

St. Luke Ministries



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Letter from Sally Trigg, Strategic Planning Lead and Volunteer

Welcome to the inaugural St. Luke Ministries booklet.

Founded in the 1950s, St. Luke Lutheran Church is a thriving multigenerational community of faith that supports our congregation, our community, and our world.

Our lifeblood is our volunteers. Dozens of volunteer ministry groups offer opportunities in education, community outreach, youth activities, worship support, hospitality, music, art, Bible study, prayer, and advocacy. In return for giving their time and energy, volunteers learn, help others, gain friends, and deepen their understanding of their faith and of each other.

We welcome you to our community of faith rooted in God's Word, serving in God's world. Please join us by volunteering for one or more St. Luke ministry groups. Feel free to contact listed group leaders for more information.

Welcome!

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Administrative and Governance

Finance

Contact Judy Moore (505) 710 6082, judyhmoore@gmail.com



- Provide financial oversight, control, and planning for St. Luke Church. Group is open to those with financial skills and interest.
- Review Church monthly financial statement, identify and resolve concerns, produce revised financial report and narrative report for Church Council, deal with policy issues or financial concerns requiring attention of the Church Council.
- Monthly ZOOM meeting during the day. Date and time TBD each month.

We help St. Luke Church function by making sure that our finances are understood and correct.

Technology Advisory



Contact Tom Berardinelli, (505) 460 7774, tomberardinelli@gmail.com

- Respond to technology questions and needs of St. Luke Church and Preschool, provide technical support if possible, and periodically assess technology needs for Church and Preschool and provide recommendations.
- Provide technical expertise in support of St. Luke technology needs and make recommendations for outside technology support as needed, work with outside vendors, and periodically meet with group. Exclusions: contracted technology that falls under responsibility of St. Luke Business Manager (copier, phones, burglar and fire alarm systems, HVAC, etc).
- Meet every 3-4 months. Date and time TBD.

We provide the technical know-how to keep St. Luke on the cutting edge.

Property Committee



Contact Ken Sorenson (505) 569 9627, kbsoren60@gmail.com

- Handle maintenance and upgrades to all St. Luke facilities and grounds, including the Preschool.
- Identify needed maintenance, repairs, and improvements; participate in planning and implementation of these identified tasks; and attend regular group meetings.
- Meet monthly, date/time TBD.

We support and serve our congregation by keeping the facilities and grounds in good shape.

Safety and Security



Contact Andy Hochstein (505) 269 4528, ahochstein@yahoo.com

- Support efforts to provide a safe and secure environment on the St. Luke campus for church members, staff, visitors, and preschool students and families.
- Develop and implement safety guidelines, do frequent assessments of security and safety of the St. Luke campus, organize and initiate safety / security training as needed, and work with church leadership to bring about changes.
- Meet 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6 pm.

We help keep people safe and secure.

Stewardship and Mission

Stewardship



Contact Greg Haschke (505) 710 2762, gchaschke@msn.com

- Organize, plan, execute, and celebrate yearly St. Luke giving.
- Work with Finance Committee to determine giving goal, develop plan for initiatives covered by the appeal, develop appeal materials, make appeal to congregation, gather pledges and prepare reports, create and deliver member celebrations, attend meetings.
- Meet 3 times a month Aug 1-Dec 1. Dates and times TBD.

We are called to create an atmosphere of generosity at St. Luke so members will realize what God has given them and will give to help St. Luke ministries thrive and grow.



Global, National, Local Outreach

Contact David & Diane Follstaedt (505) 803 0486, dfollstaedt@gmail.com

- Identify opportunities and provide physical and financial support for local, national, and global outreach. Examples include Bucket of Change, sponsoring Afghan family, collecting clothing and personal care items.
- Identify, organize, and publicize support efforts; gather and deliver donations.
- Meet quarterly. Time TBD.

We fulfill important needs in local, national, and global communities and provide opportunities to make contact beyond the walls of St. Luke.



Advocacy

Contact David Follstaedt (505) 803 0486, dfollstaedt@gmail.com

- Provide opportunities to learn about New Mexican and national issues, to learn how to be an advocate, and to support Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in the New Mexico Legislature.
- Attend presentations in Albuquerque and Santa Fe to learn about issues and to advocate to legislative leaders using phone and email.
- Meet TBD during fall and early spring (legislative session).

