



# St. Luke's Lutheran Church Newsletter for the Weekend of The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, August 8 & 9, 2015

## Regular Worship Services

Saturdays, 5:30 PM  
Sundays, 8:00 & 10:45 AM  
Sunday School & Bible Study  
Sunday 9:30 AM  
A staffed nursery is provided  
for children 3 and under during  
the Sunday morning worship  
services and Bible Study hour.

## St. Luke's Vision

*Powered by the Holy Spirit we:*  
\*Trust God!  
\*Live an Extreme Faith!  
\*Are Bold in God's Word!  
\*Bring People Home to Christ!  
\*Fully Commit to the Body of Christ!  
\*Pray and Worship with Enthusiasm!  
\*Expect Results!

## Welcome to Worship!

Members and Visitors—Please complete the worship attendance cards in the pews and place them in the offering plates.

If you are visiting with us, we welcome you!

We hope to meet you at Fellowship time (Sunday, 9-9:25 am).

## Lesson for This Weekend— Ephesians 4:28

"Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need."

God gives us honest work to do so that we can be a blessing to others. That's how so many of God's blessings go: He gives to us so that we in turn can be a blessing. He graciously calls us into the midst of His own work in the world.



## POOL PARTY REMINDER!

WHEN: Sunday, **August 9**, 2015

WHERE: Oswego Civic Center Park & Pool

Hamburgers & hot dogs will be served in the park from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. Please bring a dessert or dish to pass.

We'll move to the pool at 7:30 pm for a **PRIVATE** St. Luke's rental until 9:30 pm. There is a small pavilion at the park so bring your own lawn chairs, and refreshments/beverages. NO Alcohol please.

If you haven't signed up, but wish to attend, please email or call Tim or Jeri Moran so that they have a count to get appropriate number of lifeguards. To those that have signed up but not yet paid, please be sure to make your check out to St. Luke's and drop it by the church office!

## This Week at St. Luke's

### Sunday, August 9

7:00-Prayers (Prayer Room)  
8:00-Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:30-Sunday School & Adult Bible Study  
10:45-Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)  
5:30-Pool Party & Cook Out (Oswego Civic Center)  
6:30-P316 Committee Meeting (Library)

### Monday, August 10

10:00-Sunday School Admin Meeting (Gathering Area)  
6:30-Boy Scouts (Small Gym)  
6:30-Stewardship Meeting (Library)

### Tuesday, August 11

10:00-Preschool Orientation (Sanctuary)  
6:30-Ladies' Night Out (Bristol Tap)  
6:30-Girl Scout Service Unit Meeting (FLC & Boardroom)  
8:00-Men's Basketball (FLC)

### Wednesday, August 12

9:00-2:00-Teachers' Meeting (Library)  
6:30-Preschool Orientation (Sanctuary)  
6:30-Mission & Ministry Meeting (Library)

### Thursday, August 13

9:00-2:00-Teachers' Meeting (Library)  
4:00-Bricks 4 God (Multipurpose Room)  
6:00-Stephen Ministry (Downstairs)  
6:30-9:00-Back-To-School Night (Fore Family Fun)

### Friday, August 14

9:00-11:00-K-4 Open House (Classrooms)

### Saturday, August 15

TBD-Confirmation Guide Meeting (TBD)  
9:00-Praise Team (Sanctuary)  
5:30-Worship (Sanctuary)

***They joined with the other believers and devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching and fellowship..." Acts 3:42***

***Calling All Kids! Join us for Sunday School!***

Sundays - 9:30 to 10:30 am

Classes for all children and youth from Pre-School through High School

**Summer Sunday School Continues!**

Bring your friends to hear the "Sharable Parable" of Jesus. God's word waits for you in lessons, skits, activities, games and an occasional fun science project too!

**All of our lessons will help us get closer to Jesus through the Word and Prayer.**

**All ages will meet in the Multi-Purpose Room in the school wing at 9:30 am.**

If you are a Junior High or High School student who would like to help with a skit or a science project for one or two Sundays this summer, please text or email Mrs. Henning at 630-738-0373 - or - henningrj@aol.com.

