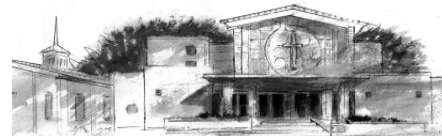




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ST LUKE WORSHIP SERVICES

The Lord's Supper is shared at all weekend services.

Nursery care available during weekend services

Saturday at 5 PM Worship Service

In-person and Simultaneous Live-Streamed worship @ StLukeABQ.org

June 2: Last Saturday service before summer; resumes August 17

Sunday at 8:15 AM Worship Service

June 2: Last in-door service before the Outdoor Courtyard service

June 9 - August 11: Outdoor Service, in the Courtyard

† Nursery Care for infants - 5 years old available in the Youth room; ask an Usher for directions

Sunday at 10:30 AM Worship Service

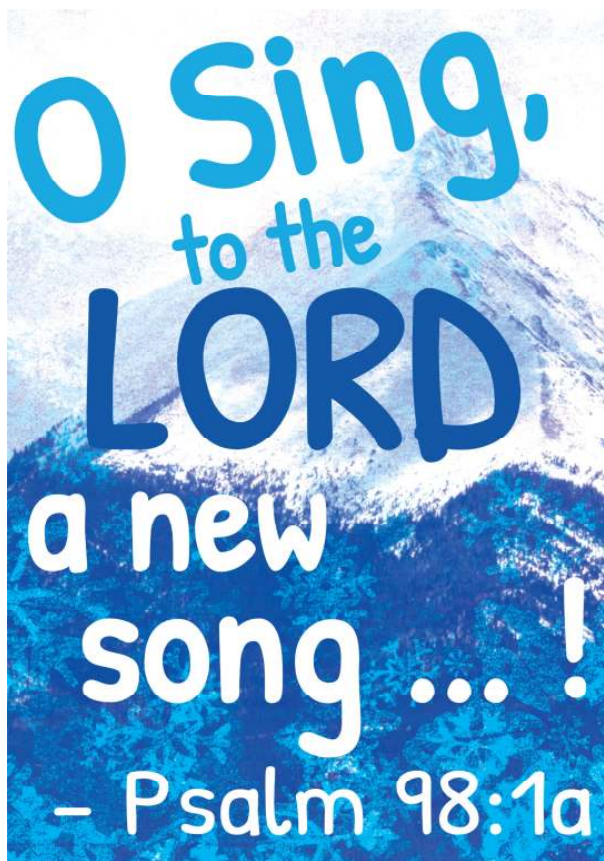
June 9 - August 11: Simultaneous Live-Stream service available online at StLukeABQ.org

† Nursery Care for infants - 5 years old available in the Nursery

After the Sunday services: Coffee Fellowship in the church lobby

No Sunday School in the summer. We will meet again in September.

Journeys with Pastors Christa & Wayne ... and Jesus!



June, 2024

(adapted from an upcoming article in Gather Magazine, by Pastor Christa)

A New Song

O Sing to the LORD a new song...!

-- Psalm 98:1a

Some of you will remember the way I started a children's message on Psalm 98 recently, by playing a kazoo. *Sing unto the Lord a NEW song*, I tootled, a really NEW, NEW song, doot, doot, doot.

God's children of all ages giggled as I asked you all what you thought of my "new song." I then reminded everyone that I was just following God's teaching in holy scripture. I'm pretty sure that God likes old *and* new songs, but we're not commanded to sing old ones, because most of us do that by nature. Just ask church musicians which songs most people prefer to sing!

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New songs, new seasons of life, and now for St. Luke, new bridge pastors, new interim pastors, will all be challenging, to say the least. New staff and committee configurations, new members, new computer and projection equipment, new ways of church outreach – those can be strange, abrasive, frustrating, and not even all that immediately successful. And trying new things doesn't get easier with age, does it? (That is clearly a rhetorical question – I know the answer from personal experience – No!!!) But no less than five Psalms and the prophet Isaiah all encourage (command??) us to sing to God a *new* song. Whenever we attempt unfamiliar skills, ask fresh questions, and experiment with novel ways of doing things, can we offer these up to God as a form of “singing a new song to the Lord”?

Culture Clash & Adiaphora

“Do not seek your own advantage but that of the other ... whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” – I Corinthians 10:23-24; 31b

It was our first Christmas together and Wayne got ready to put the blue lights on the tree. Wait, what! BLUE lights? Who puts blue lights on an indoor Christmas tree? It's sacrilegious!

