



October 5, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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Welcome to
St. Luke Lutheran Church
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Our Website: www.stlukedixhills.org
Satellite for the Lutheran Counseling Center: 516-741-0994

Welcome!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome both members and guests to His church. We are present this day to worship Him. In this service we thank and honor our Lord for His many blessings and seek His guidance and comfort for each day of life.

- ❖ Be **reverent** and **thoughtful** in this Holy place.
- ❖ **Before** the service, speak with God.
- ❖ **During** the service, let God speak to you.
- ❖ **After** the service, speak to one another.

As We Gather: We begin our worship today praising the lamb of God who has taken away the sins of the world. For this saving work, Christ is truly worthy of praise, adoration, thanks and honor. He is truly worthy of our worship because of who He is and what He has done for us. Now we shall hear again the great story of salvation that was won for us by the Lamb of God. Rejoice! For the lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia!

Holy Communion is celebrated at each Worship Service.

The Lord's Supper is a gift from our Savior in which He offers us Himself and His forgiveness. Those who partake witness their love for Him and their faith and fellowship for each other. If you have confessed your sins and if you have been properly instructed regarding the Lord's Supper and believe in the presence of Christ in the form of bread and wine, which are the body and blood of Christ, please join us for the celebration of Holy Communion.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

8:15am & 10:45am w/ Sunday School

Contemporary Band plays Sundays two times/month (check online calendar)

Sundays at 10:45 AM

BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Sunday morning between services at 9:30 AM

Wednesday Mornings online at 10:00 AM

The **C.A.R.E Team** encourages *anyone experiencing illness or a challenging situation in their life to reach out to us for support. Support can consist of emotional/spiritual support, meals, transportation, help with errands or chores, and other areas as they are identified. Contact via **Hotline: (631) 600-0271***
Or email careteam@stlukedixhills.org Coordinators: Trish Klare & Amanda Fenty

Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known by Serving, Teaching, and Loving.

NEWS & REMINDERS

THIS WEEK at ST LUKE

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday October 5, 2025

- 8:15 a.m. Worship w/ HC
9:30 a.m. Missionary Ministry-
Amy & Jareb McClain
10:45 a.m. Worship w./ H.C. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Baptism: Bella Rose Ohlsson
12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour
12:00 p.m. Youth Choir

Monday October 6, 2025 Fire Dept Visits PS

Tuesday October 7, 2025 Fire Dept Visits PS

- 10:00 a.m. Online Chair Yoga
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

Wednesday October 8, 2025

- 10:00 a.m. Online Bible Study
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Thursday October 9, 2025 Pre-K Field Trip

- 1:00 p.m. Young at Heart – Cooking Demo
with Elizabeth Johnson
7:00 p.m. Confirmation

Friday October 10, 2025

Saturday, October 11, 2025

- 3:30 a.m. Wedding Rehearsal
Jackie & John



Women's Ministry meets monthly for light breakfast, refreshments, fellowship, and church projects, on the third Saturday at 9:00 AM in the Memorial Gathering Room. See you on October 18, 2025. Contact Anita Schabel for more info - aschabel@yahoo.com



Altar Flowers and the Eternal light are available to honor or remember a loved one or occasion.

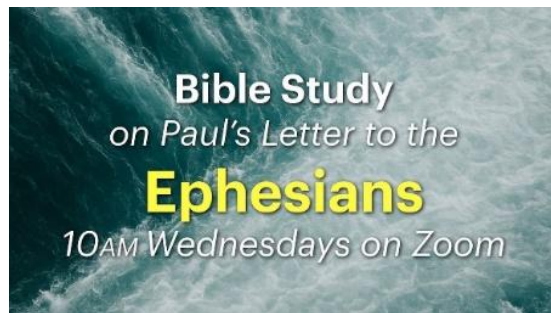
Fill out a memorial envelope (found in the pews) Insert a check (payable to St. Luke Church) or cash and place in the offering plate. You can also pay online. *Flower vase is \$30 and Eternal Light is \$5.*

At the Font

On Sunday, October 5, 2025 we welcome Bella Rose Ohlsson, daughter of Krysten Sparto & Jonathan Ohlsson, into the kingdom of God through Holy Baptism at the 10:45 service. We pray God's blessings on Bella Rose, her parents and godparents, and her entire family.



Wednesday Online Bible Study



Join Pastor Johnson for Wednesday Online Bible Study beginning on September 10th.

To join Online Bible Study: Download the Zoom App, enter the meeting ID and the password.

Meeting ID: 512 098 4617

Password: 20Candle

The link is emailed on Sunday evening.



