



HORIZON

monthly newsletter

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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Rooted in God's Word, Serving in God's World



February 2025

ST LUKE WORSHIP SERVICES

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

Nursery care available during services

Saturday at 5 PM

And Simultaneous Live-stream service at StLukeABQ.org

Sunday at 8:15 AM Worship Service

Sunday at 10:30 AM Worship Service

Christian Education: Sundays, between services

- ◆ 9:15 - 9:35 AM Salt & Spark, in church; then proceed to Godly Play and Kids Spark classrooms
- ◆ 9:15 AM Adult Forum, in Zuni room
- ◆ 9:30 AM Confirmation: Youth 7th grd & up, in Fellowship Hall

Love God - Love Neighbor Event: February 9 at St. Timothy's Luth

"Pondering Luke's Gospel Together"

We are back to listening to Luke's trustworthy Gospel, Luke's stories in succession. The people, here, at St. Luke . . . gathered around the story of Jesus told by St. Luke the gospel Evangelist! Like some Emily Dickinson, St. Luke knew how to tell the "truth on a slant." (idea new to me from a commentary in Sundays and Seasons, Augsburg-Fortress, 2019). The gospel of Luke, packed with action, easily read in one sitting, slowly—as to appreciate the differences from Mark and Luke's physician's keen observant eye and diagnosis—provides one of the great adventures in the literature of the Bible. From the cycle of stories that recounts the birth of Jesus, through his life and ministry, his parables, his miracles/ exorcisms, healings and his teaching, to his death and resurrection, we hearers and readers are enveloped in the powerful story of God at work in the world. We call this story a Divine Drama (Wendt) or narrative.

LUKE'S NARRATIVE has its parallels in his second book, the Book of Acts. Stories of the unfathomable love of God, for us and for all of creation, come in a slanted profusion that brings us ever into the fold of the faithful, the company of the believers who are changed and transformed by this Jesus. Luke is not a straight-forward lecture in theology. It is, instead, a divine "spirited"- account with multiple paired stories of Jesus who --, incarnate in the ancient world, -- now lives in our lives. We look at Luke's stories, and "on that slant" (Emily Dickinson) we see the invisible face of God. The Spirit of the Risen Lord gives us new life as we listen to these stories. They can "do us good" just as Martin Luther taught.

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PERHAPS ONE OF THE STRONGEST IMPRESSIONS given by Luke's gospel is that stories of people abound, stories of touched, renewed, healed and changed lives matter. The Jesus of Luke is one who is decidedly incarnate, who comes among us and for us with new life and healing. We first heard this good news in the prophecies of the Christmas story. Jesus is very human, living, laughing, loving, and suffering, dying, and yet one more surprise: He has power not only over sickness and demons, the laws of nature, but over death itself. And this Jesus is, at the same time, God become a real person (think: family trees, genealogies), i.e., one of us. Emmanuel is one of us!

THE HUMANITY OF JESUS is underlined in his constant encounters with people like his mother, Mary (as in 2:48-50); his disciples (6:1-5); the Jewish and Roman leaders of his time (11:37-54; 23:1-25); and most of all, with every day, ordinary human beings like the woman who washed his feet with her tears, dried them with her hair, and anointed them with costly ointment (7:36-50); the woman who was crippled for eighteen years and is healed (13:10-17); and Zacchaeus, the rich tax collector who repented of his abuse of others and is forgiven (19:1-10). *This is what the men of St. Luke, here in our congregation in Albuquerque, have been discovering in their monthly Bible study together on Luke. This month we'll study Luke 9:18-36 together.*

LUKE THE PHYSICIAN calls to our attention the fact that Jesus is regularly and deeply immersed in healing. Not only does he cure the crippled woman, but, among other miracles, Jesus also heals the centurion's slave (7:1-10); Jesus casts out a demon that makes a man mute (11:14); and Jesus relieves a man of his dropsy on the Sabbath Day (14:1-4). Jesus' healings reveal his deep, gut-wrenching, pathos. . . divine pathos, divine sympathy/empathy . . . a passionate love for the weak and the lame, the helpless, those "out on a limb" (like Zacchaeus), those searching for hope and remedy, and for those who know no other hope. Jesus works hope. Jesus works new life. In the stories from Acts, Luke's 2nd volume, Jesus through the Holy Spirit works that same gift of new life via the touch and preaching and strong powerful words of Saints Peter and Paul. Jesus came to bring new life and healing! "Risen with healing in his wings," we began to sing of Him in the Christmas story and seasonal hymns. And these healing stories reveal his saving, healing mission to bring wholeness and compassion to all the world.

