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# The St. Luke Messenger

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### **October 2, 2016**

#### **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00am Sunday School for all ages  
10:00am Holy Communion Worship  
with Council Elections  
11:30am Finance Committee

### **October 9, 2016**

#### **Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00am Sunday School for all ages  
10:00am Holy Communion Worship  
11:30am Council Meeting  
Rich out of town

### **October 16, 2016**

#### **Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

9:00am Sunday School for all ages  
10:00am Holy Communion Worship  
11:30am Worship and Music  
3:00pm Richmond Conference Gathering

### **October 23, 2016**

#### **Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

8:45am Youth Brkfst at Paradise  
9:00am Sunday School for all ages  
10:00am Holy Communion Worship  
Pastor Fred at Ministerium

### **October 30, 2016**

#### **Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

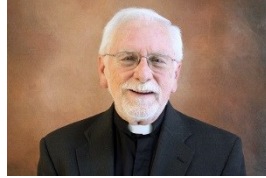
9:00am Sunday School for all ages  
10:00am Holy Communion Worship  
5:00pm Harvest Fest Dinner cooked by Dieter Karras  
Program: "Tales of The Reformation"

## **FOCUS ON WORSHIP**

**St. Luke, Evangelist:** October 18 is the festival of St. Luke, Evangelist. St. Luke was a gentile physician, follower of Christ and companion of St. Paul. Identified as the author of both Luke and Acts, Luke was careful to place the events of Jesus' life in their social and religious contexts. His gospel gives us some of the most beloved parables, as well as the songs of Zechariah, Mary, the angels, and Simeon. We observe this lesser festival when it falls on a Sunday.

**Reformation Day:** Reformation Day is not part of the Liturgical Calendar, but is important as part of our Lutheran heritage. It is a day for giving thanks for Martin Luther and the other reformers, but much more, it calls attention to the ongoing need for ecumenical growth and renewal of the church. It falls on October 31st every year, but is observed on the Sunday on or before October 31. On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther wrote to Albrecht, Archbishop of Mainz and Magdeburg, protesting against the sale of indulgences. He enclosed in his letter a copy of his "Disputation of Martin Luther on the Power and Efficacy of Indulgences," which came to be known as The 95 Theses. Luther wrote the 95 Theses and posted them on the church of All Saints, an event now seen as sparking the Protestant Reformation. The liturgical color of the day is red, which represents the Holy Spirit and the Martyrs of the Christian Church. Luther's hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is our God" is often sung on this Sunday.





## A Note from Pastor Fred RE-FORM-A-TION

St. Luke Lutheran Church is a member of the Virginia Synod of the Evangelical Church in America. To find out more about the Lutheran Church, please visit the following websites: ELCA, [www.ELCA.org](http://www.ELCA.org) or Virginia Synod, [www.vasynod.org](http://www.vasynod.org)

### Virginia Synod News

The Virginia Lutheran, which is the Virginia Synod's newsletter, is available online anytime at [www.vasynod.org](http://www.vasynod.org).

**Are you interested in joining our St Luke family?**



If you have enjoyed worshipping with us so far this year and are contemplating becoming a member, we would love to hear from you!

Please contact Rev. Fred Marcoux, our pastor; Tammy, the church administrator; or any member of our Evangelism committee for more information. If you would like to meet with Pastor Fred, please call or email the office at 272-0486 or [stlukelutheran@outlook.com](mailto:stlukelutheran@outlook.com) to schedule an appointment.

At the end of this month we will start a year long celebration of the five hundredth anniversary of the Reformation. Each month will have a special bulletin insert that will tell of some interesting historical event or thought that came out of the Reformation era. ON October 30 there will be a joint worship of Lutherans and Roman Catholics at Epiphany Lutheran Church – more information will be on the way.

What was that you said? A celebration of the Reformation that includes Roman Catholics? If you have been on this earth for more than a couple of generations, this is not something you would have dreamed about. Yet it is true. Very few Lutherans know about the concordat that was signed between Lutherans and Roman Catholics seventeen years ago which was quite historic in its agreement about justification by faith through grace apart from works of the law.

If you are a die-hard Lutheran you might say Hurrah, we won! Not so fast. This is just the beginning of a long journey of bilateral ecumenical talks continue. On the other hand some of you might yawn and say so what. Isn't this just a lot of theological jargon between the super educated in both denominations? What difference does it make in our every day lives?

The truth is, it really does not matter what opinion anyone has. Why? Because anything that brings Christians into closer unity HAS to be the work of the Holy Spirit. Recall Jesus' great prayer at the last supper in the Gospel of John: 'That they all may be one'. I for one am not about to challenge the work of that Spirit. The real question is how willing anyone whether Lutheran or Catholic wants to keep arguing the polemics of the past. Perhaps this year is a time to realize that Re-form-a-tion is always an ongoing process that starts with ourselves and whatever thoughts or actions on our part that resists the Holy Spirit's work.

