

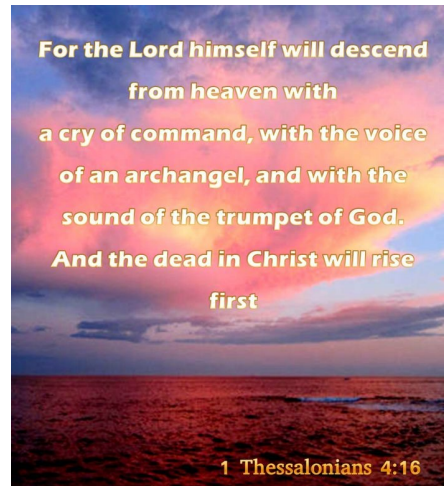


# ST. LUKE'S Lutheran Church

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM BRIEF ORDER OF WORSHIP

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### Holy Baptism, Affirmation of Baptism



OUR MISSION: TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN.

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY.  
MAY GOD BLESS OUR TIME TOGETHER WITH A SPIRIT OF  
JOY, FELLOWSHIP, AND CELEBRATION.

## BULLETIN NOTES

- ✚ **Worship Styles & Regular Times**
  - ◆ Traditional: 5:00 pm Saturday
  - ◆ Blended: 8:30 am Sunday
  - ◆ Contemporary: 11:00 Sunday
  - ◆ Word & Sacrament: 6:00 pm Wednesday
- ✚ **Holy Communion** is offered at all services. All baptized believers who recognize the presence of Christ in the bread and wine are welcome at his table. Those who have not taken first communion instruction are invited forward for a blessing.
- ✚ **Attendance Cards:** We ask everyone to fill out the enclosed card and drop it into one of the offering plates. If you are a guest, please consider giving us a full mailing address, email, and phone number.
- ✚ **Please remember to silence cell phones and pagers.**
- ✚ **Quiet Offering** is taken during worship for the support of a variety of designated ministries outside of St. Luke's.
- ✚ **Large print bulletins and hearing devices:** available from the ushers. An induction loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users. To use, just switch your hearing aid to ' T'.
- ✚ **Childcare:** a nursery for infants and toddlers through two years old is available during Sunday worship services. Nursery is located across from the office, to the left of the sanctuary.
- ✚ **Children's Church** for those three to five years old is available during the sermon (11:00). Children leave the sanctuary on a "lifeline" after the Children's Message and return during the Sharing of the Peace.
- ✚ **If you are looking for a church home,** please consider St. Luke's.

Regular: Pastor or Assisting Minister  
**Bold:** Congregation  
*Italics:* Information

\* Please stand if you are able  
✚ May make the sign of the cross

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the + holy Trinity, + one God, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.  
**Amen.**

One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

O God, our merciful redeemer,  
**we confess the ways we live only for ourselves.**  
**We fail to see you in our neighbor's face.**  
**We turn our ears from voices that cry out.**  
**We pass by the hungry and the oppressed.**  
**In your great mercy, forgive us our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for + his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.  
**Amen.**

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*OPENING SONG	8:30	Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow, #355
*GREETING	11:00	Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)
<p>The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  <b>And also with you.</b></p>		
*HYMN OF PRAISE	8:30	Glory to God
*PRAYER OF THE DAY		
<p>The Lord be with you.  <b>And also with you.</b>          Let us pray...O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  <b>Amen.</b></p>		
QUIET OFFERING	<i>We give our loose change in this special offering to support Lutheran Disaster Response for Hurricane Relief</i>	
SONG	Open Our Eyes, Lord	
READINGS	Amos 5:18-24 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	
*GOSPEL	Alleluia Matthew 25:1-13	
CHILDREN'S SERMON	<i>Children leave to attend Children's Church.</i>	
SERMON	Pastor David Blank	
*HYMN OF THE DAY	Soon and Very Soon	
BAPTISM	5:00	Penelope Jane Calder
AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM	8:30	Joshua Crystal
*APOSTLES' CREED	11:00	

PRAYERS  
 . . . Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

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\*SHARING OF THE PEACE  
 The peace of the Lord be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*Worshippers are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord. "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God" (Rom. 15:7).*

OFFERING		<i>Visitors, you are our guests, please do not feel obligated to make a contribution</i>
OFFERTORY	8:30 11:00	Bring Forth the Kingdom (Choir) A Mighty Fortress (Nockels)

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray... Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you.  
**As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; Let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**  
**Amen.**

\*GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Distribution: All baptized believers who recognize the presence of Christ in this meal are welcome. Those not communing may come forward for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available on a tray at the center aisle. (We take great care to limit cross-contamination, but we cannot guarantee they are completely safe for those with celiac disease.) **Form two lines** on each side, receiving the wine either by intinction (the glass chalice) or by drinking (the ceramic chalice). Those preferring **grape juice** move to the server in the middle.*

