



God's work. Our hands.



Join us for a day of service!

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, September 12, 2026, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 13, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Waukesha, WI

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**Helping people make life-changing connections with God
through Jesus Christ.**

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Rally Weekend

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Notes for Worship

- Hymnals: ELW: cranberry ACS purple.
- Individually wrapped gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.
- We invite children of all ages to be in worship with us. Children are welcome to use the Pray-Ground in front of the church on the piano side as a comfortable space to experience worship. If you feel your child(ren) are being too disruptive, you are welcome to move into the Chapel.

GATHERING

Prelude *Prelude and Fugue in B-flat, BWV 560*

attr. J.S. Bach

OPENING DIALOGUE FOR GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

This is the day the Lord has made!

Let us be glad and rejoice in it!

We come before you today O God with open hearts.

We come before you today O God with open hands.

Fill us with your Spirit,

**That the words we hear, and the grace we encounter today, move our hands to
bring a measure of peace and hope to the world you so love.**

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

ELW 580



- 1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
- 2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
- 3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin-dranc-es more sure;
- 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,



to live ac-cord-ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re-freshed, re - stored,
if world-ly pres-sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind
whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name,
in old rou-tines or ven-tures new, may we not cease to look to you,



that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.
its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.
and by our faults ob - scure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored done.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ... and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all!
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, ... the care of this good earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

(9:30 a.m.) *With a Voice of Singing*

Martin Shaw
Voices of Faith

WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵ Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 103:1-13

The cantor will sing the refrain first, then all are invited to sing the refrain. Congregation sings the bolded verses, and the R is the refrain sung by all.



and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits—**

who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases;

**who redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy; R**

who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

**O Lord, you provide vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.**

You made known your ways to Moses
and your works to the children of Israel.

**Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love; R**

you will not always accuse us,
nor will you keep your anger forever.

**You have not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor repaid us according to our iniquities.**

¹¹ For as the heavens are high a- | bove the earth,
so great is your steadfast love for | those who fear you.

¹² **As far as the east is | from the west,**
so far have you removed our transgres- | sions from us.

¹³ As a father has compassion | for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear | you, O Lord. **R**

SECOND READING

Romans 14:1-12

¹ Welcome those who are weak in faith but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ² Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³ Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat, for God has welcomed them. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on slaves of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵ Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶ Those who observe the day, observe it for the Lord. Also those who eat, eat for the Lord, since they give thanks to God, while those who abstain, abstain for the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷ For we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸ If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹ For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

¹² So then, each one of us will be held accountable.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S LESSON

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 18:21-35

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²² Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³ “For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him, ²⁵ and, as he could not pay, the lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him by the throat he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.**SERMON**

Pastor Jordan



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



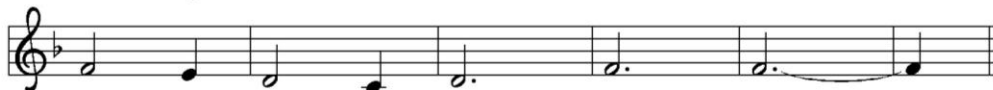
know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

CELEBRATION OF VOCATION

We are called to proclaim the good news:

God is at work!

This good news is not left in some history long ago or a place far away:

God is at work in the world still today!

In us and through us, God is glorified in our work. When we offer a helping hand, God is praised. When we share of our abundance, God is known in the world.

God is at work in us!

In our service today and in our daily lives, let us live out what God has called us to in baptism.

God is at work through our hands!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... We pray,

hear us when we call.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always!

And also with you!

MEAL

OFFERING *The Summons*

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

SEPTEMBER MISSION: Hadfield Elementary School Partnership: St. Luke's has a relationship with Hadfield Elementary School. People from St. Luke's volunteer in the school building regularly. We also provide for students who have special needs.

