

St. Luke's Lutheran Church, New Rochelle, N.Y.

November 2022

#### Thanksgiving

When I was 21, I backpacked around Europe on my own for the summer. Since I would be visiting many countries, I tried to learn a handful of useful phrases in several other languages.

"Thank you" always comes in handy, and a friend in Chicago had taught me that the Greek for "thank you" is pronounced like the name: *F. Harry Stow.* It's a pretty good approximation, actually!

I think about that this time of year, because that Greek word, ευχαριστώ or efcharistó, is a word we know in its anglicized version as Eucharist. Our communion service is simply named: Thank You.

November at St. Luke's is a time of Thanks Giving. We begin (a few days early) with our Gratitude Brunch, thanking one another for the faithful work of guiding groups and committees throughout the year.

Then we turn toward our annual Pledges~ what better way to thank God for the blessings that surround us than to give back what we can to keep our parish strong and healthy?

Finally, the season of Thanksgiving reminds us to take time for family and friends. As you will hear me say a hundred times: We must put on our own oxygen masks first!

#### We praise God when we care for Creation- ourselves included. Breathe, appreciate, love, share, rejoice, give thanks!

I wish you and yours peace and renewal in this thankful season. See you in church! Pastor Cricket +

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## THANKSGIVING BLESSINGS from your FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

#### May you and your families have good health, and happiness.

Our Annual Family Retreat to Koinonia was so much fun; so happy to share it with our Church families. 20 of us went hiking, boating, carved pumpkins, participated in our first ever LAUGH YOGA - yes, it is a thing, thank you Pastor Cooper for enlightening us! And we shared meals and worship together. Please consider joining us next year or attending our women's retreat in April.

Please do not forget to order your commemorative bricks for our Meditation Garden. We need all orders by November 30<sup>th</sup> to get them in for the spring. We have 4x6 for \$100 and 8x8 for \$250. You can get a



mini ONLY if you order a larger one for just \$25. Flyer is included in this issue.

This month we co-hosted the annual Gratitude Brunch on October 30<sup>th</sup> with the Stewardship Committee. Thank you so much to Robert for speaking and for all that helped to put it together. Especially Leam, Bill, Joan and Susanne for cooking.

November 12<sup>th</sup> is our Holiday Boutique. We need help to set up Thursday

night at 6pm and clean up, Sunday Nov 13<sup>th</sup>, serve at the tables; we need Raffle prizes and any other donations you may have. Please contact me with raffle prizes and start bringing in rummage, etc. We will also need baked goods and shoppers!!!!

November 20<sup>th</sup> is Harvest Home Sunday. We will be again writing cards for LIRS and donating money towards Turkeys for HOPE. See flyer in Newsletter.

## December... Toy Drive is Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> - Caroling at the Wartburg Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> & Congregational Christmas Party Dec 18<sup>th</sup>.

Please see the church wide calendar of events and activities elsewhere in the newsletter. Lots of great things coming up in December: Advent Vespers, Christmas Pageant and Congregation Caroling, Christmas Party and Sunday Christmas Service.

If you are on Facebook, please join our page. "St. Luke's New Rochelle". Please visit our Website at SLNR.org.

Thank you to our committee and all those with the time and talents to support our mission of unity and oneness in Christ. Our church is an amazing family because we are all part of it. Thank you for your continued support and dedication! Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

Yours In Christ Dawn McEvoy email: <u>Mmcevoy33@aol.com</u> cell: 347-604-3969





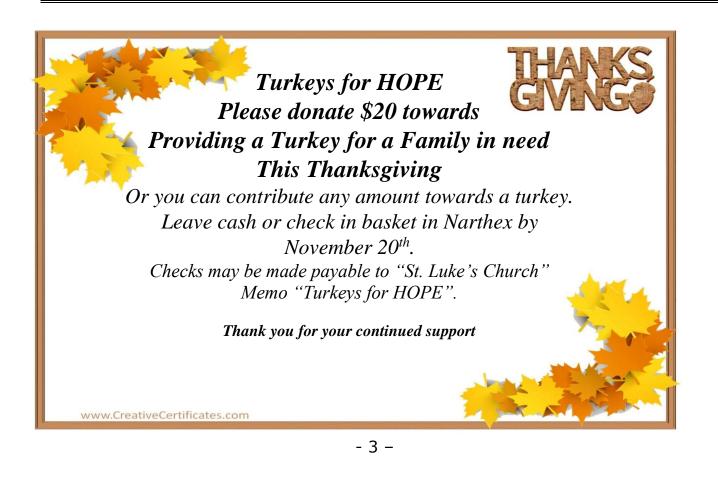
One warm coat can change a life... Of a child Of a man

Of a woman Can you imagine what two can do??