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS	8:30 11:00 8:30, 11:00	<i>Lamb of God Wait for the Lord Draw Me Close</i>
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\*PRAYER OF THANKS

Let us pray... Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come.  
**Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION (11:00) Artist Recognition

\*BLESSING

The love of God surround you; the grace of + Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore.  
**Amen.**

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\*SENDING SONG 11:00 *Light the Fire*

\*DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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## PRAYERS

### Current Prayers

Gretchen  
LaDene  
Mary  
Sara  
Telisa

### Continuing Prayers

Chris  
Jason and family  
Jordan, Mallory  
Riak Family

### Birth

We rejoice with Josh and Becky Crystal and their families in the birth of their daughter Madelynn Sora Crystal on Sunday, Oct. 29. May the Lord bless and keep this new life and this young family.

### Deaths

We grieve with Gretchen Weaver and the Weaver, Mazer, and Valentino families in the sudden death of Gretchen's daughter Cynthia Weaver Mazer on Nov. 1.  
We lift up in prayer the Robach family as Sue's father, Harry VanDyke, passed away on Wed, Nov. 1.  
May the Lord bless each family with his peace and comfort as they mourn.

### Home Bound

Bea	Cris
Doris	Fran
Jeannine	Joyce
June D	June G
Neal	Tudy

### Prayer Focus

Church council, pastors, staff, leadership  
Bishops Elizabeth Eaton & Craig Satterlee  
Assistants to the Bishop: Pastor Chrysanne,  
Pastor Sarah, & Pastor David  
Calvary Lutheran Church of Lansing  
Synod Military Chaplains

### Military

Jordan Adams, Marines  
Taylor Ahn, Army  
Max Angel, Army  
Alex Bickel, Air Force  
Matthew Crawford, Army  
Blaine Hughes, Air Force  
Corey Hughes, Air Force  
Melissa **Valentino**, Air Force  
Kelli Walker, Air Force  
Alex Yurush, Army

### Praise

Telisa Ahn's son, Taylor, is back at home base near Seattle, after Afghanistan tour of duty. His fiancée, Lani Peterson, also in Army, is on special assignment in Guam.



ST. LUKE'S  
Happenings

**Baptism:** At the Saturday evening service, we celebrated the baptism of Penelope Calder, daughter of Chad & Amber and granddaughter of Mike & Rae Lampen. We pray God's blessing on this new life.

**Affirmation and Reception:** Affirmation of Baptism for Josh Crystal will take place today, Nov. 12 at the 8:30 service. Join Josh in the Narthex between the services to celebrate his reaffirmation and to welcome him into membership of St. Luke's.

**Purchase Award:** Your votes have been counted! The "Gift of Grace" by Evie Carrier, was the top vote getter. During the 11 am service, Evie will be present to receive her reward. This artwork will be displayed at St. Luke's in the near future.

**People's Choice:** Nancy Simpson's hooking based on Psalm 121 was the winner of the Peoples Choice Award.

**Next week (11/19) - Bread for the World Sunday.** This is a non-partisan, non profit organization that advocates for food security both domestically and internationally. Special envelopes will be placed in the bulletin to contribute to alleviating hunger. Each year a Hunger Report is produced for interested citizens. To see this report and for more information see [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org).

**Adult Forum:** On Sundays in November, Pastor Marcy will be teaching on the book of Mark. This forum will meet in the kitchen alcove from 9:45—10:45 am.

**Book Study:** The Women's Fall Book Study will take place on Nov. 13 at Chris Crandell's home. Come at 7pm.

**Safe Haven Reverse Offering:** Again this week you are invited to take a small card out of the offering plate. These list needed items which are necessities for women and children taking shelter from abuse. Please return the item(s) and put them in the basket in the narthex by Dec. 3.

**Fellowship Gathering:** Tuesday, Nov. 14, from 11 am to 2 pm, will be our monthly 2nd Tuesday gathering. Bishop Satterlee will share the message for our communion service and also an Ask the Bishop' session after lunch. ALL are invited to come to this monthly gathering. If you have not already RSVP'd, please mark the *Attendance Card* or contact the church office.

**State Youth Gathering:** The Michigan Gathering for high school youth and young adults (18--25) takes place from December 27-30 in Lansing. Josh and Becky Crystal will be chaperones. Cost: \$125 before Nov. 15 (\$150 after). Mark the *Attendance Card* or contact the church office if you plan to attend .

**Grief Recovery:** Are you or someone you love suffering from a significant loss, recent or long ago? Consider the Grief Recovery Workshop to be held on Friday, December 1 through Sunday, December 3, at St. Luke's. Brochures are available on the Welcome Center and other areas in church. To sign up, contact Sharon Ross.

