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Some Reflections After the Fires

August felt largely lost to smoke, fires, evacuations, shutdowns, disruptions in daily living and in our community. September and October have been gorgeous, smoke free, and beautiful with the fall colors and weather. For so many, life has normalized and moved on. For many who lost everything, life feels like it's still on hold, disrupted, moving forward like a glacier. The response by people to help victims of the fire has been amazing. That support has now largely waned – not because the willingness isn't there, but because the needs are slow in accepting the help. The needs don't all present themselves right away, so over time there will no doubt be requests, and I'm sure there will be the response and willingness to help.

Isn't that the way it is with any kind of severe loss and/or death? Everyone rallies around a person or a family who experiences a tragic death. For most, life goes on and normalizes. For those directly affected, it does not. People are more than willing to be there for others over time as needs arise and are expressed, but as time goes on it becomes harder to ask.

For those who have been affected by the fires, please don't hesitate to ask, no matter how much time elapses. There are funds available, and if more are needed, we can make that need known.

I am so grateful to the Spokane community, and the community of St. Luke for the generous hearts, hands, and resources that have been poured out for others. I'm grateful for a new season filled with clear skies and the beauty of creation. I continue to pray for those who've entered a new season in life due to tragedy (not just fires). I trust in the promise that on the other side of whatever cross we face, God will bring new life. And I pray that as the body of Christ, we continue to help bear one another's burdens. Peace be with you all.

Your brother in Christ,

Pr. Jim

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Mission

At St. Luke we--

Worship God, Walk in the Spirit and Witness to Christ

Vision

We are--

Revitalizing the Lutheran Church and Celebrating our Lutheran faith in Christ in the community.

Purpose

To accomplish this we--

Build Community

by

Being passionate about the message of grace, Bringing Jesus to all ages, Connecting people to God and one another.

St. Luke Church Council:

Pastors:	*Jim Johnson* *Taran Denning*
President:	*Joyce Lockard*
Vice-President:	*Tom Murn*
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Secretary:	*Amy Bruce*

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Greg Orwig
Jeff Rask
Kayla Mitzlaff
Nancy Pemberton

Voice, but no vote:

Church Administrator: *Sandy Randolph*

To leave an offering, scan the QR code and follow the prompts. Thank you.

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Worship with us each Sunday

8:30, *10:00 & 11:30 am (Modern)
***Streamed on our Website**

For Prayer requests or any needs
email Nikki Cerenzia at
Nikki@sllcspokane.org

Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Worship & Music

St. Luke Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am (Modern)
To view our livestream at 10:00 am or anytime afterward,
go to our website (sllcspokane.org).

Sunday Readings

November 1 - All Saints Sunday
Revelation 7:9-17; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

November 8
Amos 5:18-24; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

November 15
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

November 22 - Christ the King Sunday
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

November 29 - Advent 1
Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37

Altar Guild Schedule

Date	8:30 am	10:00 am	11:30 am
Nov. 1	Phyllis Brownlee Sandra Orvik Joyce Reinmuth	Bonnie Aagard Laurel Vitale	Nori Beck
Nov. 8	Mary Nyman Gretchen Weiss	Lori Fritz Kathy Perry	Peggy Caprye
Nov. 15	Jane Bonogofski Carol Reeves Mary Ziegler	Heidi Bollum Laurel Vitale	Mary Lutton
Nov. 22	Carol Sullivan Marguerite Wayland	Lori Fritz Grace Allen	Nori Beck
Nov. 29	Genia Denholm Joyce Reinmuth	Gay Baker Melody Faltin	Mary Lutton
Dec. 6	Fern Roark Linda Carter	Bonnie Aagard Denise Banich	Torree Mitchell

ST. LUKE FINANCES

NOVEMBER 2026

OPERATING BUDGET

By mid-October, our Operating Budget was $35,523 to the negative. Income by mid-October 2026 has been about $1,049,000, but expenses have been about $1,106,000.

Thank you to all who are supporting the ongoing expenses of the ministry (programmatic ministry, payroll, utilities and repair & maintenance expenses). Every contribution is important and makes a difference as we strive to meet the financial needs of ministry at St. Luke. Great appreciation for the gifts of your time, talents and resources to St. Luke ministry. Please contact Sandy Randolph with any questions about the budget, cost of doing ministry or ways to support the ministry.

SEMINARY STUDENT SUPPORT FUND

Thanks to those of you who continue to support the Seminary Student Support Fund!

