

All Saints Sunday

Saturday, October 31, 2026, 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 1, 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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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 *Elegy* Brenda Portman

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, … and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, … of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *Shall We Gather at the River* ELW 423

st. 1 - unison; st. 2 - harmony; st. 3 - unison; st. 4 – harmony

Please follow the dynamics of the organ



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
Almighty God, … lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING (Sunday) *O Love* Elaine Hagenberg
Voices of Faith

WORD

FIRST READING Revelation 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every
nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before
the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud
voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living
creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and
where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he
said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their
robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat,
17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 34:1-10,22

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.*



[1] I will bless the Lord | at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.
[2] **I will glory | in the Lord;**
let the lowly hear | and rejoice. R

[3] Proclaim with me the greatness | of the Lord;
let us exalt God's | name together.
[4] **I sought the Lord, who | answered me**
and delivered me from | all my terrors.
[5] Look upon the Lord | and be radiant,
and let not your faces | be ashamed.
[6] **I called in my affliction, and | the Lord heard me**
and saved me from | all my troubles. R

[7] The angel of the Lord encamps around those who | fear the Lord
and de- | livers them.
[8] **Taste and see that the | Lord is good;**
happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!
[9] Fear the Lord, you saints | of the Lord,
for those who fear the | Lord lack nothing.
[10] **The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing | that is good.
[22] O Lord, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished. **R**

SECOND READING 1 John 3:1-3

[1] See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that
is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.
[2] Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we
do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3] And
all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S LESSON

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Alleluia* ELW pg. 142



GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[1] When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his
disciples came to him. [2] And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
[3] "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[4] "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
[5] "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
[6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
[7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
[8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
[9] "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
[10] "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.

[11] "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

COMMEMORATION OF THE SAINTS

In this commemoration we remember the saints: those who were baptized in the past year and those who have died. There will be opportunities for you to light candles in honor/memory of both.

PASSED AWAY

Thomas John Cooper
Anita Mae Huntington
Kathleen "Kathy" M. Whettam
Michael "Mike" E. Frank
Mary Jo McCoy
Anna Leigh French
Robert "Bob" Arnold Jacobson
Michael "Mickey" D. Hendrickson
Linette "Lynn" G. Heis
Keith Oscar Jurkowski
Sharon Ann Wood
Shelby Lillian Hemauer
Judith "Judy" Lorraine Cloutier
Kathleen Louise Dhooge
Elizabeth "Liz" Ann Schuman
Thomas "Michael" Cameron

BAPTIZED

Gavin Lee McAvoy
Otilia Kay Eschenburg
Evan Vincent Reigh Rider
Cecily Carolyn Wabiszewski
Jonah Paul Nieuwenhuis
Calla Louise Bender
Levi Torres Jopek

HYMN OF THE DAY *For All the Saints* ELW 422

422 - st. 1 - all; st. 2 - low voices; 3 & 4 – all; st. 5 – high voices; st. 6 & 7 – all





PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always!
And also with you!

MEAL

CHANGE TO CHANGE THE WORLD

OFFERING: *Shall We Gather at the River* setting, Robert Hobby

NOVEMBER MISSION: ELCA World Hunger and Waukesha Food Pantry: During the month of Thanksgiving, we are motivated to share a portion of the gifts we have received from God with others, so they too receive the gift of food. The ELCA World Hunger program is highly regarded in its effectiveness of its ministry as is the Waukesha Food Pantry in its ministry to Waukesha residents.

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
God of creation, … in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

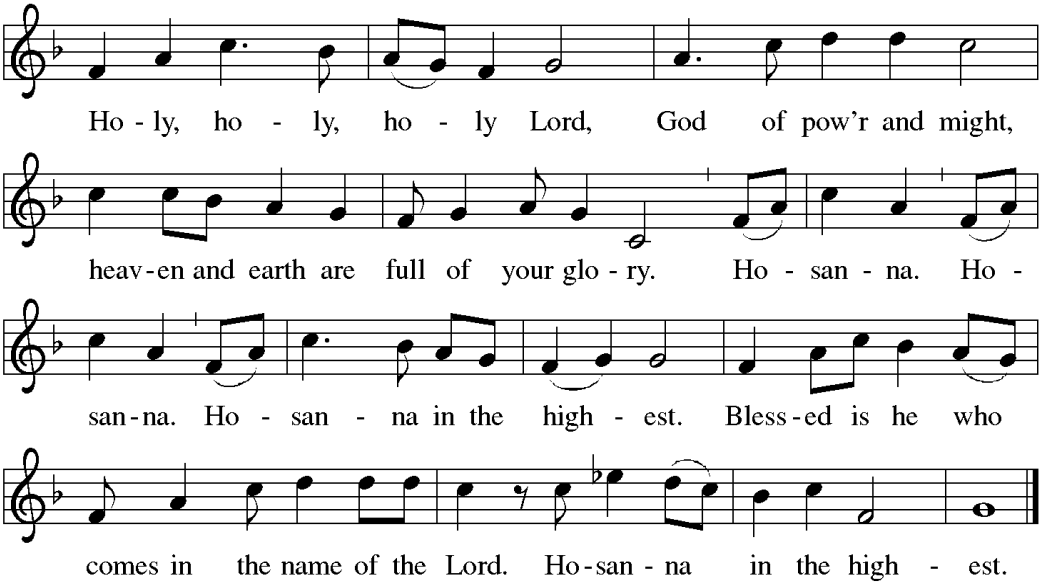
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *Holy, Holy, Holy* ELW pg. 144