At the time, it seemed a matter of right and wrong. The white electric candles of my childhood seemed holy, less commercial, and (did my voice rise as I carefully explained to Wayne?) much less like *flashing police lights!*

I'm happy to say I won that battle. To this day, the indoor tree at our home gets plain white lights (and Wayne gets free rein with the outdoor many-hued twinkling lights.) Only upon reflection do I realize the reason I “won” is because my husband took the high road of seeking (in the words of I Corinthians 10) not his “own advantage but that of the other.”

It was later that I learned that handy Greek word *adiaphora* when it comes to matters of tradition and preference. As most of you know by now, in Christian teaching, *adiaphora* refers to things neither commanded nor forbidden by scripture, things which may hold value but aren't finally, of ultimate importance: not to our salvation in Christ, nor to love of neighbor, nor to scriptural guidance to seek God's glory above any other.

Over the years, I've had ample opportunity to identify and attempt to practice Christian charity, freedom, and occasional light-heartedness in matters of *adiaphora*.

There was the summer I lived in Jerusalem. I discovered I was not allowed into a certain historic church unless my knees and elbows were covered. I was a young, privileged American. *What?* I fumed. *I'm a life-long Christian, how dare anyone turn me away from a church?* But I needed to learn that what was in one sense *adiaphora*, was at the same time a way of showing respect and love of neighbor in that particular place. I got over myself, returned the next day with a long skirt and sleeved blouse, and was graciously ushered in.

Then there was my conversation with Alan, a former member at my first church. I was so disappointed to find out he had joined the nearby Community Evangelical Church a year or so before my arrival as pastor. I asked him why he had jumped ship. Alan was quick to answer:

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“In confirmation classes at our Lutheran Church, Rev. Jensen was always going on and on about colors you have to use in church, like green or white or whatever the banners are supposed to be. At Community Church the youth leaders told me that God loved me so much he sent his Son to earth to save me, and there’s nothing that can ever separate me from that love.”

That made an impression on me! We Lutherans still like to teach confirmation kids and congregants about the colors of the church year, but let’s also make sure we’re teaching God’s love in Christ first, repeatedly, and last. Red for Pentecost and Green for “ordinary Sundays” is a meaningful tradition for many, but decidedly *adiaphora*.

A Time to Throw Away

For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven: ... a time to keep and a time to throw away.” - Ecclesiastes 3:1,6b

Yale University Christian History scholar Jaroslav Pelikan is widely quoted as saying, “*Tradition* is the living faith of the dead; *traditionalism* is the dead faith of the living.”

He goes on to say, “*tradition* lives in conversation with the past,” whereas, “*traditionalism* supposes that nothing should ever be done for the first time.”

I would add to that – *traditionalism* means never throwing anything away. I have seen countless churches with church nurseries and lounges stuffed with toys and furniture from thirty or forty years ago. Nostalgia does not excuse children’s books with white, blue-eyed depictions of Jesus, nor soiled carpet squares, nor lovely silver plate teapots last used by the Ladies Auxiliary decades ago. One of the saddest churches I’ve known had an entire room dedicated to seasonal decorations and fancy furnishings, shelves topped with rows of fake poinsettias for a formal Christmas Eve service that would never come again.

It’s no coincidence that the organist there played the same prelude every Sunday, because it was the only one everybody liked. That church is now a parking lot. That’s one way of doing something new!

Pastor Wayne and I give whole-hearted thanks to God for all the church folk at St. Luke, who were, are and will be willing to sing old *and* new songs, well into the future. We are thankful to all of you who lovingly continue to separate *adiaphora* from essentials, who conduct holy experiments, who are unafraid to throw out what is no longer fresh, who help us all embrace new seasons of life with the One whose “...*mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning.*” (Lamentations 3:22-23)

In Christ’s love

Pastors Christa & Wayne



A Taste of Vacation Bible Day Camp 2024 at St. Luke

Everybody is invited to share a meal with our Rainbow Trail VBDC Camp Counselors

Thursday, June 20, 2024

5 - 6:30 PM, in Fellowship Hall

We will share a meal and experience a taste of what the kids are doing at camp.

Be ready to have a great time! All ages are welcome!

If you have any questions please reach out to Holly Trujillo- (505)238-3609 or htrujillo1624@gmail.com. If you would like to help make spaghetti or donate something for the meal please let me know!



The Wellness Ministry

Mission: To CARE by equipping, educating and advocating for wellness of mind, body and spirit in our church and neighborhood.