Two Options to Use Your Phone to Give



1. Point your QR reader at the left QR graphic where you can login and track your giving. Or visit stlukeslutheran.org and click the Online Giving tab on the right side of the page.
2. Point your QR reader at the right QR graphic to make an **online one-time** gift. Or visit omella.com/o/izfds.



OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God, ... hands, that they may be used to your purposes for life and love in the world.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Honor, praise, glory and thanksgiving to you, God, our loving Creator. ... forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Trusting in his promise ... we gather in his name, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Gathered as your people, ... upon Jesus' very body and blood, we plead with all creation:

Come, Lord Jesus.

Send your Spirit upon this meal, ... your love may be known in the world. Again, we beg:

Come, Holy Spirit.

All honor and praise and glory to you, God of creative, dirty hands, God of holy, wounded hands, God who strengthens and guides our hands, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

COMMUNION

All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion, regardless of church affiliation. Receive our Lord in the bread and wine of this meal. Juice and individually wrapped, gluten-free wafers are available from the server by request.

BLESSINGS OF HANDS FOR MINISTRY

After you receive communion, you may receive a blessing of your hands for ministry as we celebrate God's Work, Our Hands.

LAMB OF GOD

ELW p. 146

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace.



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.



1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
 so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
 that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
 whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
 We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
 come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
 and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
 that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

TABLE BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Jesus, ... with yourself and strengthened by your Spirit to live your love for others.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

God who sets forth the law of love, ... hands and heart and voice at work in the world.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN *God's Work, Our Hands*

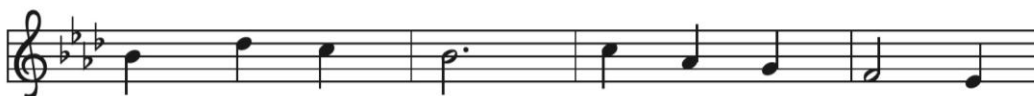
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1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
 2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
 3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
 4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
 fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
 prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
 seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
 run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
 claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
 gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are God's hands at work in the world!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Improvisation on *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

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IN OUR PRAYERS

For needs to be met: for teachers, students, and parents; for peace among nations; for our country; for those impacted by violence; for those impacted by storms, for first responders; for all who struggle with uncertainty; for the Hope Center; for caregivers, for all who are ill, Bishop Curry, Kathy D, Bill S, Sandy H, Sarah M, Liz S, Kathy J, Sue C, Shane R, Joe, Jerry R, Tom, Gary Z, Dawn TW, Marlene N, Kenzie D, Baby BK, Cheri S, Glenn, Jacque L, Debby B, Beth, Joanne H, Karen R, Gloria B, Jillian R, Chris R, Brad S, Baby W, Baby Evelyn, Kathi D, Terese, Kory B, Michael R, Dave M, Jamie F, Jim B, David L, Josh, Diane, Steve D, Greg C, Janice H, Brian M, Laurie B, Mary S, Chris, Lisa S, April, Sarah E, James, Anthony Y, Mary Y, Isabella, Steve, Sai R, Joan B, Rusty B, Tim M, Dakota, Dale R, Sally, Linda M, Joyce, Kathi, Dan D, Mary M, John F, Jan N, Dave M, Chris B, Katie L, Andy S, Carey, Dave, Terri I, Mark, Janet J, John K, and Vi E.

For our partner churches in the Meru Diocese in Tanzania: For the rainfall and resources needed for their crops to grow, and for blessings upon all people. For strength and guidance as they face daily challenges. For the general election in October. For the Maroni and Kilimamoja Congregations, and for God's continued blessings on our partnership.

For those serving in the military: Gary Bjerke, Owen Hager, Jim Kieso Jr, Daniel Krueger, and Dmitriy Lando.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friendship Pads

Please be sure to sign in on the friendship pads located in each pew.

Hospitality Thank You

September Coffee Hour is sponsored by the Lopez Family. In honor of all the students, teachers, and staff as they start the new school year. Along with wishing Amy Lopez a happy birthday on September 2!