Drop off in Narthex Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>

Please join us in helping to keep those in need warm this winter by donating a coat, hat, scarf or gloves, new or gently used, To HOPE Community Services in New Rochelle. Please drop off to St Luke's Church by November 4<sup>th</sup>. There will be a collection Bin in the Narthex.

Please contact Dawn McEvoy with any questions at mmcevoy33@aol.com



## FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Blessings

We continue welcoming guests and new students to the Sunday School. If you would like to register or if you have not registered yet, please do so by contacting me. All Are Welcome!!!

We hope you were all able to attend our Gratitude Brunch on October 30<sup>th</sup>.
It was a great day to share a meal and our gratitude for our beloved church and all that are in it.

This month we have our Holiday Boutique. Please see flyer on page and please share with your families and friends and neighbors. It is the largest fundraiser for our church. We would love to have the youth group participate and parents if they would like to help. Setting up or cleaning up, baking, donating, selling the day of... Many hands make light work!

Please see the form enclosed for our Meditation Garden - Buy A Brick and consider buying one (or more) to commemorate special occasions in your lives. We would love to fill our Meditation Garden with your families' names and memories. Our deadline is November and we would love to have all of our families represented.

Looking forward to December, SAVE THE DATE... Christmas Pageant and Party is Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>. All children will get a part in the play. Congregational Party will follow immediately. Santa is coming to St. Luke's!!

**Dec 11<sup>th</sup>** we will be Caroling at the Wartburg at 1:30pm. Always such a great time for the residents and our members. All children and their parents needed!!

Toy Drive for HOPE is **December 4<sup>th</sup>.** PLEASE donate a new toy for a needy child.

We ask that all children use their envelopes. If the children do not have them, we will provide them.

Please continue to support the Sunday School with your contributions, if you cannot make it in person, you can mail them into church, and mark "St. Luke's Sunday School". We continue to have expenses whether we have a few or many children. We need your support! Please visit our website and Facebook pages. www.Slnr.org and @slnr.org

God Bless you and your families.... Hope to see you all Sunday!

Yours in Christ, Dawn McEvoy – Superintendent Email: <u>mmcevoy33@aol.com</u> Karen Fontecchio – Asst. Superintendent Traci Daniele – Treasurer Teachers – Melissa McEvoy, Vicky McEvoy, Shari Taylor and Jacob Kuligowski

*Thanksgiving* blessings **#**<sub>Gatherings</sub> GRATEFUL Family Give Thanks Prayers # Blessed Let us come before Him with Thanksgiving Psalms 95:2



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#### CHURCH CALENDAR - FALL WINTER SPRING 2022 2023

Sundays - Church Service – Holy Communion – 10am

Sundays – Sunday School 10am

Sundays - Coffee hour – after Service - Fellowship Hall Wednesdays – Morning Prayer Group 10am via Zoom

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> – Rally Day - Meet Pastor Cooper, Blessing of Backpacks, Reception

Sept. 24th - Outreach event - Fall Fest - 12-3pm - Church parking lot

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> – Prayer Group – Feed the Word 7:30pm via Zoom

- Oct. 13th Prayer Group Feed the Word 7:30pm via Zoom
- Oct. 14-16<sup>th</sup> Koinonia Family Retreat
- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> Cooking for HOPE Community Services
- Oct. 19th Book Club 7pm via Zoom

Oct.  $30^{th}$  – Gratitude brunch

Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – Coat Drive – Warm hats, gloves, scarves for HOPE

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> - Holiday Boutique 12<sup>th</sup> 10-3pm (set up 11<sup>th</sup>, clean up 13<sup>th</sup>)

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> – Book Club – 7pm via Zoom

- Nov. 13th Loyalty Sunday, Turkeys for HOPE
- Nov. 20th Harvest Home Sunday, Cards for LIRS and Cooking for HOPE

Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> – Annual Budget Meeting

- Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> Toy Drive for HOPE
- Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> Caroling at the Wartburg 1:30 start
- Dec. 15th Book Club 7pm via Zoom
- Dec 18th Sunday School Pageant and Congregation Christmas Party
- Dec. 18th Cooking for HOPE Community Services
- Dec 24th Christmas Eve Service 8pm
- Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Service 10am

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#### CHURCH CALENDAR - FALL WINTER SPRING 2022 2023

