

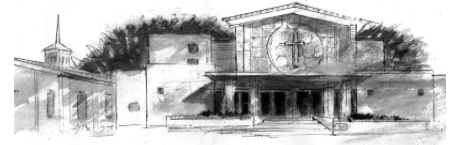


# HORIZON

monthly newsletter

## St. Luke Lutheran Church

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



## ST LUKE WORSHIP SERVICES

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

Nursery care available during services

Saturday, August 9: 5 PM - service resumes, in the church

Sunday, August 3: 8:15 AM - last Courtyard Outdoor service

Sunday, August 10: 8:15 AM - service resumes in the church

Sundays at 10:30 AM - service in the church

Simultaneous Live-Stream Worship, online at [StLukeABQ.org](http://StLukeABQ.org)

Saturdays at 5 PM: Aug 9, 16, 30

Sunday, Aug 3, at 10:30 AM

Sunday, Aug. 24, at 8:15 AM

Summer 2025

## “Just WHO is the Holy Spirit?”

(Part 3 of 3)

(Pastor Brad Brauer's Ponderings/ Reflections)

While picture language, images and metaphors, hymnic praises old and new fails to completely define and characterize the Person of the Holy Spirit, let these images and pictures assist you the reader of the scriptures:

Think about how the Church may be like a new auto or truck, the Church on a “Road trip,” or journey through the wilderness, the Church as a vehicle. Any car or truck, even a hybrid that depends upon electricity and batteries, must be fueled and stop for gas and/ or to be ‘plugged in.’ In the trunk may be a road hazard kit with flashlight, tools, matches, tape, rope, a blanket, a fire extinguisher, etc., with battery jumpers and lights and flashers and a warning triangle. The car is equipped with a GPS for on-board direction and an “On Star” assistance package. The car also may have a first aid kit in it and on the back seat, we can imagine, is a fruit basket. The car's papers boast of its protective insurance policy and the identity of the drivers is set out in their licenses.

-from Lisa Vigliotta, in an Internet article

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## *The Interim Pastor's Ponderings ... continued from previous page*

Clothed with the divine Power-Surge, the Holy Spirit, Spirit of gentle love, whirlwind and tempest, we are enabled and guided, protected and equipped, gathered and sent for the Journey of faith unto faithfulness. We discern the voice of the Holy Spirit who comes among us and alongside us as Advocate, Counselor, Teacher, Intercessor, Friend of sinners and Strength/ Compassion when we grieve and feel loss and sadness. We've experienced this Gift of the Holy Spirit as the "Present Activity of Jesus" or Jesus' "Active Presence" (Richard A. Jensen) in the deaths our congregation's families, and this Family of Faith here, have sustained in these last several months.

The Holy Spirit: Counselor, Guide, Advocate, Defender and Helper, Wind/ Breath of God is also like the "Stage Director" of God's vast redemptive Biblical narrative (Think: a divine dramatic stage play) who points us to the real, main central character, Jesus, who is at work in/ among us, speaking and teaching us. The Holy Spirit, the Helper, reveals Jesus the Teacher, the Truth and grows in us Jesus' loving deeds of response to Grace. The Holy Spirit brings new life, blows that life into the Christian at baptism at the beginning of a life, and will raise up the believer on eagle's wings at the end of our lives. The Holy Spirit is connected to those other things we confess: the holy, catholic (universal) and apostolic church, a community of saints, forgiveness for sins, resurrection and eternal life. The Holy Spirit, like any authenticator, seals and guarantees our identity as the beloved, forgiven Children of God. And, the Holy Spirit gifts us with rich charisms and grows the fruits of faith and service of every kind within Christians and persuades us to be about the pattern of Christ's good and godly things. The Holy Spirit "gifts" the church for its mission. Jesus, by his Spirit, went with the 70 who were sent and returned amazed at their power over the demonic and satanic forces that bend over human lives. The Holy Spirit grows the fruits of the Spirit (Think: our summer projects and Rainbow Trail Bible Camp themes). That's who the Holy Spirit is. That's just what the Holy Spirit does.

