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Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we accept God's call to spread the Good News, serve those in need, and share the Victory of Jesus Christ throughout the world.

- St. Luke's Mission Statement



News and Views

Pastoral Perspective

From Pastor Bill

Do you like to try on before you buy? Can you shop on the internet? Do you



need a recommendation before you read a book? Will a catchy advertisement lead you to a purchase a movie ticket? What about heavier decisions, such as car, school, job, house? Do you like gathering information? Is there ever enough information to satisfy the choosing? What happens when it is crunch time to decide? Do you prefer innovation or standards? Do you rely on "gut" feeling? Do you ever become paralyzed by the number of choices? Perhaps frustrated by the lack of choices? How about deciding on behalf of some else? Do you become confused? Drained? Are you tired of questions yet?

Take heart your Call Committee is not! Their enthusiasm is undaunted, and their positive thinking is contagious. In fact

they are gathering, exchanging, and formulating questions for the candidates soon to be named. They are paying careful attention to the Ministry Site Profile: who we are as a congregation; thanks again for all you participation, and they are shaping questions to draw answers that will reflect the character, development, and approach to ministry of the next called Pastor at St. Luke's. Focusing on the questions now, keeps the discerning process open in the days to come.

I know you all are pleased, proud, and prayerful for all of them: Amber Mansfield, Brenda Sulzmann, Faith Thomas, Paul Maki, Peggy Moser, Phil Karlstad and Chet Madison, Chair

Pray Hard
Peace

Pastor Bill



WOMEN OF FAITH®



WELCA Mothers Day Brunch

Saturday May 14th, at 11:30am

We want to invite all the special ladies in our Congregation to join us for this wonderful opportunity to honor Mother's, Grandmothers, Great Grandmother's and all those that are like a Mother to someone. Gentlemen are always welcome, as well.

Please sign up in the Narthex so we will be sure and have enough food prepared. If you are not able to sign up please call or send and e-mail to:

Carol Carney 916/335-0847

jccarneyonroad@yahoo.com or any other WELCA member.



May 2022 Charity Project

Support St. Johns Program

for Real Change

<https://saintjohnsprogram.org>

Donations needed:

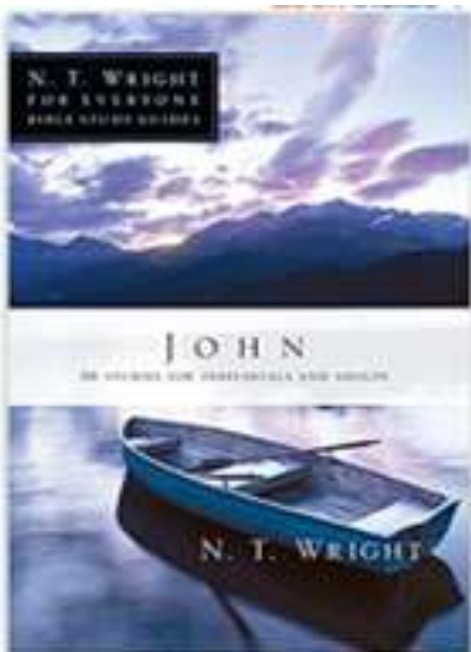
Tampons/Maxi Pads ,Toothpaste, Mouth Wash, Flossers , New underwear, socks , Body wash/soap, Combs/Brushes, Hair Ties/Clips , Mani/Pedi sets, Duffle bags , Drink tumblers, Water bottles ,Rubber flip flops , Matching Sheets, Blankets, Pillow Sets, Bus/RT passes,





Please come and join us for a Bible Study on the Gospel of John starting Tuesday morning on June 7th, 2022, at 10 am. The class is using N. T. Wright for Everyone Bible Study Guide for the Gospel of John, which is 26 weeks long. Please let Marlene Kiser know (marlenek@att.net) if you are interested in purchasing a study guide (\$9.99) through her or you can order the guide yourself through Amazon.

Here is a picture of the study guide, please note there also are two commentaries on the Gospel of John also by N.T. Wright. They can be purchased but is not required for the class.



Hope you will join us.



Call Committee Communique

Hi Friends - Your Call Committee met last week and had a very good discussion about all of the information we got from Pastor Manda at our meeting with her April 11th. We are beginning to formulate questions for our interviews that should begin mid-June. Please remember that this process is extremely confidential - but we will keep you "in the loop" as much as we can with these mini messages. We appreciate your prayers and support!! Brenda Sulzmann

St Luke's, **keep praying** for your **Call Committee** as we have begun meeting. Amber Mansfield, Faith Thomas, Paul Maki, Peggy Moser, Phil Karlstad, Secretary: Brenda Sulzmann, and Chair: Chet Madison.