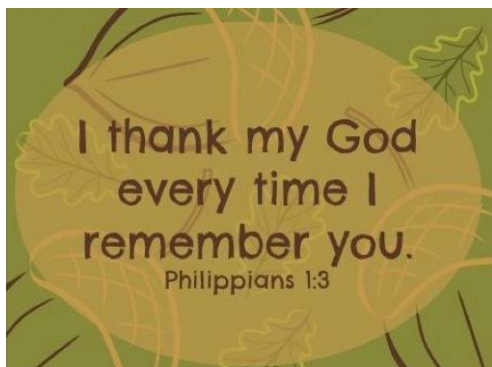
**Adult Bible Studies**

Sunday Mornings, 9:30—10:30 AM

1. **Men's Class—We the People: Citizen of Two Kingdoms**—(Church Library) In this study, a DVD by Dr. Dale Meyer will guide us in an examination of our dual citizenship in heaven and on earth, and the responsibility that comes with each. Discussions are encouraged as we examine our own views, search God's Word, and let Him guide us.
2. **One Christ, Many Creeds: Christian Denominationalism in the United States.** Starting June 14 and running until Labor Day, there will be only one adult Bible study which will meet in the Family Life Center. Christian denominationalism will be studied, which will include Catholic, Orthodox, Lutheran, Reformed, Arminian, and Anabaptist church bodies. This study will allow participants to miss some specific aspects of the study but participate meaningfully when their time and interest allow without a loss of continuity. Bob Toepper will be the lead teacher of this class.

**Choose a study and begin today to strengthen your faith and knowledge!!**

*This weekend's altar flowers are given by Howard & Debby Springborn in celebration of Roy McConnell's birthday on 8/4.*



- ◇ Thanks Tom and Earl for cutting up the tree that fell. That was a huge problem, safety hazard, and big relief to us at Church.
- ◇ Thank God for Kevin Cuyler, Chuck Granholm, and Howie Springborn as they keep this ole "battleship" of a church upright and open. They are a blessing.

**God has commanded us to love one another.** Take a minute to appreciate a fellow St. Luke's family member. Stop by the Information Desk and complete a thank you note and drop it in the box. (This is replacing the monthly "Jewel Box" note and will be reported weekly.)

**The Second Annual *BACK TO SCHOOL CLINIC*  
THIS Saturday, August 8, 9 am to 1 pm**

- If you are in need of back-to-school supplies and/or services, feel free to stop in.
- If you happen to have our day free, you can still come in and help out for the day.

If you have questions contact Ruth Henning at H: 630-892-5919, C: 630-738-0373, or [henningrj@aol.com](mailto:henningrj@aol.com).

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**Ladies' Night Out**

The next Ladies' Night Out is Tuesday, **August 11**, at Bristol Tap on Cannonball Trail in Bristol. We will meet at the restaurant at 6:30 pm, or you can call for a ride. Any questions, contact Pat Freeman at 630-859-2874, or Nancy McNeilly at 630-896-2348.

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**Monthly Pot Luck!**

Our next monthly potluck is Sunday, **August 16**, at 12:30 pm. Stephen Ministry is hosting and will be serving **Italian Beef sandwiches!** Bring a side dish, and **don't forget to sign up at the Information Desk.**



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**Lutheran Women's Missionary League**

For many people, the season of autumn is their favorite. Fall reminds us of the beautiful sight of leaves changing color, harvest time of crops, apple cider, and enjoying being outside with nature in the mild and delightful temperatures. Some of us are dictated by school schedules when it's time to start fresh and embrace new changes.

Many of our LWML groups are gearing up for their meetings to resume in September and districts are busy planning for their conventions in 2016. But all of us can be challenged to make one important resolution: to spend time in God's Word on a daily basis. In His Word our Lord reveals Himself and His will for our lives.

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**Pancake Breakfast**

Youth will be serving all you can eat pancakes, sausage, fruit and beverages.

**SUNDAY, August 23, 7:30—10:15 am**  
Family Life Center

St. Luke's Youth are earning the funds to facilitate their programs and activities.

A Free Will Offering will be accepted.

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**LifeLine Screening Returns to St. Luke's**  
**Monday, September 21**

At least 200,000 deaths from heart disease and stroke each year are preventable. The key is early detection and managing risk factors. LifeLine offers several health screenings for cardiovascular disease. Please see the pink flyer on the board by the information desk to see available packages.

