



November 16, 2025

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

St. Luke Lutheran Church

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Welcome to
St. Luke Lutheran Church
20 Candlewood Path
Dix Hills, NY 11746-5398
Church: 631-499-8656 - Fax: 631-462-6496
Preschool: 631-462-5216
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**](mailto: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 **23rd Sunday after Pentecost**

Sunday November 16, 2025

Kierin's Bake Sale!

- 8:15 a.m. Worship w/ HC
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:45 a.m. Worship w./ HC
 Contemporary w/ Sunday School
12:00 p.m. Youth Choir
12:30 p.m. YAB Committee Meeting

Monday November 17, 2025

Tuesday November 18, 2025

- 10:00 a.m. Online Yoga
10:30 a.m. Huntington Hills
7:00 p.m. Church Council Mtg.
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir

Wednesday November 19, 2025

- 9:30 a.m. Mommy & Me
9:30 a.m. PS Chapel
10:00 a.m. Online Bible Study
10:45 a.m. Mommy & Me
7:15 p.m. Adult Choir

Thursday November 20, 2025

- 9:30 a.m. PS Chapel
1:00 p.m. Young at Heart
6:30 p.m. Jr/Sr High Thanksgiving Baskets
 Sorting & Assembling

Friday November 21, 2025

- 6:00 p.m. Sr High Youth Group

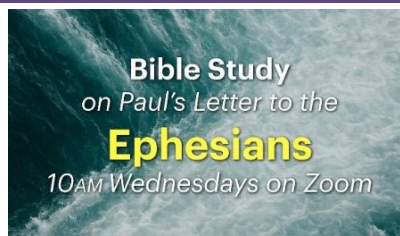
Saturday, November 22, 2025

- 3:00 p.m. Youth Room Use (Sickles)



Altar Flowers and the Eternal light are available to honor or remember a loved one or occasion. Sign up on the bulletin board.

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. *Flower vase is \$30 and Eternal Light is \$5.*



Join Pastor Johnson for Wednesday Online Bible Study.

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.



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. Contact Anita Schabel for more info - aschabel@yahoo.com



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



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



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

group enjoys a few hours of fellowship, stories, laughs, birthdays, and of course a competitive game of cards! The group is warm and welcoming and looks forward to meeting you!



Men's Breakfast at I-HOP in Commack on Jericho Turnpike is 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 Pastor Johnson in the Sanctuary on Sunday at 9:30am for Bible Study on Ruth.

Bible Study is between services and streamed online on our YouTube channel.

<https://youtube.com/c/stlukedixhills>



Sundays @ 9:30am



Thank you so much to all who picked up a mini tree to decorate for raffling at Sights, Sounds & Smells of Christmas.

If you would like to donate a Christmas themed basket for the raffles, that will be just as appreciated.

If you plan to donate a basket or have any questions, contact Trish Klare at tsklare402@gmail.com



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.

Kierin's **BAKE SALE** **FUNDRAISER***

Sunday November 16th
Between & after Services at Coffee Hour

Delicious homemade treats:
Cupcakes | Cookies | Brownies & More!

*All proceeds
go toward
helping a few
families in need
this Holiday
Season.



Save the Date!
**Sights, Sounds, & Smells
of Christmas**

**Sunday December 7th
12pm - 3pm**

Don't miss this beloved event!

Contact Lisa Wenz: lisawenz141@gmail.com
or Denise Norman: Denisenorman231@gmail.com



Annual Congregational Council Elections Voter Meeting Sunday December 14, 2025, at 9:45am.

(Reminder: No Bible Study at 9:30am)

We are currently accepting Church Council nominations as the terms for the positions listed below end at the close of 2025. If you are interested in serving or have someone you would like to nominate for a position, please notify Vice President Ken Wenz, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee.
kpwenz@gmail.com

Church Council Nominations Proposed Slate 2026:

The candidates listed below have accepted nominations for the following open Church Council positions:

- President – Ken Wenz
- Vice-President – Jackie Guidone (Todaro) (completing final year for Ken Wenz)
- Secretary – Anna Schwen
- Treasurer – Brenda Lentsch (annual appointment)
- Board of Worship – Nancy Gossow
- Board of Youth – Rey Rivera
- Board of Stewardship – Trish Klare (completing final year for Mike Recio)

The following have accepted nominations to continue serving on Council for their 2nd terms:

- Board of Finance – Michelle Castro (second term)
- Board of Christian Education – Denise Norman (second term)

*Thank you to Mike Recio, Glenn Schabel, and Mike Smith for their many years of hard work, dedication, and service to St. Luke as their terms of service on St. Luke Council have come to an end. We appreciate all you have done!

There will also be a Vote to approve the minutes from the last Congregation Voter Meeting held in June 2025.

It Starts with a Gift and
leads to lives transformed through Jesus Christ



Begins Thanksgiving Week on November 23rd.

Gifts wrapped & tagged with Angel Gift Tag are
Due back on December 14, 2024

Once again, our church will be gathering Christmas gifts that will be distributed to children of prisoners in our local area through an organization known as "Angel Tree" Prison Fellowship. Names and gift requests will be posted on the bulletin board at church beginning Thanksgiving.