Ambo Flowers

This weekend's flowers are given to the glory of God.

St. Luke's Musical Ensembles

Our St. Luke's musical ensembles will soon be starting, even though it seems like we just completed the last program year! If you are interested in joining any of our ensembles, talk to Michael Schaner, Director of Music Ministries.

Starting Sunday, September 13:

Men's Chorus: 10:40 a.m., after the Sunday service. Open to any men of the congregation. Rehearses the second Sunday of each month.

Starting Thursday, September 17:

Joyful Noise: ensembles for 4 years old - 6th grade - 4:30 p.m. Registration can be completed online at <https://stlukeslutheran.org/joyful-noise-registration/>

Rally Weekend

The weekend of September 12/13 we rally for the fall as we roll out our fall programming and celebrate Life-Changing Faith. We'll celebrate the weekend with a picnic in the parking lot, or in Hospitality if the weather doesn't cooperate. For questions about Rally Weekend, reach out to Wendy Bacon (262) 547-6221, or Julie Doepke (414) 750-4524 / doepkejulie1@gmail.com. Watch for more information about Sunday School, Bible Studies, and other activities for the fall.

Bible Sunday for Youth

On Sunday, September 20, at the 9:30 a.m. worship service, we will celebrate God's Word and present Bibles to children and youth in the following age groups: Children in kindergarten through 2nd grade will receive a Spark Story Bible. Children in 3rd grade will receive a Spark Bible. New Discipleship Training (DT) students will receive a Lutheran Study Bible. To confirm that you would like to receive a Bible, please call the church office at (262) 542-2545 or email, office@stlukeslutheran.org by Sunday, September 13.

Sunday School Registration & Rally Day

It's almost time for another exciting year of Sunday School at St. Luke's! Registration is now open for children in PreK through 5th Grade. Families can register online at stlukeslutheran.org/Sunday-School. Our Sunday School year kicks off on Rally Day, Sunday, September 13. Join us for worship at 9:30 a.m., followed by a parking lot picnic and an all-church service project as part of the ELCA's "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday. Together, we will assemble Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. All ages are encouraged to participate. Beginning this fall, families will worship together at the 9:30 a.m. service. Following the "Change to Change the World" offering, children will head out for Sunday School and will be dismissed by 11:00 a.m. We will continue using the Spark curriculum and Spark Story Bible. Mark your calendars for September 20 – Bible Sunday. Questions? Contact Pastor Maren Hooper at pastormaren@stlukeslutheran.org or (262) 542-2545.

Introducing Theology Cracked Open

Join us Monday, September 14 at Raised Grain Brewery, 6:00 p.m. Kind of like Theology Uncorked or Theology on Tap...but with a bit of a revamp! We will gather in groups of three to six so that everyone has a chance to speak and be heard. Our first session is entitled, "**Listening 101: Can You Hear Me Now? Listening as the First Act of Love.**"

Schedule: 6:00-6:15 p.m. - Grab a beverage, find our tables on the patio, and settle in! If the weather is inclement, we'll move indoors. **6:15-7:15 p.m.** – Crafted Conversations. When our time is up, you're welcome to linger a while longer or head out. Each session will be a **stand-alone topic**, so if you miss a month, no worries. Just hop right back in when you can! Questions? Contact Pastor Maren Hooper.

Search Bible Study Resumes This Fall

If you'd like to be part of a group of Christians growing in faith, join our weekly Search Bible Study when it resumes September 16 at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome! There is no registration requirement. Bring a friend. All levels of experience with the Bible are welcome. We normally have been having 20-25 people. There is always room for you.

Come For Fellowship, Sarah Circle Bible Study

Sarah Circle, a Bible Study group, has been rescheduled from Tuesday, September 15, to Tuesday, September 22, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Debby Brockington–2116 Grayfox Ct, Waukesha (262) 424-3792. All women are welcome to come. For more information or questions, please call Debby.