COFFEE HOUR HOSTS WANTED

Coffee Hour is a wonderful time of fellowship with your fellow congregation members. The sign up is in the narthex (lobby) of the church and at Coffee Hour. *The Coffee is made for you. Contact Lori Etienne with questions or for more info:
lletienne13@gmail.com



Young at Heart is an active senior group that meets weekly in the Conference room of the Education building at 1PM on Thursdays. The

Young at Heart enjoy a few hours of fellowship, stories, laughs, birthdays, and life experiences, and of course a competitive game of cards! The group is warm and welcoming and looks forward to meeting you! Need more information? Call the Church Office (631) 499-8656.



ONLINE CHAIR YOGA CLASS

The Chair Yoga class meets online via Zoom at 10:00am on Tuesdays. The Yoga class is led by certified Yoga instructor, Laura Fisher. Any changes to the schedule will be announced by email and Stay Current. Please check your emails for the link to the Online Zoom Class.



Men's Ministry Bible Study, led by Deacon Paul Elgert, is on the 1st Saturday of the month at 8:30 am in the

Conference Room in the Education building. Contact Deacon Elgert for more info:

elgertpa@gmail.com

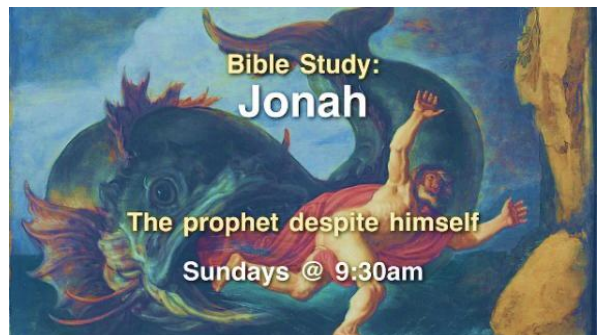
The Men meet monthly on the 1st Saturday. The topic of the Bible Study is announced by email.



Men's Breakfast at I-HOP in Commack on Jericho Turnpike on the first Friday at 8:00am.

The Men will meet, same place and time, on the first Friday of every month. See you on November 7th!

Join us for Sunday Bible Study with Pastor Johnson between services at 9:30 am. Pastor Johnson leads a study on Jonah in the Sanctuary.





Easy Giving Online

1. Visit www.stlukedixhills.org
2. Locate the Giving page.
3. Donate!



Continue to use the Vanco App or the Newly Added Venmo Account
@StLukeLutheranChurch

We now accept donations with Venmo!

Scan the QR Code to Donate!



Electronic giving is a convenient, easy way to support St Luke Lutheran Church
By giving electronically, you can: · Give anywhere, anytime from your computer, smartphone or tablet. · Donate to one of our special project funds. · Set up recurring payments and never worry about bringing your checkbook or cash again. Get started today! Visit our donations page to learn more and set up your online contribution: <https://stlukedixhills.org/giving>



Scan the codes to give on our Giving Apps



WHAT IS THE C.A.R.E. TEAM?

The C.A.R.E (Christians Actively Responding to Everyone) team is a group of St. Luke members who can provide support to other St. Luke family members who are experiencing illness or other challenging circumstances in their lives.

We can provide: meals-errands-chores-rides-visits-sitting with a homebound family member while the family caregiver goes out for their own appointments. The St. Luke family is part of your extended family! If we can help you, please call our hotline at 631-600-0271 and leave us a message, one of our volunteers will call you back as soon as possible.



CHOIRS FOR EVERYONE!

JOIN ANYTIME!

Contact Music Director, Dr Janet Pinto
At Janetsuepinto@gmail.com

Adult Choir Director, Laura Fisher
At ljfmusic2003@yahoo.com

New Members are always welcome – just come to a rehearsal!

Calling All Musicians!

Adult Hand Bell Choir Rehearsals- In Sanctuary

Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

Calling All Singers! From High School Age through Adults

Adult Choir rehearsals - In Sanctuary

Wednesdays 7:30-8:30 pm

Youth Choir Rehearsals - in Conference Room in the Ed. Building

Sundays 12-12:30 pm -

A photograph of a man in a black suit, seen from the back, holding a small wooden bell. He is surrounded by several people holding various pets, including cats and dogs. The background is a green lawn.

PET BLESSING
Saturday, October 4 @ 1PM
Front lawn/patio
All creatures welcome.

ST. LUKE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

We pray for...