In Peace,  
Pastor Fred



### Church Staff Contact Info



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## Pastor's HOURS

Pastor Fred's hours are  
Wednesdays 9:30am to 2:30pm.

Please call the church office at 804-272-0486 if you would like to schedule an appointment.  
Pastor's email address is: [pastorstluke@outlook.com](mailto:pastorstluke@outlook.com).

### Pastor Fred's Mid-week Bible Study

Pastor Fred's Mid-week Bible Study is a scripture discussion every Wednesday morning, from 10:30am - 11:30am.

He will continue using a variety of study methods so we can delve into the text to discover new insights in how the words speak over the centuries and into our own time. There is no need to bring a Bible - we have plenty here to work with.

Classes will continue every week at 10:30am on Wednesday mornings. Please come out and join us!!





## From Rich Barnett our Director of Music

Musical meanderings....

Many thanks for the support I have enjoyed these past few months. One of my greatest pleasures is to play for a singing congregation and I have found it at St. Luke! I am amazed at how energetically the good folks of St. Luke's sing and participate.

Our wonderfully talented and faithful choir has also been a special joy. They are a hard working bunch and are very warm and welcoming. Along with preparing Sunday anthems, we are also rehearsing the music for the December 18th Christmas Cantata so please consider joining the choir on Thursday evenings for rehearsal and fun!

On Sunday mornings my wife Luci and I have begun rehearsing for the December 11th Children's Christmas Cantata with the Sunday School students. Please encourage all the children you know to come and participate! We are going to tell salvation history with very old prophesy stories of the birth of Jesus that include Noah's ark; Jonah and the whale; and King David to name a few. This production might be another Cecil B. DeMille classic if only we could recruit a cast of thousands...

Looking ahead to next year – on February 24th we will be presenting a special concert Agape, which is written by the beloved composer Marty Haugen, and is a performance work inspired by the "agape feasts" of the early Christian church. Scholars believe "agape feasts" or community meals - were tied into the celebration of the Eucharist in the early church. The musical chronicles the lives and work of four modern day followers of Jesus--Chief Seattle, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Archbishop Oscar Romero and Dorothy Day--who worked for justice for all people.

Agape includes adult and children's choirs, soloists, instrumentalists and audience participation. And in order to make this truly a community event we will be inviting other churches to participate thereby bringing people of different faiths together here at St. Luke.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to know more about the music at St. Luke!

Peace,

Richard Barnett  
Director of Music  
St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Blessed are they who can laugh at themselves for they shall never cease to be amused!*



### CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS



Thursdays at 7:30pm

### HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSALS



Thursdays at 6:30pm


### ALEXANDER PALEY MUSIC FESTIVAL Sept. 16 - Sept. 18



*Thank you to everyone that  
participates in our  
musical ministry!*



If you would like more information about St. Luke's musical ministry, please contact our Director of Music.

 Rich Barnett  
804-272-0486, X14  
musicstluke@outlook.com

## Music & Concert SCHEDULE

**Saturday, October 15, 2016**

**3:00pm**

**Caitlin Hunt Violin Recital**

**Saturday, November 3, 2016**

**3:00pm**

**Michele Huang Piano Recital**

**Sunday, December 11, 2016**

**10:00am**

**Christmas Pageant**

**Saturday, January 28, 2017**

**7:30pm**

**Alexander Paley's Winter Weekend Piano Concert**

**Sunday, January 29, 2017**

**3:00pm**

**Paley Piano Recital for Kids/Adults**

**Friday, February 24, 2017**

**7:00pm**

**AGAPE Concert  
Adult & Children's Choirs**

### ST. LUKE CONCERT FUND

Last year, the Worship and Music Committee and the Church Council approved the creation of a special Concert Fund.



It consists of voluntary contributions to be used for the purpose of supporting concerts and musical events at St. Luke which benefit the church's mission.

To contribute to this special account, please mark your contribution "Concert Fund"

We wish to thank all our members for their support of all of St. Luke Ministries. We couldn't do it without you!



### Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
9:30am to 4:30pm

The office is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

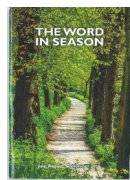
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### THE WORD IN SEASON

The October—December copy of "The Word In Season" Devotional Booklet is now available in the narthex. Please pick up your copy when you're at church.

### St. Luke Work Day

**Saturday, November 5th 8:00 AM—Noon**

It's time to get the church grounds ready for winter. Lots of jobs—some **HEAVY** work—some *Light* work. There's a job just made for **YOU!**

Some of the jobs we need to do: Cut trees & bushes on Custis Rd and the "back forty". Brush pine needles from parking lot. Clean out trash weeds, etc. Mulch rose & azalea beds. "Fluff" playground mulch & inspect equipment. Replace punk wood on picnic benches, sand & paint tables & benches. And the list goes on.....