Forever 40 Mutts Gone Nuts Canine Cabaret

Join Forever 40 on Friday, October 2, for an evening of laughs and amazing canine talent at the Mutts Gone Nuts Canine Cabaret! We'll carpool from church at 4:30 p.m. for dinner at Olive Garden in Delafield before heading to the show at the Oconomowoc Arts Center. The show features eight world-class stunt dogs performing incredible tricks, athletic feats, and hilarious comedy. Tickets are \$33 per person. Please contact Vonda Bickett at (414) 416-0246 or the church office with questions and to RSVP by Friday, September 18.

Outreach for Hope 2026 Family Ride Run Walk

The 2026 Outreach for Hope Family Ride, Run, Walk, will be on Saturday, September 26. This is the Outreach for Hope's biggest fundraiser of the year. They are hoping to raise \$175K by October 31, for grants to ministries serving communities experiencing material poverty in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA. To register, volunteer, and/or donate, go to OFHRRW.ORG

Help Load Quilts

We are asking for your help. We will be packing a truck in the Church parking lot with boxes of our lovely quilts and health kits from our congregation and other churches for Lutheran World Relief. The loading will be on Saturday, October 10, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. This is light to medium lifting. For more information or to sign up contact Marilyn Olson, (262) 844-2519.

Needle & Thimble

Please join Needle and Thimble which started again on Tuesday, September 8 at 8:30 a.m. They meet every Tuesday unless there is no school. Everyone is welcome. You don't need to be able to sew. There are other things that can be done. Please call Marilyn Olson if you have questions, (262) 844-2519.

Women of Faith Bible Study

Join us on a journey as we meet Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna in *The Women of Christmas*. Beginning in February, we will be introducing Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary Magdalene in *The Women of Easter*. Both studies are written by Liz Curtis Higgs. You've heard their names, but do you know their stories? Liz Curtis Higgs brings these women to life and helps us deepen our understanding of their relationship with Jesus. Both books are available in hardcover and Kindle editions through Amazon or your favorite bookseller. Join us and bring a friend. All are welcome! For more information, contact Laurie Rohrwasser (262) 542-4664 lrohrwasser@stlukeslutheran.org. Women of Faith Bible Study meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Our first study was Thursday, September 3, 2026. Our final study is May 20, 2027.

Online Giving

To start giving electronically or make changes to your on-line giving, please log on to our website and click on “Online Giving” on the far right. You can also fill out the paper authorization form and return it to the church office. Paper authorization forms are available at the Welcome Center.

Are You Receiving Our Weekly *Connections* Email

Each week we send out an email called *Connections*. It includes announcements, links, information about worship schedules, community events, and so much more. If you are not receiving it, email the office (office@stlukeslutheran.org) to be added to the email list.

Stay Connected with What’s Ahead

Do you want to know what’s happening in the days and weeks ahead at our church? Visit our Church Calendar on the church website! It’s the best place to find upcoming events, ministry activities, service times, and special announcements. Simply go to our website and click on Calendar to stay updated and get involved. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

Communication is Important

Communicating when, where, what, why, and how is important. If there is something you would like communicated in the weekly bulletin, weekly *Connections* email, or the monthly Epistle newsletter, it’s as easy as writing the announcement and emailing it to office@stlukeslutheran.org or stopping by the office with your article by the deadlines. The deadlines for the bulletin and *Connections* are 12:00 p.m. the Tuesday before the Thursday or the weekend you would want the information in *Connections* or bulletin. The deadline for the monthly Epistle newsletter is the 15th of the month unless the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday; then, the deadline is the Friday before. If you have any questions, please reach out either by email or call the church office at (262) 542-2545.

Committing to Worship

We are encouraging each other all year long to commit/recommit to deeper engagement in worship. Perhaps you’ve drifted away from regular worship attendance. Come back and let God feed you in the Word and at the table of Holy Communion. Maybe while you’re here, you might be called to participate more fully in the liturgies we speak and sing together. Commit yourself/yourselves to deeper engagement in worship. The more you engage God in worship, the deeper your relationship with Him grows.

