



Spring Forward this Sunday
Don't forget to adjust your clocks an hour ahead.

Guest Preacher this Sunday: Marc Rieke
Marc Rieke is the consultant for our LIFT Campaign. To see his bio please see attached.

Downloads and attachments
[MarcRiekeBio 3-25 \(002\).pdf](#)

Grauer Back to School Project 2025
March 11

We will meet at 6:30pm in the conference room on Tuesday, March 11. If you're interested in joining this dynamic team, please email emily@stlukechurch.com.

FAB Coffee Hour

Wednesday, March 12th at 10:30am, FAB group will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a coffee hour and presentation by St. Luke members Tammy and Ron Witcosky about their 'safari' adventure. We will see photos of their travel in January of 2020 to Tanzania and Zanzibar, elephants and giraffes up close and personal. Come with questions and a sense of adventure!

In addition, this personal travel log will be followed by a LIFT-OFF time for dialogue and questions about our capital campaign. For more information, please contact Marsha Swantz at dls-mls@hotmail.com.

Wednesdays in Lent

Join us Wednesday evenings for the ancient Christian tradition of a shared meal followed by worship:

- 5:45pm - Soup Suppers (with a variety of soups) & bread.
- 6:30pm - Bless this Night Vespers from Holden Village

Soup makers needed! Sign up [here](#).

Job Opportunities at St. Luke

Nursery Attendants, Faith Formation Directory & Volunteer/Service Coordinator

St. Luke is seeking three **Nursery Attendants**, ages 18 or over, to staff our nursery (two attendants each Sunday) year-round from 9:00-noon. Compensation for each attendant is \$20/hour. If you or someone you know loves working with young children and families, has knowledge about child development from birth - age 5, and is looking for a rewarding way to spend a Sunday morning, please see the attached job description or contact Lisa Sickler lisasickler@gmail.com, 503-550-4107 for more information.

Recruiting a **Faith Formation Director** to lead Youth Ministry programs (Middle School and High School). To apply please send your letter of interest, resume and contact information to Rick Patrick at personnel@stlukechurch.com. Please see attached job description.

Lastly St. Luke is recruiting for a **Volunteer/Service Coordinator**. The purpose of this position is to coordinate all aspects of building and maintaining volunteer engagement. Please send letter of interest, resume and contact information to Rick Patrick at personnel@stlukechurch.com. Please see attached job description.

Downloads and attachments

[St Luke Nursery Attendant.pdf](#)[Faith Formation Director Job Posting.pdf](#)[Volunteer Coordinator Job Posting PCC.pdf](#)

Save the Date

Good Words Book Group
Conference Room

Please join the **Good Words Book Group** on March 16 to discuss **James** by Percival Everett. We meet at 9:15 in the St. Luke Conference Room. New members are always welcome! Contact Caryl Walker (goodwords1@icloud.com) if you have questions.



2025 Interfaith Earth Summit at St. Luke in Fellowship Hall
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon

Climate Justice Ministry Committee will host a SW Portland 'Hub' at St. Luke. The workshop for this in person session will be about climate resilience and learning more from our community what resources we have available to help ourselves and our neighbors. As well as to learn what the community may be interested in pursuing later this Spring. [Register online](#) with Ecumenical Ministries and the Committee will provide EMO funds for your attendance. Encourage all St. Luke youth to attend! All are welcome to join us on March 16th -- Fellowship Hall doors opening at 12:30pm. Snacks will be served.

Questions: climatejusticeministries@stlukechurch.com

For more information please contact Maripat Hensel at henselresearch@gmail.com and David Medford at 503-432-6885.