Equipment we can use: rakes, shovels, weed-eaters, leaf blowers, hoes. Need power-washers and chain saws. If you'll be able to bring power washers or chain saws, please call or email Sim Austin at 804-748-2605 or [simeonaustin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:simeonaustin@sbcglobal.net)

We also need a "hostess" to distribute water & donuts to our workers.

**Please bring your work gloves and join us on Nov. 5th.**  
With many hands we can get this done in a morning!



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## STOP HUNGER NOW pictures from September 10, 2016



Many hands make like work. Thanks for helping everyone.  
We packaged 15,000 meals in less than two hours!



## August/September 2016 Worship Attendance

### COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Sunday, October 2

### REFORMATION SUNDAY

Sunday, October 30

### HARVEST FEST DINNER AND PROGRAM

Sunday, October 30

### FALL CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, November 5

### ALL SAINTS DAY

Sunday, November 6

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 6

### CROP WALK

Sunday, Nov. 13

### YOUTH LOST AND FOUND

Nov. 18 – Nov. 20

### CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Sunday, Nov. 20

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, Nov. 27

### MEN'S GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday, Dec. 6, at Joe's Inn

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sunday, Dec. 11 during Worship

Sunday, August 7, 2016  
12th Sunday after Pentecost

61

N/A

Sunday, August 14, 2016  
13th Sunday after Pentecost

78

N/A

Sunday, August 21, 2016  
14th Sunday after Pentecost

78

N/A

Sunday, August 28, 2016  
15th Sunday after Pentecost

66

N/A

Sunday, September 4, 2016  
16th Sunday after Pentecost

74

N/A

Sunday, September 11, 2016  
17th Sunday after Pentecost

93

N/A

Sunday, September 18, 2016  
18th Sunday after Pentecost

84

23

Sunday, September 25, 2016  
19th Sunday after Pentecost

72

19

### Alexander Paley Concert Totals

Friday, September 16, 2016

131

Saturday, September 17, 2016

133

Sunday, September 18, 2016

124



If you would like to add a family member or a friend to the prayer list, please complete a **blue** Prayer Request Card and drop it in the offering plate on Sunday or turn it in to the office. Prayer Request Cards are available in each pew rack, from the church office and from any usher.

## August/September Prayer Requests

Please keep the following St. Luke members, their families and our friends in your thoughts and prayers.



**Recent Prayer Requests:** Ryan Austin, Carol Bernard, Brandon, Campbell Brandt, Family of Dorothy Briegel, Casey Brooks, Brenda Burgess, Family of Kathy Clark, Scott Cook, Deacon DeFrehn, Charles DuBois, Dr. Mark Freeman, Mr. Tracy Gammon and family, Family of Joe Greenspoon, Jackson, Lloyd Jennings, Gladys Jones, Jackie King, Family of Doris Kummerlowe, Teri Burton Kuttenkuler, Marilyn Leander, Audra McCullough, Clara Osborn, Curtis Peek, John Peterson, Michelle Phillips, Family of Vincent Reedinger Sr., Beth Rogers, Dr. Ron Snead, Arlene Tyler, Family of Lillie Walker, Judy Wilkens, Don Wilson, MiJohn Wilson, Ardelle Wise, Jean Yerian

**Continuing in our Prayers:** Jo Blandford, Peter Brown, Ken Hammond, Betty Howdyshell, Howdy Howdyshell, Wilma Hughes, Sandra Moore, Janet Nelson, Wayne Pennington, Chris Pyle, Phillip Rasmussen, Dick Wilson, Phyllis Worrell

**Our Loved Ones Serving Overseas:** John Olson, Peace Corp, Cpl. Sarah Pettit, USMC  
*Names are kept on the prayer list for four weeks unless otherwise indicated.*



## We love visitors!

Bring your family and friends to Church. Everyone is most welcome at St. Luke. Please have them fill out a Visitor Card (located in each pew rack or from any usher) and return it in the offering plate.



If they would like more information about our church, I will be glad to answer any questions they might have about St. Luke, including church membership. They can also speak with a member of our Evangelism committee or call the church office at 804-272-0486, for more information.

In Peace,  
Pastor Fred Marcoux

COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Sunday, Oct. 2

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:  
Oct. 2, 11:30am

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY:  
Oct. 5, 10:30am

COUNCIL MEETING: Oct. 9, 11:30am

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Oct. 10, 7:00pm

AM WOMEN'S GRP: Oct. 11, 10:30am

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY:  
Oct. 12, 10:30am

PM WOMEN'S GRP: Oct. 12, 6:30pm,

MEN'S LUNCH GRP: Oct. 13, 12:00pm  
The Crazy Greek Restaurant, Midlothian

BOOK CLUB: Oct. 14, 7:30pm. Shealys

WORSHIP & MUSIC: Oct. 16, 11:30am

MEALS ON WHEELS: Oct. 18, 11:00am

OCT 19 BIBLE STUDY: Canceled

MEALS ON WHEELS: Oct. 20, 11:00am

PASTOR FRED OUT OF TOWN:  
Oct. 23

YOUTH BRKFST: Oct. 23, 11:30am

CHRISTIAN ED: Oct. 23, 11:30am

MEN'S GROUP: Oct. 25, 6:00pm

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY:  
Oct. 26, 10:30am

HARVEST FEST DINNER - PROGRAM  
Oct. 30, 5:00pm

## WHAT DO YOU HAVE PLANNED?

Do you have an important meeting or an event coming up?  
Please make sure to give the church office your dates and times.