LUKE FREQUENTLY TELLS STORIES about Jesus in social situations: dining with friends and foes alike. Levi (or Matthew) throws a great banquet for him and his table is crowded with tax collectors, sinners, outcasts, foreigners, and others (5:29). The woman who bathes his feet with her tears does so at a meal in a Pharisee's house (7:36). A vast crowd of people, including five thousand men, is fed on the five loaves and two fish, that Jesus blesses God over, for their consumption (9:10-17). And he dines at the home of a leader of the Pharisees on the Sabbath (14:1). Table fellowship can be the most intimate setting in which people engage. Jesus is deeply intimate and engaged with needy, hungry humanity.

HE SHARES FOOD and drink with all who invite him. He welcomes sinners to God's Feast and Kingdom. He interacts with them, challenging them to think in new ways about their present realities (repent/ turn around/ have a new mind and heart within you) and about the future of the world. In doing so, he sets the course for his followers through the various hungers that mark contemporary life today. We read about meal after meal, food images after images. We see the healings and feel the embrace of God's compassion and divine comfort. Then we are spun back to the beginning of the gospel. Grabbed by the power of the good news, we ask, "Isn't this the One who healed . . . who taught . . . who prophesied . . . who died for us? Isn't this the One?"

MAY WE HEARERS OF LUKE use this "year of Luke" to draw more deeply into the story of God's abundant love, reconciling acceptance, and deep forgiveness. We walk down the road to Emmaus with Jesus' sad friends, listen to their story, and hear Jesus' invitation to dine not on just bread and fish or wine and fruit but things eternal. Then, we go back. We go back up the road to the rest of our lives. We live in hope. We tell the stories. We build relationships. Here in Luke's story is the good news we need to hear, healing for all our aches and diseases, joy and peace for all our sorrows and perplexities. Join us each weekend at worship as we gather around the blessed story of Jesus. Let us open up this story together that it may "do us good." (Martin Luther).

—Interim Pastor Brad Brauer

Transition Period



Transition Period “Listening Post” Event

Sunday, February 23, 3:00 PM

Please join us for this first of several "listening post" event gatherings to add your voice to the Pastoral vacancy Interim transition process of ingathering information/ needs/ dreams for the next chapter of leadership, lay and pastoral.

Pastor Brad will lead these conversations with appreciative inquiry tools selected from the workbook, “Work of the Congregation” (IMN), the ELCA, and mutual ministry resources. Join us as we “listen” to the Holy Spirit’s promptings and discern the gifts needed for our next chapter in the congregation’s journey.

Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.



Men's Bible Study Group

Tuesday, February 25

5:00 PM in the Lounge/Library

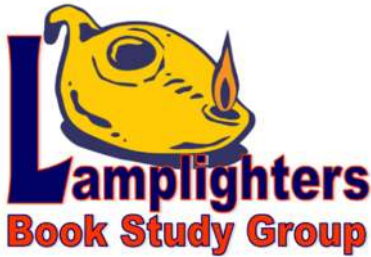
Book: Luke: Books of Faith series, by David L. Tiede

Focus text: Luke 9:18-36 - Jesus leads us into great challenges.
“Why must Jesus die?”

Key verse: “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!”
- Luke 9:35

For more information and for a copy of the study, please contact
Chris Brandt at Chris.L.Brandt@gmail.com.





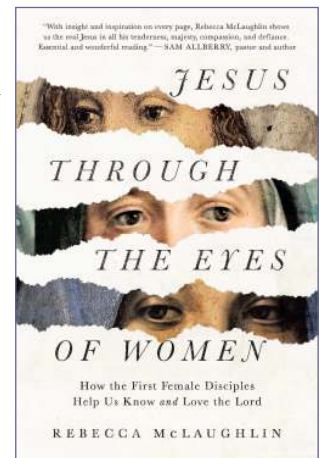
Lamplighters Book Study Group

First Thursday of the month

Next meeting: February 6

2:00 - 3:30 PM, in the Lounge/Library

We are starting a new book: "Jesus Through the Eyes of Women" by Rebecca McLaughlin. We will be starting with Chapter 1. Pam Mares will be leading the discussion on this chapter.