MEMBERS Betty Ann Arner (Chair), Sandy Williams Clark, Gayle Carleton, Cheryl Folkes, and Twila Randolph

NEXT WELLNESS MINISTRY MEETING Tuesday, June 4, 4:00 PM (*changed from 4:30*), in the Zuni room. Information: Contact Betty Ann Arner at bettyannarner@gmail.com.

☞ Horizon Newsletter ☞

We will have a COMBINED edition of the July-August Horizon newsletter. Please submit articles/items for the newsletter and the July and August calendars by JUNE 15, to Angie Miller at the church office, by email at StLuke@thuntek.net.

BUCKET OF CHANGE "Noisy Offering"

Our St. Luke "Bucket of Change" offerings for **June** will go to:



Meals on Wheels New Mexico

MOW-NM.org

Mission: Delivering healthy meals and friendship - neighbor to neighbor.

Meals on Wheels New Mexico is the only home-delivered meal program in our area preparing special diets for anyone, of any age, for any reason. Our team prepares these special diets to meet the nutritional needs of our clients with medical issues such as diabetes, renal failure, heart issues, chewing and swallowing problems and more. We have no service restrictions based on age or disability and can provide meals for as long as a client needs us.

You may place your offerings for the **BUCKET OF CHANGE** in the bucket at church (*our "noisy offering"*), send gifts directly to St. Luke via mail or contribute via our online giving resources on our church website <http://stlukeabq.org/>.



VACATION BIBLE DAY CAMP 2024

June 17 - 21, 8:45 - 11:30 AM
Ages: K - 5th Grade

\$10 fee (Covers a T-shirt, snacks, and craft supplies)



Bible Study

Songs

Fun



Games

Snacks

Crafts



Older kids and teens needed as junior counselors.
Non-church members and friends welcome!
for more information, contact St. Luke 2024 VBDC
coordinator Donna Berardinelli at: VBDC@StLukeABQ.org

Sign Up: <https://stlukeabq.org/vacation-bible-camp/>



Vacation Bible Day Camp 2024

Opportunities to Participate as Volunteers or Supply Providers:

- ⚙ Youth 6th grade and up as Junior Counselors. Please fill in the form online at <https://StLukeABQ.org/vacation-bible-camp/>. For more information, please contact VBDC Coordinator Donna Berardinelli at VBDC@StLukeABQ.org
- ⚙ Provide dinners and lunches for four Rainbow Trail Counselors - If you can provide meals and for more information, please send email to the church office at StLuke@thuntek.net.

<u>Lunch on:</u>	Wednesday, June 19	Thursday, June 20	Friday, June 21
<u>Dinner on:</u>	Monday, June 17	Tuesday, June 18	Wednesday, June 19
- ⚙ Lots of volunteers are needed. Please contact VBDC Coordinator Donna Berardinelli at VBDC@StLukeABQ.org
- ⚙ Snacks for Campers - We will need 30 individual packs of each of the following items:
 - ◆ Mini Pretzel Snack Packs
 - ◆ Nutri-Grain Soft Baked Breakfast Bars - strawberry, blueberry
 - ◆ Apple Sauce Pouches
 - ◆ Yoplait Go-Gurts – berry, strawberry
 - ◆ Outshine Frozen Fruit Bars or Otter Pops – grape, watermelon
 - ◆ Kool-Aid Jammers – tropical punch
 - ◆ Popcorn Snack Packs

Please drop them off at the church office or in the St Luke kitchen by the Fellowship Hall (please label: VBDC 2024).



NEW MEMBERS WILL BE RECEIVED

on Sunday, June 9

If you are considering being a member of the St. Luke church family, please contact Pastor Christa at pastorchristaABQ@gmail.com or the church office at (505) 299-2621. or StLuke@thuntek.net.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 9 - August 11

* Outdoor Courtyard Worship Service - **Sundays 8:15 AM**, starting June 9. (Nursery Care will be available in the Youth room)

*Sanctuary in person & Live-Stream Worship Service - **Sundays 10:30 AM**, starting June 9. (Nursery Care will be available in Nursery)

* No Saturday worship services - starting June 8 (resumes August 17)

Global Mission Ministry



Coming Up This Summer ...

A visit from The Rev. Carolyn Schneider, Ph.D., ELCA Missionary serving in Guyana

Sunday, August 11

Missionary Pastor Carolyn will be preaching at both services.

† St. Luke Learners & SERVERS

“Wonderful and awesome God, help us to follow your word and the example of your son, Jesus. Encourage us to always desire to know about you and your word. Help us to serve each other, in or out of this community, for the benefit of all. Help us also to be teachers of your way. Amen.” [February 2024]



We are visiting the Tinkertown Museum on Saturday, June 29, 10 AM

(we'll stay for 2 hours, then have lunch in Cedar Crest area)

Location: 121 Sandia Crest Rd., Sandia Park, NM 87047

Meet at Tinkertown at 10 AM or 9:30 AM at St. Luke if you would like to carpool. For more information on this field trip, please contact Judy Moore at judyhmoore@gmail.com.