Advocacy Ministry Group provides an opportunity to learn what's going on in New Mexico government, to influence legislation with Christian values, and to learn more about how to make informed decisions in our lives as citizens.



Helping Hands Member Support

Contact Andy Hochstein (505) 269 4528, ahochstein@yahoo.com

Sally Trigg (575) 613 3722, sallydtrigg@gmail.com

- Help our congregation members by providing needed support services.
- Arrange and provide service for congregation members, such as lawn work, moving light furniture, helping with holiday decorating, picking up and delivering groceries or other purchases, providing transportation, preparing and delivering meals, providing advice on car problems and needed repairs, assisting with minor household maintenance, winterizing swamp coolers, providing basic computer instruction.
- Time for congregation member assistance to be arranged between helper and member needing assistance. Organization meetings: quarterly.

We reach out a helping hand to our fellow congregation members.



God's Work /Our Hands

Contact Diane Follstaedt (505) 259 6370, dfollstaedt@gmail.com

- Hands-on community services: we provide service to Albuquerque organizations that help others.
- Organize, publicize activities with organizations; provide help to these organizations, such as cleaning, painting, and sorting clothes.
- Activities occur first Saturday in September.

When members learn about the activities and purposes of helping organizations in the community, they are inspired to help others.

Worship, Music, and Arts



Paraments



Contact Nancy Krenz (505) 298 0619, DLKrenz@aol.com

- Create and display paraments appropriate to the color, timeframe, and subject of the church season.
 - Design, sew, or paint on fabric in abstract or realistic themes. All parament seasons have complete banners at present. We welcome new ideas and talent.
 - If physically strong with good balance, hang and bring down altar and podium paraments and special elongated parament panels from rods along the sides of the church. This physically demanding activity requires worker to wire, adjust, and hold parament on a pole while standing on a tall ladder.
 - Assist in hanging but not stand on ladder.
 - Fold, store, and keep paraments clean and organized by church season.
- Meet Friday or Saturday morning before new church season begins (about 15 changes a year). Some seasons are a week, and others are 3 months.

All paraments are ORIGINAL artistic works by St. Luke members. By adding color and art, we try to bring joy, beauty, and meaning to the worship services.

Holiday Decoration



Contact Sally Trigg (575) 613 3722, sallydtrigg@gmail.com

- Organize, set up, and take down church decorations for Christmas, Easter, and other holidays as needed.
- Arrange for delivery of flowers and decorating days, organize volunteers, prepare and display decorations, take down and store decorations. Note: some of the decorating requires strong volunteers to work on a ladder.
- Meet on decoration days as determined by the church calendar.

We add to the congregation's experience of holidays by creating beautiful, joyful environments in St. Luke.



Sacristy Care

Contact Shirley Smith (505) 830 9106, shirleyetech@yahoo.com

- Recruit and train volunteers to prepare the communion elements, manage candles, and prepare baptismal font for worship each week.
- Prepare communion elements, manage candles, and prepare baptismal font for worship each week.
- To perform volunteer role, prepare elements on Friday or Saturday and clean up after last service on Sunday. Some periodic training. Volunteers are asked to serve once a month.

This group prepares the elements to celebrate the sacraments of communion and baptism, which is the heart of Lutheranism.



Technical Worship Support

Contact for Sound - Andy Hochstein (505) 269 4528, ahochstein@yahoo.com

For Video/Streaming - Greg Anderson (505) 294 0806, anderson@comcast.net

- Enhance worship services by providing live and recorded streaming, audio, and video support; by setting up and breaking down equipment; by developing and presenting videos; and by providing training.
- Set up and tear down streaming, audio, or video equipment prior to and after a service; provide video, streaming, and/or audio support during worship. Occasionally receive training. For video creation: develop and edit videos. Attend quarterly group meetings.
- Volunteers arrive 30 minutes before Sat or Sun service they are supporting.
- Attend occasional training. For video production: arrange time with Ministry Media Assistant. Will have meetings of entire group once a quarter.