As God continues to call faithful servants from St. Luke into ministry, He has also gifted St. Luke with caring and supportive members who enable us to extend a helping hand to our seminarians. Thank you again for your generosity!

MORTGAGE CAMPAIGN:
Built on Grace, Called to Serve

By mid-October, $198,227 has been received for our mortgage campaign. With excess funds given in 2025, we have been able to pay our monthly mortgage payments of $22,747 per month, but we are behind in receipts by a little under one mortgage payment. Please remember to contribute to our mortgage fund as you are able.

For the past four years of our mortgage campaigns, we have been able to accumulate excess funds for our mortgage payments and as a result have been able to contribute a larger principal payment toward our loan balance. We do not yet have excess funds in 2026 to make an extra principal payment, but hope that sometime during 2026 giving will have exceeded our monthly payments enough to make an extra principal payment on our loan. This means we see additional savings in interest expense and a further reduction to the timeline of our loan. Thank you for your generous support!

Please note: Pledges can be made at any time. If you have not made a pledge and would like to do so, please contact Sandy Randolph, our Church Administrator. A pledge is not necessary, however, for you to contribute to our debt retirement campaign! If you have questions about our debt retirement or our campaign, please contact Sandy.

What is *'Simply Giving'?*

Is it a good choice for you?

- **Simply Giving is a safe, dependable way to automatically & confidentially deposit your offering.**
- **You determine the frequency of your automatic gift: weekly, semi-monthly or monthly.**
- **You also determine how your offering is distributed between the Operating Budget, Mortgage, Building Improvement Projects and other giving opportunities.**
- **You have complete freedom to change the amount of your automatic deposit, change how your offering is distributed, or cease your automatic deposit arrangement as needed.**
- **With Simply Giving, you don't have to remember to bring your offering to worship…or to mail it when you're on vacation. You can plan toward your giving, knowing that it will be deposited for you on a regular basis.**

Contact Sandy Randolph at the church office with questions. Complete the form below, attach your cancelled check or deposit slip and give it to Sandy to set up your 'Simply Giving' account!

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Telephone Number -- home: **work:** **cell:**

Email Address:

Check the appropriate box:

☐ **New enrollment/authorization**
☐ **Change in authorized amount**
☐ **Change in account**

Gifts/payments should be taken from:

☐ **Checking (attach voided check)**
☐ **Savings (attach a savings deposit slip)**

Routing Number _____*A valid routing number must start with 0, 1, 2, or 3.***
Account Number _____

REQUIRED:

I authorize Vanco Service, LLC to automatically withdraw contributions from my account. I have attached a voided check or savings deposit slip. This authority will remain in effect until I give reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.

Account Holder Signature _____

Frequency of Funds Transfer (Please check only one):

☐ **Weekly on Monday**
☐ **Weekly on Friday**
☐ **Semi-monthly (transferred on 1st & 15th of each month)**
☐ **Monthly on the 1st**
☐ **Monthly on the 15th**

Start Date: _____

Church Fund Designation*:	**Amount:**
☐ **Operating Budget (General Fund)**	**$ _____**
☐ **New Sanctuary Mortgage Payment**	**$ _____**
☐ **Building Improvement Projects**	**$ _____**
☐ **Seminarian Support Fund**	**$ _____**
TOTAL:	**$ _____**

***Please place your contributions to other funds in the offering plate on Sunday morning or give to Sandy Randolph, the Church Administrator.**

Kids' Ministry

HarvestFest Was a Blast!

HarvestFest was a wonderful evening filled with fun, laughter, and festive activities! The kids had a fantastic time playing the carnival games, and a huge thank-you goes out to all the middle schoolers who ran the games and helped make the experience so much fun for the kids and their parents.

The Candy Crawl was a big hit, too! It was wonderful to enjoy all the creative decorations without worrying about them blowing away in the wind. Thank you to everyone who decorated a station and handed out candy. The creativity and effort were amazing! We also want to extend a big thank-you to everyone who donated candy to make the event possible.

From the photo booth and craft station to the delicious dinner and lively trivia competition, every activity added to the festive atmosphere and made HarvestFest a memorable evening for everyone. Thank you to all the volunteers, decorators, candy donors, and participants who helped make this year's event such a success!

5th & 6th Grade Youth Group

Our 5th and 6th Grade Youth Group usually meets every Wednesday from 6:30–8:00 pm in The Den, but we have a couple of schedule changes in November! There will be no youth group on November 11 or November 25.

