



St. Luke
LUTHERAN CHURCH

Thank You for joining us in Worship!

If you are new or visiting today, welcome! We invite you to fill out our visitor card located in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you are here. Hearing assistance is available – please see an usher.

Today's flowers are given by Joan Bridgman in memory of her sister, Kathy Bridgman.

Worship: In Holy Communion, Christ enters our lives anew: all who hunger to grow in connection with God are welcome to partake. Ushers will invite you forward via the center aisle to receive Communion bread. Wine (red) and grape juice (clear) are in the tray by the pastors.

- Gluten-free wafers are available: simply ask a pastor.
- If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Holy Communion, come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

St. Luke's Nursery: The nursery is open offering care to children ages birth – 5 years every Sunday during the second service (10-15-11:45am). *The nursery will be closed Sunday, December 24th and Sunday, December 31st.*

Upcoming Worship Schedule

(all services livestreamed on YouTube "@StLukeChurchPortland" and Facebook "St. Luke Lutheran Church")

- **Holden Evening Prayer:** Wednesdays, November 29, December 6, 13, 20 from 6:30-7pm in the Sanctuary.
- **Fourth Sunday in Advent:** Sunday, December 24, *one service only* at 10:30am.
- **Christmas Eve Services:** Sunday, December 24 - 3pm, 5pm, & 10:30pm. *No service on December 25.*
- **Sunday, December 31:** *One service only* at 10:30am.

Prayers for the Departed: **Claire Amsden** (mother of Bill Amsden); **Wilbur Menicosy**; **Carolyn Jackson**; **Joan Rohrer & Lisa Boylan** (Joan's daughter); **Marian Throne, Louise Grande, Gene Maier** (father of Jonathan & David Maier), **Carl Eckerle** (Joan Frazer's brother-in-law); **Bill Davidson** (Joan Frazer's brother), **Betty Koester, Robin Dustan** (Mark Dustan's sister), **Tom Lahiff** (Carolyn and Jim Loch's brother-in-law).

Prayer List: **Arlys Chesnutt** (hospitalization); **Craig Brustad** (Janet Salvador's brother); **Cindy Gibbon** (cancer treatment); **Mary Brocker** (breast cancer surgery/Mark and Donna Brocker's daughter); **Marleen Roth** (fractured pelvic bone); **Don Alrick** (triple bypass surgery); **Barbara Brocker** (stepmother of Mark Brocker - recovering after fall); **Sybil Tremper** (lymphoma), **John Jackson** (recovering from a fall), **John Chesnutt** (post-hospitalization), **Dale Vaughan** (healing from fall), **Barb Dahlgren** (surgery), **Bill Loehr** (surgery), **Sue Seiffert** (stage 1 breast cancer), **Carter West** (neurological disease), **Rev. Myrin Bentz** (hospice/Senior Pastor of St. Luke from 1969 – 1998), **Lorna Beckley** (brain cancer surgery #2), **Tim Spofford** (strokes/Cathy Spofford's brother-in-law), **Dave Simmons, Bev Westlund** (knee surgery), **Sandra Hamari** (metastatic cancer), **Michael Butler** (cancer and surgery), **Elaine Woodward** (stroke), **John Jessen, Dee Mills, Jeremy Eckhardt** and those incarcerated.

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN

9am-5pm, Monday-Friday:

Church Office (503) 246-2325

9am-5pm any day: RuJeanne Anderson (503) 297-2246

5pm-10pm any day: Carol Greene, 503-245-4189



Connect:

Pr. Patti will be on vacation: 11/26-12/2. Pr. Beth will be the pastor on call.

Advent Festival! Come for holiday crafting and hot chocolate Saturday, December 2nd from 2-4 pm. This fun, beloved traditional "Advent Festival" is always the first weekend in December. This event is free and open to all - great especially for kids as our crafts are simple so many can enjoy rotating through completing several projects. Kick off the season with crafting items that can be enjoyed in your homes or gifted to someone you love: decorating cedar branches, decorating advent candles, gum drop snowflakes, giftbag decorating (and more)!

FAB Outing to Visit Pittock Mansion: On Wednesday, December 6, our FAB (Fifty and Beyond) group will visit holiday-decorated Pittock Mansion, followed by lunch at Sandovals Cafe. Meet at church at 9:30am for rides on the church bus. **Reservations are required by 5pm Sunday, December 3rd:** Contact Marsha Swantz, dls-mls@hotmail.com or (503) 422-2495.

Serve:

Grateful Generosity: It is the generosity of God that makes possible all that we have and all that we are. The generosity of the Holy Spirit's presence makes it possible for us to perceive and interpret our lives and our possessions through the eyes of faith and gratitude. In response you are invited to act with grateful generosity. Consider and pray about how you will respond. You are invited to bring a statement of intent card for our offering plate or drop it off at the office. Digital cards are also available by going to www.stlukechurch.com and clicking "Give" (or scan QR code).



Communion Help - Table Setup, Cleaning, or Assisting/Serving Sign-Ups:



➤ Would you like to contribute to the communion service by serving during the services? If so, we would greatly appreciate your help! Scan the QR code to sign up!



➤ Another way to support the communion service is by preparing the table. You can help by setting the table and/or cleaning afterward. If you're interested in lending a hand, please scan the QR code to sign up for a Sunday (or Sundays) after a service of your choice. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact Melody: Melody.Drangstveit@gmail.com; (503) 312-7785.

St. Luke Staff

Blessings in the journey of faith!

Pr. Patti Welch, Lead Pastor
Pr. Beth Brashear, Associate Pastor
Gerry Brenes, Director of Music
Emily Brabham, Director Youth/Service Ministries
Kim Weber, Children's Ministry

Annamarie Pearson, Administrative Assistant & Organist
Raingard Kuhse, Executive Assistant
Dawn Juliano, Bookkeeper & Payroll Specialist
Pepper Rehm, Virtual Worship Producer & Website Coordinator