We would love for anyone interested to come and join us!

Any questions contact Diane Quarles at 505-264-5444.

"In this mind-stimulating and soul-stirring book, Rebecca McLaughlin reveals that far from dismissing and devaluing women, early Christianity was countercultural for the common good. Indeed, it was propelled by women who were truly known and deeply loved..." [from www.thegospelcoalition.org/publication/jesus-through-the-eyes-of-women/]



Women's "gather" Bible Study, Brunch, & Mini-Retreat

Saturday, February 8

9:15 - 11:30 AM (note new end time)

At St. Luke Lutheran Church, in Fellowship Hall

We'll continue with the *Gather* magazine series, 'Faithfulness', written by Denise Rector.

Study: Faith in the Depths: Psalm 22

David testifies that God is God and worthy of praise, even as David is in despair. It's no wonder that Jesus cried out to God during the crucifixion using these very words. In our worst times, this psalm gives us a way to contemplate God's holiness.



The video supplement is available at GatherMagazin.org; go to Bible Study.

Invite a friend. Bring a brunch food to share. Provide a non-perishable food item for the Storehouse.

All are welcome!

Information: Bev Berardinelli at womensbiblestudy@stlukeabq.org

Save these dates for our 2025 "gather" Bible Studies:

March 8: Peter & Cornelius (Acts 10-11)

April 12: Jairus & the Woman Who is Bleeding (Mark 5: 21-43)

May 17 - TBD

For more information on the *Gather* magazine, go online to www.gathermagazine.org.



Adult Faith Forum

Sundays, February 2, 9, and 23 ***

9:30 AM (after the 8:15 service)

In the Zuni Room, in Admin. building

Join us around the Bible Study table at the Adult Forum as Pastor Brad continues his 4 – 6 week study of the

“Prayers of Jesus, the Lord’s Prayer, and the Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (in the Sunday / Liturgy of Holy Communion) and Intercessory Prayer”

We are reading and studying together the patterns and content of Jewish Prayers in both Testaments, the Synagogue’s prayers with which Jesus was -no doubt- familiar, and Jesus’ prayers (reconstructed from the gospels in parallel).

We are making our way through the ‘Our Father,’ the “Lord’s Prayer” with its radical content, and ending with a focus on liturgical prayer today and Intercessory Prayers (forms and content).

The endings of such a Forum Class venture will be flexible and fluid in answer to participants’ discoveries, questions, and needs. *Join us, please.*

Adult Forum on Feb. 16 and in March: continuing study of American Religious History

Church Council



Alison Schuler
Council President



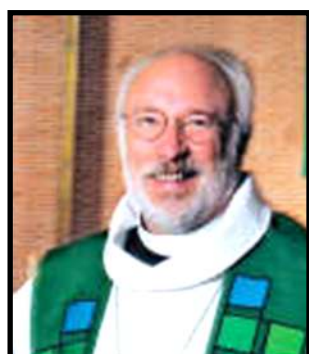
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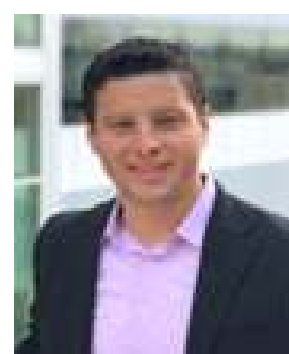
Pastor Brad Brauer
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Congratulations to our newly re-elected Council members and elected officers.
Thank you all for your service in the Lord at St. Luke. Council Email: Council@StLukeABQ.org
Please include Council in your prayers.

Sunday, January 12, 2025

St. Luke hosted the High Desert Therapy Dogs and 27 youth from a variety of ELCA, UMC and Episcopal Albuquerque churches on January 12th. High Desert

Therapy Dogs is a non-profit organization located in Albuquerque; it is an all-volunteer organization providing therapy dog services and education outreach in the metro area. Four therapy dogs and their handlers shared information and personal stories about dog therapy. Our youth had the opportunity to spend time with each of the dogs and handlers as well as make dog treats to share with their fur babies or fuzzy friends in the community.