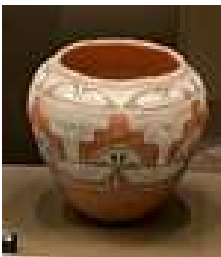
For information on Tinkertown Museum, visit online at <https://tinkertown.com/visit/>

It's a family & friends field trip ... all ages welcome! Adult fee: \$6; kid fee \$3; kids 4 years & younger: free.

The next planning meeting will be on Monday, June 17, 1:30 PM via Zoom. Contact Judy Moore to attend. **Looking ahead ...**

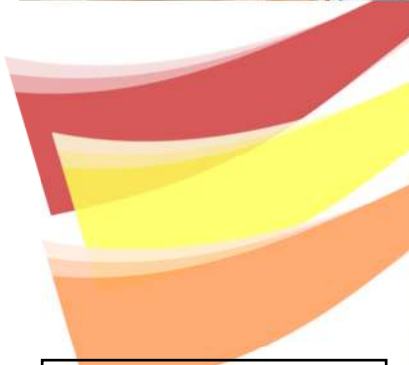
- ♥ **Saturday, July 13, 10 AM** - Visit the National Atomic Museum and go to lunch. All ages invited!
- ♥ **Tuesdays, August 6, 13, 20, 27, 10 AM - 2 PM** - Adult Vacation Bible School, at St. Luke. We will have devotions, music, crafts, service projects, and presenters, such as: 1) on mobility, by George Fraser, Physical Therapist and former owner of Fifty 'N Fit; 2) on artwork at St Luke church, tour by St. Luke member and resident artist Nancy Krenz. Watch for more information in the July-August Horizon newsletter and St. Luke GPS.

Photos of our field trip to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in May 2024





All God's Children Message at the Pentecost Services: "Living Flames of the Spirit" by Pastor Christa



**Kids & Spark Choir
singing at the 10:30
Pentecost service**





Salt & Spark Sunday School



Thank You Kids Spark and Godly Play Sunday School Teachers & Story Tellers

Judy Aaker

Robin James

William Tierney

Lori Erven

Judy Moore

Holly Trujillo

Mary Fidler

Emily Smith

Rachel Welch

Barbara Haschke

Photo from the thanksgiving and celebration of Sunday School Teachers & Story Tellers on Pentecost Sunday, May 19

From left: Holly, Emily, Mary, Lori, Judy A, and Judy M



End of Kids Spark & Godly Play Sunday Schools Celebration at the park, May 18



June 2024

He leads me beside still waters. - Psalm 23:2B

<p>2 Nursery Care during services & classes Coffee Fellowship after each service 8:15am Worship Service 9:30am Special Congregational meeting, in the Sanctuary 10:30am Worship Service</p>	<p>3 Preschool Summer School continues</p>	<p>4 4pm Wellness Ministry meeting</p>
<p>9 New Members will be Received 8:15am Outdoor Courtyard Worship service Nursery care in Youth room Coffee Fellowship after each service 10:30am Worship Service & baptism of Anita Martinez and Live-Stream Worship @ StLuke-ABQ.org Nursery care in Nursery 1:30pm ABQ Guild of Organists c/o Nancy Granert</p>	<p>10 6:30pm ABQ Guild of Organists c/o Nancy Granert</p>	<p>11 2pm Staff meeting in Conference room 6pm ABCC NM Youth Harmony Camp Meeting, in Fellowship Hall</p>
<p>16 Fathers' Day 8:15am Outdoor Courtyard Worship service Nursery care in Youth room Coffee Fellowship after each service 10:30am Worship Service & Live-Stream Worship @ StLukeABQ.org Nursery care in Nursery</p>	<p>17 8:45-11:30am Rainbow Trail Vacation Bible School 1:30pm St. Luke Learners & Servers Planning meeting on Zoom</p>	<p>18 8:45-11:30am Rainbow Trail Vacation Bible School 6:30pm Worship, Music & the Arts Comm. meeting on Zoom 7pm Preschool Committee meeting on Zoom</p>
<p>23 Godly Training in Taos, NM 8:15am Outdoor Courtyard Worship service Nursery care in Youth room Coffee Fellowship after each service 10:30am Worship Service & Live-Stream Worship @ StLukeABQ.org Nursery care in Nursery 10:30am Worship Service</p>	<p>24 Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp in Colorado Angie on vacation</p>	<p>25 Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp in Colorado 2pm Staff meeting in Conference room Angie on vacation</p>
<p>30 Thanksgiving & Godspeed to Pastors Christa and Wayne 8:15am Outdoor Courtyard Worship service Nursery care in Youth room Coffee Fellowship after each service 10:30am Worship Service & Live-Stream Worship @ StLukeABQ.org Nursery care in Nursery</p>		