Pray with me please . . .

Come, Holy Spirit of wisdom and grace, be poured out among us for our work together. Bless, especially, the work of the Church Council and all our ministry leaders. Bless with guidance and wisdom the members of the Call Committee. Come, Holy Spirit Friend; blow your new life and peace into our hearts and lives. Give us joy as we serve you here in the St. Luke ELCA Christian community. Amen.

*"Come, Holy Spirit, God and Lord. With all your grace and power outpoured on each believer's heart and mind; your fervent love to each impart." --Martin Luther, in his Erfurt 1524 hymn*

*Pastor Brad*



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News from the Rocky Mountain Synod, ELCA

We are pleased to announce the election of the Rev. Yehiel Curry as presiding bishop of the ELCA! Bishop-elect Curry was elected on the fifth ballot with 70.34% of the vote.

Speaking to the ELCA Churchwide Assembly after his election as presiding bishop Wednesday, July 30, 2025, Yehiel Curry reflected on his first ministry role as a lay mission developer of [Shekinah Chapel](#) in Riverdale, Ill.

More from The Living Lutheran:

<https://www.livinglutheran.org/2025/07/casting-a-vision-for-the-church/>

# St. Luke Church

## picnic at the park



**Sunday, August 3**  
**12:30 - 3:30 PM**

At Don Juan Oñate Park, 2124 Chelwood Park Blvd, NE (from St. Luke church, go east on Menaul Blvd., cross Juan Tabo, turn right on Chelwood, the park will be on your left)

Bring your own lunch, drinks, chair or blanket.

Sponsored by St Luke Learners & Servers.

For more information, contact coordinator Judy Moore at [judyHmoore@gmail.com](mailto:judyHmoore@gmail.com)



### Photos from “TALK ABOUT NAVAJO CODE TALKERS OF WWII” Event held on July 13, 2025, at St Luke



*Middle photo:* Amanda Penalosa, the soloist at the 10:30 service, July 13 & her mother Olivia (*photo on the right*). Amanda's grandfather was also a Code Talker, in the 2nd group of Marine Code Talkers.

*Photo on the left:* Dr. Zonnie Gorman, speaker - Navajo Code Talkers of World War II - Dr Gorman is the daughter of Dr. Carl Gorman, one of the original “first twenty-nine” Navajo Code Talkers, the pilot group that devised the initial Navajo code.

# Rainbow Trail Confirmation Camp, 22 - 28 June 2025

By Tom Berardinelli, Confirmation Adult Leader



We had another great experience at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp (RTLCL) Confirmation Camp with our St. Luke “Band of Confirmands” (Serenity Apodaca-Gonzales, Sofia Franco, Beau Griswold, and Hazel Trujillo).

The theme of this year’s camp was “Cross + Fit”. *Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.” -Matthew 16:24.* Each day of the week had its own theme tied into the overall Cross + Fit theme: Day 1, Transformation; Day 2, Practice, Practice; Day 3, Hitting Plateaus; Day 4, Community; Day 5, Equipped. Each day, the morning and evening worship, as well as daily bible studies covered the theme for that day.

Our confirmands were all fully engaged in every aspect of the packed week...hiking, white-water rafting, high ropes, daily worship and bible study. In addition to that, their village was responsible for doing the “Life of Christ” portrayal for the entire camp, and each of our confirmands had key roles. Hazel was a narrator for the event; Sofia was Joseph for the birth of Jesus; Serenity was Pontius Pilate; and Beau was Jesus for the flogging and crucifixion portrayals. I was so proud of all of them, and you can be too for what they learned and how well they represented themselves and St. Luke.

I also saw our confirmands demonstrate their maturity of faith in how they encouraged other campers who may have been having a tough time with some aspect of camp or were just homesick. Without asking, they were always quick to encourage those campers, some they knew, and some they were meeting for the first time. But our confirmands always offered a smile and encouraging words to any struggling campers that needed just that.