This wonderful event also connected youth with others in the Albuquerque community, providing an opportunity to build new friendships and share their faith. We processed the experience as a group applying new information to our daily lives and the lives of our neighbors in need. It was an afternoon of smiles, laughter, and unconditional dog love. Love God Love Neighbor is extremely grateful for the adult volunteers that supported this event.

THANK YOU Jean, Kate, Holly, Pamela, Pastor Brad and many others! We look forward to our February 9th event at St. Timothy's ELCA, assembling sack lunches for our neighbors in need.



Youth 6th Grade and Up

grade 6
and up

LOVE GOD LOVE NEIGHBOR

ABQ YOUTH COLLABORATIVE



Second Sundays Sept–April,
12:30–2:30PM

- February 9 @ St. Timothy's Lutheran Church: Sack lunch assembling for our neighbors in need
211 Jefferson NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108
- March 9 @ Loving Thunder Therapeutic Riding: Learning about Therapeutic Riding and engaging in service work in the farm.
- April 13 @ St. Paul's Lutheran Church: FaithWorks Poverty Simulation OR Tres Hermanas Farm TBD



- Scan QR code to sign up
- For more information contact Allie Brandt at stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

Frolic Baby Bible Club

Meets on the fourth Sunday of the month
9:15–10:15 AM, in the Nursery

Bible Story Lesson on February 23—NOAH'S ARK

Frolic Baby Bible Club is St. Luke's multi-sensory family Bible story experience for families with babies & toddlers between 0-3. You and your little will experience Christian education through music, sensory play, a Frolic Bible story and caregiver resources.

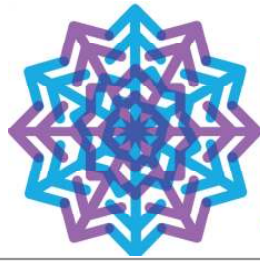
Sign up via the QR code below
Contact Allie Brandt for more information, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com



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FEBRUARY 2025

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BUCKET OF CHANGE

“Noisy Offering”

Our St. Luke “Bucket of Change” offerings for February 2025 will go to:

New Mexico Dream Center

New Mexico Dream Center provides compassionate services to the underserved & marginalized in Albuquerque; includes youth experiencing homelessness, survivors of sex trafficking, trafficked minor children and trafficked immigrants.



“Walk alongside survivors to meet urgent needs such as food and housing so they can work on healing.” (source: www.nmdreamcenter.org)

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/>.



St. Luke Learners & Servers event in January featured: New Mexico Dream Center with its Community Outreach Coordinator Birga Alden as guest speaker.

Birga spoke on human trafficking and the mission of the center.



NMDC is a collaborative faith-based agency that provides social services at no cost to the underserved and marginalized in Albuquerque. We define this population as youth experiencing homelessness, survivors of human trafficking, trafficked minor children, and trafficked immigrants. Our belief is that every single person in our care is created by God and has a destiny to be met here on this earth. We understand that part of their persona is a past that contains heartache, abuse, and trauma. This, however, is not the full definition of their life! We believe everyone has the ability to create a new life for themselves as they are surrounded by the support, resources, and love necessary to begin restoration.