Please send in your prayer requests to prayers@stlukedixhills.org



Prayers for our sick and rehabilitating members

Janet Boehme, Ronald Breuer, Ally Clark, Theresa Clark, Dorothy DeCordova, Carol Elgert, John Fick, Preston Findlay, Ilene Franzmann, Pastor Froehlich, Jim Gnad, Janet Kahn, Clark Katz, MP Kuruvilla, Marlene Langhart, Charlene Leo, Danielle Lopez, John Mancino, Amy McClain, Kevin McDermott, Pat Meade, Gary Miller, Charlie Mock, Bill Nelson, Tom Nelson, Lisa Norberg, Barbara & Vincent Papa, Maren Powell, Matthew Recio, Doug & Matt Ross, Lillian Slade, Alissa Slade, Peter Tomforde, Walter Tomforde, Kathy von Thaden, Doug Wagner, Paul Walker, and Linda Wood-Hoyte.

The family and friends of Laretta Kaessinger, who was called home to the Lord this week.

Prayers for the friends & Family of St. Luke:

Kathleen Aiello, Melissa Conte, Jeanne Coyle, Jackie Dantzer, Kevin Delgardy, Liam Donohoe & family, Randi Donley, Reagan Doughty, Dash Duke, Gary Dunn, Henry Einzig, Ruth & Robert Elsener, Hannah Froehlich, Kassidy Frevert, Suzanne Gentile's mom, Mrs. Chiappetta, Ricky Gilmore, Giaradano Family, Ray Gremeaux, Lenny Giordano, Daniel Glidden, Tonya Gordon, Darlene Handle, Al Henningsen, Joan Hurdle, Kassidy Frevert, Laretta Kaessinger, Bill Kahn, Tim Kildale, Tim Kimmitz, Ariella Klein, Beth Krass, Bradley Krueger, Grace Kruskol, Pastor Carl Joecks, Madeline Lamendola, Samantha Larcom, Jeff & Brenda Lawrence, Kathy & Tom Liconti, Carolyn, Dominick Maggiore Sr, Kevin & Gail Mattimore, Ken & Marlene McKenna, Jean Melillo, Jeanette Meyer, Luke Mohan & Family, Moreno Family, Gina Morrissey, Samantha and John Natale, Karen O'Gara, Concetta Pediliggieri, Mildred Player, Michael Probst, Adam Rafuse, Jeff Reynolds, Bobby Ruege, Maria Rodgers, Preston Ross, Joy Schabel, Jennifer Smith, Mia Skaats, Rosalind Shepherd, Rev. Kenneth Schnepf, Hilde Sprung, Rev. Michael Staneck, Jeffrey Tonan, Pastor Unger, Cathy Vatin, Rocco Viselli, Paul Wenger, Annie Wilkom, Jenny Woegens.

SPECIAL PRAYERS

The victims and families of the 9/11 Acts of Terror, Bishop Dien A. Taylor and the Atlantic District, Rev. Victor Nelson, Resurrection, Cairo, NY, Rev. Matthew Harrison, Rev. Rob Morris, Christ the King Church, Newtown, CT., Rev. Kenneth Schnepf, Circuit Visitor, Rev. Dr. Roy W. Minnix and family, Pastor Emeritus Rev. Charles & Kathy Froehlich and family, The Messerschmidt family, Rev. Randy Miller and his family, Rev. Henry Schriever and family, Rev. Michael Staneck and his family, Rev. Jonathan & Katy Crawford and family, Rev. Jim & Chelsea Dorner and family, and our Missionaries to Indonesia, Amy & Jareb and their family.

ALL ABOUT MISSIONARY MINISTRY

With Amy & Jareb McClain

Sunday, October 5th at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary



As some of you may know, the McClain's have spent the last 20+ years serving the people of Indonesia. Their gospel work has involved living among a remote, tribal group in eastern Indonesia, learning their unwritten language, and contributing to Bible translation and church development, while also meeting their medical needs, helping develop literacy curriculum, etc.

In more recent years, the McClain's have pivoted to mainly a US-based ministry involving curriculum development of Bible teaching material in the Indonesian language. This has produced 10 sets of printed works.

Amy and Jareb's next phase of ministry will continue to serve Indonesians but also add the care of missionaries themselves to their job description. This essential aspect of missionary work is often overlooked and, when overlooked, can contribute to attrition of missionary personnel. Amy and Jareb have decades of experience and know the critical care that missionaries need in order to support their lives and work. **Come and hear more about this next exciting phase of their ministry!**

Join Amy and Jareb on Sunday October 5, 2025, at 9:30 am, in the Sanctuary. They will also be available for further conversation at Coffee Hour.

Sights, Sounds, & Smells of Christmas 2025

All are welcome! Many hands are needed to plan & organize this beloved annual event. Please join us!

