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January 2022 NEWSLETTER

INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENT may be found by checking the church website (stlukeweb.com), and our FACEBOOK page.

SEW FINE QUILTERS next work day is **Monday, January 10th** in Bell Hall, from 9:00am -3:00pm with lunch provided.

CHURCH COUNCIL met on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 7:00pm, in Bell Hall.

SHAWL MINISTRY meet for knitting and crocheting on Tuesday, Jan. 18th from 9:30am-12noon, in the Chapel. All are welcome!

SEAFARERS 2021 What a success! Because of your generous gifts we sent 46 filled satchels to the synod office. And because we had many craftswomen using their sitdowntime on the hats and cowls, we sent 27 more sets to hand out to seamen who were not lucky enough to make port in December.

Needed are:

- men's sweatshirts with or without a hood and T-shirts, in sizes: M-L-XL ONLY (no seasonal, political, prints, thank you.)
- Men's socks thermal or gym (NO ANKLE SCOCKS)
- A holiday or Christmas card from YOU!
- Please remove all store tags from clothing

Please see the display table in the West Hallway, marked Seafarers. *Thank you from the Service Ministry*.

ST. LUKE'S HANDBELL RINGERS are looking for a few more ringers! No experience is necessary, but knowledge of music is helpful. Rehearsals are held **Thursday evenings at 6:30pm in the nave.** If interested, please contact, Mark Pall, Organist

at: pallmark1997@aol.com

MUSIC SOLO AND ENSEMBLES SIGN-UPS Whether you sing, play an instrument, want to perform solo or in an ensemble we want to hear from you! Open to anyone with the love of music and a willing to work on creating it. Sign-up in the West Hall or contact, Mark Pall, Organist at: pallmark1997@aol.com

SERVING If you would like to help serve in our 8:00am or 10:30am worship service(s), please contact Diane Kohler at: 570-419-7085 or email <u>kohlerdede@gmail.com</u> or Pastor Jeff at: 570-323-7309.

USHERS Anyone interested in serving as an usher, please contact the office or email or call Nancy McCarty at: (nmac7149@gmail.com; (570) 419-7827).

IN THE HOSPITAL? Please contact Sarah Young at the church office (570-323-7309) if you or a family member are in the hospital or are ill. Pastor Jeff is available for visits or phone calls, and at your request, Sarah will then contact our prayer chain leaders.

FLOWERS AFTER THE SUNDAY SERVICE? If you donated Altar flowers for Sunday, please feel free to take them home after the late service, or pick up on Monday during office hours. Vases are available in the work sacristy to make smaller bouquets, if you like.



ONGOING COLLECTIONS AT ST. LUKE

** **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**** The service committee is looking for a volunteer to regularly transport the food that is collected at the church to the food pantry on Monday or Tuesday morning. Please call Sarah Young at the church office for more details.

SHEPHERD OF THE STREETS Hygiene Items: regular sizes for infants, kids, men and women are always in need. Specific needs this month are: Kleenex, Band-Aids, Women's Deodorant, Razors and Shaving Cream for men and women.



FOOD PANTRY SHELVES ARE BARE! URGENTLY NEEDS:

Jelly, Tuna Pasta Sauce, Pudding Cups, Mushroom Soup, Canned Veggies, Snacks, Pudding Cups, Chicken Noodle & Tomato Soup, Rice, Mac & Cheese, Microwave Popcorn, Cereal, and Boxed Side Dishes. *And anything else that is on sale!*

2022 ST. LUKE COUNCIL OFFICERS

Rev. Jeffrey LeCrone, Pastor Jay Nau, President (2nd term; 2nd year) John Kelsey, Vice President (1st term; 3rd year) Nancy Wood, Treasurer (1st term; 2nd year) Sarah Young, Recording Secretary

2022 ST. LUKE CONGREGATION COUNCIL

David Horn (2nd term; 1year); Richard Ogurcak (2nd term; 3rd year) Roger Wyland (2nd term; 3rd year); Jere Eshleman (1st term; 2nd year); Dan Lamade (1st term; 2nd year); Jessie Young (1st term; 2nd year); Nancy McCarty (1st term; 1st year); Nate Read (1st term; 1st year); Oscar Knade (1st term; 1st year).



"Has the Dream Been Realized?"

Sponsored by the Beloved Community Council



Dream Week Activities:

Monday, January 17 at 10:45 a.m. - Peace Walk: The Peace Walk begins at Christ Community Worship Center, 436 West 4th Street, Williamsport. It will take a 1.6-mile route that will pass the Peace Bell, down MLK Blvd, and pass the MLK Mural at FireTree Place, ending back at the church. There will be speakers at each location reading excerpts from Martin Luther King, Jr.'s writings. Pastor Marwin Reeves, of Christ Community Worship Center, will kick us off at 10:45 a.m.

Monday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. - "An Evening with Pastor Drew G.I. Hart": A Theology Professor at Messiah College, an Anti-Racism Leader, and a Social Change Practitioner, Pastor Drew Hart will be presenting at Pennsylvania College of Technology. This event is open to all!

Tuesday, January 18 and Wednesday January 19: Blood Drive at Pennsylvania College of Technology.

Wednesday, January 19 at 12:00 and 6:30 p.m. - Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation: Bread for the World will be leading us on a virtual, interactive simulation to help us understand the connections among racial equity, hunger, poverty, and wealth. The Zoom link is https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88609741957.

All Week - Service Project: Donation drive to benefit Dwell Orphan Care and FireTree Place. Check out Beloved Community Council's Facebook Page for a list of needed items and drop off sites.

"Now may I suggest some of the things we must do if we are to make the American dream a reality. First I think all of us must develop a world perspective if we are to survive. The American dream will not become a reality devoid of the larger dream of a world of brotherhood and peace and good will. The world in which we live is a world of geographical oneness and we are challenged now to make it a spiritually one." - Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Volunteers Needed!

The New Love Center Café at Trinity United Methodist Church needs your help serving from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. We are urgently in need of volunteers to help in the kitchen with the meal prep, serving the clients, storing the food, and clean up. If you can help, please call--Lyn Thompson at 570-398-1509 or 570-447-6943.



Sojourner Truth Ministries

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Help with scrubbing a newly acquired empty house, handy work, painting walls/ceilings, or other manual labor...all in preparation for a family currently living in programming. Contact Pastor Angelique for details and to volunteer at 570-323-1797!

REMINDERS: Office hours –
M & T 9-12, 1-3; W, TH, F 9-12
Bulletin deadline – WEDNESDAY 9:00AM
Spectrum deadline – 20th of each month
Council Packet info due – Friday 9:00AM prior to Mtg.
Office e-mail – info@stlukeweb.com

Happy Birthday to our members celebrating in January

Linda Wolfe	1/1
Audrey Eshleman	1/1
Addison Confer	1/1
Trent Jean	1/1
Karen Scampone	1/1
Janice Ogurcak	1/4
Charles Heaps	1/5
Judy Keller	1/5
Sondra Fisher	1/6
Karen Baldys	1/8
Jeanne Yaggi	1/11
Andrew Borch	1/12
Dwight Rhodes	1/13
Lore Tignor	1/16
Barbara McCullough	1/17
William Markel	1/19
Sarah Young	1/20
Ruth Croyle	1/23
Linda Liptak	1/23
Alice Baldys	1/24
Constance Karnes	1/24
Karen Morrison	1/24
Andy Harris	1/26
Wilma Reeder	1/26
Juliet Harris	1/27
Theoron Hershey	1/29
ohn Kelsey	1/31

Happy Anniversary.....

Dave and Lynn Shade 1/22 Hank and Joan Knaus 1/29

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