We enhance St. Luke's services by adding enlightening sound and video, and we make the service available to those who cannot attend by streaming it each week.

Worship Assistants

Contact Shirley Smith (505) 830 9106, shirleyetech@yahoo.com

- Recruit and train worship assistants (ushers, communion assistants, readers, acolytes, crucifers) to support each worship service. Support individual services.
- Act as usher, communion assistant, reader, acolyte, or crucifer approximately once a month. Note: more detailed role descriptions are posted in the St. Luke Narthex.
- Volunteers should arrive 15-30 minutes before worship service. Some periodic training.



Worship Assistants help St. Luke fulfill its primary activity: worship, the center of our Lutheran Christianity. Everything emanates from the celebration of the Word and the Sacrament.

Sanctuary Choir

Contact Danielle Cordova (505) 803 8466

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- Prepare special music for worship services and special events; build vocal technique and general music knowledge; expose members to different music genres; collaborate between different groups, including children and adults; expose members to musical instruments; and build community.
- Attend rehearsals, practice music at home, attend 10:30 service regularly, attend occasional extra rehearsals and services during holiday seasons.
- Meet 7-8:30, Wednesdays, 9:45-11:30 Sunday morning. Occasional extra rehearsals TBD

We all love music, and we love to worship and build community through music.



Bells of St. Luke

Contact Danielle Cordova (505) 803 8466,

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- Prepare special handbell music for worship services and special events; build handbell technique with a focus on music theory; collaborate between different groups, including children and adults; and build community.
- Attend rehearsals, learn and mark music at home, attend 10:30 service regularly, attend occasional extra rehearsals and services during holiday seasons.
- Meet 2-3 pm, Wednesdays; 9:35-11:30 Sunday morning when playing (approximately twice a month).

We love digging into the details and the coordination needed to create beautiful bell choir music.

Outreach Evangelism



New Member and Evangelism

Contact Allie Brandt (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

- Welcome visitors and to help those who are interested to become members of St. Luke.
- Greet and engage visitors before and after services, follow up with visitors, arrange new member orientations, arrange for new members to be received into St. Luke, and set up new member luncheons.
- Volunteer greeters serve before and after a church service. Organizational meetings held once a quarter.

We help bring people into the St. Luke community of believers, where they can explore their faith.



Adult Inquires



Contact Pastor Brad (505) 299-2621, (402) 416-0483, stluke@thuntek.net,
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- Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, consider attending a pastor-led series of four discussion opportunities facilitated by Pastor Brad Brauer and staff, where we explore your questions and the basics of the Christian faith through a ELCA Lutheran lens.

Whether you are new to St. Luke's, searching for a church home, interested in being baptized as an adult, or simply interested in learning more about the Bible and faith, you will be welcome.

Education and InReach



Adult Forum

Contact David Follstaedt (505) 803 0486, dfollstaedt@gmail.com

- Provide opportunities for members and others to look at how we live our faith in the modern world.
- Help identify education subjects, plan and develop presentations, present material.
- Every 6 months have planning meeting. Forum presentations every Sunday between services.

Adult Forum discusses topics that help us better understand our faith, that challenge us to think about ethics, and that help us live as Christ's disciples in today's world.



Lamplighter's Book Study

Contact Diane Quarles (505) 264 5444, diane.quarles@mac.com

- Select and read non-fiction Christian books before the monthly meeting and discuss the books and the insights they give us into our lives and our faith. For longer works, we read 1-3 chapters a month.
- Meet in Lounge/Library at church, suggest books to read, purchase or borrow selected book, read 1-3 chapters a month, possibly bring refreshments.
- Meet first Thursday of every month from 2-3:30 pm.

We learn about each other and our experiences through our exploration of these meaningful books.

Men's Bible Study

Contact Chris Brandt (605) 415 7403, Chris.L.Brandt@gmail.com



- Provide an opportunity to learn more about our faith while we enjoy food and fellowship.
- Attend monthly meetings, occasionally bring refreshments, prepare as needed for bible study.
- Meet monthly. Time and day TBD.

