childcare.

Throughout our year-long celebration we will be offering 100's of ways to share our blessings with our community. Starting in September 2020, our goal is to receive 100 cash donations (totaling \$4330) for the addition of creative playground equipment to use indoors and outdoors at St. Luke's Child Life Ministries.

As we look forward to the upcoming months, the 100th Anniversary Planning Committee will invite guest pastors to share messages of inspiration about St. Luke's.

Planning to create a Pictorial Directory of all current members in January 2021 is already underway. Please inform Michelle Bedelov if you would be interested in volunteering with this project.

Please participate generously as we all celebrate 100 years of blessings with your time, resources, and gifts. Join us in prayers of thanksgiving for St. Luke's first 100 years of grace and for our next 100 years of being fed at God's table.

Sincerely,

Eli J Larson (Council President)

Michelle Bedalov (Anniversary Planning Chair)

Congregation Council: Eli Larson (President), Bill Oliver (Vice President), John Lindberg (Treasurer), Sherry Skogman (Secretary), Tim Grove, Pam Olson, Ashley Bregantini, Jim Kieso, Laura Cameron, Jody Geibl, Grace Groskreutz