WORSHIP & MUSIC BOARD

“God’s Work, Our Hands”



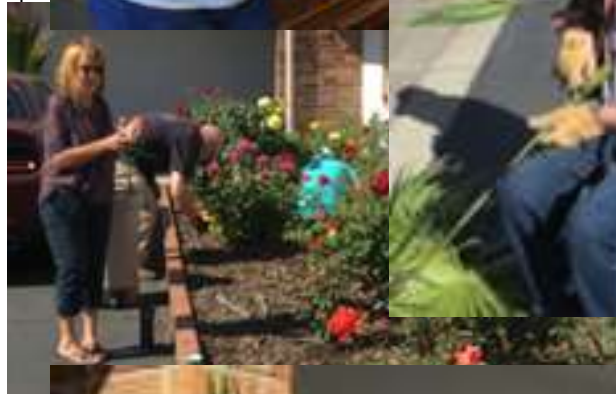
Worship & Music Board did not have a meeting in April. Instead, Saturday morning, April 9th, was a workday for us. We polished and cleaned!

All of the sacramental vessels used at the altar were cleaned and polished. The pews were polished, as well as the railing around the altar. Offering envelopes were placed in all of the pews, and the areas in the sanctuary that needed vacuuming were vacuumed. The sanctuary and breezeway were also decorated with palm fans for Palm Sunday.

Many hands made this possible. We are so grateful for the help from: Carole Vance, Lois Sherrets, Linda Duffek, Gail Weber, Faith Thomas, Kelly Boyer, Karen Linfor, Carolyn Andrews, Peggy Moser, Karen & Bruce Kiser, Carol Carney, Brenda & Jim Sulzman, and Ben Briel

In Christ's Love,
Shirley Prouty, Chair

Additional hands that made this work day possible, Jack Fenske, & Clarence Korhonen from the Property Board, and Bob Behr & Mack Vance, **Thank you** everyone for coming out on a windy day to beautify and clean our church for Palm & Easter Sunday and the Spring Season.





Finance Update

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT March 2022

Other Contributions:

- A. Special Gifts - \$239.00
- B. Easter Lilies - \$95.00

Comments:

- a. March provides the first quarter offering results for 2022– about eight percent below the Budget and five percent below the 2021 offerings.
- b. Remember the income ledger of the adopted Budget is being subsidized by \$2,333/month from the Reserves and Fireworks.
- c. The combination of “a” and “b” is worrisome.

General Fund (Only) Contributions		
Data	This Month	Year to Date
Total Contributions	\$10,485	\$36,681
Compared to Budget	-\$2,847	-\$3,319
	-21.4%	-8.3%
Compared to 2020	-\$2,526	-\$1,907
	-19.4%	-4.9%
No. of Contributors		
2021 (Current Year)	48	51 avg.
2020 (Last Year)	56	53 avg.

Note: Plus values are above Budget/Last Year; minus values are below.

Jack Fenske 916-714-3626, LRFenske@comcast.net
St. Luke's Financial Secretary

Vanco Users

(New App for Smart Phones/Tablets)

Vanco, St. Lukes electronic giving process firm, has phased out the “Give Plus” and related mobile apps for making contributions. The new mobile app is named “Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement”.

Which can be obtained from the Apple App store or Google Play.

To contribute through your mobile device, simply download the new Vanco app and follow the instructions. If our Sacramento St. Luke's does not display when entered, enter the unique code **46E422** Once displayed, use of the code should not be necessary.

I thank Treasurer Kristen Ireton for bringing this Vanco change to my attention. Thank you!

Jack Fenske, Financial Secretary
St. Luke's Lutheran Church





Is there anyone in your family graduating this year? This applies to any type of graduation, from kindergarten, 6th grade, high school onward - college, grad school, trade school, or professional school. Let's honor our 2022 graduates . Please send me their picture, name where they are graduating from, and their future plans to office@slelca.org. I will feature them in our next News & Views.

We will be honoring the Graduates Sometime in June at Sunday Worship Service.

Thank you,
Alison



Kelly Boyer	May 02
Ryan Edwards	May 04
Jeremy Roberts	May 04
John Mansfield	May 08
Jennifer Petersen	May 08
Katie Iniguez	May 09
Philip Karlstad	May 14
Lucy Orcutt	May 14
Victoria Diaz	May 15
Tracy Etchison	May 16
Debi Lentsch	May 17
Brenda Sulzmann	May 18
Alison Thomas	May 18
Samantha Basquez	May 19
Carole Edwards	May 21
Liza Petsch	May 22
Claire Kerian	May 23
Nancy Minning	May 26
Kennedy Moser	May 27
Carol Carney	May 30
Dorothy Haney	May 30
Justin Tice	May 30



*St. Luke's Lutheran Church - Women of the ELCA
invite you to attend our 17th annual*

MEGA BUNCO **FUNDRAISER**

PRIZES * RAFFLE * DINNER

Saturday, June 11th

Doors open at 5:30 PM

Dinner will be served at 6 PM

BUNCO begins at 7 PM

**\$15 per
person**



**7595 Center Parkway
Sacramento**

**For tickets, call
(916) 606-7880**

**We will be collecting
items for our local
SPCA (ex. towels,
blankets, and pet food)**



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Every Sunday

for In Person Worship

Or Live on our website at 10:30 am.

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