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# ◀ St. Luke's Voice ▶

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

December 2022 & January 2023

## **St. Luke's Lutheran Church**

95 Eastchester Road  
New Rochelle, NY 10801

Rev. Cricket Cooper,  
Interim Pastor

**Sunday Worship:  
10 A.M.**

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### **Newsletter**

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## **EPIPHANY OPEN HOUSE at The Parsonage!**

**Come one! Come All!**

I am delighted to invite all parishioners  
to the Parsonage, for a Holiday Open House!

Sunday, January 8th  
immediately after Worship

**11:30 am - 1:30 pm**

**Food! Drink! Fellowship!**  
*Holiday attire encouraged.*  
*(reindeer sweaters, blinking necklaces,*  
*Santa hats ~ you do you!)*

Kindly rsvp: cricketuvm@gmail.com

*If you would like to bring a little holiday food to share,*  
*you may- but you don't have to.*  
*There'll be plenty.*



## ADVENT VESPERS: NEW TIME, 7 PM!



Join us in person, at **7pm**, on the Wednesdays of Advent:  
Nov 30th, and Dec 7, 14, & 21.

Enjoy this half hour of chant and reflection!

## ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING: Sunday, December 4, 2022

The Annual Budget meeting is Sunday, December 4, immediately after the worship service. All active voting members (those who have received Holy Communion and made a contribution of record in the past year) are welcome to vote at the annual congregational meeting which helps our church enter the new year with a new budget. A quorum is needed, that is 30 voting members.



**NOTICE:** *The Annual Budget Meeting is in person in Fellowship Hall after worship.*

## COME WORSHIP WITH US



### Holiday Sundays: Christmas Day and New Year's Day

Our worship on **Christmas morning** will be a simplified version of a typical Sunday.

Join us for carols and communion at 10 am.

Short, Sweet, Festive.

And YES, you **may** wear your. . .

- 1) Christmas pj's
- 2) "Ugly" or Gorgeous Holiday Sweater
- 3) Blinking LED necklace and earrings

### New Year's Day: Lessons & Carols, 10 AM

We'll begin the new year with a simple service of Lessons & Carols.

This is a Service of the Word (no communion)

Hear the Christmas story retold through a series of Scripture readings and song!

## COOKING FOR HOPE



Angelika Ridulfo and Lydia Bersito) prepared trays of chicken, rice, and vegetables for Hope Community Services. Great job Team!



November's Hope Cook Team (Liam McEvoy, Joan Bast, Robert Brent, Len Connors,

The next Hope Cook is Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to lend a hand with prep or shopping. Thanks always to the Congregation for supporting this important outreach.

## WRITING CARDS FOR LIRS

This year St. Luke's sent off 212 Christmas cards to Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services for families in detention centers. Our thanks to all who wrote cards at home or after Worship on Sunday November 20.

We sent 132 written in Spanish and 80 in English. Thank you for sharing God's love and spreading the Christmas message. St. Luke's has a generous spirit, and this project gives Hope for the Holidays. Please keep these families in your prayers.





*St. Luke's Lutheran Church*  
**ANNUAL Congregation Christmas Party**  
**Dec 18, 2022**



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

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***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 to be placed under the Christmas Tree. HOPE will come to pick up.



Amazon Wishlist

*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  
or to make a donation to HOPE.*



Donate Your Way

*Any questions, please contact Dawn McEvoy at [mmcevoy33@aol.com](mailto:mmcevoy33@aol.com)*

# MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR from the Sunday School!

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

Our Holiday Boutique was a huge success and such fun and fellowship. Thank you to all for participating, supporting, and shopping!

**LAST CHANCE for BUY A BRICK!!!** Memorialize your family or milestone in a forever part of St. Luke's. Please see the form on page 11 of this issue. Our deadline is November and we would love to have all of our families represented in our Meditation Garden.

Looking forward to December, our Christmas Pageant and Party is Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>. All children have a part in the play. Santa is coming to St. Luke's!! We will rehearse during Sunday School and have a dress rehearsal December 11<sup>th</sup> after service in the church.



Dec 11<sup>th</sup> we will be Caroling at the Wartburg at 1:30pm. Finally, we are back, in person! Always such a great time for the residents and our members. We will start with a light lunch after pageant rehearsal in the Fellowship Hall. 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!