We are a brotherhood who want to go deeper into our faith and to listen to different perspectives



Library



Contact Shirley Smith (505) 830 9106, shirleyetech@yahoo.com

- Manage library collection in Lounge, maintain records of borrowed materials, digitally catalog all items, assess collections and donations, periodically purge old materials and add new, identify and order materials, and inform congregation about books. Periodically assess collection and identify books to be purged and added; order books; assess donated books for addition to collection; interact with book donors; receive, label, stamp, and catalog books; purge books and move them to giveaway stacks; record and monitor book borrowing; and provide book publicity as needed. Meet twice a year based on church calendar needs. Time/date TBD.

We organize reading materials that educate members about Christianity, Lutheran history and leaders, and other spiritual topics. We help our congregation learn and grow in their faith.



Women's gather Bible Study



Contact Beverly Berardinelli (505) 9770 8165

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Betty Ann Arner (505) 294 1935, bettyannarner@gmail.com

- Provide an opportunity for women to share in Bible study, music, brunch, conversations, activities, and projects to help us connect and grow in our faith.
- Set up meetings, handle publicity, work with pastors to prepare for sessions using *gather* magazine, coordinate room setup with church staff, prepare the room and refreshments, participate in the session, and clean up after. Planning subgroup meets periodically.
- Bible Study sessions occur one Saturday a month from 9:15-11:45 am in St. Luke Fellowship Hall. Dates vary. Separate planning subgroup meets periodically.

Our community of sisters provides women a safe place to share celebration and struggle and to learn more about our faith.

Children, Youth, and Family

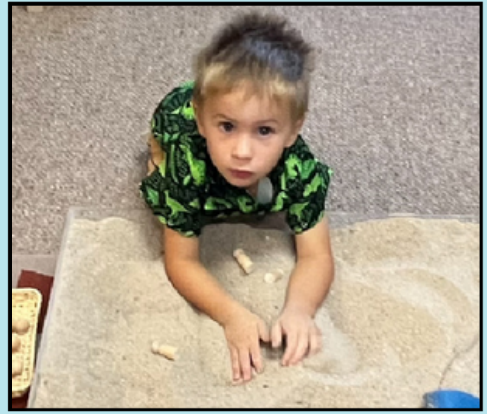


Nursery Support

Contact Allison Brandt (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

- Provide warm, welcoming, safe child care for children ages 0-5 during services and special church events.
- Volunteers arrive 15 minutes before event to prepare the environment, greet families, and engage children. 15 minutes after service, they restore the environment. Safe Gatherings Training required.
- Volunteer needed weekly during church services. Group will meet quarterly, date and time TBD

We are often the children's and parents' first exposure to the church. We create a safe, nurturing environment.



Godly Play



Contact Allison Brandt (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

Emily Smith (218) 770 3135, emuxfeldt@hotmail.com

Robin James (505) 280 1405, robin.jamesnm@gmail.com

- Enrich the education of the Bible in the lives of children ages 2.5-5 years old through storytelling and play.
- Organize story schedules and supplies, coordinate volunteers, do storytelling, greet and help children, provide simple snack.
- Meet once every two months during Children, Youth, and Family Team Meeting, on third Tuesday at 7 pm.

We help kids follow God's footsteps by using unique, visual storytelling and active play

Salt and Spark Multigenerational Ensemble

Contact Danielle Cordova (505) 803 8466

stlukemusicdirector@outlook.com

- Offer opportunity for family members of all ages to participate in a musical group. Familiarize participants with traditional hymns and hymnal, percussion instruments, chimes, and Lutheran singing traditions. Bring spiritual focus to participants prior to Sunday School.
- For participants: go to sessions, join in the music, and occasionally perform in church. For helpers: research and identify repertoire friendly for all ages, set up for sessions with instruments, plan incorporation of instruments and motions, plan dates for singing worship.
- Meet Sundays, 9:15-9:35, occasional Sundays during worship service.
- Occasional planning meetings as needed.

This unique group allows people of all ages to build their faith foundations through music. It is accessible to the youngest members while being interesting and engaging for the oldest members.



