

Service Hours

8:00am and 10:30am
Fall/Winter service
hours

OFFICE HOURS:

M & T – 9-12, 1-3;
W, Th, F – 9-12

Office Hours for Pastor LeCrone:

Monday & Tuesday
10:00AM- 2:00PM
And
Thursday
10:00AM-12noon

***The church office will
be closed Wednesday,
Jan. 1st, while staff
celebrates the New
Year's holiday with
family.***



The Spectrum

January 2020

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SERVICES OF WORSHIP

Sunday, Jan. 5th

Second Sunday of Christmas

8:00am - Holy Communion in Chapel

9:15am - Sunday School

10:30am - Holy Communion

Coffee Hour

Sunday, Jan. 12th

Baptism of Our Lord

The Rev. Craig Miller, Assistant to the Bishop, will be supplying the pulpit

8:00am - Holy Communion in Chapel

9:15am - Sunday School

10:30am - Holy Communion

Sunday, Jan. 19th

Second Sunday after Epiphany

8:00am - Holy Communion in Chapel

9:15 am - Sunday School

10:30am - Holy Communion

Hunger Offering

Coffee Hour

Sunday, Jan. 26th

Third Sunday after Epiphany

8:00am - Holy Communion in Chapel

9:15 am - Sunday School

10:30am - Holy Communion

From the Pastor's Desk:

With the new year comes new opportunities. I for one, will be beginning my journey of coursework to be ordained in the ELCA. But there are lots of things happening in the life of the church as well!

Here are just a few of the things that the New Year will bring with St. Luke Church:

- As I write this article, I am preparing to take a trip that will have happened by the time you read this. In the week between Christmas and New Year's, I will be traveling with nine St. Luke youth and several adults to Washington DC for a Christmas break mission trip. While staying at Luther Place Church in DC, we'll be pitching in on two service projects over three days. First, we'll volunteer at A Wider Circle (<http://awidercircle.org/>), a program that helps individuals and families break the cycle of homelessness. We'll also be helping to serve a meal at DC Central Kitchen (<http://dccentralkitchen.org>). Both of these organizations do great work in not only providing charity but in fighting poverty, and I invite you to take a look at their websites to learn more about them. I'm excited about the opportunity to walk alongside these young members of the congregation in their faith journeys!
- Speaking of young people in the church, our Education Ministry is in need of more help. We have some wonderful and dedicated Sunday School teachers, but we could always use more people who are involved in the ministry as a whole, particularly in the revival of KICK programming, which has been relatively dormant recently. I remain confident that some of you reading this will realize that YOU are the answer to our prayer!
- On Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (January 20) there will be a food-packing service project at Lycoming College that will benefit the Central PA Food Bank. Last year, 20 members of St. Luke participated, and I am hoping that we will be able to at least equal that number! The project will be from 9 am – 12 pm on January 20 at Lycoming College's Keiper Recreation Center.
- The Outreach ministry will be debuting a new program in 2020: "Pub Theology". The idea is to create a place where unchurched people can have an open-ended conversation about issues of God and life over a beverage of choice. While this certainly may open the door to new people becoming interested in the church, our primary goal is to simply establish and deepen relationship, letting the Holy Spirit guide the rest. Members of the congregation will be invited to participate, but only if they can bring along with them an unchurched (and curious) friend. Watch for announcements of when and where we'll be holding "Pub Theology".
- Of course, these are not the only things that will happen with Youth, Education, Service, and Outreach. Nor are those the only ministries doing exciting work in the coming year! I'm appreciative of the ongoing work of Fellowship, Property, Support, and Worship and Music!

May 2020 be a year of great blessing!





— HAPPY NEW YEAR —

Pastor Jeff will be out of the office Jan. 6th – 10th *If you are in need of emergency pastoral care during this time, please call or text Pastor David Byerly at (cell) 570-447-1652 or at Redeemer Lutheran Church 570-322-2333.*

SEW FINE QUILTERS

next work day is **Monday, Jan. 6th from 9am-3pm in Bell Hall. Lunch will be provided.**

2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES

may be picked up in the back of the nave. Please note, your offering envelope number may have changed, so please look for your name, not your number. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

THE SHAWL MINISTRY

will meet next **Tuesday, Jan. 28th.** See you in 2020!

Outreach Ministry

BREAKFAST AND BIBLE

All women are invited to come for breakfast followed by Bible study on Friday, January 17, 2020, at 9:30PM. We will be meeting in the home of Marilyn Eshleman and using the study found in the *Gather* magazine. You can pick up a copy of the magazine at the church. Need a New Year's resolution? Come join us and find a rewarding experience added to your life.

LUNCH WITH PASTOR

Speaking of New Year's resolutions, why not add having lunch once a month with fellow members of St. Luke? We lunch at a different restaurant the third Wednesday of each month, at 12:00 noon. In January we will be at the Original Italian Pizza Restaurant in Montoursville, 313 Broad St., on the 15th.

Come join us and Pastor Jeff in fellowship with one another. No reservation needed.

SNAPSHOT



PRESCHOOL

Frosty the Snowman Day, we wore our PJ's to preschool, watched Frosty on the BIG screen w/ popcorn and juice boxes, and ended our day with Storymobile and Ms. Nina reading Christmas stories.



To all the members of St. Luke here and away, the Pre-School at St. Luke wish you all a Happy New Year. See you in 2020.



Happy Birthday to our members celebrating in January:

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| 01/01 Wolfe, Linda | 01/19 Merkel ,William |
| 01/02 Confer, Addison | 01/20 Young, Sarah |
| 01/02 Eshleman, Audrey | 01/23 Croyle, Ruth |
| 01/02 Jean, Trent | 01/23 Liptak, Linda |
| 01/04 Ogurcak, Janice | 01/24 Baldys, Alice |
| 01/04 Scampone, Karen | 01/24 Karnes, Constance |
| 01/05 Heaps, Charles | 01/24 Morrison, Karen |
| 01/05 Keller, Judith | 01/26 Harris, Andrew |
| 01/06 Fisher, Sondra | 01/26 Reeder, Wilma |
| 01/08 Baldys, Karen | 01/26 Tomasella, Marissa |
| 01/10 Lewandowski, Doris | 01/27 Harris, Juliet |
| 01/12 Borch, Andrew | 01/29 Hershey , Theoron |
| 01/13 Rhodes, Dwight | 01/31 Kelsey, John |
| 01/16 Tignor, Lore | |
| 01/17 McCullough, Barbara | |



Happy Anniversary.....

01/22 Shade, Lynn & David
01/29 Knaus, Joan & Hank



(We're sorry if we missed any one. If we did, please contact the office so we can add you to our computer records.)