Don't worry—we'll pack plenty of fun into our gatherings on November 4 and 18! Join Shalena Wylie for friendship, faith, and FUN! Come for games, snacks, Bible centered discussions, and lots of laughs! It's FREE and friends are always welcome!

Craft Kits for Thanksgiving Baskets

The Sunday School kids are assembling craft kits to add to the Thanksgiving Food Baskets. St. Luke generously donates and delivers these baskets to 40 families each year. This year St. Luke kids are giving a little something extra to the kids who will be receiving the food baskets.

Save the Date – Christmas Is Coming!

Mark your calendars! Our Children's Christmas Program will take place on Sunday, December 13, during the 10:00 am worship service. The kids are already hard at work with Holly Powers and Annika Johnson, learning their songs and getting ready to share some Christmas joy with the congregation. We can't wait to see their hard work come together for this special celebration!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Friday, November 6 @ 9:15-10:30 p.m. – High School Cosmic Bowling
High school youth (9th-12th) are invited to go bowling at Lilac Lanes. Drop-off & pick-up will be at Lilac Lanes. Please arrive by 9:15 p.m. so that we can begin bowling at 9:30 p.m. The cost of bowling is $10 per youth. We'll bowl for an hour! Please RSVP to Jacque by Monday 11/2.

Wednesday, November 11 @ 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Youth Group Dinner + Hang Out
We won't have normal youth group this week because of the holiday. Instead, there will be dinner available to all youth (7th-12th) who would like to attend this Wednesday. We'll have dinner, and spend the rest of the evening playing games and catching up. If you plan to be there, please rsvp so that Jacque gets the correct amount of food. Thanks!

November 20 & 21 – Middle School Retreat
Friday Nov. 20th @ 7:00 p.m., middle school youth will meet for popcorn & a movie night at St. Luke, with pick at 9:00 p.m. Youth will not stay overnight. Saturday, Nov. 21 @ 11:00 a.m., youth will meet at the church before we carpool to Lutherhaven to spend the day doing fun camp activities and growing in faith together. Pick-up for the 21st will be at St. Luke at 9:00 p.m. The cost per youth is $50.00. Jacque needs to know the number of attendees asap! Please get in contact if your middle schooler plans to attend the retreat. This is a great bonding experience for the teens!

Wednesday, November 26 – No Youth Group, Thanksgiving Break
We will not have Youth Group this week due to Thanksgiving break. Happy Thanksgiving! We'll see you at Sunday School on Sunday, November 29.

Thank You for your support at HarvestFest!
Thank you to everyone for your support of our HarvestFest dinner fundraiser. We served about 200 meals and raised around $900 for Youth Ministry events! And another big thank you to the middle and high school youth and parents for helping in the kitchen, with Kid's Ministry games, decorating, and all that went into making it a wonderful HarvestFest. Thank you!

Congratulations to the 2026 Confirmands!
On Sunday, October 25, nine youth were confirmed! Confirmands, thank you for sharing your faith and being a witness of Christ to the congregation. We love you and are thankful for you!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Game Night – Friday, November 7 (tentatively) @ 6:30 pm

The date is dependent on the host of the game night, but this event will happen by the end of November! Young Adults are invited to game night, it's a great event to meet other St. Luke young adults and have some fun shared experiences over board games or card games. If you are able, bring an appetizer to share! Please RSVP by Nov. 4, or Jacque will ask for an RSVP about one week in advance of the event.

Mission

Environmental Stewardship Group

Thanks to all who came out to clean up the church campus in October. The next campus clean up day will be **November 21 9:00-11:00 am**. Please plan to help out that day as there will be piles of leaves to clear away!! Bring your gloves and a rake, or use what we have at the church. Refreshments will be provided.

The next Environmental Stewardship Group meeting will be **November 1 at 7:00 pm** at the church or on Google Meet (https://meet.google.com/nqi-yfsp-cid). All are welcome to join us!

St. Luke Woodworking

The woodworkers are currently making toys for our Christmas basket recipients, Walnut Corners and other non-profits. We meet on **Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:00-11:30 am**. Join us, we'd love to have you! We will be selling some of our items towards the end of November. They make great gifts!