You may call us at 804-272-0486 or email your info to the office to [stlukelutheran@outlook.com](mailto:stlukelutheran@outlook.com). The Church Scheduling Calendar, which is located in the office, has all church activities listed, including outside groups that use our building



There are also large calendars posted on a bulletin board in the fellowship hall with church events. Please feel free to post your events there and they will be added to the church calendar. Thank you for helping us keep the calendar up to date.

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Member  
DIRECTORY

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## Explore your Church Family!

Introduce yourself to someone new each week  
or bring someone to church with you.



## Committee Meetings

### And Group Events

The next meeting of the Worship & Music Committee is Oct. 16 at 11:30am.



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

Next meeting is Oct. 10 at 7:00pm.

## St. Luke Lutheran Book Club

The next Book Club meeting is Oct. 14 at 7:30pm. Luther and Debbie Shealy will be our hosts.



Our book is Kristen Green's book "Something Must Be Done About Prince Edward County".

Please RSVP the Shealys if you wish to join our group.

Phone: 804-379-3576 or  
Email: lshealy2012@gmail.com

Christian Education Meeting



The next Christian Ed. meeting is on October 23 at 11:30am

**St. Luke Men's Lunch Group**  
meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month



Thursday,  
October 13, 2016  
at  
12:00pm

"The Crazy Greek"  
Restaurant  
on Busy Street  
in Midlothian.

This year we will have lunches during the summer months.

We'd love to have you so please join us!

## ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN'S GROUPS MEETINGS

The Women of St. Luke meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:30am and the 2nd Wednesday at 6:30pm. We have two meetings so that we can include all the Women of St. Luke. We ask for volunteers to provide the Devotion and we welcome guest dessert, soup and salad makers.

**Morning Women's Group:** Tuesday, October 11 ~ 10:30am  
Carpool to First Freedom Cntr, Lunch at Bottoms Up, visit Maggie Walker House

**Evening Women's Group:** Wednesday, October 12 ~ 6:30pm  
Soup, salad, drinks, dessert provided for \$5.00. Our Program is "Analyse Adams: The Work of Shalom Farms," a local beneficiary of CROP Walk funds

**October Outreach:** Please bring new or gently used twin bed sized blankets for *Housing Families First*.

We welcome all Women of St. Luke. If you are new to our church or have been a member for years, please consider attending either the morning or evening Women's Group meeting! The fellowship is rewarding and the programs are thought provoking.

Please call Mariett Eggleston at 804-320-1817 or Millie Olson at 804-739-5448 for more information.

## St. Luke Men's Group Meeting

Come join us in October! Our next meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 6:00pm. Dinner will be lasagna, salad and dessert, provided by Millie Olson, Suzie Weeks and Pat Carroll.

Our speaker will be Tom Veazey, manager of the Special Projects & Senior Fraud Program for the Better Business Bureau of Central Virginia.



If you would like more information about our Men's Group, please call Bill Kipps our President at 804-794-1384 or Jim Pettit, our Vice-President at 804-378-7012.

The St. Luke Men's Group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm for dinner and a special program. Come join the fun! We'd love to see you at our next meeting!

## St. Luke's Sharing Ministry & FeedMore's Meals on Wheels program

St. Luke volunteers participate every month in the Meals on Wheels program, where we deliver meals to those in need who cannot leave their homes to get food. If you would like to assist us, volunteers are always welcome. All volunteers go through one training session before they begin.



We assist Meals on Wheels on the third Tuesday & third Thursday every month. Besides those dates, we have several members that participate on other days. Please contact Dana Wiggins at 804-475-0077 for details and to sign-up.

## St. Luke's Days For Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, October 18 at 11:00am  
Thursday, October 20 at 11:00am



## Flower Dedications



The Ministry of flowers is an important part of the Sunday Service at St. Luke Lutheran. Flowers are used to beautify our sanctuary and are a gift to God and those who attend worship services.

Altar flowers may be dedicated to "The Glory of God", "In Memory of" a loved one or "In Honor of" a special person, an anniversary, birthday, birth, baptism or other special event. More than

one person may find a certain date important so flowers may be given in more than one name on any given Sunday.

If you would like to donate and dedicate flowers for any Sunday service, arrangements cost \$27.00 each. You will be billed directly from Coleman Brothers Flowers and the flowers will be delivered to the church. The flowers are yours to take home after the service that Sunday or you can ask that they be taken to one of our ill or homebound members. Please sign up on the flower chart located in the fellowship hall.

Please contact the church office or Jean Stewart if you have any questions. Thank you.