First Planning Meeting

October 7th at 7:00 PM

in the Memorial Gathering Room

Contacts

Lisa Wenz: lisawenz141@gmail.com

Denise Norman: Denisenorman231@gmail.com

Whole Food Plant Based Cooking Demo and Tasting



Come join us to learn, enjoy and share in Whole Food Plant Based cooking!

Thursday, October 9
@ 1 pm

With the Young at Heart
In the Memorial Gathering Room



Please RSVP here:





Lutheran Women
in Mission
ATLANTIC DISTRICT

Fall Retreat

OCTOBER 10-12, 2025

Tuscarora Inn and Conference Center,
Mount Bethel, PA

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands upon us;
yes, establish the work of our hands!
Psalm 90:17 (ESV)

*Establish The Work
Of Our Hands*

Retreat leader:
Carol McDaniel

Contact Trish Klare if interested: tsklare402@gmail.com

Mommy & Me Registration is Open!
Class starts October 22nd.
Pick up a registration form in the narthex.



MOMMY & ME CLASSES
October 22, 2025 - May 27, 2026
26 Weeks

Tuesdays session 1: 9:30-10:30am / session 2: 10:45-11:45am
The fee is \$350 for the entire 26 weeks

Mommy & Me Classes are for children from 9 months to 21 months old

Our Mommy & Me Classes are designed so that you and your child will have fun together in a stimulating, educational environment. The program gives your child the opportunity to socialize with peers, allowing you the opportunity to share and grow with other moms. Classes will include songs, crafts, movement, story time and prayer time.

Payment is required at the time of registration in order to hold your spot. The fee is \$350 paid either by cash or check made out to St. Luke Preschool.

PLEASE NOTE:

For safety reasons, class size is limited.
Registration is on a first come, first served basis.
Please send in the registration form with your tuition in order to hold a spot in a Mommy & Me Class.



Parish Life Presents

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN OLD-FASHIONED LUTHERAN

POTLUCK DINNER



AND A MOVIE



OCTOBER 25, 2025

MEMORIAL GATHERING ROOM

6:00 PM

Bring your special dish to share
Then sit back, relax, and enjoy a Movie
(popcorn provided)

Movie: "Oh God" with George Burns

COST: FREE WILL OFFERING

SURPRISE FALL RAFFLE



SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX - Contact Trish Klare: tsklare402@gmail.com



New Member Class October 25th, 2025



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

- One Day - 3 hr. class from 9am – 12pm
- Date: 10/25/2025
- Memorial Gathering Room
- Contact Pastor or Laura in the Office to attend

tjohnson@stlukedixhills.org
laura@stlukedixhills.org

Thrivent Informational Meeting



THRIVENT®
Be Wise With Money™

- **Learn about Resources & Benefits for You & St. Luke**
- **Saturday
November 8, 2025**
- **12:30pm – 2:30pm**
- **Memorial Gathering Room**
- **Free Lunch is served**
- **Contact Trish Klare for more information:
Tsklare402@gmail.com**

Join us for....

All
children
up to
5th grade



Face
painting
&
Popcorn!

Sunday, October 26th, 2025

2:00pm-4:00pm

In the lower parking lot

*Come dressed in your Halloween costume and play games out of the "trunks of cars" to earn candy and prizes.

Bring a friend or another family!

****If it's raining, it will be inside the school!**

*If you are interested in decorating your car with a game and reserving a parking spot, please email Jackie@stlukedixhills.org by Friday, October 17th.

*Candy donations needed! Please drop in box in the Narthex.

** Church Attendance and Offerings **

Attendance week ending 9/28/2025

Sunday September 28, 2025

8:15AM: 43 10:45 AM: 129

Offerings Received in August 2025

*(total monthly offerings **includes** online giving)*

ACTUAL August Regular Offerings Received:

Regular Weekly Offerings: **\$16,688.86**

Loose Plate: \$203.00

Total Offerings August 2025: \$16,891.66

Regular Monthly Budgeted: \$22,608.33

Year to Date (July-August) 2025-2026: \$32,098.44

St Luke Church Council 2025

Jackie Todaro	President	Jackies7fromhvn@aol.com
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St. Luke Proposed Expansion Capital Campaign Kick-Off

Begins September 28, 2025
Packets Available at Worship
and a Mailing is Underway



Visit our website for more information on the Expansion Capital Campaign.

<https://Stlukedixhills.org/expansion-pledge>

An addressed return envelope may have inadvertently been omitted from the mailing you received. There are envelopes by the drop-off box in the Narthex for your use if you are returning the pledge card in person.

Or mail in the pledge card to the church office.

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You can also access the online form to submit your Pledge Commitment.
Scan the QR to learn more