Patchwork Quilters

This ministry assembles quilts for Lutheran World Relief and for gifting to our Christmas basket recipients. Recently we have given 100+ quilts to Spokane's local fire victims. We meet in the Quilting House at St. Luke on **Tuesday mornings from 9:00-11:30 am. We have also scheduled a quilting Saturday on Nov. 14 from 9:00-11:30 am**. All are invited to join us. Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets for the quilt drawn at HarvestFest. The quilt was won by Robin Dudley!

Yarn Work-A Knitting & Crocheting Group

Nimble fingers have converted yards and yards of yarn into 5-plus pounds of winter neck scarves to be distributed to Mission Community Outreach. Now, the next task is to create winter caps! Would you like to help? If you knit or crochet, yet cannot participate in this group, you may still create at home and bring your product to the church for distribution. Yarn Work continues to meet the second Tuesday, monthly. We meet again November 10, at 1:00 pm, in the Church library. We have a place for you!!

Lutheran Community Services Northwest

Successful "Gathered for Good" Event

"Gathered for Good", a fundraising luncheon benefitting the programs and services of Lutheran Community Services Northwest (LCSNW), was held on Saturday, October 10, 2026 at The Boxcar Room in downtown Spokane from 11 am until 1:30 pm.

LCSNW welcomed approximately 65 attendees, including St Luke members, and appreciated St Luke Pr Jim's prayer at the beginning of the program. The group shared a delicious meal while hearing stories about LCSNW's impact. Two local congregations, St. Mark's Lutheran and Redeemer Lutheran, were recognized for their meaningful contributions to our community. Rev. Betsey Moe spoke about her experience as a foster parent through LCSNW's Unaccompanied Refugee Minors program. It was a great opportunity to bring people together around LCSNW's mission and build support for the services LCSNW provides to individuals and families across our community.

Save the Date

Lutheran Community Services Northwest is honored to invite community members to Healing with Hope, an evening of fellowship, reflection, and impactful giving planned for April 24, 2027, at Trezzi Farm Winery, 17700 N Dunn Rd, Colbert, Washington. For questions, contact Jessica Church at jchurch@lcsnw.org or (509) 343-5060.

At Lutheran Community Services Northwest, our mission is to partner with individuals, families, and communities to foster health, justice, and hope. We envision a Northwest where everyone has the support they need to overcome life's challenges and thrive in healthy, just, and hopeful communities. Our core values guide our efforts in providing essential services. We believe that service is the foundation of our work, and we are dedicated to making a positive impact in the lives of those we serve.

SPOKANE URBAN MINISTRIES – WALNUT CORNERS

Mission: Loving Our Neighbors Through Person-Focused Sustainable Housing

Spokane Urban Ministries (SUM) owns and operates Walnut Corners, 47 units of mostly subsidized, permanent rental housing on Broadway and Mallon, adjacent to Salem Lutheran Church. SUM is an independent corporation with four Member Lutheran congregations: Salem, All Saints, St Luke, and Advent, which each elect representatives to serve on the SUM Board of Directors. At-large representatives on the SUM Board are elected by vote of the Directors of the Members. Board President Becky Dickerhoof, Esther Larsen, and Anna McKinney represent St Luke. The SUM Board has committees which meet approximately monthly, and the full Board has a business meeting every other month and convenes at least once a year for a Retreat.

BOARD RETREAT. The SUM Board held a Retreat on October 3, and thanks St Luke for providing its conference room for the meeting. Among the topics discussed was expanding its permanent affordable housing in Spokane.

SAVE THE DATE. Among the ongoing events SUM provides for the residents of Walnut Corners is Winter Feast, which will be held on the afternoon of Saturday, December 12, in the gym of Salem Lutheran, 1428 West Broadway. Dennis Johnson, a member of Advent Lutheran, has confirmed the attendance of Santa. In addition to a delicious meal, planned activities include art projects; displays; games; music; and holiday bags with healthy snacks as well as toys and books donated by Board members and others, to be handed to the children by Santa.

SUM welcomes donations of local stores' gift cards for the residents to purchase groceries and other basic needs. Please contact Becky Dickerhoof at (419) 606-0493. If you are interested in learning more about SUM or providing your expertise, skills, and/or passion, including ideas about a community program to present to the residents.

FAMILY PROMISE
NOVEMBER

Family Promise of Spokane

Volunteer Opportunties

CHILI & BINGO, November 17, 5-6pm· We'll serve chili and play Bingo! We're looking for people who can make a crockpot of chili, come and help the kids play Bingo, or those who can donate Bingo prizes! Bingo Prize Ideas: (*for kids to adults) drink tumblers/water bottles, travel coffee mugs, cozy socks, stuffed animals, fidget toys, squishy toys, candy, snacks.