Please be sure that when you take an angel off the poster you write your name and phone number on the pad next to the number of the angel that you chose. **All gifts must be wrapped and returned to the back of the church no later than Sunday December 14th** so that gifts can be delivered to the children by Christmas.

****Please, return the gifts wrapped and tagged and on time.**



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, Rose Katan, 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. Prayers for the Probst and Lamendola families on the passing of Michael Probst.

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, Bill Kahn, Tim Kildale, Tim Kimmitz, Ariella Klein, Beth Krass, Bradley Krueger, Grace Kruskol, Pastor Carl Joecks, Pastor Pierre Eddy Laguierre, Madeline Lamendola, Samantha Larcom, Jeff & Brenda Lawrence, Kathy & Tom Liconti, Carolyn, Dominick Maggiore Sr, Kevin & Gail Mattimore, Ken & Marlene McKenna, Kally McClave, 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, John Ryan, Joy Schabel, Jennifer Smith, Mia Skaats, Rosalind Shepherd, Rev. Kenneth Schnepf, Hilde Sprung, Rev. Michael Staneck, Jeffrey Tonan, Pastor Unger, Cathy Vatin, Rocco Viselli, Jillian & Kate Wagner & Family, Paul Wenger, Annie Wilkom, and 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 McClain and family.

Gingerbread House

ORDER FORM



In order to have enough **Gingerbread Houses** for everyone who would like to take part in this popular attraction, we must order them in advance. So, if your family is planning to decorate a **Gingerbread House** this year at our **Sights, Sounds and Smells of CHRISTMAS** celebration, you must **ORDER** and **PAY FOR** your house by

November 23rd

Each House is \$22.

There will be **NO extra houses available** on **December 7th.**

Return this completed form to the Church or Preschool Office along with payment by Nov. 23rd.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

OF GINGERBREAD HOUSES: _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

OFFICE USE ONLY: Check # _____ Date Rec'd. _____ Cash _____

Bethlehem Supper



Date: Friday December 12, 2025

Time: 7:00PM

Where: Memorial Gathering Room

Cost: \$15 per person

For the Women of St. Luke & LWML Suffolk Zone

Presentation by Ginny Wirsing (Atlantic District Lay Deacon)

Join us for an evening of fellowship and inspiration among women as
we prepare our hearts for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please detach and put in an **envelope marked Bethlehem Supper** with your
check made out to **St. Luke Lutheran Church** by the deadline **December 5th**.

Place in Trish Klare's mailbox #95. Thank you. Questions?

Contact Trish at tsklare402@gmail.com or (631) 220-0851

or Denise Norman at denisenorman231@gmail.com or (631) 940-0231

Open to everyone!

"HANDS AND FEET"

SERVICE DAY

Saturday, November 15th

**MEET AT CHURCH. BREAK INTO GROUPS TO
HELP AROUND THE CHURCH WITH STAINING,
YARDWORK, MINI PROJECTS, ETC. BREAKFAST
AND LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED!**

10:30AM- 2:30PM

**BRING
GLOVES &
A WATER
BOTTLE!**



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**LET US BE THE "HANDS AND FEET" OF
CHRIST IN OUR COMMUNITY!**

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JR. & SR. HIGH YOUTH

Thanksgiving

BASKET DAY



Thursday, November 20th

6:30pm- 8:30pm inside of the church

Join us as we put all the Thanksgiving items together into boxes to send to Helping Hands Mission. Great opportunity for points or community service.

A pizza dinner will be provided!

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** Church Attendance and Offerings **

Attendance week ending 11/9/2025

Sunday, November 9, 2025:

8:15 AM:66 10:45 AM:66

Offerings Received in October 2025

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

ACTUAL September Regular Offerings Received:

Regular Weekly Offerings: **\$15,243.80**

Loose Plate: \$488.00

Total Offerings October 2025: \$15,731.80

Regular Monthly Budgeted: \$22,608.33

Year to Date Received (July through October) 2025-2026: \$69,843.00

St. Luke Church Council 2025

Jackie Todaro	President	Jackies7fromhvn@aol.com
Ken Wenz	Vice-President	kpwenz@gmail.com
Trisha Klare	Secretary	Tsklare402@gmail.com
Brenda Lentsch	Treasurer	Treasurer@stlukedixhills.org
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Glenn Schabel	Worship	gschabel@yahoo.com
Sandi McDermott	Missions/Social Concerns	Sandibmcdcr@gmail.com
Mike Smith	Youth	michael@reliablepayrollservices.com



Sights, Sounds, & Smells of
Christmas December 7, 2025

Cookie Walk

We Need Bakers!

Please sign up in the
Narthex

Lots of cookies (Christmas or family favorites)
are needed for a successful Cookie Walk

Thank You!



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John Theissen Children's Foundation

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**TOY
DRIVE**

PLEASE DONATE A NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY OR GIFT

For children ages infant to 17 years old.

THANKS for helping us brighten the holidays
for sick and underprivileged kids.



**TOY DRIVE COLLECTION at ST. LUKE
NOVEMBER 20 – DECEMBER 21**

Drop Off Details

Your generosity is appreciated!

St. Luke Lutheran Church is a collection site. Drop off
into the marked containers at St. Luke in the Church
narthex 11/20-12/21.

We will also be collecting at:

Annual Tree Lighting on December 3rd

Sights, Sounds & Smells on December 8th