My thanks to our “Band of Confirmands”, their sponsors, and the entire congregation for your trust and confidence in me as the Confirmation Adult Leader and all the support you have given to me and our confirmands. It has been a joy and blessing for me to be involved with this aspect of their faith formation.

The outdoor ministry of RTLCL continues to be a foundation and cornerstone of our synod’s youth faith development both through the programs they offer at RTLCL as well as counselors they send to local camps sponsored by congregations throughout the Rocky Mountain Synod including St. Luke. If you would like to know more about RTLCL, or have never visited their website, I would encourage you to take a look at <https://www.rainbowtrail.org/>.

Peace and blessings to all!

# Children, Youth, and Family (CY&F) Ministries

Holly Trujillo, CY&F Committee Chair, Allie Brandt, Coordinator of Multigenerational Ministries

## Rainbow Trail Day Camp 2025



This year, 49 campers joined us for Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp Day Camp! It was a fun, spirit-filled week of worship, Bible study, games, crafts, music and special activities! The theme for Day Camp was **Cross Fit!** We mirrored the key pillars of the CrossFit exercise program and applied them to our faith life. In our faith journey, we experience similar pillars.



We **PRACTICE** our faith with commitment.

We rely on **COMMUNITY**.

When we experience plateaus in our faith, we **SEEK ADVICE/HELP**.

We experience **TRANSFORMATION** and become new beings in Christ Jesus.



These elements **EQUIP** us to better follow Jesus in our day to day lives.

We cannot thank our volunteers enough for supporting our campers in their faith formation. The St. Luke community came together to provide a beautiful week for everyone.



## Bingo and Pizza Night

As part of Rainbow Trail Day Camp Week, St. Luke Learners & Servers partnered with Rainbow Trail Day Camp to host a multigenerational Bingo and Pizza Night. The Fellowship Hall was filled with campers and their families, congregation members, day camp staff and volunteers. The night started with camp songs and a dinner blessing (beautifully led by Hope Trujillo!). A dinner of pizza and fruit, veggies, and many desserts was shared. Bingo was enjoyed by both young and old. It was a beautiful evening, connecting our congregation, preschool and broader community in fun, faith, and love. Thank you to all those who helped make this night possible by sharing food and by volunteering their time and talents.

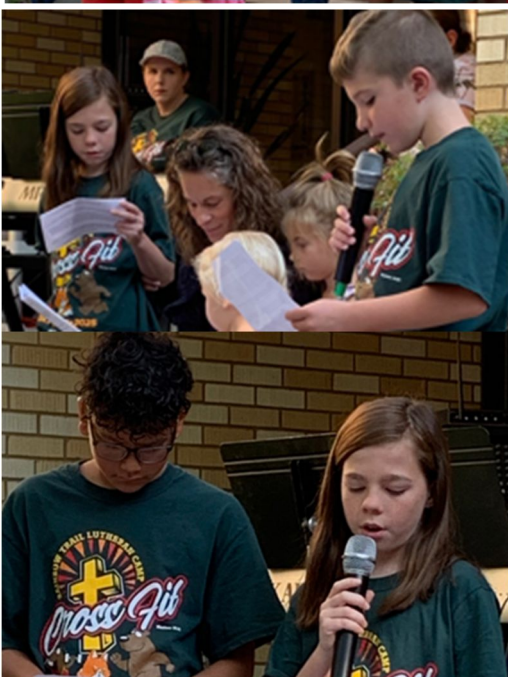


## Rainbow Trail Day Camp Sunday

Day Camp wrapped up on June 29th with the Rainbow Trail Day Camp Sunday outdoor service.



Our St. Luke campers led the congregation in their favorite camp songs.



They also took part in the All-God's Children Message, sharing about their camp experience and favorite memories from camp.

We are proud of our youth in participating, actively growing, and sharing in their faith.