To register for your appointment and to receive a special \$10 discount, please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).

**5 B's Barbecue is Coming to St. Luke's!**

On Friday, **September 18**, we will be hosting a 5 B's fundraiser. Dinner will be available for dine-in or drive-thru service from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$12.00 for a chicken, pork chop, or combo meal, and \$5.00 for a child's hot dog meal.

Tickets will be available for purchase next weekend, August 15-16, in the Gathering Area. Beginning Monday, August 17, tickets will also be available for purchase in the church office.

If you'd like to help serve at the BBQ on September 18, please contact Stephanie Murray at [stephanie.murray@stlcfamily.org](mailto:stephanie.murray@stlcfamily.org).

**Wayside Cross Ministries**

Thank you very much for the 288 razors, 12 toothpastes, 20 toothbrushes, 14 deodorants, and 3 bars of soap you donated to the men in the Master's Touch Ministry at Wayside in July. LWML and the men thank you for your generosity and for helping them each month.

In **August**, we are going to have a **TOILETRY SHOWER!** Any kind of toiletry you would like to donate—razors, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, shampoo, etc. The men need so many things and this will help them immensely. Please place your donations in the LWML box located outside the church secretary's office.

*Thank you, and my God richly bless all of you!*

**2015-2016 Budget & Income**

(#s reported are as of 8/2/15)

Monthly Need	\$87,595
Weekly Need	\$20,214
<b>JULY</b> Tithe	\$5,439
Accounts Payable*	\$10,833
Concordia Plan Services (CPS) payments behind (4)	\$54,922
Monthly Anticipated Income for <b>August</b>	\$50,400
Current Month's To Date Contributions to General Fund	\$22,009
Current Month's To Date Income Received from School to General Fund	\$10,000
Current Month To Date Contribution Total to General Fund	\$32,009
Previous Month's Contribution Total to General fund	\$74,560

Budget #s effective 8/2/15:

- 10.5% Tithe from your offerings includes .5% to LBT, 2% to Mission trip fund, .5% to LCC, .5% to Walcamp, .5% to San Pablo, 6% to NID, .5% to Joe Boway New Life.
- General Fund is used for mortgage, CPS, accounts payable bills, and payroll. Does not include contributions given to a specific fund or ministry (Parking Lot Fund, Youth, flowers, etc.).
- Accounts Payable includes maintenance, utilities, office supplies, printing, security systems, commercial insurance, and ministry expenses (communion, worship, advertising, etc.).
- Concordia Plan Services includes health care, retirement, and disability for church and school staff.

**\* Will include Accounts Payable for church AND school effective 8/2/15.**

**Giving Options for Summer Travelers**

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you probably do with other obligations? If you have plans to travel this summer, electronic giving provides a convenient way to keep up with your intended offerings. Use the options below to get started with your automatic giving!

**Last Week's Attendance**

Regular Worship August 1 & 2	227
Communed	202
Adult Bible Study	20
Sunday School Pre-K thru High School	n/a
Sunday School Teachers & Support	n/a

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**Stlcfamily.org**

Online Giving

Download a QR Reader app and scan here to make a contribution to St. Luke's from your mobile device.



## Panera Bread Pick Up for August 21

Lisa Steinwart

### Servants for The Weekend of August 15 & 16

#### **Preacher/Liturgist**

Rev. Peter Hoffman / Steve Steinwart

#### **Acolytes & Cross Bearers**

5:30 Jamie Rasmussen & Jose Sandoval

8:00 Grace Auersch, TBD

10:45 Julie Adorjan, John Dickinson

#### **Chancel**

5:30 Julia Granholm

8:00 Connie Pittman

10:45 Angie Daniels

#### **Children's Message**

5:30 Fred Treftz

8:00 Sue Fitzsimons

#### **Fellowship**

Judy Bakalar & Nancy Vargo

#### **Finance Assistants**

Suzette Rizzi & Mary Mueller

#### **Friendly Callers**

Tony & Nancy Abbattista

#### **Greeters**

5:30 Joey & Anita Johnsen

8:00 Norma Rossi & Shirley White

10:45 Greg & Bonnie Randa

#### **Information Desk Attendant**

Chris Johnson

#### **Nursery**

8:00 Irene Pappa

9:30 Lori Greiter

10:45 OPEN

#### **Organist/Pianist**

5:30 Beth Omar

8:00 Beth Omar

#### **Readers**

5:30 Kent Johnson

8:00 Ralph Gabrielson, Sr.