Christmas Cookie Decorating, Tuesday, December 15, 5-6pm. Help us decorate Christmas cookies with the families. We need on-site helpers and if yo0u love baking, we need a lot of undecorated Christmas Cookies. Please see the sign up tower for specific needs.

Grocery Pick-up/Delivery on Tuesdays, We're looking for a reliable volunteer(s) onTuesdays. Could be two people or couples to take turns! Pick up grocery donations from location on South Hill, typically around 10-11am, deliver and unload groceries into the walk-in cooler and pantry at the Emergency Shelter. This volunteer roll greatly helps the staff at Family Promise to not have to leave the shelter site and still make sure the pantry is stocked for families!

Support Opportunities

SUPPLIES NEEDED: It takes a lot of supplies to host the kids & families and we greatly appreciate your help with donations! To see a master list please visit to Info Tower in the Fellowship Hall.

Bingo Prizes, We're hosting Bingo at the shetler on Nov. 17. We would love a crockpot of chili or prizes for our Bingo table.

Sugar Cookies, Calling all bakers! We need Christmas-shaped cookies (unfrosted) to decorate with families at the shelter. Please see the sign-up tower for details.

MILK DONATIONS, We are collecting milk and egg donations as well as looking for volunteers to deliver from church to the shelter on Wednesdays or Thursdays. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall Information Tower to donate & drop off milk by Tuesday of each week OR sign up to deliver the milk to the Emergency Shelter.

WHAT'S MY NEXT STEP TO VOLUNTEER?

step 1
Schedule a "COME & SEE" at the Shelter!

Group Volunteers are suggested to attend a Come & See. All individual volunteer roles MUST attend a Come & See before volunteer event.

COME & SEE SIGN UP

step 2
Email Stefanie Reinke about what role/shift you're interested in.

stefanie @sllcspokane.org

step 3
Fill out your volunteer registration.

FOR VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION please email, stefanie @sllcspokane.org

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR MINISTRY
NOVEMBER

THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS MEALS,
Each year, St. Luke supports 40 local families by providing everything they need to prepare a Thanksgiving dinner, along with a few extra treats! At Christmas, we support these same 40 families with food for Christmas dinner and breakfast, special treats, a handmade quilt from our Quilters group, and gifts for the children in each household.
This is a tremendous undertaking, and we are so grateful for the generosity and support of our congregation! The list of Thanksgiving food items needed is now posted on the Info Tower, along with a sign-up for drivers to deliver the meal baskets on November 24 at 5:30 p.m.
Beginning November 29, you can find the Christmas food donation list on the Info Tower and gift request tags on the Tree or Sharing in the Fellowship Hall.
Thank you for helping Love Thy Neighbor bring joy, comfort, and care to families right here in our community. Your generosity makes this annual ministry possible and reminds our neighbors that they are loved and supported!

NORTHWOOD TEEN & KID CLOSET, The Mead School District, in partnership with Teen & Kid Closet, operates a free clothing and school supply resource in North Spokane for local students and families in need. The closet is in need of new Socks & Underwear, all sizes are appreciated.

MEAD FOOD BANK, The Mead Food Bank servers over 100 families in a typical week and greatly appreciates St. Luke's generous support! You can donate food anytime to the church during office hours and on Sunday mornings. The food bank also accepts expired canned food items and have been short on canned fruits lately. Thank you for your support of this vital program in our community!
MOST NEEDED ITEMS: NUTS, FLOUR & SUGAR, TOILET PAPER & BAR SOAP, CANNED FRUITS & VEGGIES, CEREAL, CANNED PROTEINS.

JESUS CALLS US TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELVES, AS HE HAS LOVED US.

OUR "LOVE THY NEIGHBOR" MINISTRY IS HOW WE LIVE THIS OUT, INISDE OUR CHURCH AND OUT IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WE'RE CALLED TO LOVE.
TO SERVE.
TO SHOW UP.

WE INVITE YOU TO STEP INTO THE JOY OF SERVING YOUR NEIGHBOR.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR, IT STARTS WITH YOU.

Please reach out to Stefanie Reinke about what role/shift you're interested in, feel called to serve in, or with questions.