*Upcoming events ... next page*

## Upcoming Events



- ◆ Saturday & Sunday, August 9/10th Blessing of Backpacks, at all services

- ◇ We invite all educators and students of all ages for this special blessing and to receive a gift bag for a special start to your school year!



- ◆ Sunday, August 24th Preschool Blessing

- ◇ 8:15 & 10:30 service



- ◆ Sunday, August 24th Rally Day/Ministry Fair

- ◇ 9:15-10:15AM (between services)
- ◇ We will again share and invite others to our ministry opportunities. Come explore the opportunities that St. Luke has for you to get involved and activate your faith!

- ◆ Tuesday, August 12th Children, Youth, and Family Zoom meeting, 7PM
- ◆ Sunday, August 17th Confirmation Classes resume, 9:15-10:15AM
- ◆ Sunday, September 7th Sunday School resumes, 9:15-10:15AM

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LOVE GOD LOVE NEIGHBOR  
ABQ YOUTH COLLABORATIVE

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



- ◆ Sunday, September 14th Love God Love Neighbor Garden project
  - ◇ 12:45-2:25PM
  - ◇ At St. John's UMC, 2626 Arizona St NE, Albuquerque
  - ◇ Information: Allie Brandt at [StLuke.Abrandt@gmail.com](mailto:StLuke.Abrandt@gmail.com) or 505 299 2621



# AUGUST 2025



## 3 PENTECOST 8

Coffee Fellowship after each service  
Nursery Care during each service  
**8:15am** (last) Outdoor service, Courtyard  
**10:30am** Worship Service in Sanctuary & Live-stream worship at StLukeABQ.org  
**12:30 PM** St. Luke Church Picnic at Don Juan Oñate Park on Chelwood  
(please note location change)

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**8am-Noon** Preschool Staff, in Zuni room

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**8am-Noon** Preschool Staff, in Zuni room

## 10 PENTECOST 9

**Blessing of Backpacks** at both services  
Coffee Fellowship after each service  
Nursery Care during each service  
**8:15am** Worship Service (inside)  
**10:30am** Worship Service

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St Luke Preschool school year 2025-2026 begins

**4pm** Wellness Ministry meeting in Zuni room

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**7pm** Children, Youth & Family Comm. meeting on Zoom

## 17 PENTECOST 10

Coffee Fellowship after each service  
Nursery Care during each service  
**8:15am** Worship Service  
**9:15am** Confirmation Class (teacher: Tom Berardinelli) in Fellowship Hall  
**10:30am** Worship Service

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**10am** Finance Comm. Meeting on Zoom

**7pm** Preschool Comm. Meeting on Zoom

## 24 PENTECOST 11

**Preschool Blessing** at both services  
Coffee Fellowship after each service  
Nursery Care during each service  
**8:15am** Worship service & Live-stream worship at StLukeABQ.org  
**9:15-10:15am** Rally Day / Ministry Fair, in Fellowship Hall  
**10:30am** Worship Service

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## 31 PENTECOST 12

Presider & Preacher: Pr. Ben Larzelere  
**Blessing of Eucharistic Visitor**  
**Communion kits** during services  
Coffee Fellowship after each service  
Nursery Care during each service  
**8:15am** Worship Service  
**10:30am** Worship Service