10:45 Eileen Wendorf

#### **Sound & Video**

5:30 Daniel Schmalz

8:00 Dave Hester

#### **Ushers**

5:30 Mickey & Caroline Dusenbury

8:00 Steve Fitzsimons, Del Gerth & James Franken

10:45 Scott Rentz & Carl Witt

#### **Worship Assistants**

Steve Steinwart / Dan Anderson

63 Fernwood Road, Montgomery, IL 60538  
Church 630-892-9309 / School 630-892-0310  
Reverend Peter Hoffman, Senior Pastor  
Mrs. Robi Flach, Principal  
stlcfamily.org  
churchoffice@stlcfamily.org

### Planning Ahead

Aug 16-Monthly Fellowship Potluck

Aug 16-6th Grade Confirmation

Parent Meeting

Aug 17-First Day of School

Aug 17-Autumn Leaves Chapel

Aug 17-Go Team Meeting

Aug 18-First Day of Preschool

Aug 18-PALS Meeting

Aug 19-Sunday School Teacher Training

Aug 22-Girl Scout Event

Aug 22-23-Youth Lock In

Aug 23-Confirmation Blessing at 10:45

Aug 23-Confirmation 6-8th & 9th

Aug 24-Family Life Meeting

Aug 27-Leadership Meeting

Aug 29-Girl Scout Ice Cream Social

Aug 30-Sunday School Rally Day

Aug 30-Youth Groups

Aug 30-Confirmation 6-8th & 9th

### SAVE THE DATE

Annual Church Picnic & Worship  
at Maple Lane Farms

**Sunday, September 13**

Details to follow next week!

#### **DVDs are available!**

All services are recorded. If you would like a copy, please contact Paula at 630-892-9309 x-116, or leave a note on the credenza in the Narthex.

#### **To Reach the Church During Services**

If you have an emergency during a scheduled worship service, and need to reach someone at the church, please call **(630) 892-9309 ext. 140**, and the ushers will take your call.

#### **Newsletter Deadline**

Any new or updated articles and inserts for the weekly newsletter are due to the Church Office by 3:00 pm on the Wednesday before article is to run. Submit via email to [connie.pittman@stlcfamily.org](mailto:connie.pittman@stlcfamily.org) or mailbox #82. Any questions, contact Connie Pittman at 630-892-9309, x-115.

### **Update from 8/2/15 voters meeting:**

Leadership presented a deficit budget to the congregation on Sunday, 8/2/15. The deficit of \$80,000 (which does not include our current debt) was based on an enrollment of 48 full time equivalent students (each pre-school student counts as ½ a student). This number is based off the current enrolment situation shown below. Ninety one votes were turned in, 54 votes were in favor and 37 were against hence passing the budget.

Direction of hiring of a part time (non-called) principal was also discussed at the meeting. We have hired Linda King as our new part time principal. Please welcome her as she is scheduled to start on August 10, 2015.

Most recently Linda has been Principal of the Immanuel Lutheran School in Hillside (K-8); Curriculum Coordinator and Gifted teacher in Naperville District 203, and Assistant Principal, Computer Coordinator and Fifth Grade Teacher at St Paul's Lutheran School in Aurora. She earned her Colloquy Degree of Ministry from Concordia University, River Forest. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in education with concentration in Mathematics from Northern Illinois University.

#### Projected Class sizes:

- Pre School – 16 (3s – 5, 4s – 11)
- All day K - 4
- 1<sup>st</sup> /2<sup>nd</sup> - 7
- 3rd/4<sup>th</sup>/5th – 13
- 6/7/8<sup>th</sup> – 12
- Total School = 44 (as of 8/2/15)

# You're Invited

- What?** St. Luke's Youth Group Lock-In  
**When?** Saturday, August 22, from 7:00 pm – Sunday, August 23 after 10:45 worship  
**Who?** 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders

Join us for a night of fun, food, and fellowship as we kick off our year. **Invite your friends to a night you don't want to miss.**

Events are planned all night long, but if you're one who likes to sleep, don't worry—sleeping rooms will be available.