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

Please visit our website and Facebook pages.  
[www.Slnr.org](http://www.Slnr.org) and @slnr.org

Yours in Christ,  
Dawn McEvoy – Superintendent  
Email: [mmcevoy33@aol.com](mailto:mmcevoy33@aol.com)  
Karen Fontecchio – Asst. Superintendent  
Traci Daniele – Treasurer  
Teachers – Melissa McEvoy, Vicky McEvoy,  
Shari Taylor and Jacob Kuligowski



## MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR BLESSINGS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Last Chance .....

Please do not forget to order your commemorative bricks for our Meditation Garden. We need all orders in by November 31<sup>st</sup> in order 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. Order form is on page 11 of this issue.



Our Holiday Boutique, on November 12<sup>th</sup>, was a HUGE success. THANK YOU all that worked, supported, shopped, cooked and participated! It takes a village and St. Luke's is a small but mighty one! We are so blessed to have such loyal and loving members.

Save the date for May 6<sup>th</sup> for our Spring Sale!!!!

December happenings... Toy Drive Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>; Caroling at the Wartburg Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> & Congregational Christmas Party Dec 18<sup>th</sup>. – see fliers and sign up!!

Please see the church wide calendar of events and activities in the newsletter for upcoming dates!

If you are on Facebook, please join our page. “St. Luke’s New Rochelle”. Please visit our Website at [SLNR.org](http://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*

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## CHURCH CALENDAR - 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

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

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday School Pageant and Congregation Christmas Party

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> – Cooking for HOPE Community Services

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Eve Service 8pm

Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day Service 10am

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



# CAROLING

St. Luke's is going Caroling

December 11, 2022

At the Wartburg

3 Station Pl, Mt Vernon, NY 10552

All are welcome!

Please Join Us!

We will leave church by 1pm following lunch  
provided after coffee hour.

Please rsvp

Rsvp to Dawn @ [mmcevoy33@aol.com](mailto:mmcevoy33@aol.com) or Elizabeth at [elizabeth.lizzieb718@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.lizzieb718@gmail.com)

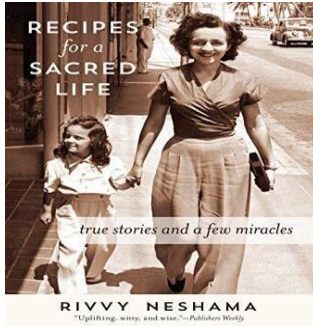


## BOOK CLUB CORNER

St. Luke's Book Club meets once a month at 7 p.m. via Zoom. During Lent and Advent, we meet on Thursdays to allow those who wish to attend Evening Vespers. Other times we meet on Wednesdays.

Here are the book selections for the next few months. We'd be delighted to have you join us.

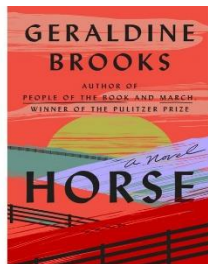
Happy Reading!



December 15, 2022 ( THURS. ):

*Recipes for a Sacred Life: True Stories and a Few Miracles*

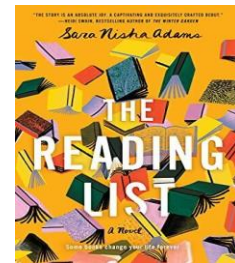
~by Rivvy Neshama



January 18, 2023 ( WED. ):

*The Reading List*

~by Sara Nisha Adams



February 15, 2023 ( WED ):

*Horse*

~by Geraldine Brooks.

## BIBLE STUDY : DON'T Save the Date ~ ~ ~ YET!!!!

Coming soon (starting in February),  
Pastor Cricket is planning a 6-week Bible study.

**Details** (like when/where/how!) are forthcoming so keep a lookout for them early in the New Year!

## CALL FOR HELP!

Worship volunteers are needed~ are you able to help?  
Communion Assistants, Ushers, Lectors, Choir!

We would be happy to train new people to help serve in these crucial roles. Plus: it's fun, and a great way to be involved! Speak to Pastor Cricket or any parishioner that serves in these roles for more information.





Order Now to help us Decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas!

If you wish to contribute to the Christmas Poinsettia Fund in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please complete the form below.

Names of donors and loved ones will appear in the Christmas Bulletin.