Jan. – Fellowship Event tbd

Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> – SOUPERBowl Sunday – collection for Lutheran World Hunger Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> – Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Supper 7pm

March - Fellowship Event tbd

April 9<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday Service 10am April 16<sup>th</sup> – Sunday School Easter Pageant & Easter Egg Hunt April 21<sup>st</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> – Women's Retreat Koinonia

May 6<sup>th</sup> Spring Sale TBD May – Communion/Confirmation

June 12<sup>th</sup> EOY Congregation Picnic/BBQ/Lunch June 18<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day/Promotions – last day Sunday School for Summer

## FOOD DRIVE



#### St. Luke's Food Drive

On Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and extended to Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Luke's members and friends contributed nonperishable food items to be donated and distributed through Hope Community Services.



\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\*\*

# *November* 12, 2022









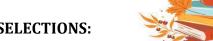




St. Luke's Lutheran Church 95 Eastchester Road, New Rochelle 10 am to 3 pm RUMMAGE SALE Raffles Galore New Holiday Merchandise Beautiful Handcrafted Items AVON, BAKE Sale Jewelry, Knick knacks and Gifts Books, Media and a "Christkindl' Booth

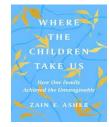


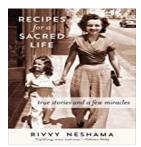
#### BOOK CLUB CORNER



ST. LUKE'S BOOK CLUB FALL SELECTIONS:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2022: WHERE THE CHILDREN TAKE US BY ZAIN E. ASHER





THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022: **RECIPES FOR A SACRED LIFE: True Stories and a Few Miracles** BY RIVVY NESHAMA

St. Luke's Book Club meets monthly on Wednesdays (Thursdays during Lent and Advent) at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom. New members are most welcome. Please consider joining us! For more information contact: <u>ktembo@aol.com</u> or <u>stluke654@aol.com</u>

There never yet have been, nor are there now, too many good books. --- Martin Luther ( 1483-1546 )

## GRATIDUDE BRUNCH

St. Luke's Gratitude Brunch was held on October 30<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall. It was a wonderful feast attended by many of St. Luke's members and friends. Great thanks were extended to all for the generous giving of time and sharing of talents in support of our congregation.





#### St. Luke's Lutheran Church Join us on November 20<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall



How you can help and participate:

- 1. ACT write and decorate holiday cards in English and Spanish
- 2. DONATE Help bring holiday joy and hope
- 3. ADVOCATE Support the safety and reunification of more families
- 4. PRAY Lift your voices for those who seek safety and protection

Please see their website LIRS.org/HOPE for the tool kit and suggestions for what to write inside the cards.

For example: "Dear Friend, Greetings from New Rochelle, Merry Christmas, Please know that you are not alone, I am praying for you, God's Blessings and Peace at Christmas and for the New Year. Sincerely," or any variation thereof.

Bring your completed cards, without envelopes, to the church, through the mail slot, by Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Drop off in Box in Narthex or stay and write after service in the Fellowship Hall after our Annual Budget Meeting. We will mail them all together as a Church.

Thank you for your support! The Social Ministry Committee

### Please use the below as examples of English and Spanish greetings....

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Dear friend,	Querido amig@,
Greetings from [city/state].	Saludos desde [city/state] Me llamo [first name].
Merry Christmas	Feliz Navidad
Please know that you are not alone or forgotten.	Por favor, sepa que no está sol@, ni olvidado.
am praying for you and your family. I am also fighting for justice for you and your family, and for all our brothers and sisters who leave their countries in search of a better life.	Estoy orando por usted y su familia. Continuo luchando por usted y su familia y por todo nuestro hermanos y hermanas que dejan su país en busca de una vida mejor.
Please know that thousands of people are working to keep you and your family safe. You are not forgotten.	Miles de personas están trabajando para cuidar a usted y su familia.
Never forget that we are praying and fighting for you and your family.	Nunca olvides, estamos orando y luchando por usted y su familia.
God's blessings and peace at Christmas and for the New Year.	Las bendiciones de Dios y la paz en Navidad y para el Año Nuevo.
May God bless you!	¡Que Dios se bendiga!

## Spanish words ending in "@".

The majority of those in detention centers are Spanish speaking so a little of our effort goes a long way in spreading Gods love.

Thank you for your support and participation.