We will end our lock-in with our first pancake breakfast of the year, serving from 7:30 am to 10:15 am on Sunday morning. After breakfast, we'll attend the 10:45 am worship service, where confirmation students and parents will take part in our confirmation blessing.

**Parents, please plan on staying for the first 30 minutes to help us kick off our youth ministry year.**

What to bring: sleeping bag, pillow, toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, glasses, contact case, etc.), medications, change of clothes (make sure to come dressed comfortably and prepared for an evening of various activities and events)

**Register by August 15** by completing the form below and dropping it off to mailbox 41 in the church mailroom. Or you can send the information to [stephanie.murray@stlcfamily.org](mailto:stephanie.murray@stlcfamily.org).

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## Lock-In Registration

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ CURRENT GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FOOD ALLERGIES: \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT CONTACT(S):

MOTHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### EMERGENCY CONTACT:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

### ALL LOCK-IN ATTENDEES ARE EXPECTED TO:

- Follow lock-in guidelines
- Remain with the group at all times
- Be respectful to all in attendance

# COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL!

St. Luke's Lutheran Church & School  
63 Fernwood Rd., Montgomery, IL 60538



## SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY

**Sunday, August 30—9:30 am**

It may be the end of summer but it's also the beginning of new routines and friendships. You don't have to leave your friends behind in the summer. Invite them to come with you to Rally Day, to Sunday School, new beginnings and new friendships.

Please join us as we rally together on August 30, 9:30-10:30am, to have some pre-Sunday School fun; games, snacks, and beverages along with some "Bubble Fun".

## FIRST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL!

**Sunday, September 13—9:30 am**

Our first day of Sunday School is September 13, 9:30-10:30am. We can't wait for you and your friends to join us in God's word through scripture, music, crafts, joy and laughter in our Lord. Sunday School is a great place to belong.

## REGISTER NOW!

Sunday School registration forms are located at the information desk. Please complete one form for each child and place it in the box at the information desk or mail it to the church office. **The earlier you register the better** to help us plan for materials. Take a copy of the registration form to your friends.

**God's Word is waiting for YOU!**

### QUESTIONS?

Phone Stephanie Murray at the Church, (630) 892-9309.





***St. Luke's in Montgomery to host MISSION U MU-201 in Conjunction with the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention of the Lutheran Laymen's League of Northern Illinois***

*Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."*

John 20:21

It is clear that God has chosen each of us to be His ambassador. He is sending each of us to carry His message of hope and salvation into a world urgently in need of good news and into a culture that is, at best, indifferent to the Gospel. One of four American teens and young adults claim no religious connection whatsoever. How will they hear the message of salvation through Jesus Christ if no one reaches them?

Have you ever wanted to be a witness for Christ, but weren't sure how to go about it, or lacked the confidence to do so? Lutheran Hour Ministries has created the MISSION U courses to encourage and equip each of us in our role as God's chosen ambassador to those around us.

MISSION U is a personal witness training program. Through onsite seminars at local churches, it is designed to give each of us the tools and training to confidently embark on our mission of reaching people with the real news of Jesus Christ. By participating in MISSION U courses individuals and their churches will gain tools that sharpen witnessing efforts to reach people of all ages and backgrounds. Become equipped through MISSION U to help you fulfill your mission with boldness to the diverse mission field around you. You and your church can gain a scripture-based understanding of how outreach works in a culture that doesn't care about God.

MISSION U Course MU-201, Dealing with Tough Questions, addresses prevalent questions concerning Christianity in society today. In this course you will learn to discover the root issues behind a question and how to respond appropriately. Answers will be provided and reviewed in class. Most importantly, you will learn how to bridge back into sharing the Gospel.

On **September 12**, St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Montgomery, Illinois will host MISSION U course MU-201 in conjunction with the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention of the Lutheran Laymen's League of Northern Illinois. The course presenter will be Pastor Dave Haberer. Proceedings will begin at 9 a.m., with registration opening at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be served. There is a registration fee of \$10. **Deadline for early registration is September 6**, 2015. For more information, or to register contact the church office:

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