Cost: \$25.00

**Deadline Date:** December 18, 2022

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### CHRISTMAS PLANTS

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

or In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

*In Gratitude of* \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_\_

Please send to: St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
95 Eastchester Rd.  
New Rochelle, NY 10801



# Meditation Garden

## BUY A BRICK

In honor of our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we are adding 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*

<i>In Memory of</i>
<i>Grandma</i>
<i>Grandpa</i>
<i>Rest In Peace</i>
<i>We love and miss you</i>
<i>Today and Always</i>

*"8x8" Brick 6 Lines \$250*

Mini Bricks are available as exact replicas of larger bricks WITH purchase only. Cost \$25 each. Approximately 1½"x 3" Brick 4"x8" (3 lines – 20 characters and spaces per line)


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


***To order additional bricks, please make additional copies of this flyer.***

***Your Name*** \_\_\_\_\_ ***Phone*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Address*** \_\_\_\_\_

***Email*** \_\_\_\_\_

***City*** \_\_\_\_\_ ***State*** \_\_\_\_\_ ***Zip*** \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ ***4"x8" Brick(s) @ \$100 =*** \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ ***8"x8" Brick(s) @\$250 =*** \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ ***Mini Brick(s) @\$25 =*** \_\_\_\_\_ ***TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$*** \_\_\_\_\_

***ALL PURCHASES AND DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE. Please make checks payable to St. Luke's Lutheran Church and mail or deliver this form with your check to: St. Luke's Church, 95 Eastchester Road, New Rochelle, NY 10801 If you have any questions, please contact Dawn McEvoy at 347-604-3969 or email [mmcevoy33@aol.com](mailto:mmcevoy33@aol.com)***

***Thank you for your support!!!***



## AROUND THE PARISH

*In Our  
Thoughts  
and Prayers*



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

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Birthdays

12/1 Alessia Daniele  
12/6 John McLaughlin  
12/7 Andrew Link  
12/9 Renee Hamilton-Taylor  
Emily Archer  
12/11 Lucy Hoffman-Guido  
12/12 Lillian Alvarez  
Lucille Saavedra

12/17 Joan Bast-Rodriguez  
12/18 Holly O'Neill  
12/22 Cory Tupper  
12/27 Gail Olsen  
12/30 Rebecca Daniele  
12/31 Rosemarie Doerr  
Peter Conroy

### Anniversaries

12/1 Judy & John Amato  
Joy & Michael Mitchell

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

### Birthdays

1/3 Karen Jantzen  
1/4 Michael O'Neill  
1/5 Joseph LoPresti  
Jeniece Oliveras-Triolo  
1/8 Martha Johnson  
1/10 Alan Fontecchio  
1/13 Amelia Blake

1/14 Len Elmer  
1/16 Jackson Tamburro  
1/17 Henry Bast, Jr.  
1/23 Kristen Ann Dassler  
1/27 James Ross III  
1/28 Linda O'Meara  
Avery Harris  
1/31 Katrina Ungewitter

# ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH – DECEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u><b>All Sundays</b></u> 9a-Choir Rehearsal 10a-Choir 10a-Sunday School 11a-Coffee Hour  <b>4 Advent II</b> 10a-Eucharist 10a-Blessing of Crèche 11:15a-Annual Budget Mtg. <b>Toy Drive Deadline</b>  <b>11 Advent III</b> 10a-Eucharist 10a-Blessing of Christmas Tree <b>Caroling at the Wartburg – leaving St. Luke's at 1pm</b>				1	2 7:15p-Boy Scouts	3 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
	5	6 7:30p-Worship & Music*	7 10a-Prayer Group* 7p-Advent Vespers 7:30p-Choir Rehearsal	8	9 7:15p-Boy Scouts	10 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
	12	13 7:30p-Church Council Mtg.	14 10a-Prayer Group* 7p-Advent Vespers 7:30p-Choir Rehearsal	15 7p-Book Club*	16 7:15p-Boy Scouts	17 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
<b>18 Advent IV</b> 10a-Eucharist <b>10a-Sunday School</b> <b>Christmas Pageant Congregation</b> <b>Christmas Party</b> 11a-Cooking for HOPE	19 HOPE Food Pickup	20	21 10a-Prayer Group* 7p-Advent Vespers	22	23 10a-Preschool Christmas Pageant No Boy Scouts	24 <b>8p-Christmas Eve Service</b> <b>8p- Choir</b> 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
<b>25 Nativity of Our Lord</b> 10a-Eucharist No Sunday School  <hr/> <b>JAN. 1</b> <b>New Year's Day</b> 10a-Eucharist No Sunday School	26 <i>Office Closed</i>	27	28 10a-Prayer Group*	29	30 No Boy Scouts	31 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group



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