Kids Spark

Contact Allison Brandt (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

[Holly Trujillo htrujillo1624@gmail.com](mailto:HollyTrujillo1624@gmail.com) (Grades 3-5)

[Mary Fidler mefidler@gmail.com](mailto:MaryFidlermefidler@gmail.com) (Grades K-2)

- Share and teach God's words through children's stories, bible lessons, games, and crafts.
- Prep supplies, meet each week during school year to teach Spark curriculum, and guide children through weekly activities defined in Spark leader guides.
- Meet during and between Sunday services, at Children, Youth, and Family meetings, and quarterly as needed.

We enhance the community of young Christians and enrich their lives with teachings of God's love.



Rainbow Trail Day Camp



Contact Allison Brandt, (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

- Provide an opportunity for children to grow their faith and learn through song and play with Rainbow Trails Lutheran counselors.
- The St. Luke Coordinator works with Rainbow Trails Coordinator to organize and implement day camp activities and logistics. The volunteer team supports arts and crafts, registration, camper groups, and snacks.
- Volunteers gather at Children, Youth, and Family meetings and at other times as needed.

Our group extends beyond church walls into a broader community and incorporates an outdoor ministry.



Love God/Love Neighbor



Contact Allison Brandt, (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

- Provide an opportunity for youth and adult mentors to come together and engage in loving God and serving neighbors.
- Seek out, support service projects; organize and attend service projects; and provide photos and summary for church office to publish in Horizon.
- Meet monthly, time TBD.

Our group gives kids an opportunity to share faith through service and interact with youth from other churches. It brings together several congregations throughout Albuquerque.



Confirmation

Contact Tom Berardinelli, (505) 460 7774, tomberardinelli@gmail.com

- Provide the instruction (centered on Luther's Small Catechism) that allows baptized young people (usually 7th-9th grade) and adults to become adults in the church and voting members of the congregation.
- Adult Leader conducts the instruction and may also be asked to accompany confirmands to the Rainbow Trail Lutheran Confirmation Camp (RTLCC) during one of the summers of the confirmation years. Volunteers may be asked to assist with events related to the instruction.
- Meeting time established by pastor working with the confirmands' family members. Instruction often set between services. Times of other events TBD.

Confirmation is a critical time in the faith journey of Lutheran Christians and is a requirement to become an adult, voting congregation member.



Youth Special Events

Contact Allison Brandt, (505) 299 2621, stluke.abrandt@gmail.com

- Organize, prepare, and implement faith-based activities based on the special event.
- Create and implement events that allow children, youth, and families to come together to participate in activities throughout the church year.
- Meet during Children, Youth, and Family Team meetings (every 2 months on 3rd Tuesday at 7 pm) and before event as needed.

We provide fun, exciting, memorable times for multigenerational gatherings as well as meaningful experiences for our youth.



Congregation (Participant Opportunities)

Learners and Servers

Contact Judy Moore (505) 710 6080, judyhmoore@gmail.com

Nancy Tarman (505) 301 4200, nancytarman@gmail.com



- Provide opportunities for congregation members to learn about organizations inside and outside of St. Luke, provide fellowship, and do service projects in the community. Most meetings and activities occur during the daytime and during a weekday.
- Volunteers organize visits and presentations, attend events, provide refreshments for events, provide work for service projects.
- Planning group meets second Tuesday of each month in the afternoon in a ZOOM meeting. Events/visits occur third Tuesday at 1:30. Time is adjusted as needed.

In each meeting or event, we learn, we help, and we enjoy each other. We help the congregation continue to grow.



Hospitality Group



Contact Diane Quarles (505) 264 5444, diane.quarles@mac.com

- Organize and support social events (with food) involving all the congregation (receptions, suppers, funerals, memorials, Sunday fellowship, brunches, recital receptions).
- Volunteers do event publicity, organize volunteers, send event reminders, communicate with church administration for furniture and AV set up, set up food, serve and clean up after event.
- Monthly meeting at 7 pm on a Monday.

We love to eat and watch people eat. We provide a forum for people to get to know each other. We help create community, warmth, and friendship.