Prayer Team

Scripture encourages us to bear one another's burdens. Lifting others up in prayer is a way to do that. The need for prayer and for people to pray grows daily! Please consider becoming a member of our Prayer Team. There are no meetings or phone calls to make. You will receive prayer requests via email and are asked to pray daily. No specific prayer, although suggestions are given in the email you receive. Simply ask God to guide you. Did you know you can pray any time and any place? How about while brushing your teeth or showering, during your kids' practices or games, while waiting for appointments? All that is asked is that you pray daily. Please consider joining this vital ministry. For information, contact Laurie Rohrwasser.

Epistle Online

Are you still receiving a paper copy of The Epistle in the mail? Reading The Epistle online saves paper and postage, allows you to print only the pages you want, and includes live links. If you would like to receive our weekly **Connections** email and our monthly newsletter, The Epistle, by email please contact the church office at (262) 542-2545 or office@stlukeslutheran.org.

Extending Care for You

Our pastors make visits and calls to people in need of pastoral care. If you would like pastoral care, please call the church office at (262) 542-2545. This is especially important if you are going through life-transitions, illness, or trauma. If you change your address or enter a care facility or rehab center, please update the church office.

Serving in Worship

There are a variety of ways to serve the community whenever we worship. Each of the ways is equally important to our weekly experience of God's grace. You can serve as a lector, an usher, a member of the altar guild, a communion assistant and more. We use "Ministry Scheduler Pro," an online tool, to help people schedule their worship ministry involvement. If you have an account on Ministry Scheduler Pro, you received an email inviting you to update your profile and involvement. That email also contained your credentials to log in. The spotlight section of our website's homepage also has a link to our Ministry Scheduler that you can follow. Our goal is to develop schedules that use the many gifts and talents present in our congregation. Please log on to Ministry Scheduler Pro, update your profile, and let us know any dates you are not available to serve.

This Week at St. Luke's

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Rally Weekend & God's Work, Our Hands

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Mt. Meru Coffee
10:40 a.m. Men's Chorus Rehearsal
10:45 a.m. Discipleship Training
Affirmation of Baptism
6:00 p.m. Men's A.A.

Monday, September 14, 2026

8:00 a.m. Amigos
1:00 p.m. Facilities and Maintenance
6:00 p.m. Theology Cracked Open
6:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

8:30 a.m. Needle and Thimble
5:30 p.m. Finance Committee
6:30 p.m. Church Council

Wednesday, September 16, 2026

1:00 p.m. Search Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Godsbells
7:00 p.m. N.A.
7:15 p.m. Voices of Faith

Thursday, September 17, 2026

4:30 p.m. Joyful Noise
5:00 p.m. Community Meal
6:30 p.m. Women Bible Study
7:00 p.m. The Broad Hwy A.A.

Saturday, September 19, 2026

5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday, September 20, 2026

Bible Distribution Sunday

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Discipleship Training
Affirmation of Baptism
6:00 p.m. Men's A.A.

Serving this Weekend:

Preaching:	5:00 p.m. Pastor Jordan	9:30 a.m. Pastor Jordan
Presiding:	Pastor Jordan	Pastor Jordan
Music:	Michael Schaner	Michael Schaner
Assisting Minister:	Curt Steinquist	Chris Jackson
Lector:	James Larson	Morgan C Kreuser
Bread Baker:	Debbie Kuechler	Debbie Kuechler
Acolyte:	Nora Persells	DevinReigh Endries
Communion Asst:	Mark Bjerke	Tracy Craft
Ushers:	RJ Hildebran	Kathy Fontaine
	Dan Jorvig	Debbie Lathorp
Altar Care:	Susan Klabunde	Kathy & Jay Fontaine
		Carolynn Fish
		Marilyn Christiansen
		Sharon Spivek
		Braden Davis
Worship Tech:		