Guest speakers presenting remotely include:

- o **Kickoff Message:** Frank So, EMO Executive Director
- o **Key Findings of the Seventh Oregon Climate Assessment:** Dr. Erica Fleischman, Director, Oregon Climate Change Research Institute; Dr. Larry O'Neill, Director, Oregon Climate Service
- o **The State of Oregon's Climate Resilience:** Jonna Papaefthimiou, State Resilience Officer
- o **Workshop Previews:** Sarah Loose, Director of Disaster and Climate Resilience, ELCA Oregon Synod; Peter Fargo, EMO Creation Justice Coordinator

Downloads and attachments
[Earth Summit 2025 St. Luke flyer.pdf](#)



LIFT OFF Gatherings

You are invited to join our **Leaping in Faith Together, Caring for Generations** campaign journey. There are thirteen opportunities for **Lift Off** small group gatherings where you will enjoy meeting with others in our church community and learn more about the campaign, No financial commitments will be asked or received at these gatherings. Please sign up here.

[St. Luke Lutheran Church: LIFT Off Gatherings](#)

You can also find the sign-up genius on the website under What's New and LIFT Campaign. Contact Elise Moentmann at moentman@up.edu or Julie Kresl at juliekresl@icloud.com if you have any questions.

LIFT Bible Studies

Leaping in Faith Together - Capital Campaign

Monday March 17, 7:00 to 8:00pm (on Zoom)

Tuesday March 18, 7:00 to 8:00pm (on Zoom)

Sunday March 30, 9:15 and 10:30 am, St Luke Conference room

Wednesday April 2, 3:00 - 4:00 PM, St Luke Conference room

Contact Pastor Patti Welch at pastorpatti@stlukechurch.com or Pastor Mark Brocker at brockerms11@gmail.com for questions.

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Zoom - Monday, March 17, 7-8pm Zoom - Tuesday, March 18, 7-8pm



SW Hope

Annual Food & Fund Drive

SW Hope is underway! Our community is part of this food and fund drive to support neighbors who use the Neighborhood House Free Food Market, and there are a variety of ways you can get involved.

How can you help? You can make an [online donation](#), text “SWHOPE” to 44-321, or donate food products like canned fruit or dried pasta. **(If applicable, insert the information needed here about how your organization is collecting monetary or food donations)** Your support is essential to support our neighbors.

Here's what's going on this week with SW Hope:

Dine out to Donate Nights

Enjoy a night out at any of these fine local restaurants, and a percentage of your meal price will be donated to SW Hope. Get a group together and make a night of it! 10% of all proceeds at these restaurants on these dates go to SW HOPE!

- March 10th: Dolly Olive in downtown Portland
- March 15: Sasquatch Brewing in Hillsdale

Empty Bowls

Saturday March 15 – 1pm-3pm, Senior Center in Multnomah Arts Center 7688 SW Capitol Hwy

Join us at Empty Bowls, where you can take home soups and hearty bread donated from SW Portland's finest restaurants, and select your own hand-crafted bowl, all while supporting food security.

All soup and bowls are available as supplies last, so plan to show up early!

SW HOPE 5K - [registration](#) now open!

Saturday, April 15 – Oregon Episcopal School

New this year: bunny costume contest! The best-dressed bunny will win in the kids and adult categories.

Kids' Run – 9:45am | Adult Run – 10:15am

We invite you to run with us in our fifth annual SW Hope Feed the Hungry 5K because each dollar we raise together far outweighs its worth in canned goods individually. If we run together, our neighbors here in SW Portland won't have to experience the insecurity of not knowing where their next meal is coming from. Get your early bird discount on [Registration](#) now!

Thanks for your help in making SW Hope another success in 2025!

Memory Cafe

Thursday, March 13 at 2:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Memory Cafe is a ministry for persons with memory loss and their family/friend care partners to gather together for fellowship. For more information please contact Marsha Swantz at dls-mls@hotmail.com.

Voices in Immigration Rights

Francisco Aguirre: Viva Migrant Inclusive Network

Saturday, March 22, 1-2:30pm

St. Luke Fellowship Hall

Hear the stories and hard-won lessons learned by Francisco Aguirre, an immigrant from El Salvador who took sanctuary at Augustana Lutheran Church for 81 days! Francisco brings powerful personal stories and practical advice to help congregations and the community to provide safe haven for immigrants.

RSVP <https://forms.gle/qWbAaTdKaDbLwno29>

For more information, please contact Cathy Spoford at Cspof1@gmail.com.