Please make the following additions or changes to your membership directory:

Kathy Zoghby  
Ben Zoghby, Chris Zoghby  
13905 Durhamshire Lane  
Midlothian, VA 23113  
Cell: 804-536-8672  
Email: kzoghby@verizon.net

Coraina Broome  
Darius Mason, Delvin Kargbo  
4070 Victoria Way #52  
Lexington, KY 40515  
Cell: 859-777-4030  
Email: N/A



## Would you like to be part of our Worship Service?

Sunday Worship services are a very important part of our church life here at St. Luke. Every Sunday, our church members participate in our worship service as Acolytes, Assisting Ministers, Crucifers and Ushers. We also have Altar Guild members who set up for Sunday services, Altar Bread Bakers, Chancel Choir members, Bell Choir members, Musicians and many other Committee Members who serve the Lord and St. Luke by providing their time, talents and energy.



If you are interested in serving and would like more information about these or other opportunities to be a part of our Worship Ministry, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact Pastor Fred Marcoux or Vince Reedinger for more information. You'll be glad you did!

## 2016 Flower Calendar

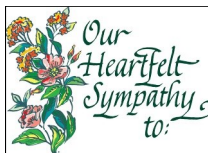


The 2016 Flower Calendar is now up in the fellowship hall. To those of you who give flowers every year during the same time frame, thank you. If you're new to St. Luke or haven't signed up yet to provide Sunday altar flowers, won't you consider doing so?

Flowers may be given in more than one name on any given Sunday. If your date seems to be taken, please sign up anyway or call the church office to do so. If you would like more information about our Flower Calendar or if you have any questions about Altar Flowers, please contact Tammy in the church office at 804-272-0486 or stlukelutheran@outlook.com.

You can also contact Jean Stewart, our sacristan, at 804-276-2690. Thank you.

Our condolences and heartfelt sympathy go out to the family of Vincent Reedinger, Sr., father of Vince Reedinger Jr. Mr. Reedinger passed away to the Lord on August 19, 2016. His Memorial Service was held August 29, 2016 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Edison. NJ.



Please remember Vince and the Reedinger family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

## Do you have something for the Newsletter?

The November 2016 Newsletter Deadline is Oct. 20.

Please call in or e-mail in your submissions with your all of your October meeting dates and notices to Tammy in the church office as soon as possible. Thanks!



804-272-0486, stlukelutheran@outlook.com

## 2016 Council Officers, Council Members Congregational Leaders and Trustees:

Rev. Fredrick Marcoux, Pastor	Brenda Reedinger, Council Member
Sim Austin, Council President	Ludi Webber, Financial Secretary
Luther Shealy, Council Vice-President	Suzie Weeks, Council Member
Luann Andreadis, Council Secretary	Marty Witthoefft, Treasurer
Pat Carroll, Council Member	Peggy Walters, Trustee
Tim Hesson, Council Member	Butch Webber, Trustee
Bill Kipps, Council Member	Rick Witthoefft, Trustee
Dean Ludwig, Council Member	

## ST. LUKE COUNCIL CORNER

*Council*  
UPDATE

The next Council Meeting is at  
11:30am on  
Sunday,  
**October 9th**

## 2017 ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Church Council  
Elections



The 2017 Congregation Council elections will be held on **October 2016**. Our church bylaws allow open nominations from the congregation during the final three Sundays leading up to the election. During this period, these nominations are to be added to the list of candidates developed by the nominating committee.

If you would like to serve, or if you would like to nominate someone to serve, this is the time to get your name, or their name, on the candidates list. *Please note, permission must be obtained from the nominee before you submit their name.* **Names cannot be added to the ballot on election day.**

If you'd like to nominate someone, once their permission is obtained, please contact Luther Shealy, our Council Vice President, and he will send additional information about Council responsibilities, information and expectations to them. Once he confirms that they agree to serve if elected, Luther will also obtain "bio" information from them to share with the congregation.

Once permission is obtained, please fill out the nomination form below or located in the narthex and give it to Luther. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Luther or Sim Austin, President, for more info. Luther: [LShealy2012@gmail.com](mailto:LShealy2012@gmail.com), 804-379-3576 OR Sim: [simeonaustin@icloud.com](mailto:simeonaustin@icloud.com), 804-748-2605



Church Council  
Nominations

## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(your name)

Wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
(nominee's name)

to run for the St. Luke congregational church council in October 2016.