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 8:30am Sound System dry run/testing in preparing for outdoor service (which starts on Sunday, June 9) 5pm Worship service 5pm Live streamed worship at StLukeABQ.org
5 9:30-11:30am Preschool Music Class at church 12pm Wednesday Zoom study: Short Stories by Jesus No Bells of St. Luke rehearsal; resumes July 3rd	6	7 3pm Delta Kappa Gamma in Fellowship Hall	8 7am Delta Kappa Gamma in Fellowship Hall 1pm Survivors of Suicide in Zuni room No Saturday service, resumes Aug. 17
12 9:30-11:30am Preschool Music Class at church	13	14	15 No Saturday service, resumes Aug. 17 Deadline to submit articles/ items for COMBINED July-August Horizon newsletter & Calendars to Angie at the church office at StLuke@thuntek.net
19 8:45-11:30am Rainbow Trail Vacation Bible School 9:30-11:30am Preschool Music Class at church	20 8:45-11:30am Rainbow Trail Vacation Bible School 5pm St. Luke Congregation Fellowship and Meal with Rainbow Trail Counselors	21 Godly Play Training in Taos, NM 8:45-11:30am Rainbow Trail Vacation Bible School	22 Godly Play Training in Taos, NM 1pm Survivors of Suicide, Zuni No Saturday service, resumes Aug. 17
26 Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp in Colorado 9:30-11:30am Preschool Music Class at church Angie on vacation	27 Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp in Colorado 6pm Church Council meeting Angie on vacation	28 Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp in Colorado Angie on vacation	29 10am St Luke Learners & Servers @ Tinkertown Museum (<i>meet at 9:30am at St Luke if you want to carpool</i>) No Saturday service, resumes Aug. 17

He restores my soul.

Psalm 23:3

June 2024



St. Luke Women's GATHER Bible Study

Exciting news!!!

GATHER Magazine Bible Study writers won the top two awards given by The Associated Church Press at its "2023 Best of the Church Press Awards" in May 2024: The Award of Excellence was given to our Pastor Christa for her Bible study series on the TEN COMMANDMENTS (spring 2023 study); and the Award of Merit was given to RMS Synod Bishop Elect Meghan Johnson Aelabouni, for her Bible study series on the "HOLY PLACES" (fall 2023 study).

Congratulations, Pastor Christa & Bishop Elect Meghan!

The Ten Commandments: Reviving the soul

Session one
Dancing the Decalogue
(Commandments 1 and 2)

BY CHRISTA VON ZYCHLIN

INTRODUCTION

Years ago, during a visit to the Wailing Wall, the last remaining structure of the Great Temple in Jerusalem, I was astonished to see a group of grizzled old men dancing and singing with gusto. "What's that all about?" I asked my Jewish friend.

"They're celebrating the gift of the law of God given at Mount Sinai," he replied.

I was dumbfounded. As a Lutheran Christian, I understood freedom from religious legalisms as the great spiritual gift of the Reformation. Hadn't Jesus and, later, Paul shown us how law and gospel were opposed to each other, placing us Lutherans firmly on Team Gospel? I had associated Judaism with a curmudgeonly emphasis on exactly 613 Old Testament laws (the first 10 being the Ten Commandments), upon which (in my understanding) the Catholic Church had built a whole additional structure of rules or legalisms like attending weekly Mass, going to confession, and abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent. Religious laws, in my mind, had to do with outdated "shoulds," shame and attention to odd minutiae. Head coverings? Food laws? Repressive sexuality? Arbitrary rules are what gives religion a bad name, right?