September 1

In observance of

## LABOR DAY

Church office and Preschool will be closed



Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> <b>1pm</b> Judy Moore's Math Counts class	<b>2</b> No Saturday service  Saturday service resumes next Sunday, August 10
<b>6</b> <b>10am</b> Trust Committee in Conference room  <b>12:15pm</b> Worship Planning in Conference room	<b>7</b> <b>10am</b> Preschool Parent Orientation, Zuni room  <b>6pm</b> Preschool Parent Orientation, Zuni room	<b>8</b> <b>7:30am-4pm</b> Preschool Staff Training, Zuni room  <b>4pm</b> Line Dancers (c/o Dawn Meyer) in Fellowship Hall	<b>9</b> <b>7:30am</b> Line Dancers (c/o Dawn Meyer) Fellowship Hall <b>8am-4pm</b> Preschool Training, Zuni Room  <b>1pm</b> Survivors of Suicide meeting, in Conference room <b>5pm</b> Worship Service, Blessing of Backpacks & Live-stream worship at StLukeABQ.org
<b>13</b> <b>12pm</b> Interim Pastors' meeting on Zoom <b>12:30pm</b> Staff meeting in Conference room	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> St. Luke Singers not singing in the community in August	<b>16</b> <b>8am-12:30pm</b> Church Council Retreat, in Conference room  <b>5pm</b> Worship Service & Live-stream worship at StLukeABQ.org
<b>20</b> <b>12:15pm</b> Worship Planning in Conference room	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>1pm</b> Survivors of Suicide, in Zuni room <b>5pm</b> Worship Service
<b>27</b> <b>12:30pm</b> Staff meeting in Conference room	<b>28</b> <b>6pm</b> Council meeting on Zoom	<b>29</b> <i>Pastor Brad out of the office Aug. 29 - noon, Sept. 2</i>	<b>30</b> <b>5pm</b> Worship Service & Live-stream worship at StLukeABQ.org Presider & Preacher: Pr. Ben Larzelere Blessing of Eucharistic Visitor Communion kits

# August 2025



# St. Luke Global, National & Local Outreach Ministry



Save the Date: Saturday, September 6, 2025

## God's Work – Our Hands

On the weekend of September 6-7, Lutherans across the United States focus on the needs of their communities. The purpose is to make better communities for our neighbors as well as ourselves. On Saturday, September 6, a team from St. Luke will be working at Saranam. Saranam's mission is to house and support families while they are getting an education in order to become better prepared as independent, productive residents of Albuquerque.

Our past work with Saranam has included painting as well as sorting donated household goods for residents to use. What will it be in 2025? Watch for upcoming announcements. In the past, the participants have felt rewarded by their accomplishments and the benefits to residents.

We will have a signup list available as the time nears. For more information, contact David at (505) 299-5941.

### BUCKET OF CHANGE

*"Noisy Offering"*

Our St. Luke "Bucket of Change" offerings for August 2025 will go to:



### Cuidando Los Niños in Albuquerque

Mission: to break the cycle of homelessness for children and families by providing high-quality early childhood education, case management, supportive housing, & parent education. Website: [CLNabq.org](http://CLNabq.org)

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



Email: [Council@StLukeABQ.org](mailto:Council@StLukeABQ.org)

## Highlights from the Council in July 24, 2025

*By Alison Schuler, President*

Dear People of God:

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord.*

*In him, all things in heaven and earth were created...all things have been created through him and for him, and in him all things hold together.*

Here are the matters of note considered by the Council at its meeting on July 24, 2025. The council did not meet in June.

### Call of New Pastor: Committee and Process:

- The Council was updated on Call Committee matters. As reported to you by the Call Committee in its latest GPS, the committee has received some resumes of possible candidates from the Synod and will be considering those and any further actions at meetings in the near future. *Pray with love and thankfulness for the committee and for our congregation, that we may listen carefully to God's leading.*

### Council Retreat

- The Council will meet in retreat on August 16. The agenda is still under development, but the primary focus will be to listen for the Lord's guidance as we develop an understanding of the Lord's call to us as a congregation now and for the future.

### Finance

- Simply Giving (pledged) is behind budget for June, but Simply Giving (unpledged) is ahead of budget. On the whole, year to date, we are stable.
- The Trust Committee has four members because of the resignation of a member and is seeking a fifth. *Please volunteer!*
- The Budget process description is in preparation and will be provided to the council and the congregation to support the compiling of the budget for next year.