**Holiday Food Baskets:** This year, NECM has announced that only Christmas Food Baskets will be provided to those in need. If you would be willing to provide a food basket, please mark the *Attendance Card*.

### Last Week

Gen. Fund	\$ 6,08500
Quiet Off:	\$ 196
Pastor's Fund	\$ 292
Attendance	174
Wed. Service	13

### Upcoming Events

**Thanksgiving Worship**, Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 7 pm. Invite family, neighbors, and friends to attend this service of praise and thanks. Take time to reflect on the many blessings that God has given to us.

**Budget Forum** on Sunday, November 26, during Faith Formation hour, 9:45 am -10:45 am.

**Fair Trade Fair / Advent Wreathing Making / Potluck** on Sunday, Dec. 3. Note time change for this year — event will follow the 11 am service; begins 12:30 pm.

**Fellowship Gathering**, on 2nd Tuesday, December 12, from 11 am to 2 pm, with special music from the 'Varsity Voices' of Northview Schools.

**Budget Vote:** The congregation will be vote on the proposed 2018 budget after each service on Saturday, December 16, and Sunday, December 17.

**One Day Retreat:** January 6, 2018, from 8:45 am—4 pm. This retreat "From the Microwave to the Slow Cooker" is for both men and women and is designed to be an oasis during life's busyness. Email Sharon Ross at [sross@stlk.org](mailto:sross@stlk.org) if you are interested in attending.

### NEXT WEEK

<b>Mon. 13th</b>	Women's BSF 6:55 pm; Youth Advisory Team, 7:00 pm. Alanon, 7:00
<b>Tues. 14th</b>	Sacred Journey, 9:30—11:30am; Sr. Fellowship, 11am—2pm; Adult Choir, 6:30 pm;
<b>Wed. 15th</b>	WoW group, 9:30 am; Social Justice Team, 4:30 pm; Word & Sacrament, 6:00 pm; Barefoot Study, 6:00 pm; "Just Matters", 6:30 pm
<b>Thurs. 16th</b>	Worship Team, 6:30 pm Boy Scouts, 5:30—8:00pm
<b>Fri. 17th</b>	Office Closed. Men's Small Group, 6:30 am.
<b>Sat. 18th</b>	BSF Leaders Mtg, 6:00 am; Worship Service, 5 pm
<b>Sun. 19th</b>	Services, 8:30, 11:00 am. Faith Formation, 9:45 am

### THANK YOU

to everyone who participated in the chili cook off last weekend. We raised almost \$2,000 for our youth! Special thanks to the adult team that helped our youth organize this event including: Erin Magley, Paul Kostishak, Brian & Jennifer Rice, Theresa Phelps, Larry Sakala, Joordn Uecker-Herman, and Pastor Marcy.

### SERVANTS THIS WEEK

**Altar Guild** Rae Lampen  
**Lector** Mike Monaghan (5:00), Karen Powell (8:30); Carolyn DeWitt (11:00)  
**Acolyte** Daniel Burns (8:30); Greyson Magley (11:00)  
**Assisting Minister** Doug Lachniet (8:30); Jon Eagle(11:00)  
**Booth (8:30)** open, Josh Crystal  
**Booth (11:00)** open, Josh Crystal  
**Children's Church (11:00)** Erin Atkinson, Janet Doucette, Lily Doucette  
**Greeters** Hustosky Family, Ed & Kathy Tokarek (8:30); Roger & Maria Heldt, Doucette Family (11:00)  
**Nursery** Sue VanderLaan, Karin Tadych, Mary Doucette  
**Prayer Leader** open (8:30); Sarah Elliott (11:00)  
**Ushers** Bill Granger, Caleb Uecker-Herman, Paul Kostishak (8:30); Chris Doucette, Reed Rollins, Steve Black, Steve Scharphorn (11:00)  
**Musicians** Jonathan L, Art Hale, Evan Davis  
**Vocals** Tammy Hunsberger, Elizabeth Kennedy

### SERVANTS NEXT WEEK

**Altar Guild** Ginni Drews, Terri Morse  
**Lector** Chirlie Standridge (5:00), Lori Bickel (8:30); Karina Rhodes (11:00)  
**Acolyte** open (8:30); Annika Helenius (11:00)  
**Assisting Minister** Bill Branger(8:30); Lynn Rocca(11:00)  
**Booth (8:30)** open, open  
**Booth (11:00)** open, open  
**Children's Church (11:00)** Erin Magley, Mary Jordan, Mary Doucette  
**Greeters** Rice Family, Daniel & Holly Uecker-Herman (8:30); Nelson Family, (11:00)  
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