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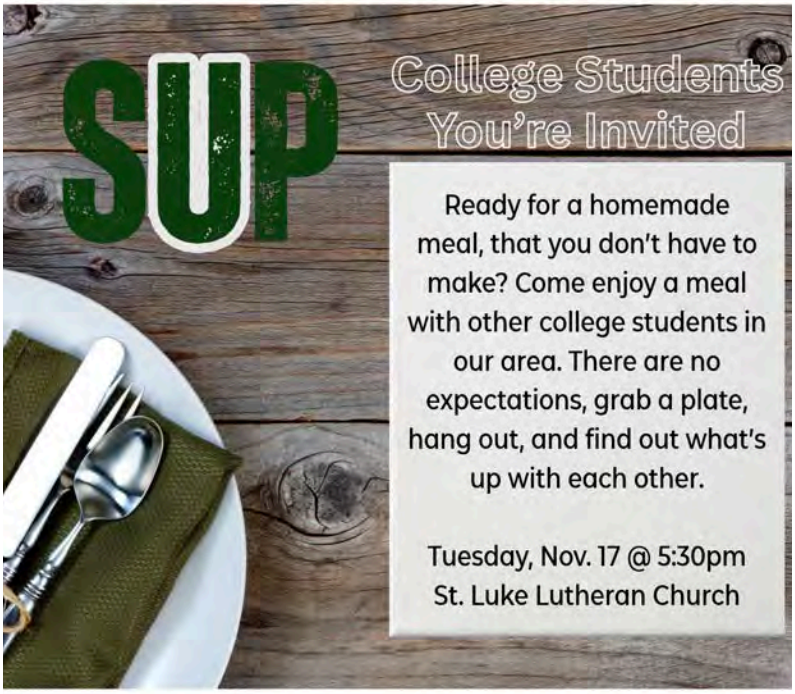
We're also collecting large boxes for sorting and transporting Thanksgiving & Christmas meals to 40 families. Think large/wide/sturdy boxes that you may get at Costco.

Announcements & Events







Solo Souls Small Group

Solo Souls is a welcoming group for widowed individuals who are ready for friendship, connection, and enjoying life alongside others who understand this season of life. If you're tired of feeling like the "third wheel," this is a place to relax, belong, and build new friendships. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 11:00 am to plan our monthly social events.

Our next social event is **Fri, Nov. 20 for a soup lunch at Dennis'**. We'll carpool from church at noon. **Dec. 6**, we're heading downtown after worship for an adventure.

The cafe's new hours on Sundays are 9:30-10:00 & 11:00-11:30am.

Pickleball

Pickleball meets on Monday nights from 5:00-7:30 pm, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12-3 pm (12-1:00 is set aside for beginners on both Tuesday and Thurs).
If you are not on the email list please let the office know and we'll add you. This is how we communicate cancellations. Pickleball is *cancelled* on Nov. 12, 23, 24, & 26.

Zumba Gold: Come Dance with Debby!
Tuesdays at 8:15 am at St. Luke.

Perfect for active older adults looking for a fun workout! Easy to follow Zumba choreography that focuses on balance and range of motion.





Mission Community Outreach Benefit

Enjoy a night at the theater while supporting a great cause! On Wednesday, December 2, Mission Community Outreach Center is co-sponsoring a special benefit night at the Spokane Civic Theatre, featuring a musical performance of Cinderella.

For just $40 per ticket, your evening includes:

- Admission to the musical performance
- Delicious treats from Just American Desserts
- Latah Creek wine
- Access to an exciting silent auction

Mission Community Outreach Center
Reaching Out With Care

To purchase your tickets, please contact St. Luke member and MCOC board member Dan Harris at 208-449-9622.

Bible/Book Studies

Adult Education

Adult Sunday School: 10:00-11:00a
Steve Zemke began the year leading the Adult Education Hour in the Genesis Room. Participants are exploring the Sunday lectionary together, focusing on engaging and thoughtful discussions. Leaders and topics may change throughout the year; the monthly newsletter and weekly announcement sheet will provide updates as changes occur.

Acts Adult Study: Mon. 6:00-7:00p
This is a weekly discussion based class that meets in the St. Luke Conference Rm. Participants will read a chapter of Acts each week and bring topics for discussion. This study will run through the programmatic year and wrap up in May.

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study: Wed. 6:30-7:30a
Steve Zemke facilitates a discussion of the upcoming Sunday's lectionary readings. Breakfast and coffee is served. Come early to fill your plate and enjoy some fellowship before the discussion begins!