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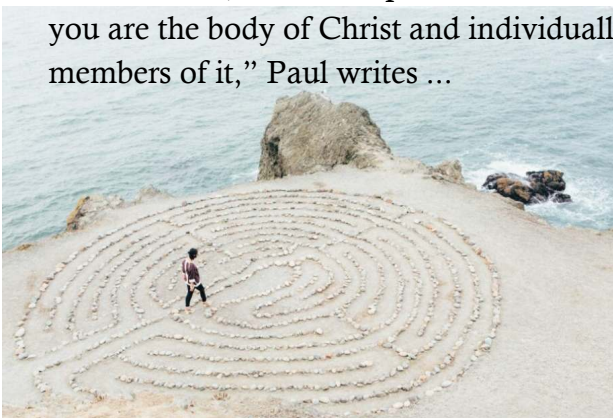
"The Ten Commandments: Reviving the Soul" Bible study series
By Christa von Zychlin, author; Elizabeth Hunter, editor

John Thomas III
John Thomas III, Ph.D., President

Gregg Brekke
Gregg Brekke, Executive Director

Presented May 17, 2024 – Chicago, Illinois

"Holy Places" - Physical places often shape our identities, relationships and faith. "Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it," Paul writes ...




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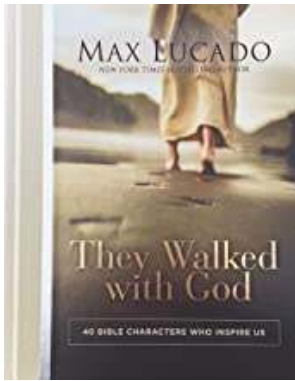
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Lamplighters Book Study Group

Lamplighters will not be meeting during the summer months of June, July, and August. We will resume meeting Thursday, September 5, 2024, from 2:00 - 3:30 in the Lounge/Library in the church. We are continuing to use Max Lucado's book, "They Walked With God". We will be discussing the chapters of "Matthew" and "Nicodemus". We would love for anyone interested to come and join us!

Diane Quarles will be leading this discussion. Any questions contact Diane at 505-264-5444.

Women's GATHER Bible Study, Brunch, & Mini-Retreat



Our monthly Women's Gather Bible Study will be taking a break for the summer to relax and recharge. Anyone interested in participating in a small informal group for the three session summer study, "After certainty: A biblical guide" by the The Rev. Dr. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni (*also Rocky Mountain Synod Bishop elect*), please send a message to Bev Berardinelli at womensbiblestudy@stlukeabq.org.



Photos from May 18 Women's Gather Bible Study, "Scripture and nature: Teachers of Faith - Food."

We collected non-perishable protein food for The Storehouse, as well as brought food to share during our study time gathering





Growing with God Since 1956

(505) 292-8812 | STLUKEPRESCHOOL1956@gmail.com | stlukepreschool.org



Our school year ended with a joyful series of celebrations! The **Spring Programs** and receptions, the **Scholastic Book Fair**, and our **Morning at the Park** were sweet times for visiting with families and sharing our thanks, goodbyes, hugs, and well wishes.

Summer Preschool

Our summer program is small but mighty again this year, as we have matched up employment for the few teachers who desire to work in the summer, with families who need full time care throughout the summer. This adds up to three classes, 21 children, five teachers, and seven weeks of learning fun! Summer Preschool will run from May 28—July 12 and will include science explorations, art adventures, water play, popsicles, music with Ms. Danielle, Children’s Worship in the sanctuary, and so much more!



Our enrollment numbers for the 2024-2025 school year continue to be strong. We are so blessed to serve children and their families and we give all the glory to God.

We are also grateful for the tremendous support we receive from you! Prayers, kindness, monetary donations, and more, mean so much and truly make a difference.



From Preschool Committee

By Diane Quarles, Co-Chair
Our St Luke Preschool Committee is looking for new members to complete our committee.

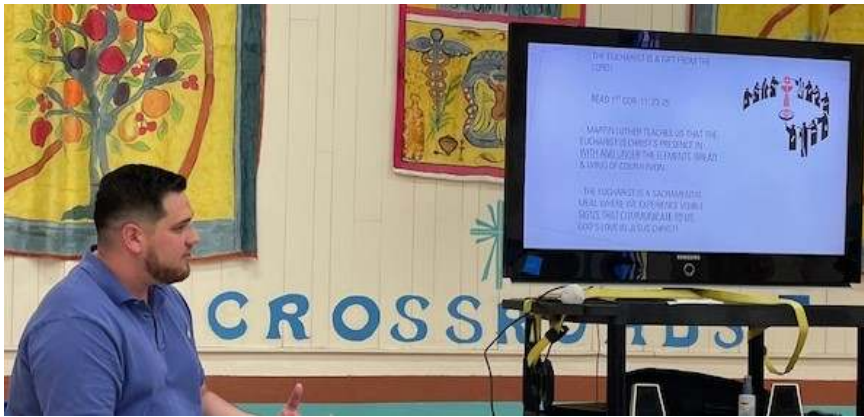
The committee reviews policies and procedures, works on the budget, provides support to the staff and interacts with some of the Preschool activities. Our St. Luke Preschool is well known and is thought of highly. We meet on Zoom once a month on the 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m. Will you please consider joining our committee? Questions? Contact Co-Chairs Jean Hollowwa 505-440-4336 or Diane Quarles 505-264-5444.