### Other Business

- The Nominating Committee has been formed and

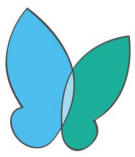
will be meeting soon. *Please contact Marshall Shore if you would like to suggest someone as a candidate for next year's church council, or make a note to the Nominating Committee on the goldenrod sheet in your service bulletin.*

- Special thanks to Worship, Music and Arts, and especially to Tom Berardinelli, for their support and leadership of the Service of the Word on July 20.
- St. Luke Learners and Servers' program on the Navajo Code Talkers on July 20 was well attended and well done. Thank you, LAS.
- The program year is starting soon! Everyone is once again assembling to worship and do the work of the Lord in this time and this place. Be a part of it!
- The Preschool is about to start a new and vibrant year. Pray for the leaders, the teachers, and the students participating in this joyous and remarkable ministry.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord, you are so precious in God's sight, so beloved, so treasured, and so blessed. You are the people of the Living God, through whom all things are possible! The Holy Spirit is being poured out on the church as a whole and on us, in this beloved congregation. Please pray for the Council and the Call Committee and all of our ministries, that all of us together may fulfill our calling as a church and as witnesses to the Resurrection in a needy world. If you have any questions or comments, please do talk to or email a council member or a committee chair who has responsibility for and knowledge of the subject matter. We welcome your thoughts and covet your prayers as we seek to be faithful to our Risen Lord.

Blessings and Peace,

Alison Schuler, President



# St. Luke Preschool

## Growing with God Since 1956

(505) 292-8812 | STLUKESC@thuntek.net | stlukepreschool.org



Our hallways are once again filled with children’s joy, energy, and laughter (And even a few tears.)! It’s a gift to serve children and their families and we are off to a good start building relationships with our new families and welcoming back our returning families!



Thanks to the amazing efforts of a very kind team of people, the preschool is fresh and clean, inside and out!

Thank you to Forrest Blech, Allie Brandt, Clare Castiglia, Sandy Clark, Lisa Koontz and Max Koontz, Diane Quarles, Gil & Sally Quintana, Leeondra Schuler, and Larry Shore, for all the tree trimming, weed pulling, toy scrubbing, window washing, chair scrubbing, and so much more.

Together we make a difference!



# AUGUST CELEBRATIONS

## Birthdays

- 4 Ellen Seylar
- 8 La'Arnie Tise
- 10 Marge Zinser Knorovsky
- 11 Susan Alexis
- 12 Norman Artuso
- 12 Amy Hlad
- 12 Summer Roesler
- 13 Cynthia Lopez
- 15 Gil Quintana
- 17 Sandy Parker
- 18 David Follstaedt
- 18 Amy Morgan

- 19 Nancy Camille Espy
- 20 DeAnn Eaton Azar
- 21 Theodore Schuler-Sandy
- 22 Charles Shirley
- 23 Christopher Brandt
- 24 Srinivasan
- 29 Sherri Domres

## Youth Baptism Anniversaries

- 12 Carson Smith

## Wedding Anniversaries

- 2 Michael & Nancy O'Dell
- 7 Tommy & Ruth Glauner 76<sup>th</sup>
- 12 Mike & Brenda Sanchez
- 15 Albert & Tlisa Giralmo
- 18 Nancy Camille Espy &  
Roman Gerard Martin
- 19 Bob & Bonnie Paine
- 21 Clay & Lisa Koontz, Jr.
- 23 Rick & Sandy Parker
- 29 Bob & Sherri Domres

*LORD, open my eyes so that I may contemplate wondrous things from your instruction.—Psalm 119:18*