Martha Circle: Sun., Nov 8, 11:15a
The women of Martha Circle meet the second Sunday of the month in the St. Luke library.They read the Bible study out of the "Gather" magazine.

Looking for Lovely Women's Book Study: Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30p
We began the year with *Looking for Lovely: Collecting the Moments that Matter* by Annie F. Downs. In this 7-session Bible study, we meet weekly with an accompanying video, exploring how ordinary people in the Bible found beauty in everyday moments and hope in God's timing.

Adult Bible Study: Thursdays, 10:00-11:00a
Mark Anderson leads this weekly adult Bible study that meets in the Conference Room at St. Luke. This year we will study the Gospel of John. All are welcome! There is no need to read ahead, just show up with your Bible.

Greek 201: Tuesdays 4:30-5:30p
We invite you to join us in reading Greek as St. Luke. If you have ever studied Greek, this is a great opportunity to build on that in a friendly group. We are reading from the Gospel of Mark this fall.

Monthly Women's Book Study Thurs., Nov. 5, Dec. 3, 11:30a
We are beginning the video based study, "The Epic of Eden: Psalms" by Sandra L Richter. Come to truly understand this beloved hymnal with Sandra doing the heavy lifting of research and translation. You can get the accompanying paperback or e-book on Amazon.

Worship Volunteer Calendar

Date	Time	Liturgist	Readers	Ushers	Communion Asst.
Nov. 1	8:30	Kevin Peterson	Diane Zemke	Bill & Joyce Miller	Scott & Carla Toliver
Nov. 1	10:00	Kevin Peterson	Susan Minarik	Dan & Jody Harris	Rod & Susan Minarik
Nov. 1	11:30		Chandler Johnson		
Nov. 8	8:30	Tim Engh	Melody Gartrell	Brent Klinke Scott Garske	Edward Hiler Melody Gartrell
Nov. 8	10:00	Tim Engh	Tom Ethen	Steve & Jalane Johnson	Judy McMillian Janice Lahde
Nov. 8	11:30		Dean Lenz		
Nov. 15	8:30	John Roberts	Glenn Batty	Genia & Denny Denholm	Abe & Marlene Bowen
Nov. 15	10:00	John Roberts	Mary Spain	Greg Orwig Pat Ritter	Scott & Debbie Diettert
Nov. 15	11:30		Annika Johnson		
Nov. 22	8:30	Shane Heideman	Sunni Strand	Mark & Cindy Thompson	Paul & Deanna Ojennus
Nov. 22	10:00	Shane Heideman	Laurel Vitale	Joyce Skovran Ellen Imsland	Need 2
Nov. 22	11:30		Torree Stein		
Nov. 29	8:30	Pete Butler	Joyce Sonnabend	Carol Sullivan Need 1 More	Randy & Judy Senf
Nov. 29	10:00	Pete Butler	Lori Fritz	Need 2	Need 2
Nov. 29	11:30		Jody Holmes		
Dec. 6	8:30	Rob McKinney	Amber Lenz	Bruce & Ann Dentler	Amber Lenz Dale Fitch
Dec. 6	10:00	Rob McKinney	Bob Hoff	Terry & Heidi Bollum	Need 2
Dec. 6	11:30		Karlene Beaumont		

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1 8:30a Worship 10:00a Worship 10:00a Sunday School 11:30a Modern Worship 12:30p New Member Orientation & Lunch 7:00p Environmental Stewardship	2 1:00p Alzheimer Caregiver Support 3:30p Morningside 5:00p Pickleball 6:00p Acts Study 6:00p St. Luke 101	3 8:15a Zumba Gold 9:00a Quilters 9:00a Woodworkers 12:00p Pickleball 4:30p Karate Ministry 4:30p Greek 201 6:00p St. Luke 101 6:30p Orchestra	4 6:30a Men's Breakfast 9:00a Woodworkers 12:00p Staff Meeting 3:30p Morningside 6:00p Women's Study 6:00p Vocal Rehearsal 6:30p 5th-12th Youth Group & Confirmation	5 10:00a John Bible Stdy 11:30a TBD Women's Psalm Study 12:00p Pickleball 6:00p St. Luke 101 6:00p Chancel Choir 7:15p Bell Choir	6 9:00p High School Bowling at Lilac Lanes	7 9:00a-2:00p Whitworth Auxiliary Bazaar
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