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

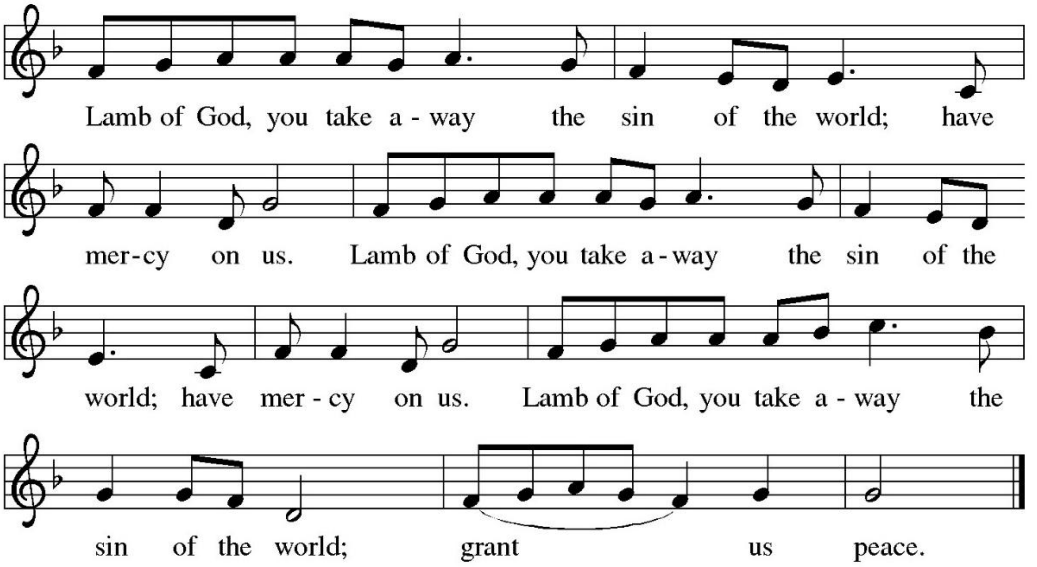
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

LAMB OF GOD ELW p. 146



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS *Baptized in Water* ELW 456



