



St Luke

NEWSLETTER

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NEWS AND NOTES

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, September 23 at 12:35 pm. If you are a voting member of St. Luke, please plan to attend this meeting so that we can conduct the business of our congregation. This is our annual meeting required by the constitution. This is an open meeting where anything you wish can be brought up for discussion and any motion can be brought up for a vote. We will be giving an overview of some of our current ministries and future initiatives.

LIFE WITH GOD CLASS

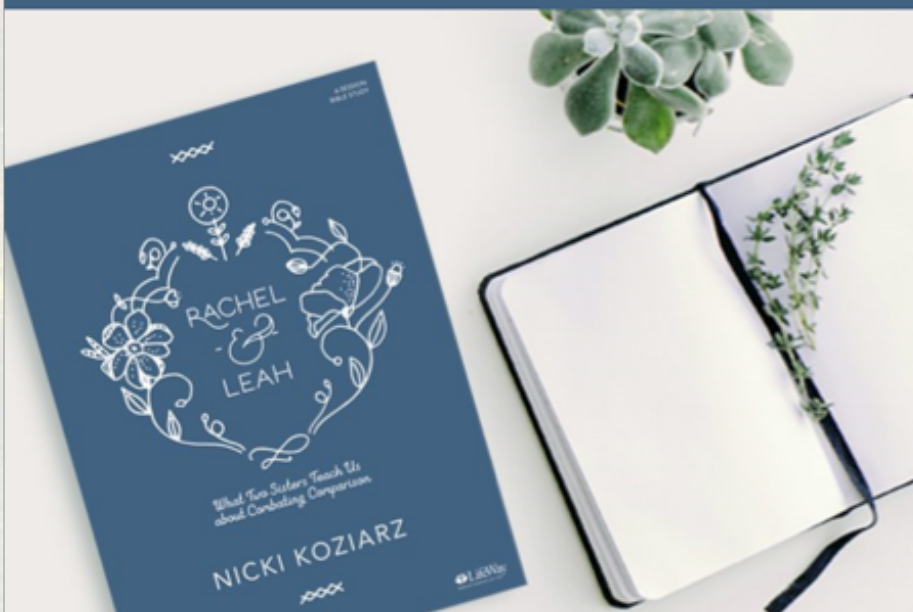
Sunday, September 30, 3 to 8 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Join Pastor Steve to learn more about who we are and what we believe at St. Luke. Life with God serves as our membership class for those wishing to join the church. Come, make new friends, and enjoy a delightful meal. There is no cost for the class. Please register online at stlukecolumbus.com/lifewithgod. New members will be received on Sunday, October 14.

Women's Bible Study

Begins Tuesday, September 18

9 am or 7 pm, Room 116

Participant books distributed at first session. Cost: \$15.



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Sunday Schedule

8:45 am Traditional Service

10:30 am Contemporary Service

11:30 am Traditional Service

Beginning August 26

Traditional Services: Sundays, 8:15 & 11:30 am

Contemporary Service: Sundays, 10:30 am

Life Group Hour: Sundays, 9:30 am

GERMAN PARTNERSHIP TEAM UPDATE

In the fall of 2016, St. Luke Lutheran Church entered into a four year partnership agreement with Kirchengemeinde Warder ("Warder"), a Lutheran church in Rohlstorf, Germany (northern Germany). Both churches agreed to communicate with each other, learn about each other's ministry, pray for each other, share concerns about ministry and encourage possible exchanges of members.

During the August 5, 2018 Skype meeting between members of Warder and the St. Luke German Partnership team, Warder accepted St. Luke's invitation to have a group of members visit Columbus in 2019. A group of at least 12 Warder members (and possibly 25 or more) plan to visit us from September 12-19, 2019. A sufficient number of St. Luke families and individuals have already volunteered to host our Warder guests and to plan some activities. The Warder members want to worship at St. Luke, visit German Village, and experience life in Midwest America by visiting various local sites and events prior to leaving Columbus to spend a couple of days sightseeing in New York before returning home. (St. Luke members hope to travel to Rohlstorf, Germany in 2020.)

In order for us to better connect with the members of Warder, we need St. Luke members--young and old-- to become "pen pals" or Facebook friends and to prepare very brief biographical sketches so that Warder members can better connect with us. During our August 5 Skype meeting, Pastor Roland Scheel and Jonas Kroning of Warder sincerely thanked St. Luke for their prayers and for the children's picture book developed by Colleen Zielke, which was received by Warder.

If you would like to become a pen pal or Facebook friend, prepare a biographical sketch about yourself or participate in our next Skype meeting on October 7 at 1:30 PM at church, please contact Holly or Mike Mauger at 614-348-7226 or ffmauger@gmail.com.

COUNCIL REPORT FOR AUGUST

Pastor Steve installed Ian Kalinosky, Sandy Kuespert and Laura Whistler.

Officers were elected Sandy Kuespert, President. Bob Russo, Vice President. Jeff Cox, Treasurer. Laura Whistler, Secretary.

Council entered executive session to discuss staff compensation.

Update on Front Porch discussion and research from Front Porch Team.