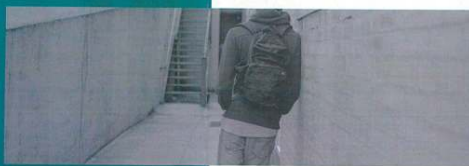
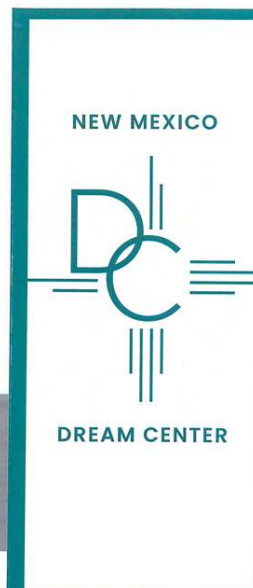
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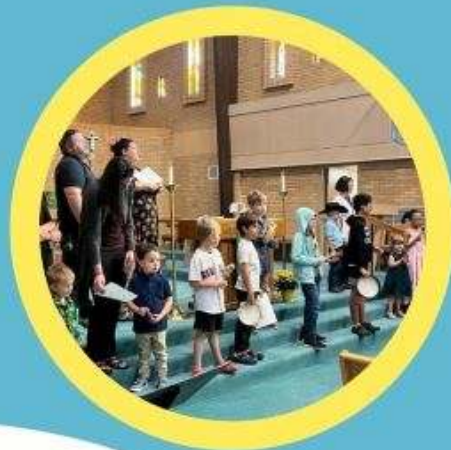
<h3>PROGRAMS</h3> <p>SPOKEN FOR This program works with people who are survivors of human trafficking and may be able to provide the following: • Transitional Housing • Blue Jarve House (Stability Shelter) • Case management • Other tangible resources • Transportation • A program geared toward independent living</p> <p>THE HARBOUR This program is a drop-in center for youth experiencing homelessness, or a designed to prevent/provide trafficking of homeless teens and includes the following: • A safe, non-judgmental space for restoration • Food & clothing • Showers & lockers</p> <p>OUTREACH A program to engage perceived trafficking survivors/immigrants & youth experiencing homelessness: • Street outreach • Location specific outreach • Seasonal outreach</p> <p>AWARENESS This community awareness program provides presentations on youth homelessness & human trafficking-related topics around the state of New Mexico. Email info@nmdreamcenter.org to schedule</p> <p>Future Program</p> <p>THE LIGHTHOUSE This will be a system of group homes for youth trafficking survivors, which will be the first of its kind in the state. New Mexico currently doesn't have any specialized health or programs for this population. This program will include the following: • A family teaching model of residential living • Highly individualized, multidisciplinary treatment plans designed by mental health specialists • 4-5 private per housing unit, modeled by "house parent" • Focus on community building</p>	<h3>CORE VALUES</h3> <p>ACCEPTANCE No matter where you've been, what you've survived or how you got to us, you are accepted and valued at New Mexico Dream Center. "Let God be as original with other people as He is with you" -Dwight Chambers</p> <p>CONNECTION You're not alone in this, we can do this together! "God's priority is relationship and His default kindness." -Peter Grieb</p> <p>RESTORATION All is not lost, you can begin again! "difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations..." -Ilg Ziglar</p>	<h3>Our Mission</h3> <p>The mission of NMDC is to provide a 360° strategic approach to address human trafficking in New Mexico through prevention activities, outreach to victims, services for survivors, and a support system for clients in their self-determination.</p> <h3>Our Vision</h3> <p>New Mexico Dream Center has the dream of one day no longer being needed.</p> <p>www.nmdreamcenter.org</p>
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Children's Sunday School

Sundays, 9:15-10:15 AM
(between worship services)



We will be meeting in the church for practice of the Ensemble at 9:15. We will then break and go to our classrooms.



GODLY PLAY for ages 2.5 through pre-K age

(with a parent, grandparent or caregiver) Godly Play is a creative, imaginative approach to Bible Story-telling.



KIDS SPARK for Kindergarten through 5th grade

With games, crafts, and conversation, we gather "family style" helping each other to pray, read the Bible, and explore ways to activate our faith in everyday life throughout the week. We discover and re-discover God speaking to us afresh!



If you have any questions please contact Allie at stluke.abrandt@gmail.com



St. Luke Preschool



Growing with God Since 1956

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Please invite your family, friends, neighbors, coworkers, or anyone you know who has young children, to our

Open House from 3:00-5:00 pm on Sunday, February 2, 2025.

Time for families to meet and talk with our knowledgeable and dedicated teachers, ask questions, spend time in the classrooms, and pick up pre-registration materials for the 2025--2026 school year.

ENROLLMENT DATES:

- ♦ Monday, February 3: For in-house families and St. Luke congregation members
- Tuesday, February 18:** Open enrollment for the public

NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) accreditation represents the mark of quality in early childhood education.



NAEYC Accreditation began in 1985 with the goal of providing an accrediting system that would raise the quality of early childhood programs. Today, over 7,000 programs are NAEYC Accredited. NAEYC accredited programs invest in early childhood education because they believe in the benefits to children and families.