I have spoken with and secured the nominee's permission before submitting this nomination.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## August 2016

	<u>August, 2016</u>	<u>August, 2015</u>
Amount Pledged 4 Sundays-2016; 5 Sundays-2015	\$ 16,273.08	\$ 19,201.90
Received on Pledges	\$ 15,791.00	\$ 20,085.00
Amount Over or (Under) the Pledges for this Period	\$ (482.08)	\$ 883.10
Percent Over or (Under) for current month	-2.96%	4.60%
Percent Over or (Under) YTD	2.00%	2.27%
Amount needed for Budget; 35 Sun-2016; 35 Sun-2015	\$ 18,837.68	\$ 22,744.50
Total Unrestricted Donations	\$ 18,211.65	\$ 23,403.60
Unrestricted Donations Over or (Under) Expenditures		
Budgeted for this Period	\$ (626.03)	\$ 659.10
Percent Over (Under) for current month	-3.32%	2.90%
Percent Over (Under) YTD	2.01%	1.35%

### Pledges

Needed YTD	\$ 142,389.45
Received YTD	\$ 145,237.00
Amount Over/(Under)	\$ 2,847.55
% Difference	2.00%

### Budget

Needed YTD	\$ 164,829.70
Received YTD	\$ 168,139.02
Amount Over/(Under)	\$ 3,309.32
% Difference	2.01%

## September 2016

	<u>September, 2016</u>	<u>September, 2015</u>
Amount Pledged 4 Sundays-2016; 4 Sundays-2015	\$ 16,273.08	\$ 15,361.52
Received on Pledges	\$ 15,696.00	\$ 14,718.00
Amount Over or (Under) the Pledges for this Period	\$ (577.08)	\$ (643.52)
Percent Over or (Under) for current month	-3.55%	-4.19%
Percent Over or (Under) YTD	1.43%	1.60%
Amount needed for Budget; 39 Sun-2016; 39 Sun-2015	\$ 18,837.68	\$ 18,195.60
Total Unrestricted Donations	\$ 17,236.58	\$ 15,905.72
Unrestricted Donations Over or (Under) Expenditures		
Budgeted for this Period	\$ (1,601.10)	\$ (2,289.88)
Percent Over (Under) for current month	-8.50%	-12.58%
Percent Over (Under) YTD	0.93%	-0.08%

### Pledges

Needed YTD	\$ 158,662.53
Received YTD	\$ 160,933.00
Amount Over/(Under)	\$ 2,270.47
% Difference	1.43%

### Budget

Needed YTD	\$ 183,667.38
Received YTD	\$ 185,375.60
Amount Over/(Under)	\$ 1,708.22
% Difference	0.93%

## We give thanks for those who help us every month

We couldn't do it without you! Thank you all for everything you do.

We thank all our members who:

- Help maintain the church
- Take care of our Altar and candles
- Serve as Worship Assistants on Sundays
- Read our Lessons on Sundays
- Teach Sunday School
- Serve as Ushers on Sundays
- Serve as Tellers on Sundays
- Drive our Elderly to Church on Sundays
- Sing in our Chancel Choir
- Play in our Bell Choir
- Share their musical ministry
- Help our fellow members with food and cards
- Make calls for the Church when needed
- Record our Services and Special Events
- Take pictures for Special Events
- Do video presentations on Sundays



## STAY IN TOUCH WITH SOCIAL MEDIA

### We're on the web!

Website ~ [www.stlukerichmond.org](http://www.stlukerichmond.org)  
FaceBook ~ [www.facebook.com/stlukerichmond](http://www.facebook.com/stlukerichmond)  
Flickr ~ [www.flickr.com/photos/stlukerichmond/sets](http://www.flickr.com/photos/stlukerichmond/sets)  
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Log onto our website to check Worship Schedules, upcoming events, read Lessons and Gospel, and check the calendar.



Did you miss a Sunday service and need of a mid-week spiritual lift? The link to Pastor Fred's sermons is also on our website. Watch him on YouTube!



"Like" St. Luke Lutheran on Facebook. You can see announcements, pictures and updates just by viewing your Facebook entries. Don't forget to share and let your Facebook "friends" see the wonderful things going on at St. Luke Lutheran Church.



Go to Flickr to see pictures of St. Luke's fellowship and Worship events.



Do you have Pinterest? You can find St. Luke there.



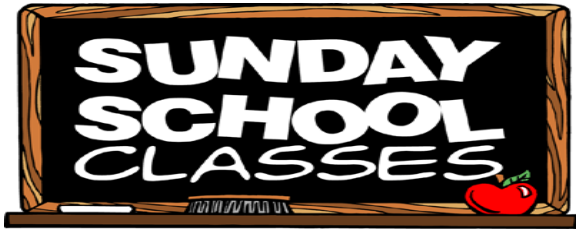
If you use Gmail, you can follow us on Google+.



Do we have your email address?

If not, please let us know so we can keep you updated on church services, events and programs.

# Learning Ministry News



**There's a  
Bible School class  
just for you!**

**Each Sunday at  
9:00 AM**



## Sunday School for all ages!

This year we have classes for preschool, elementary, confirmation, youth (middle & high school), and Adult Forum. Pre-school thru youth will begin Sunday mornings with 15 min of music with our new Director of Music, Rich Barnett - so don't be late!

Please come join us!



## ADULT CLASSES



For October, we continue with September's subject "We Must Plant the Church-The Story of Lutherans in America". Focused on and beginning with Colonial Times, we'll watch DVDs and have a study guide. Vince Reedinger, our class leader, will present one segment each week ending on October 23.