Preschool Bulletin Board - Featuring: Marble Paintings by the Kinder Prep Class 2023-2024
Subject: Don't be afraid to fly ... God is holding your string!

Extending God's Table

to St. Luke church family who are homebound or in medical facilities



The Training
- held in May 2024



***The blessing of Eucharistic Visitor Communion Kits -** * On the last Sunday of the month in the summer, at each service



For more information on "Extending God's Table" ministry, please contact Pastor Christa at pastorchristaABQ@gmail.com or (505) 299-2621.

Please include our Extending God's Table ministers in your prayers ***"as they go, in God's peace and blessing, to the sick & the homebound, taking with them the *sacrament we have celebrated, the *Word of God we have heard, and the affection of our St. Luke community; and bringing back with them, the prayers of those whom they visit."

** from the "Eucharistic Sending Prayer"

June Celebrations

Birthdays

3 Elizabeth Bentz
4 Dawn Gerwin
4 Daleen Olson
4 Bonnie Paine
5 Vivian Schuler
6 Hannah Lange
9 Kathryn Feagler
9 Jean Hollowwa
9 Dawn Meyer
10 Greg Haschke
12 Lorna Hansen
12 Ian Schuler
13 Rosetta Bidne
14 Diane Follstaedt
16 Hope Noelle Trujillo
17 Dick Lynch
18 Janet Garcia
24 Pam Mares



24 Beverly Olson
25 Ken Sorenson
28 Nancy Krenz
30 Oliver Fidler

Youth Baptism Anniversary

11 Hendrix Trujillo

Wedding Anniversaries

4 Mary Voelz & Ray Mosteller
7 Ted Schuler-Sandy & Leeondra Schuler
13 David & Diane Follstaedt
19 Terry & Barb Shirrod
22 Greg & Vanessa Anderson
23 Brian & Elizabeth Bentz
25 Frank & Jonny Cronican
27 Dorela & John Cole
27 Chris & Jean Hollowwa

Milestone Birthday Celebration

June 24

Happy 90th Birthday to

Beverly Olson



Faith Stepping Stone

Baptism

Anita Martinez

will be baptized on

Sunday, June 9

At the 10:30 AM Worship Service

Come and join her parents Gil Martinez and Lydia Smith as they present Anita to be baptized in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. - Psalm 139:13-14a*



ST. LUKE CHURCH OFFICE

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands! – Psalm 90:17

Contact church staff at: 505.299.2621 or at stluke@thuntek.net

Altar Flowers, given by

June 1 - 2: Mary Voelz, in celebration of her and husband Ray's wedding anniversary

June 9: *one arrangement available*

June 16: Barb & Terry Shirrod, in thanksgiving for their 48th wedding anniversary

June 23: *one arrangement available*

June 30: *one arrangement available*

Sanctuary Candle for June

Given by Lorelei Bintz, in praise of the Holy Spirit

To offer altar flowers/plant and Sanctuary candle, please sign up on the Flower Chart posted on the kiosk in the Church lobby.

Donation: \$25 for Sanctuary candle for the month; \$35 per altar flower arrangement.

You may donate online at stlukeABQ.org or send your donation with your offering.

Worship Assistants

The sign up sheets are available on the kiosk, in the Church lobby.

*** We very much need Sound System operators at the 10:30 AM service to help everyone hear the service well. Thank you to those who have signed up. Simple training available for new volunteer Sound System operators.

Publication Deadlines

- ♦ Wednesdays at Noon: deadline to submit items for the next weekly St. Luke GPS.
- ♦ Saturday, June 15: deadline for articles and items for the **combined July-August Horizon** newsletter and calendar

Please submit articles, items, and reports to Angie at the church office at StLuke@thuntek.net.

We often forget that beneath cold winter ground,

NEW LIFE ALREADY STIRS.

Remind us, Lord, that you are tending new dreams, plans, growth and faith deep within our souls.