HYMN *Give Thanks for Saints* ELW 428

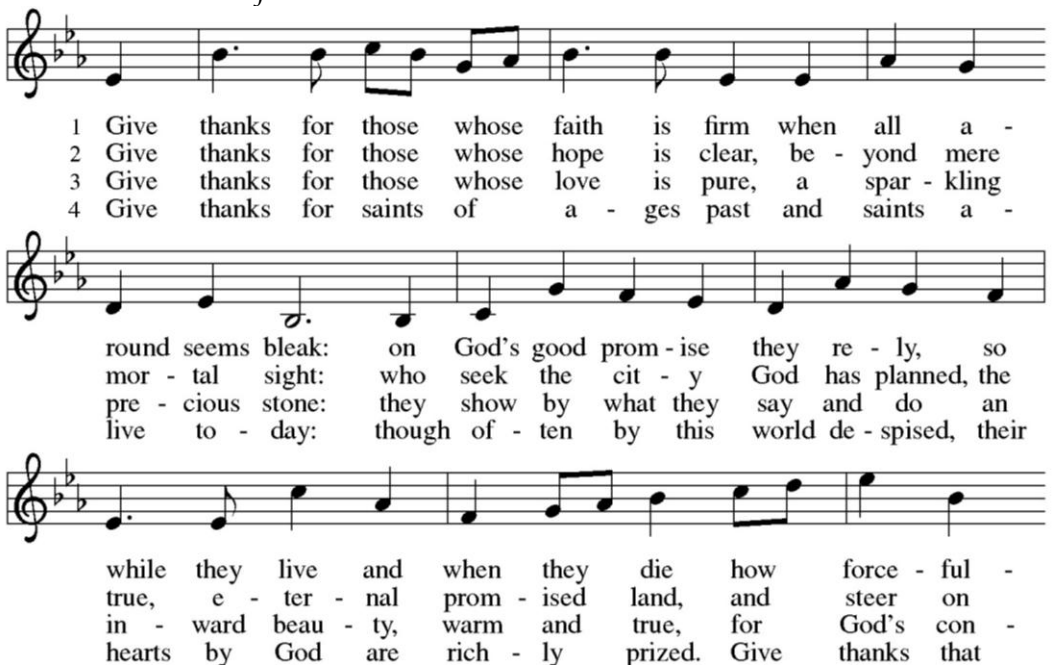




TABLE BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* ELW 414



ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* setting, Paul Manz

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Our Sympathy: For the families of Elizabeth Ann "Liz" Schumann and Thomas "Michael" Cameron.
For needs to be met: For teachers, students, and parents; for peace among nations; for our country; for those impacted by violence and storms; for first responders; for all who struggle with uncertainty; for the Hope Center; for caregivers; for all who are ill; and for Bishop Curry, Alice B, Hannah B, Nancy F, Darius O, Sandy H, Rona S, Dottie Z, Dan H, Karen R, Karen S, Byron B, Chris R, Brad S, PA, Joey B, Kathy D, Sarah M, Kathy J, Sue C, Shane R, Joe, Jerry R, Gary Z, Dawn TW, Kenzie D, Debby B, Gloria B, Jillian R, Baby W, Baby Evelyn, Kathi D, Therese, Dave M, Jim B, David L, Steve D, Greg C, Janice H, Jan N, 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, Dale R, Sally, Linda M, Joyce, Dan D, Mary M, John F, Vie E, Dave M, Chris B, Katie L, Andy S, Carey, Dave, Terri I, Mark, Janet J, and John K.
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.

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

Hospitality Thank You
The first Coffee Hour in November is sponsored by Lori Chandler in honor of The Swinging Singles Square Dance Club.

Ambo Flowers
This weekend's flowers are given in memory of John and Fran Parson and those we have loved and lost this past year. Given by Chris Jackson.

50+ Anniversary
We give thanks for Ron and Kathy Pederson celebrating their 56th wedding anniversary on Saturday, October 31! We also give thanks for Pat and Katy Bauer celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, November 6!

Hadfield School Shoe Drive
Hadfield School is in great need of new shoes for children, especially girls' sizes 13 through women's size 8. Please note that only new shoes can be accepted; used shoes cannot be distributed. To help meet this important need, a red collection box will be available in the Welcome Center. Your donation of new shoes will make a meaningful difference for local students and families. Thank you for your generosity and support of our community!

Elegant Farmer Youth Fundraiser
The youth will be taking pre-orders for Elegant Farmer Award-winning Pies and Signature Foods, before and after services starting October 24. The last day to pre-order is Sunday, November 8. Orders will be available for pick up at St. Luke's beginning Saturday, November 21, the weekend before Thanksgiving. Payment is due at the time of the order. Questions? Please contact Cari youth@stlukeslutheran.org. **Pies:** 8" Apple Pie Baked in a Paper Bag® $26, 8" Caramel Apple Pie Baked in a Paper Bag® $26, 9" Pumpkin Pie $23, and 8" Door County Cherry Crisp $26. **Fruit Breads:** Large 1.35 lb Pumpkin Apple Bread or Banana Bread $23 each. **Bonus Item:** 3+ lb. Cider Baked Mini Ham $26

Wanted College Addresses
It seems like school just started, but final exams are not too far away. The youth group will be sending care packages to our friends in college and trade schools later this fall. If you have a young adult in college or trade school this fall, please send their current address for this school year to Cari, youth@stlukeslutheran.org or drop off in the church office by November 1, even if you have turned it in previous years.

Evening First Tuesday Book Club
Love to read but can't attend the First Tuesday morning book discussion? We have an evening option for you! The Evening First Tuesday Book Club meets at 6:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month (except July and December) in the Faith Room. Join us for our next gathering on Tuesday, November 3. If you have questions, please contact Kim Stair at kimber1ella@gmail.com or text (414) 940-6063.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
Join with one another and enjoy give thanks to God for all the gifts God gives us: home and family, food and clothing, daily work, and everything we need from day to day. Plus, he gives us even more: Jesus Christ, God's beloved Son. Through him, we are set free from sin, death, and evil. The Thanksgiving Service will be Wednesday, November 25, 7:00 p.m. Pie Fest will follow the service – so, stay and enjoy a slice or two!