### COMING UP:

October 2 - "to Meet Human Need: Building Institutions", understanding why we have so many Lutheran Denominations, about how the churches organized to serve human need and provide education for their young people.

October 9 - "Working Together: Lutherans Uniting". We'll hear about the various kinds of Lutherans and why they formed their own denominations. Come hear the story of how Lutherans care deeply about their theology and church structures, so mergers didn't come easily.

Please join us. All are welcome!

## HARVEST FEST Kicks off the Fall Food Collection for FEEDMORE!

Come to the **HARVEST FEST**, **October 30, 5:00-7:00 PM** and enjoy the wonderful aromas of home cooked food and know that you are helping your Central Virginia neighbors receive their daily bread also.

Proceeds from the **HARVEST FEST** dinner are being donated to FEEDMORE. You'll also receive a grocery bag to fill with nutritious foods during November for FEEDMORE'S Food Bank. Two ways to insure those who need a helping hand will not go hungry!



**HARVEST FEST is open to the public so INVITE your friends and family to come with you.** We've got a great German "Bulleschen" (meatballs) dinner for you from Chef Dieter Karras. All the trimmings of a great autumn meal and P I E, all kinds of P I E for dessert!

An added bonus: The **POLKA DOTS**, St. Luke's Polka Band will be with us for some great dinner music. A light-hearted program, "*Tales of the Reformation*" featuring many of St. Luke's finest talent, follows the dinner.

Tickets: Adult - \$10.00, Kids - \$5.00, Families 4+ \$28.00, Kids under 3 - Free

To help us know how many to expect for dinner, please fill out the reservation sheet **TODAY!!** It's in this newsletter on **page 15**.

You can also call or email the church office with your reservation name and count:  
Phone 804-272-0486 or Email [stlukelutheran@outlook.com](mailto:stlukelutheran@outlook.com).

**Thank you and we can't wait to see everyone there!!**

*For by grace you have been saved through faith.  
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,  
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

*- Ephesians 2:8-9*

# HARVEST FEST

A benefit dinner for FEEDMORE

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH  
5:00 – 7:00 PM**

**DINNER  
APPLE HARVEST SALAD  
BULLETTEN (GERMAN MEATBALLS)  
BACON & SHALLOT POTATO SALAD  
BREAD  
PIE**

**ADULTS - \$10    KIDS \$5    FAMILY 4+ \$28**



NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL OR PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ADULTS                      \_\_\_\_\_ KIDS



Travel back five hundred years with us as we experience the sights, sounds, and tastes of life during the time of Martin Luther.

This special program at the **HARVEST FEST on October 30th** is designed for people of all ages, so bring the young & old—the **whole family** and take a step back in time.

In the year 1517, the entire world changed! Not just for those who would become Lutherans, but for all of Christianity. What was everyday life like 500 years ago? What were people thinking and gossiping about? Was it much different from our conversations today?

“Have you heard the new priest at St. Mary’s Church preach? I hear the crowds get larger every week. “

“The town council says Elector Frederick will be raising taxes on our land again this year.”

“The weather has been so wet lately. I pray that the wheat crop will still be ok”

“The food at the Wittenberg Café is very good, but the service is rather slow. The pretzels are worth the wait though.”

A bright new face, taxes, a good place to eat, and of course-the weather!

Some things never change—but what did change?

Come, join the St. Luke Players as we tell the tales of how the world changed forever!





## Hearing Devices and Enlarged Bulletins

Large print bulletins are available on Sunday mornings.

Hearing devices which amplify the church sound system are also available. Please ask any usher for assistance.

Please request these items prior to the beginning of the Worship Service. Thank you.



## Pastor Fred is ONLINE and on DVD!

Pastor Fred's Sunday sermons are recorded on DVDs. Each DVD disc has a month of sermons and Gospel readings. Please contact the church office or a church member for more information.



We do have donated DVD players if you don't have one available.

If you have internet access, the links to Pastor Fred's sermons can also be found online at our St. Luke website, on Facebook and on YouTube.



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[www.facebook.com/stluckerichmond](http://www.facebook.com/stluckerichmond)  
[www.youtube.com/user/stlukesermons](http://www.youtube.com/user/stlukesermons)

## Outside Group Meetings

You may be interested in attending some meetings or events that take place at St. Luke but are not church affiliated. Please note, group membership may be required for some of these organizations. Please check with the group leader for details and more information.



- AA** - Tuesdays and Fridays at 7:00pm , meets all year
- AI Anon** - Wednesdays at 12:00pm, meets all year
- AI Anon** - Tuesdays at 7:00pm, meets all year
- Daughters of American Revolution** - Moved to a new location
- 4th District Council** - No meetings scheduled
- Girl Scouts** - No meetings scheduled
- Oxford Civic Association** - next meeting is Oct. 18
- Richmond Audubon Society** - Next meeting is Oct. 20
- Shepherds Center** - Mondays at 9:00am

## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone that donates food every month for FeedMore.