Week 32	1 CHRONICLES	PSALMS		Week 34	MATTHEW	PSALMS		Week 36	JOHN	PSALMS
Day 1	21-24	32		Day 1	19-20	46		Day 1	3-4	61
Day 2	<b>25-27</b>	33		Day 2	21-22	47		Day 2	5-6	62
Day 3	28-31	34		Day 3	23-24	49		Day 3	7-8	63
Day 4	32-34	35		Day 4	25-27	50		Day 4	9-10	64
Day 5	35-36	36		Day 5	27-28	51		Day 5	11-12	65
	<b>MATTHEW</b>				<b>MARK</b>			Day 6	13-15	66
Day 6	1-2	37		Day 6	1-2	52		Day 7	16-18	67
Day 7	3-4	38		Day 7	3-4	53				
Week 33	MATTHEW	PSALMS		Week 35	MARK	PSALMS		Week 37	JOHN	PSALMS
Day 1	5-6	39		Day 1	5-6	54		Day 1	19-21	68
Day 2	7-8	40		Day 2	7-8	55			<b>LUKE</b>	
Day 3	9-10	41		Day 3	9-10	56		Day 2	1	69
Day 4	11-12	42		Day 4	11-12	57		Day 3	2-3	70
Day 5	13-14	43		Day 5	13-14	58		Day 4	4-5	71
Day 6	15-16	44		Day 6	15-16	59		Day 5	6-7	72
Day 7	17-18	45			<b>JOHN</b>			Day 6	8-9	73
				Day 7	1-2	60		Day 7	10-11	74

Service of the Word  
Sunday, July 20

All God's Children  
Message and Scripture  
Message by Tom  
Berardinelli

*Thank you,  
Tom!*



## 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), Cindy Callisto, Gayle Carleton, and Sandy Williams Clark, Else Couzin

**NEXT WELLNESS MINISTRY MEETING** Monday, August 11, 4 PM in the Zuni room. Contact Betty Ann Arner at [bettyannarner@gmail.com](mailto:bettyannarner@gmail.com).

### From Sandy Williams

Dear St. Luke Family,  
Thank you for your prayers, cards, and calls, at the passing of my husband, Charles Clark, and for your presence at his funeral. Also thank you to the ladies who prepared the lovely reception after the service. It is a blessing to have such care from all of you at this difficult time.  
Sandy Williams

### From Meals on Wheels NM

On behalf of Meals on Wheels NM, we thank you for your generous gift of \$1,337.82. Thank you all for this generous gift that will go far in nourishing your neighbors in need.  
Renee Ruybal, Chief Advancement Officer

### From St. Luke Memorial Reception Group



Thank you to everyone who helped in the kitchen, brought food, helped clean up and then helped taking down tables and chairs for Dave Begeal's Memorial reception and then again on Sunday for the Navajo Code Talker event. Many hands make the work easy and enjoyable. A special thank you to the Gamma Kappa Delta group who donated food for Dave's memorial.

With my sincere gratitude,  
Diane Quarles, coordinator

**St. Luke Congregation Prays**

**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

† Our brothers and sisters in the midst of conflicts and war in the middle east and Europe

† The persecuted church –clashes in Syria; persecution in Nigeria; more than 20,000 abducted Ukrainian children since the war

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

*God of All Things, we thank you for the opportunity and freedom to be a part of St Luke Lutheran Church. Lord, we give thanks that we belong to this community of believers where we worship and learn to deepen our relationship with you. We ask you to guide the pastoral call process. Lead us through your Holy Spirit and provide this church with a pastor who is the right fit for us at this time. Help us go grow and strengthen us for the ministries of St Luke as we strive to be of service to others. In Jesus' Holy name we pray. Amen [from St Luke Lenten Prayer Group]*

† Interim Pastor Brad; Church Council, Call Committee, and for all servants (church committees/ministries); St. Luke Preschool students, families & staff; church office staff; and for all who come to worship.

**For blessings of our faithful and loving Lord, we give thanks**

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights ... James 1:17*

† Thanksgiving for our schools, teachers and school staff  
† Grace - recovery from surgery is going well. Her parents are thankful for your prayers; she has been cleared to attend 'Hope with Heart,' camp for children with congenital heart disease

**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.**

† When we gather to worship our Lord - those who lead the congregation in singing praises to our Lord; those who read scripture readings; those who teach the Lord's Word; the faithful who facilitate worship; and those who pray for the church.