Join Us for Search Bible Study
If you'd like to be part of a group of Christians growing in faith, join our weekly Search Bible Study that meets on Wednesdays 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.

Women of Faith Bible Study
Women of Faith Bible Study meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. 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 are written by Liz Curtis Higgs and are available in hardcover and Kindle editions through Amazon or your favorite bookseller. For more information, contact Laurie Rohrwasser (262) 542-4664, lrorhwasser@stlukeslutheran.org.

CLM Script Fundraiser
We have some exciting news! Our St. Luke's Child Life Ministries Scrip Account through RaiseRight is active! What is Scrip? It's a place where you can purchase gift cards and CLM will get a portion of your purchase kicked back! Going shopping? Get a gift card to pay for your purchase and donate to CLM at the same time, it's that easy! You can order your gift card and have it instantly available to use, right from your phone. There are two easy ways to sign up, follow this link OR scan the QR code. Share with your friends and relatives by sending them a text or email! There's no cost or upcharge, just purchasing gift cards that helps CLM.
https://www.raiseright.com/enroll?enrollCode=FDCD7A8962586

Prayer Ministry
How can our Prayer Team pray for you, a friend, or loved one? We are ready to lift up prayers for you during the joys and trials of your life. If you or someone you know needs prayer for any reason, please contact Laurie Rohrwasser, lrohrwasser@stlukeslutheran.org Perhaps you know of someone who could use a note of encouragement or well wishes, please let her know.

Kwik Trip Cards Fundraiser
This is an on-going year-round fundraiser for the youth. If you frequent Kwik Trip on a regular basis, please consider purchasing gift cards through St. Luke's to use for your regular gas and grocery purchases and the youth will get a portion of your everyday purchases. In addition to the gift, gas and grocery cards, we also have 5-count car wash cards available. Cards are available for purchase either via order forms available at the Welcome Station, or directly from the stock Sunday mornings. Additional denominations available upon request, and are usually available within two weeks of order, Contact Cari youth@stlukeslutheran.org with any questions or to order cards. Christmas is right around the corner and Kwik Trip gift cards make a great gift and support youth activities. We will be placing the next special order November 2, so that they will arrive before Thanksgiving then a second order December 1, for mid-December arrival.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Support the Food Pantry
You can make monetary donations to the pantry through their website. Leaders of the pantry want us to know that canned fruits and veggies along with soups have been limited the last few months. When shopping for yourself, pick up some for our neighbors and drop them in the food pantry barrels as you leave the grocery store, or bring to church to drop in the cart by the door.

Help For the Hope Center
There are many ways to help the Hope Center. Sorters are needed in the Clothing Shop, prep and serve breakfast and lunch, dates can vary. You can volunteer by contacting (262) 549-8726. Check out their website for their weekly donation request list at https://hopecenterwi.org/donate-now/. Hope Center address is 101 W Broadway, Waukesha 53186.

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.

This Week at St. Luke's

Sunday, November 1, 2026
All Saints Sunday
Elegant Farmer Youth Fundraiser
9:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
11:30 a.m. Executive Committee
3:00 p.m. All Saints Day Worship
6:00 p.m. Men's A.A.

Monday, November 2, 2026
8:00 a.m. Amigos
6:30 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday, November 3, 2026
8:30 a.m. Needle and Thimble
9:30 a.m. 1st Tuesday Book Club
6:00 p.m. Evening 1st Tuesday Book Club
6:30 p.m. W.C.U. Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 4, 2026
1:00 p.m. Search Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Godsbells
6:30 p.m. Discipleship Training
7:00 p.m. N.A.
7:15 p.m. Voices of Faith

Thursday, November 5, 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, November 7, 2026
5:00 p.m. Worship

Sunday, November 8, 2026
Elegant Farmer Youth Fundraiser
Cinnamon Roll Sunday
9:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Mt. Meru Coffee
6:00 p.m. Men's A.A.

Serving this Weekend:

	5:00 p.m.	9:30 a.m.
Preaching:	Pastor Hooper	Pastor Hooper
Presiding:	Pastor Hooper	Pastor Jordan
Music:	Michael Schaner	Michael Schaner
Assisting Minister:	Susan Klabunde	Chris Jackson
Lector:	Ralph Klass	Diane Voit
Bread Baker:	Ashley Bregantini	Ashley Bregantini
Acolyte:		Henry Davis
Communion Asst:	Kathy Fontaine	Jenny Thorstad
Ushers:	Harold Bloch	Wendy Bacon
	Jim Kieso	Trudy Staffeldt
		Jay Fontaine
		Kathy Fontaine
Altar Care:	Susan Klabunde	Jay and Kathy Fontaine
	Diana Lando	
Worship Tech:		Braden Davis