

NEWS AND NOTES

PLEASE stack the chairs after the 10:30 am service today.

Care Letters: Please stop by the Welcome Place today and the following care letters:

- Get well to Susan Crosby, recently hospitalized.
- Get well to Doris Poth, recently hospitalized.
- Sympathy to Doris Poth and Marvene Poth on the passing of their sister, Alberta Miller.

Advent Worship. Join us for our final Advent service Wednesday, December 21 at 7 pm in the Traditional Sanctuary. There will be no dinner prior to this service.

Christmas Eve Worship. Services will be held at 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 pm in the Traditional Sanctuary. Join us for a classic Christmas celebration featuring Christmas carols, including *Silent Night* by candlelight, a message of peace, special music and Holy Communion. Childcare will be available for all services *except* 10 pm. We expect services to fill up, so please arrive early.

Christmas Day Worship. Sunday, December 25, one service will be held at 10:30 am in the Traditional Sanctuary.

New Year's Day Worship. Sunday, January 1 we will follow our regular worship schedule with services in the Traditional Sanctuary at 8:15 and 11:30 am, and a service at 10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. There will be no Pathways or Sunday School.

Offering Envelopes for 2017 are available to pick up near the coffee stations outside the Fellowship Hall and the Traditional Sanctuary.

2017 Daily Text Books. Begin a transforming daily quiet time with the Lord using the *Daily Texts*. The *Daily Texts* have been ordered and will be available soon for \$5.

ST. LUKE THIS WEEK

Sunday, December 18

6 pm Youth Group

Wednesday, December 21

7 pm Advent Service

8 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 22

6:15 pm Joyful Ringers

Friday, December 23

4:30 pm Prayer Team

Saturday, December 24

2 pm Christmas Eve Service

4 pm Christmas Eve Service

6 pm Christmas Eve Service

8 pm Christmas Eve Service

10pm Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 25

10:30 Traditional Service

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Traditional Service | Traditional Sanctuary
Sunday 8:15 & 11:30 am

Contemporary Service | Fellowship Hall
Sunday 10:30 am

Sunday, December 18, 2016

OUTCAST



WELCOME

LEARN GOD'S LOVE IN WORSHIP



If you're visiting St. Luke for the first time, please make yourself at home, and stop by the Welcome Place for more information about St. Luke's ministries.

Children are welcome at all services.

However, if you would like some relief, professionally staffed childcare is provided for infants through age 4 in the Nursery. A Cry Room is available during the 10:30 am worship service in Room 117.

Your prayer requests are important to us and confidentiality is honored. You can make a prayer request on the Connection Card found in your bulletin.

Assisted listening devices are available at the Welcome Place for use in the Traditional Sanctuary.

Free Bibles are available in the pews of the Traditional Sanctuary or on the cart at the entrance of the Fellowship Hall.

Cheerfully, generously and freely! If you are visiting with us today, please consider this service our gift to you. We invite you to fill out and include the **Connection Card** during the offering time today. If you consider St. Luke your church home, please pray, listen, and give only according to what God lays on your heart.

Children's Sermons are offered during our 8:15 am and 10:30 am worship services. Additionally, an extended children's sermon is offered at the 10:30 am service for grades 3 and below in Room 114. Children will return to worship after the sermon.

Communion is offered at all services the first and third Sundays of every month, and each Sunday at the 8:15 am Traditional Service.

Live Video Streaming. Our 10:30 am worship service is live-streamed each week on our website. If you're out of town or under the weather, you can still worship with us by visiting stlukecolumbus.com on your tablet, phone or computer.

Watch or Listen to Messages online: Messages from previous services are available online at stlukecolumbus.com/messages or subscribe to our sermon podcast on iTunes.



LIVE GOD'S LOVE IN LIFE GROUPS

At St. Luke, we believe that ***circles are better than rows.*** Community, friendship with other church members, is a vital way that God grows our faith, but that community is hard to form sitting in a row. Life Groups are our way of forming circles – groups where individuals and couples of *all ages* can intentionally surround themselves with a group of Christian friends. We hope **you** will take a step of faith and participate in a St. Luke Life Group this year.



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LIFE GROUPS FOR CHILDREN & STUDENTS

Sunday School. Sundays, 9:30 am. **Pre-K - 3rd grade** meet in Room 116 and **4th & 5th grades** meet in Room 114. **Middle and high school students** meet in the Youth Room for *Another Christmas Story*. Sunday School will not meet December 25 and January 1.

Youth Group. *Student Ministry White Elephant Christmas party is tonight!* For all students grades 6-12, join us this evening at 6 pm at the church. Bring a snack to share and a white elephant gift (something silly/funny and under \$10). Youth group will not meet December 25 and January 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFE GROUPS FOR ADULTS

Sunday Morning Life Groups for Adults: (*Pathways and Parent Group will not meet December 25 and January 1*)

- **Pathways** meets at 9:30 am in the Traditional Sanctuary, led by Peter & Amenda Chang; and at 10:30 am in Room 116, led by Jeff Cox.
- **Parent Group** meets at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall, led by Aaron McCullough. **Join us as Pastor Steve concludes his talks to have with your kids about sex.**

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) meets the 2nd & 4th Mondays at 9 am in Room 116. Next meeting: January 9. Childcare is provided. For more information, visit mops.org or email Jacquelynn Stein at jacquelynnrankin@gmail.com.



Women's Bible Study. Tuesdays, beginning January 10, 9 am and 7 pm in Room 116. Join us for *All Things New: A Study on 2 Corinthians* by Kelly Minter, led by Gretchen Heilmann and Terri Maxwell.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study, Fridays, 6:45 am in the Fellowship Hall, led by Pastor Steve. *We will not meet on December 23 and December 30.*

Friday Prayer Group. Fridays at 4 pm in Pastor Steve's office. *We will not meet December 30.*

OPPORTUNITIES TO UNLEASH GOD'S LOVE

Spread the Word! Posters, postcards and business cards are available at the Welcome Place to invite friends, family and neighbors to join us this Christmas Eve.

Christmas Eve Nursery Help Needed. We are seeking volunteers to staff our nursery during the 2, 4, 6, and 8 pm worship services. *If you can help, please sign up on the back of the Connection Card today,* or contact Laura Whistler at whistler1995@gmail.com or (614) 425-9602.

LSS Food Pantry. Wednesday, January 18, 10 am - 3 pm (8 spots available). Help with stocking shelves and filling client's orders. Meet at the church at 9:30 am to carpool. *Sign up today on the back of the Connection Card or online at stlukecolumbus.com/volunteer.*

Serve A Meal At Faith Mission. Saturday, January 21, 10:15 am - 12:15 pm (8 spots available) and 12:15 - 2:15 pm (8 spots available) for volunteers ages 14 and up. *Sign up today on the back of the Connection Card or online at stlukecolumbus.com/volunteer.*

GIVING TO MEET THE HOPES AND HURTS OF OTHERS

Operation Budget Weekly Need	\$ 10,096	Worship Attendance	
Sunday, December 11	\$ 12,648	Sunday, December 11	345

Building Budget Weekly Need	\$ 1,269
Sunday, December 11	\$ 2,497

93 items were donated to the LSS Food Pantry this week.