**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 nation's healing and civic health; US military personnel; law enforcements; first responders

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

† Law enforcements and medics in greater Albuquerque and neighboring cities; St Luke Bucket of Change recipient in August: Cuidando Los Niños of Albuquerque

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

† Survivors of floods in USA [several countries in Texas and in North Carolina; Ruidoso, New Mexico; New York City; Kansas City]; Metro Manila and 65 provinces in the Philippines, and the rescue / relief / rebuilding workers, volunteers, and churches aiding these survivors

**For blessed peace in our families, our homes; our places of employment; our communities; and in our churches**

† Our beloved church family members: Steve Azar, Daleen Olson, Myra Lynch, Ellen Seylar, Scott, Forrest Blech, Sandy Bowers, Bob Domres, Karin Duda, Sherri Domres, Dorela Cole, Lorna Hill, Brenda Sanchez, Crystal Vaughan & Shane Kenney-Vaughan, Polly Brodbeck, Melda Burns, Leah Coughenour, Dottie Donohoe, Kay Dunbar, Lucille Few, Marie Lenard, Marv Plugge, Loretta Roe, Lois Rowland, Don Vlasaty, Liz Wills

† Friends & family: Mark Mooty, Felisa, Joshua Kiniaard (16 yrs), Jason, Betty, Rob, Dave, Sam Andrew, Scott & Beels, Emily, Seth, Nora and Logan, Kathy, Lisa, Gail, and Mary; Chele, Debra, Roseann Schneider, Sofia, Michael R., Joan & Dave, Mooty family, Kaela, Callie (Coughenour), Steve, Bryan Hernandez, Ruth, Katie Stephenson & her unborn child, Sara, Terry Obago, Gary Miana, Magdalena Barba & family, Terry, Debbie, Oscar Rodriguez, Kurt Coughenour, Keith, Skylar Silva, Gayle, Robert & Arlene Adams, Kirsten & family, Rossy, Nancy Blizzard, Aleta, Vanessa, Russ Glauner, Cheryl, Don & Annette, Anna Cordova, Jean Klinke, Brandon, Westley, Rogene, Chris, Peter, Enrique, Bill

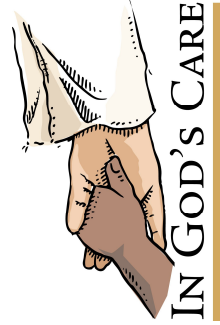
† Near End of Life: Bryan Hernandez's mother; Richard Kilm

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

† Family of Lois Rowland, upon her death on June 24

**Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, we 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.*

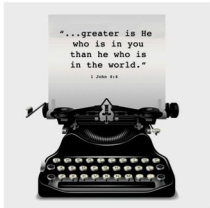


The Lord your God is in your midst,  
a mighty one who will save;

he will rejoice over you  
*with gladness;*  
he will quiet you by  
*his love;*  
he will exult over you with  
*loud singing.*

Zephaniah 3:17

## 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

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### Altar Flowers and Candle Offerings

† Sanctuary Candle for August, given by Daleen Olson, in loving memory of Bruce MacDonald

† Altar Flowers for:

Aug. 9-10: Given by Tommy & Ruth Glauner, in thanksgiving for their 76th wedding anniversary

Aug. 16-17: Bob & Bonnie Paine, in thanksgiving for their 58th wedding anniversary

Aug. 30-31: Given by Mares & Trujillo Families, in honor of Marcus' birthday

**Donations:** Flowers = \$35 per arrangement;  
Sanctuary Candle = \$25 for the month.

### Worship Assistants

Sign up sheets are posted on the kiosk, in the church lobby. Thank you for your ministries.

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## ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Pamela Franco, *Media Ministry Assistant*

Nancy Granert, *Organist*

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Taylor Hollowwa, *Nursery Care on Sunday*

Angelica Miller, *Office Manager, Ministry*

*Assistant, Horizon newsletter Editor*

Victor Barba & Jonathan Barba *Custodians*

## Church Council

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