We also thank you for your donations to the "Stop Hunger Now" project. And we thank everyone that participated in the food packing project on September 10. We packaged 15,000 meals in less than two hours! And the meals went to Haiti.

Our gifts will make a difference for families and communities in need.

We have also donated many bags of clothing to Good Samaritan Ministries. Your donations of clothing, shoes, books and toys are always welcome. Please place these items in the first closet in the Youth Room.

Food items can be placed in the food box in the narthex or fellowship hall. These items will be delivered to the FeedMore, formerly known as the Central Virginia Food Bank.

Thank you for your continued support of our Outreach Ministry. We couldn't do it without you!

St. Luke Outreach Committee

## Project Updates

Thank you to all that have contributed to the Memorial Garden Fence Campaign. The fence has been erected. Go and take a look! We have enough funds now to replace the pillar lights, as well, and finish some other planting improvements.



There are many exciting projects happening at St. Luke. The handicap door will be installed very soon on a narthex entrance door and the courtyard improvement project is finished.

The trees are gone and we are looking forward to the opportunity to make some important gardening decisions with replacement "vegetation" for the patio. The hope is to plant this Fall.

# ST. LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2 Pentecost 20</b> 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Adult Forum 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Council Elections 11:30am Finance Committee	<b>3</b> 9:00am Shepherds Center 7:00pm White Chapel Bells	<b>4</b> 6:00pm AI Anon 6:30pm AA 7:00pm VBC rehearsal	<b>5</b> 10:30am Bible Study Class 12:00pm AI Anon Pastor's Mid-week Bible Study Class	<b>6</b> 6:30pm Handbell rehearsal 7:30pm Choir rehearsal 	<b>7</b> 6:30pm AA	<b>1</b> Quarterly Giving Statements are available in the narthex Join us before Sunday School for Coffee Fellowship
<b>9 Pentecost 21</b> 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Adult Forum 10:00am Worship Service 11:30am Council Meeting 	<b>10 Columbus Day</b> 9:00am Shepherds Center 7:00pm Stephen Ministry 7:00pm White Chapel Bells 	<b>11</b> 10:30am Women's Group 11:00am Meals on Wheels 2:00pm Gentiva Memorial Service 6:00pm AI Anon 6:30pm AA 7:00pm VBC rehearsal	<b>12</b> 10:30am Bible Study Class 12:00pm AI Anon 6:30pm Women's Group 	<b>13</b> 12:00pm Men's Lunch 6:30pm Handbell rehearsal 7:30pm Choir rehearsal 	<b>14</b> 4:15pm Violin Rehearsal 6:30pm AA 7:30pm Book Club, Shealy	<b>15</b> 3:00pm Violin Recital 
<b>16 Pentecost 22</b> 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Adult Forum 10:00am Worship Service 11:30am Worship and Music 3:00pm Richmond Conference Gathering 	<b>17</b> 9:00am Shepherds Center 7:00pm White Chapel Bells	<b>18</b> 11:00am Meals on Wheels 5:30pm Oxford Civic Assoc. 6:00pm AI Anon 6:30pm AA 7:00pm VBC rehearsal	<b>19</b> 10:30am Bible Study Class 12:00pm AI Anon	<b>20</b> 11:00am Meals on Wheels 6:00pm Rich Audubon 6:30pm Handbell rehearsal 7:30pm Choir rehearsal 	<b>21</b> 6:30pm AA	<b>22</b> 9:00am Fall Clean-up 
<b>23 Pentecost 23</b> 8:45am Youth Brkfst at Paradise 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Adult Forum 10:00am Worship Service	<b>24</b> 9:00am Shepherds Center 7:00pm White Chapel Bells	<b>25</b> 6:00pm Men's Group 6:00pm AI Anon 6:30pm AA 7:00pm VBC rehearsal 	<b>26</b> 10:30am Bible Study Class 12:00pm AI Anon Pastor's Mid-week Bible Study Class	<b>27</b> 6:30pm Handbell rehearsal 7:30pm Choir rehearsal 	<b>28</b> 6:30pm AA	<b>29</b> Harvest Fest Dinner Set-up Tomorrow is REFORMATION SUNDAY
<b>30 Reformation</b> 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Adult Forum 10:00am Worship Service 4:00pm Harvest Fest Program and Dinner by Dieter Karras 	<b>31</b> 9:00am Shepherds Center 7:00pm White Chapel Bells All Hallow's Eve	<b>1 Election Day</b> 6:00pm AI Anon 6:30pm AA 7:00pm VBC rehearsal	<b>2</b> 10:30am Bible Study Class 12:00pm AI Anon	<b>3</b> 6:30pm Handbell rehearsal 7:30pm Choir rehearsal	<b>4</b> 4:15pm Hunt Violin Class 6:30pm AA	<b>5</b> 





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## Keep up with what's happening at St. Luke!

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