- ✧ Early childhood experiences, from birth to age 8, have an enormous impact on children's lifelong learning and positively contribute to their health and development.
- ✧ Early childhood education programs with the mark of quality benefit children with greater readiness for and success in school.

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Did you know St. Luke Preschool has been NAEYC accredited since 1995?!

thank you!

Prospective and current preschool families often comment about the beauty of the foliage in the courtyard and around the property. We are grateful for all who give of their time to tend to the plants and the landscaping, including Mike Sanchez, Sandy & Charles Clark, Andreas Hochstein, Norman Stahulak, Sally Trigg, and Victor Barba, to mention a few!

2025 Legislative Issues Briefing and Bishop's Luncheon

Thursday, February 20

Lutheran
Advocacy
Ministry
New Mexico
Rocky Mountain Synod
ELCA

Schedule:

- 8:30 AM Check in at First Presbyterian Church, 208 Grant Ave, Santa Fe) for the Issue Briefing. It starts at 9:15 AM
- Noon Proceed to the La Fonda Hotel, 100 E San Francisco St, Santa Fe for the Bishop's Luncheon which starts at 12:30 PM

The 2025 Legislative Session is underway at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe. Lutheran Advocacy Ministry (LAM) has identified a set of issues based on Lutheran social teachings that they will be advocating for during the Session, including eliminating hunger, affordable housing and health care. You have a chance to learn about these issues and particular legislation they are supporting by attending the Issues Briefing in Santa Fe.

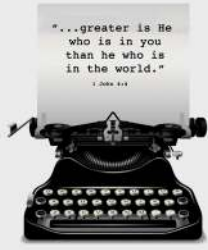
After the Briefing at noon, the Bishop's Luncheon will be held at the La Fonda Hotel. The Bishop of our Rocky Mountain Synod hosts this lunch and is expected to speak, so this will give us the opportunity to learn to know the new Bishop, The Rev. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni.

You can learn more and sign up for these events at the LAM website: www.lutheranadvocacynm.org/ or call Lutheran Advocacy at 505.242.2493. For questions and more information on the issues being supported, contact St. Luke member David Follstaedt.

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

Feb. 2: Shirley Smith, to the glory of God

- Feb. 9: Dorthe Carr, in memory of Joyce Bame
Feb. 16: Joanna Brawley, Dancan Koppenhaver
Feb. 23: Berardinelli Family

Publication Deadlines

- ✧ **BY SATURDAY, FEB. 15-** Submission of items and articles for the March newsletter and calendar
- ✧ **BY NOON ON WEDNESDAYS -**
 - ◆ Items for the upcoming weekend St Luke GPS
 - ◆ Documents committee/ministry leaders need copied for the upcoming weekend

Sanctuary Candle for February

Available for offering

To offer altar flowers and the sanctuary candle for the month, 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.

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, and Twila Randolph

NEXT WELLNESS MINISTRY MEETING Tuesday, February 4, 4 PM in the Zuni room. Contact Betty Ann Arner at bettyannarner@gmail.com.



St. Luke Prays

For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand;

it is I who say to you, Fear not, I am the one who helps you. - Isaiah 41:13

For the peace from above and for our salvation

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray:

† Our country; Synod Bishop The Rev. Dr. Meghan Johnston Aelabouni; churches in our Synod, especially those searching for a pastor; ELCA missionary in Guayana Carolyn Schneider, Ph.D.; outreach Lutheran Family Services; ministry to students Luther House UNM-CNM; Navajo Lutheran Mission which serves Navajo community in Rock Point, AZ

† ELC in Jordan and Holy Land; our brothers & sisters in Middle East; the persecuted church: horrendous challenges in India

For this holy house, St Luke church, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray:

† Interim Pastor Brad Brauer; Church Council and for all servants (church committee/ministry leaders); St. Luke Preschool students & staff; St. Luke Preschool Village participants; church office staff; and for all who come to worship

For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray.

