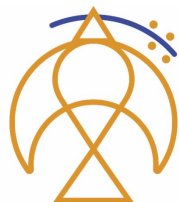


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ST. LUKE CHURCH

Join us for a baseball game!!

Mark your calendar now and sign up to join St. Luke families and friends for a fun time at the Kane County Cougars game Sunday, June 12.



St. Luke will provide the bus transportation to and from the church parking lot. We'll leave at approximately 11:30 a.m. (after the service). The game begins at 1 p.m. and should last about 2 1/2 hours, when we'll return to the church.

Tickets are \$20 each and include your box seat and \$10 voucher for food or souvenirs. Please sign up early to ensure that the seats are together. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space, or you may sign up [here](#).

The Zeta Fellowship Committee (Al Baldwin, Mary Brennan, Jim Collins, Debbie Cebold, Jim O'Toole) is coordinating.

PNC update

As noted in last month's update, the PNC has uploaded our Ministry Information Form to the PC (USA) Church Leadership Connection database. We have started receiving and are evaluating Pastor Information Forms on a regular basis, and have begun initial interviews with the strongest candidates. The process continues!

As always, please keep the PNC in your prayers as we search for our next pastor.

PNC members: Todd Schenk, moderator; Debbie Cebold, Arlene Langley, John Miller, Fred Moszur, Bonnie Reid, and Jake Smith.

CE to host potluck, Bible Story Slam

Join us after church on Youth Sunday (May 22) for a potluck lunch and intergenerational Bible Story Slam (a lively retelling of a Bible story). It will be the first of a series of Fourth-Sunday offerings to be continued through the summer. No signup. Just bring a dish to share.



On May 22 we will retell the story from the Youth Sunday service. Our Summer programs will focus on Bible stories illuminated by our sanctuary's newly hung stained glass windows. Mark your calendars through summer for Fourth-Sunday food, fellowship, and fun. For more information, email Rick Roche at christianed@stlukedg.org.

Study of the Gospel of Luke to resume

We will resume our weekly Wednesday morning Bible Studies on May 4, from 11:15 to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. We will continue our study of the Gospel of Luke, looking more closely at the stories of Holy Week. You are invited to join us as you are able. Contact Pastor Debbie, pastor@stlukedg.org, for the Zoom link.



CHICAGOLAND

St. Luke to collect Welcome Kit items

World Relief Chicagoland is preparing to resettle refugees from Ukraine and continuing to resettle refugees from Afghanistan. The World Relief Office in Carol Stream has provided an updated list of top needed items for Refugee Welcome Kits. You can help to provide these needed items by using the sign-up form at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805044FA8A622AAF49-refugee1>

to indicate which items you intend to purchase. Then bring those items to church by Memorial Day (May 30, 2022) and place them on the designated table in the Gathering Space. Items such as postage stamps or gift cards can be given to Fred Moszur, Mission Elder, or dropped off at the church office.

Thank you.

Christian Education/Youth updates

Youth Sunday is May 22. Our students are working hard to put together their worship service, so please come and support the youth group.

Youth Group will meet on May 15 instead of May 8 due to Mother's Day. This will be the last scheduled meeting for the school year, but please check emails and the Lukan Letter for more summer activities for the students.

Club Luke will wrap up this season in May meeting Tuesdays 4:45-5:15. May 3, 10, and 17 are the upcoming dates.



Book Club chooses historical fiction

The St. Luke Book Group will be meeting on Thursday, May 26, at 7 p.m. to discuss the historical fiction ***The Long Petal of the Sea*** by Isabel Allende. This epic novel spans decades and continents to tell a story about immigrant struggle. In the aftermath of the Spanish Civil War, a pregnant widow flees to Chile with her brother-in-law, who had been a Republican army doctor. They enter a marriage of convenience in order to survive, as they learn what being in exile really means.

Meetings are open to all.

Click [here](#) for a listing and description of the books we will be discussing the rest of the year. For more information, contact Rick Roche at ricklibrarian@yahoo.com or 630-215-8616.

Community Kitchen Corner

April was a record month for number of meals St. Luke served at the Community Kitchen. St. Luke served a total of 191 meals during the four weeks in April, which breaks the previous record of 187 meals served last November (5 weeks). The average number of breakfasts served for April was 21 and the average number of dinners served was 27.

St. Luke is blessed with a very spacious, well-equipped kitchen; we are preparing more of our CK meals in the church kitchen. The challenge of cooking a meal for 30+ people is a LOT easier when there are 2-3 people working together using larger-sized cookware; the food we get from the food rescue is often in economical, commercial-size quantities. If you would enjoy helping prepare a meal with others in the church kitchen, please check out the SignUpGenius; there are now slots for helping prepare meals in the church kitchen:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4ca8a62eaafb6-breakfast>.

Please feel free to contact Vida at vidajue@gmail.com to volunteer or with any questions.



Worship in the Sanctuary every Sunday at 10 a.m.

Videos of the service will be posted to our YouTube channel, usually by Monday morning. The Order of Worship and a link will be sent via email when the video is available.

Monday, 5/2

Exercise Group -- 8:30 a.m. [outside group] (*every Monday*)

The Bells of St. Luke -- 7 p.m. (*every Monday*)

Big Book Group -- 8 p.m. [outside group] (*every Monday*)

Knitting Group -- 8 p.m. (*every Monday*) via Zoom

Tuesday, 5/3

Serve Breakfast and Dinner at the Community Kitchen--click [here](#) or visit the St. Luke [Calendar](#) to sign up (*every Tuesday*)

Club Luke 4:45--5:15 p.m. (*every Tuesday*) on Zoom

Wednesday, 5/4

Exercise Group -- 8:30 a.m. [outside group] (*every Wednesday*)

Bible Study -- 11:15 a.m. on Zoom



St. Luke Prayer List

Please continue to pray for all those on our prayer list. Click [here](#) to view our current Prayer List.

Good News & Gratitudes



The worship committee is grateful to everyone who loaned plants and/or purchased flowers to help decorate the sanctuary for Easter. Thanks, also, to Debbie Cebold and Linda Christy for creating our indoor garden.

Do you have any news you would like

Worship team -- 6 p.m.

Christian Education team -- 7 p.m.

Chancel Choir -- 7:30--9 p.m.

Thursday, 5/5

The GALZ & Da Guys -- 9:30 a.m.
(every Thursday)

Daisy Girl Scouts -- 3 p.m. [outside
group] (also 5/19)

Wednesday, 5/11

Mission Team -- 7 p.m.

Thursday, 5/12

Deacon meeting -- 7 p.m.

Sunday, 5/15

Stewardship team -- 8:30 a.m.

Property team -- 11:15 a.m.

Youth Group -- 4 p.m. (also 5/22)

to share? Please contact us at session@stlucedg.org with your good news or your thanks/gratitude for the St. Luke family. A photo is always welcome, too!

May Calendar continued:

Thursday, 5/19

Session -- 7 p.m.

Wednesday, 5/25

BURT (Building Use Request Team)
-- 7 p.m.

Thursday, 5/26

St. Luke Book Group -- 7 p.m.

For a complete list of all events, visit our [events page](#) on our website.

The deadline for the next Lukan Letter is **Wednesday, May 25. Please send submissions to session@stlucedg.org.*

Visit us on the web: stlucedg.org

