



St. Luke Lutheran Church ♦ 9 St. Luke's Way ♦ Bloomsburg, PA 17815

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A Guide for Visitors, Members & Friends of St. Luke

### **Welcome!**

The St. Luke Community and staff are honored that you have chosen to experience worship with us today. Our prayer is that, as you fellowship with others and worship our Creator and Savior, you will be challenged in your relationship with God. God is worthy of our praise and worship!

If you are our guest, please know we would love to show you how you can become connected to our ministry here at St. Luke. St. Luke is a place of ministry and grace for all. We ask that you please sign our guest book and make yourself known to us. If you need assistance in any way, please seek out someone wearing a name tag.

If you would like to know more about our church or more about how you can become involved in the ministries here, please contact Pastor Jeff Bohan or Mike McCay, Ministries Coordinator, at (570) 784-5035 or by e-mail at stlukelc@verizon.net for more information.

Again, welcome!

--The St. Luke Community and Staff

### **Mission Statement**

The mission of St. Luke Lutheran Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ. The church pursues its mission as it prays and worships, proclaims the Gospel, and promotes justice, peace and love. The church carries out its mission through the ministry of its members.

### **Children Welcome at St. Luke!**

Each Sunday children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary for a Children's Message or to attend Children's Church. Children's Church is designed for children age 4 through 3rd grade and is available during the 8:00 AM or 10:30 AM worship service each Sunday. Children are dismissed after the Gospel reading and return to the worship service just before Holy Communion. Children 3 and under are invited to go to the "Little Critter Pond" room during this time. A Children's Sermon is offered at the opposite service and children (and parents) are invited to come forward for this special message prior to the sermon. Children are always welcome to remain in the pew with their parents. Children attending Children's Church should meet on the large red square of carpet in the narthex (just as you enter the Fellowship Café) at the time children are dismissed for Children's Church. Older children and teens who would like to assist with Children's Church must now sign-up on the bulletin board outside Cynthia Cronrath's office (back by the Activity Rooms). Again, thanks for your cooperation.

### **Photos and Videos**

At St. Luke Lutheran Church we use photographs and/or video to record our events and ministry. These are used to help promote our ministry, and for archival purposes. We also provide photographs to other publications for these purposes, such as on our website, or the Press Enterprise. If you DO NOT want your or your child's image used in this manner, please contact the church office to make us aware of your wishes.

### **Congregation Council 2010**

Steve Kistler (President)

Ken Carlson (Vice President)

Carla Kreischer (Treasurer)

Beth Goetz (Recording Secretary)

Frank Beishline

Jerry Dorn

Valerie Jeske

Robyn Klingerman

Bridget Mathias

Pastor Jeff Bohan

*Meetings are open meetings held the second Monday of the month (except July) starting at 7 PM at the church. Council members invite all members of St. Luke to share their thoughts about our ministries at any time.*

### **The Church Staff**

Rev. Jeffrey Bohan, Senior Pastor

Vicar Peter Horn, Seminary Intern

Ms. Diane Derr, Business Manager

Mrs. Melissa Newman, Office Manager

Mrs. Michele Lavery, Office Assistant

Ms. Cynthia Cronrath, Director of Christian Education

Ms. Amy Kacyon, Choir Director/Accompanist

Mr. Michael McCay, Ministries Coordinator

Mrs. Barbara Derr, Custodian

Mr. John Austin, Evening Custodian

### **Church Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM; Friday 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

### **Concerns and Considerations for the Ministries of St. Luke Lutheran Church**

Any member having concerns or considerations for possible ministries are encouraged to speak with Pastor Jeff Bohan or members of the congregation council. Concerns may also be communicated either verbally or in writing to the members of the Mutual Ministry Team (Steve Kistler, Jane Stine, John Grabert, Tom Markowski, Pastor Jeff Bohan). The Mutual Ministry Team meets to consider all relayed concerns and responds appropriately. The Mutual Ministry Team may seek additional information from a staff member or appropriate ministry team of the congregation in formulating their responses.

### **Pastoral Calls, Contacts & Visitations**

St. Luke Congregation and the Staff realize the importance of contacts and calls among members and friends of St. Luke Church in times of need or crisis. Pastor Jeff Bohan will provide counseling and a listening ear for situations that arise in your lives. Mike McCay, Ministries Coordinator, maintains the prayer list of our congregation and is also available for conversation and counsel. If you would like to have conversation with Pastor Bohan or a Staff Member, please use one of the following methods.

- Speak to Pastor Bohan in person, **or**
  - Call the Church Office at 784-5035, **or**
  - Call Mike McCay, Ministries Coordinator, at 784-5035, ext. 4, **or**
  - Fill out a Prayer Request/Visitation Card and place it in the offering plate.
  - In the event of a "Pastoral Emergency", dial 784-5035 and press "0" when prompted to do so. This will connect you with the person "on call".
- Remember, if the visit is at a medical facility, please ensure you indicate the name of the facility and the room number.

### **Weather Cancellation Policy**

In the event of inclement weather, please call the "events line" at the church (784-5035, option 7) or listen to one of the following radio stations for announcements regarding cancellation of worship services and events:

WGGI-FM (101.3 or 95.9)

WFYY-FM (106.5)

WGRC-FM (107.7 Bloomsburg, 91.3 Lewisburg)

WHLM (930-AM, 103.5-FM)

WPGM (1570-AM, 96.7-FM)

### **Attention Parents & Ministry Leaders**

NO CHILDREN are allowed to be in the courtyard outside the preschool and nursery areas without adult supervision. Preschool and nursery areas are for children ages 4 and under only. Elementary children should be directed to the Fern & Games Room. Parents are responsible for supervising their children. Please contact the Church Office with questions. Thank you.

### **Policy for Names Being Added to the Prayer List (Approved by Congregation Council October 8, 2007)**

To ensure the privacy of information the Congregation Council of St. Luke Lutheran Church, Bloomsburg, PA provides the following guidelines for adding a person's name to the prayer list. St. Luke Church highly encourages a community in prayer for the needs of members, friends and families. However, the church also recognizes the need to protect personal and private information. In order to maintain the balance between the benefit of prayer and personal privacy the Congregation Council has established the following:

- A person can request that their name be added to the prayer list and it will be added.
- If a person requests another person's name be added to the prayer list, that person must have the permission of the person prior to the name being added.
- The prayer list will include the person's first name and last initial (full last name may be included with the permission of the person being added to the prayer list).
- The reason for being on the prayer list will be listed as health concerns, healing, general concerns, recovery, grieving, etc. Specific information as to the exact medical issues will not be listed.

A person can be added to the prayer list by talking to Ministries Coordinator (Mike McCay) or Office Manager (Melissa Newman). A name will stay on the list for a minimum of three weeks. It may be removed sooner if requested. As long as an update is provided to Mike McCay or Melissa Newman and the person wishes the name to remain, the name will remain on the prayer list.