St. Luke Prays

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God. – Psalm 42:11

FOR OUR ST. LUKE FAMILY

† Sherri Domres, recovering from surgery
† Dawn Meyer † D W Stephenson
† Brenda Sanchez
† **Our homebound:** Polly Brodbeck, Melda Burns, Dorela Cole, Leah Coughenour, Dottie Donohoe, Karin Duda, Kay Dunbar, Lucille Few, Marie Lenard, Marv Plugge, Loretta Roe, Lois Rowland, Ardys Theophilus, Donald Vlasaty, and Liz Wills

† **Thanksgivings:** Ministry of Student Pastor Ben Bernstein at St. Luke & God's leading as he & family (wife Courtney & baby Isabella) settle back at their family home; Baptism of Anita Martinez, daughter of Gil Martinez & Lydia Smith, at St. Luke on June 9

† **Those Who Mourn:** Diane Gruner and family upon the death of husband Mike on April 30 (long time members); Marina Mauney & family on death of her brother Dick on May 7

† For Church Leaders & Staff

· Pastors Christa & Wayne
· Church Council, Ministry Leaders, and volunteers
· Church office staff
· St. Luke Preschool students, teachers, and staff

FOR OUR FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

† **Those Who Mourn:** Walsh Family, on death of Justin (cousin of Clare Castiglia & Larry Shore's son-in-law) on May 7; Sonia Garley & Ernesto Garley, grandchildren of Dorela Cole, upon the death of their father John Garley on April 28

† **Fighting Cancer:** Cathy H (from Barb Shirrod); John, leukemia (from Clark family); Cindy, terminal cancer diagnosis (daughter of Leah Coughenour); Diane & Valerie (friends of the Berardinellis); wife of Schwebach Farm's farmer Dean, in Moriarty, NM (Angie); June Bernal, 2 yrs old, with brain tumor and cancer in spine (granddaughter of Nancy Tarman's friend); Melanie Amend (from Sharon Ormiston); Alan, leukemia (Bev Berardinelli's brother)

† **Recovery/Healing:** Ray Mosteller (Mary Voelz's husband); Dennis Zafft (Linda Hathaway's brother); Greg Raver (friend of Clare Castiglia & Larry Shore); Karina (Marina Mauney's friend); Julian's health (from Charles & Barbara Exley); Judy & Heidi (from Charles & Sandy Clark); Jean Klenke (Sharon Ormiston's mother); Peggy (sister of Sally Trigg); Betty (Lori Erven's mother); Erland (Karen Carlson's brother)

† **Other Concerns: Karen & George** (sister & brother-in-law of Pastor Janet Morse); Mike (from Sally Trigg); For those who have drifted away from attending church, that they would be invited or return on their own (from Betty Ann Arner); Brock, Kristine, Derek, Brandon, & Chris (from Nancy Espy)

† **In Hospice:** Bill Arnold, former St Luke member (also pray for wife Mary Ann and family; from son Scott)

† **Submitted via St Luke website:** Kelly Greenlee: Please pray for God's blessing upon our city and county. Pray that we turn back to God as a nation. Pray for all those who are without Jesus in their life to repent and open their hearts to His love, grace, and salvation.

† **Visitors at the church office:** Maya & Sidney, young adults on the way to California, from Georgia, one for a summer internship and one for missionary work (Angie & Michelle)

FOR CHURCH COMMUNITY

† Bishop Jim Gonias as he concludes his two 6-year terms as bishop.

† The Rev. Dr. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni, Rocky Mountain Synod Bishop Elect

† Churches in our community that are in the process of searching for a pastor

† Carolyn Schneider, Ph.D., ELCA Missionary, recently moved to Guyana to work with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Guyana. Pray also for her visit and preaching at St. Luke on Sunday, August 11.

† Camino de Vida church in Albuquerque, as they go through a pastoral transition

† Lutheran Family Services in Albuquerque

† Luther House UNM/CNM and Campus Pastor Rhonda Newby-Torreson

† Navajo Lutheran Mission in Rock Point, AZ

† The persecuted church: Armenians in the Republic of Azerbaijan

FOR OUR COMMUNITY, COUNTRY & THE WORLD

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. – 1 Timothy 2:1-4

† Meals on Wheels New Mexico, our Bucket of Change recipient for June

† Our Government [city, county, state, nation], that it may show itself in all respects to be a model of good works, and, in its governing, show integrity, dignity, and sound speech that cannot be condemned so any opponents may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say about our communities and nation.- from Titus 2:7-8 (Angie)

Please submit your prayer requests to PrayerChain@StLukeABQ.org or contact the church office. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month.





*Thank you, Student Pastor Ben!
May God continue to bless you, Courtney, and Isabella,
and your ministry.*

*“And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in
you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.”
- Philippians 1:6*



...the **free**
gift of God
is **eternal life**
in Christ Jesus
our **LORD.**

Romans 6:23

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