The First Friday Film Forum



Contact **Betty Ann Arner (505) 294 1935, bettyannarner@gmail.com**

- Enjoy a current movie on your own, then discuss it and enjoy refreshments at a member's home or at the church.
- Every 6 months, a volunteer hosts the group: selects the movie, informs members, provides refreshments, and leads the discussion. Volunteers also attend get-togethers at homes of other group members.
- Meet first Friday of each month at 7 pm. May change which Friday the group meets as needed.

We enjoy seeing and discussing movies, and we really enjoy getting to know each other.



St Luke Singers



Contact **Ginny Fisher (505) 280 2012, vcfisher@comcast.net**

- Provide the ministry of music to enhance the lives of community members in residential care facilities. The group is open to singers of all types.
- Provide own transportation or carpool to various singing locations by 10:15 am, sing with group. Music and accompaniment are provided.
- Monthly on third Friday, sing 10:30-11:30 am.

We love to bring favorite hymns and great classic songs to our listeners. We add joy to their lives.

Musical Recital Group



Contact **Danielle Cordova (505) 803 8466**

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Sally Trigg (575) 613 3722, sallydtrigg@gmail.com

- Arrange, coordinate, support, and execute community recitals at St. Luke.
- Find and recruit musicians, coordinate with performers and church, create and distribute publicity materials, arrange and execute receptions, act as ushers, provide hospitality to guest artists, clean up after events, and attend occasional meetings.
- Meet an hour before the recital through an hour after it, occasional additional meetings. Recitals on midday Saturday and/or Sunday afternoon. Time and date for recitals and meetings TBD.

We help build the community of St. Luke through musical outreach and hospitality.

Pastoral Care Ministry



Extending God's Table

Contact Karen Carlson (505) 259 6394, kcarlson@salud.unm.edu

Diane Quarles (505) 264 5444, diane.quarles@mac.com

- Identify and deliver communion on a long-term or interim basis to church members who cannot attend services.
- Complete online Safe Gatherings Training (set up through St. Luke), receive training from a current eucharistic visitor, work with coordinator to receive visit assignment, visit homebound member every month to six weeks. Follow up with report to office about members seen.
- Yearly group meetings plus congregation member visits as organized. Time and day TBD.

Our group reaches out from St Luke to members to reinforce their connection with St Luke past and present and to provide the sacrament.



Prayer Chain

Contact Pastor Brad (505) 299-2621, (402) 416-0483

stluke@thuntek.net



- Collect prayers by email (prayerchain@stlukeabq.org), by phone, in Goldenrod, and in person and report to leaders. Meet weekly by ZOOM or in person to pray for people in prayer list. Meetings usually last 20-30 minutes and include devotional prayer and prayer list.
- Gather and communicate prayer requests shortly before meeting, set and attend ZOOM or in-person meetings, perhaps supply refreshments, lead meetings. Urgent requests will go out occasionally.
- Meet once a week during the day. Thursday at 10 am.

Our community of believers is concerned about each other, the congregation, and the world. Being in the group helps us remember how important prayer is to our lives and the lives of others.



Baptismal Connections Task Force



Contact Angie Miller, (505) 299 2621, stluke@swcp.com

- Come alongside families who are preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism and accompany them along a life-long process of Faith—formation, pre-baptismal work, and post-baptism nurture and connection with discipleship in the Community of St. Luke. This ministry of pastor, staff, and volunteers assists families as they begin to enter a catechetical process starting with Holy Baptism.
- Order or produce materials needed for baptisms, gather information from and meet with parents, schedule and publicize baptism, provide materials and services needed on the day of baptism.
- Preparation work as needed in days leading to baptism and day of baptism.

We have the blessed opportunity to care for families, come alongside them like disciple Philip with the Eunuch charioteer/ pagan searcher (in Acts) and connect them to the congregation intergenerationally and more deeply as they begin the faith journey with Holy Baptism (infant/ adult).



St. Luke Lutheran Church

Mission:

Rooted in God's Word, serving in God's world.

Vision:

To be an inviting and thriving multi-generational Congregation and Preschool while working with our neighbors and serving our community and world.

Core Values:

- Word and Sacrament
- Mutual Trust and Open Communication
- Music, Arts, and Lifelong Education
- Varied and Innovative Forms of Serving Others
- Community, Neighborhood, and Preschool
- A Safe Place Where All are Nourished



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