For our public servants, for the government and those who protect us that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray

† For our government officials & for our nation's healing and civic health; US military personnel; fire fighters & rescue workers in the midst of the large fires in Los Angeles; states experiencing severe winter weather

For those who work to bring peace, justice, health and protection in this and every place, let us pray:

† Law enforcements in greater Albuquerque and neighboring cities; St Luke Bucket of Change recipient in February: NM Dream Center which provides a 360° strategic approach to address human trafficking in New Mexico

For our deliverance from all afflictions, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray:

† For peace in our families and our homes

† Our beloved church family members: Forrest Blech, Sandy Bowers, Bob Domres, DW & Deb Stephenson,

Dave Begeal, newly baptized Patrick Needham, Jonny Kay, Else Couzin, Steve, Karin Duda, Cheryl, Sherri Domres, Ellen Seylar, Don Lange, Nancy Granert, Dorela Cole, Mike & Brenda Sanchez, Crystal Vaughan & Shane Kenney-Vaughan, Polly Brodbeck, Melda Burns, Leah Coughenour, Dottie Donohoe, Kay Dunbar, Lucille Few, Diane Gruner, Marie Lenard, Marv Plugge, Loretta Roe, Lois Rowland, Ardys Theophilus, Don Vlasaty, Liz Wills

† Friends & family: Betty Ann Arner's friend; Robert & Arlene Adams; Kirsten & family, Rossy; Nancy Blizzard, Aleta; Vanessa (daughter of Marie Lenard), Menell Large & children; Son of Brenda G; Sandra; Evie (young teen); Nancy; Terry; Todd; Diane; Russ Glauner; Cheryl; Don & Annette, Anna Cordova, Jean Klinke; Peggy & Marie; Marjorie; Ben Grill; Desiree; Brandon, Wesley (2 yrs), Rogene, Chris, Enrique, Bill

† Students & school staff in schools in greater Albuquerque

† Near End of Life: Loretta, Al Roesler

† The Middle East, that all may be reconciled to God

† Those who are displaced from their homes

For the families of the faithful who have gone before us and are at rest, let us give thanks:

† Family of Dalton Sanders upon his death; Alison Schuler and the Sandy family on death of Alison's sister-in-law Joan Sandy; Diane Quarles' daughter & her family on death of father-in-law, Judith Raver & family on death of her husband

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord.

Please submit your prayer requests to PrayerChain@StLukeABQ.org or contact the church office.

Names will remain on the prayer list for one month.



February Celebrations

Birthdays

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| 1 | Lucille Few | 19 | Andrew Fidler |
| 1 | Evan Louis Shore | 19 | Frank Johnson |
| 3 | Peter Makarenko | 20 | Beau Griswold |
| 4 | Lyla Garcia | 21 | Brad Carr |
| 6 | Barbara Exley | 23 | Beverly Davies |
| 9 | Bob Guarnieri | 24 | Donna Berardinelli |
| 12 | Lore Wills | 24 | Michelle Barba |
| 13 | George Allen | 26 | Judy Aaker |
| 14 | Elaine Kovach | 27 | Ginny Fisher |
| 14 | Dakota Smith | | |
| 14 | Ardys Theophilus | | |
| 15 | Barb Shirrod | | |
| 19 | Bill Abel | | |
| 19 | Betty Begeal | | |



Wedding Anniversary
February 16
Charles & Sandy Clark



Suggested Bible Reading Plan

From BibleProject.com

Week 5		PSALM		Week 7	NUMBERS	PSALM
Day 1	Exodus 35-40	29		Day 1	11-13	43
	LEVITICUS			Day 2	14-16	44
Day 2	1-4	30		Day 3	17-18	45
Day 3	5-7	31		Day 4	19-21	46
Day 4	8-10	32		Day 5	23-24	47
Day 5	11-13	33		Day 6	25-27	48
Day 6	14-15	34		Day 7	28-30	49
Day 7	16-18	35				
Week 6	LEVITICUS	PSALM		Week 8	NUMBERS	PSALM
Day 1	19-20	36		Day 1	31-32	50
Day 2	21-23	37		Day 2	33-34	51
Day 3	24-25	37 and 38		Day 3	35-36	52
Day 4	26-27	39			DEUTERONOMY	
	NUMBERS			Day 4	1-3	53
Day 5	1-4	40		Day 5	4-6	54
Day 6	5-7	41		Day 6	7-9	55
Day 7	8-10	42		Day 7	10-12	56

EVERY WORD
of **God** is flawless;
he is a shield to those
who take **refuge** in him.

Proverbs 30:5, NIV

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