Discussion expectations for council responsibilities for hosting at upcoming Party in the Park.

Council endorsed staff exploring options for Sunday morning schedule to facilitate a fourth service.

Review of July financial report and initial discussion for use of surplus funds.

Council accepted Summer Ann Schwalm, daughter of Taylor and Adam Schwalm, into membership through baptism on July 15.

Average Attendance for July: 301



Volunteer Opportunities

LSS FOOD PANTRY

Thursday, September 6, 11:30 am - 2 pm // Meet at the church at 11 am to carpool to the Champion Avenue Food Pantry (1460 S. Champion Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43206) // We will fill pre-selected orders from clients and help them choose produce, bread, and meat. Sign up online at stlukecolumbus.com/volunteer. The remaining dates for 2018 are October 4 and November 8.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WORK DAY

Saturday, September 8, 8:30 am – 4 pm, Lunch provided!

Our Habitat for Humanity team looking for volunteers (8 spots available) to help with the construction of two new houses and various rehab projects in Central Ohio. No experience is necessary; however, you must be 16 or older. You do not need to be a member of St. Luke to help, so invite your friends!

If you can't help in September, we hope you will join for our last work day of the year on Saturday, October 13. Come and enjoy a Saturday learning new skills and helping others with your St Luke family. You can sign up to help on the back of your Connection Card or online at stlukecolumbus.com/volunteer.

SERVE AT FAITH MISSION

Sunday, September 23, 4:15 – 6:15 and 6:15 – 8:15 pm

Faith Mission Community Kitchen (245 N. Grant Avenue, Columbus) // We need 8 volunteers per shift and you must be at least 14 years old. Sign up online at stlukecolumbus.com/volunteer. The remaining dates for 2018 are October 20, November 17, December 8 and 22.

KITS OF CARE ASSEMBLY DAY

Saturday, September 29, 10 am to 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will assemble the 300 school kits and 300 personal care kits in preparations to be sent to Lutheran World Relief. This is a wonderful opportunity for life groups, individuals, families, and students. Sign up to help at stlukecolumbus.com/kits.

All Kits of Care donations are needed by Sunday, September 23.

LWR KITS OF CARE DROP-OFF SITE

Friday, October 5, 10 am to 2 pm. St. Luke is serving as the drop-off site in Central Ohio to receive Kits of Care donations this year. At least ten volunteers able to lift boxes are needed to receive these kits and load them into a large moving truck. Lunch will be provided. Sign up to help at stlukecolumbus.com/kits.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/1 Zack Kwasniak
9/1 William Caldwell
9/1 Max Merriman
9/2 Greg Osborne
9/2 Emily Pearson
9/2 Matt Pearson
9/3 Allison Smith
9/3 Ryan Everson
9/3 Emily Jones
9/4 Lou Himmer
9/5 Grant McCrary
9/5 Abigail Howard
9/6 Jerry Keller
9/6 Kyle Clark
9/7 Kristi Jensen
9/7 Kathleen Kolbe
9/8 Adam Sams
9/8 Natalie Mahoney
9/9 Darlene Scott
9/9 Arnold Koehler
9/9 Dan Volkema
9/9 Genevieve Richard
9/10 Jacob Benjamin
9/10 Todd Reese
9/10 Jared Gaffney-DeCicco
9/10 Vanessa McCoy
9/10 Addison Reese
9/11 Bob Wood
9/11 Ben Amato
9/11 Sam Brown
9/11 Samantha Stegen
9/12 Traci Wood
9/12 Meredith Whistler
9/12 Nash Williams
9/13 Jean Damman
9/13 Monica Sam
9/14 Andre' Dargahi
9/14 Joshua Shado
9/15 Miles Palenshus
9/16 Elizabeth Smith Zaino
9/16 Kate McCoy
9/17 Ted Rudie
9/17 Jillian Herbst
9/17 Tom Schneider
9/17 Laura Pettiford
9/17 Kassie Pearson
9/18 Del Schneider
9/18 Sandy Dargahi
9/18 Chris Griffin

9/18 Jen Chrysler
9/19 Paul Whatley
9/19 Jen Blank
9/19 Ryan Harvey
9/19 Alec Tuohy
9/20 Tim Scott
9/20 Dan Wickboldt
9/20 Delaney Duncan
9/21 Jordan Osborne
9/22 Bob Schwalm
9/22 Christina Horning
9/23 Alsetta Jett
9/23 Philip Skiles
9/24 Dianne Williams
9/24 Jason Ziemnik
9/24 Alex Currington
9/25 Jon McGrew
9/25 Lora Champlin
9/25 Justin Dixon
9/25 Cali Smith
9/25 Eddie Denny
9/25 Murphy Hazell
9/25 Louisa Wenning
9/26 Sheri Pirro
9/26 Grant Lower
9/26 Luke Collins
9/27 Amma Oppong
9/28 Gary Garbin
9/28 Kathie Miller
9/29 Judith Everson
9/29 Nipun Khokhar
9/29 Mike Theisen
9/30 Matt Erick
9/30 Emery Briggs
9/30 Graham Williams



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