The Social Ministry and Fellowship Committees

Any questions please contact Elizabeth Brent at <a href="mailto:elizabeth.lizzieb718@gmail.com">elizabeth.lizzieb718@gmail.com</a>

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## **ANNUAL Congregation Christmas Party**

## December 18, 2022



Please join us immediately following service! Continental Breakfast will be served. Caroling and a visit from Santa !! ALL Are Welcome! \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### TOY DRIVE for HOPE Community Services Dec 4, 2022

Please help us support HOPE Community Services by donating a toy, or two, to bless a child this Christmas. Please bring your new unwrapped toys to the Church. Hope will come to pick up. OR you may use this Amazon link to go directly to HOPE's wish list for easy shopping and delivery without ever leaving your home,

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2DF8Y6BPXSE9D/ref=hz\_ls\_biz\_ex?

Any Questions, please contact Dawn McEvoy at <a href="mailto:mmcevoy33@aol.com">mmcevoy33@aol.com</a>



# Meditation Garden BUY A BRICK

In honor of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we are adding to our to our beautiful Meditation Garden. For those we have loved and lost, for the milestones we have cherished, what better way to memorialize them. Add your lasting memory! To place your order, please use the form below:

In Honor of Janie Smith First Holy Communion

"4x8" Brick 3 Lines \$100

In Memory of Grandma Grandpa Rest In Peace We love and miss you Today and Always

"8x8" Brick 6 Lines \$250

Mini Bricks are available as exact replicas of larger bricks WITH purchase only. Cost \$25 each. Approximately 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"x 3"Brick 4"x8" (3 lines – 20 characters and spaces per line)

Brick 8"x8" (6 lines – 20 characters and spaces per line)

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Thank you for your support!!!



St. Luke's is going Caroling December 11, 2022 To the Wartburg All are welcome! Please Join Us! We will leave church by 1pm. Rsvp to Dawn @ mmcevoy33@aol.com or

Elizabeth at elizabeth.lizzieb718@gmail.com

### AROUND THE PARISH

**In Our Prayers** this month are those hospitalized, with health concerns, or in transition or treatment, and all those in our Sunday prayers.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

#### <u>Birthdays</u>

- 11/4 Brett Buehrer
- 11/5 Kasandra Triolo Colin O'Garro
- 11/6 Irene Breen
- 11/7 Corey Shelukindo
- 11/9 Traci Daniele

- 11/11 Steven Olsen, Jr.
- Timothy Guido
- 11/15 Mason Dassler
- 11/21 Martin Ungewitter
- 11/22 Rosalind Carter
- 11/28 Patricia Tobin
- 11/29 Alexandra Archer

#### **Anniversaries**

- 11/4 Walter & Elizabeth Mitze
- 11/10 Henry & Christina Bast, Jr.
- 11/20 Susan & Christopher Forsberg

## ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH – NOVEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>All Sundays</u> 9a-Sr. Choir Rehearsal 10a-Choir 10a-Sunday School 11a-Coffee Hour	Coat Drive for HOPE Drop off by Nov. 4 Turkeys for HOPE \$20 Donations by Nov. 20 & Cards for LIRS	1	2 10a-Prayer Group* 7:30p-Worship & Music*	3 7:30p-Social Ministry Mtg.*	4 7:15p-Boy Scouts <i>Coat Drive for HOPE</i> <i>Deadline</i>	5 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group Daylight Saving Time Ends turn clocks back 1 hour
6 All Saints' Sunday 10a-Eucharist 11a-Coffee Hour Daylight Saving Time Ends	7	8 <i>Election Day</i> 7:30p-Church Council Mtg. & Budget	9 10a-Prayer Group*	10 6p- Setup Holiday Boutique (rummage and tables)	11 Veterans Day Office Closed 6p-Holiday Boutique Setup No Boy Scouts	12 Holiday Boutique 10 am—3 pm No A.A. Men's Group
13 10a-Eucharist 11a-Coffee Hour Holiday Boutique Cleanup after Worship	14	15	<i>16</i> 10a-Prayer Group* 7p-Book Club*	17	18 7:15p-Boy Scouts	<i>19</i> 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
20 Christ the King & Loyalty & Harvest Home Sunday 10a-Eucharist 11a-Coffee Hour 11a-Cooking for HOPE Turkey Donations for HOPE Deadline Cards for LIRS	<i>21</i> 10a-HOPE Food Pickup	22	23 10a-Prayer Group*	24 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed	25 Office Closed No Boy Scouts	26 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
27 Advent 10a-Eucharist 10a-Lighting of Advent Wreath 11a-Coffee Hour	28	29	30 7:30p-Advent Vespers 8p-Choir Rehearsal		Dec. 4 Annual Budget Mtg.	



#### St. Luke's Voice

**OCTOBER 2022** 

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