
St. Luke's Voice

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

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New Rochelle has completely burst its seams this month, sprouting leaves and flowers of every color that are glistening in the late-April rain. What a glorious way to celebrate the Easter Season, which continues straight through the month of May, until Pentecost arrives on Memorial Day weekend. Alleluia- He is risen!

I want to thank everyone who participated in the "Do Some Good" generosity project which I launched in Lent. Everyone who was interested could take \$5 and do... anything at all with it, to bless another person or add kindness to the community or the world. Just five dollars.

I was moved by the creative and generous ways so many of you chose to spend that five dollars! Many of you "paid it forward" in church, dropping the cash right into the offering plate, to help meet expenses right here in the building. Thank you!

Others carried the money in their pockets, with an eye out for someone that you just sensed was "your person"... Strangers throughout New York City and folks in Grand Central Station received that little extra. Others of you left it as an extra generous tip with your coffee or meal. A pregnant stranger, someone in distress, a homeless person with a cart filled with possessions... all touched your heartstrings and received some of the money.

So many of you told me you added to the \$5 "seed money" and joined in the giveaway with your own funds. \$25 worth of laundry supplies for a growing family, encouraging treats for a new boss, donations for homeless veterans....

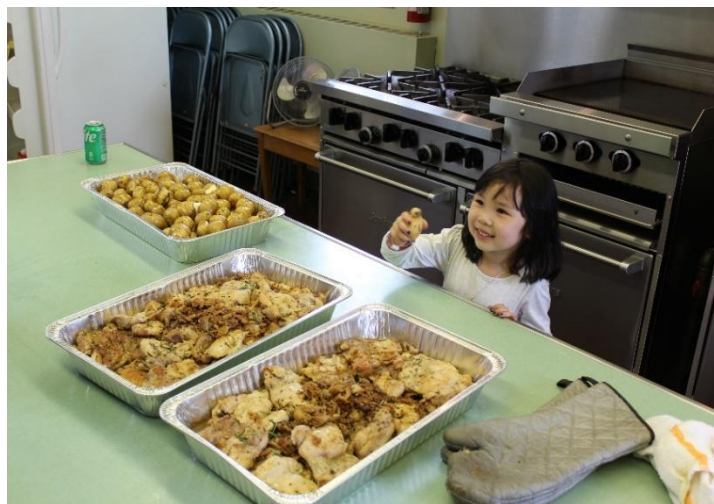
One parishioner caught fire and offered \$5 incentives to those she works with if THEY would give it away, and one person was able to purchase Valentine's Day treats and gift bags for 80 homeless folks, dropping the bags at a soup kitchen. Wowzer! Someone else considered a bonus for her cleaning lady, and then realized it was just time to give her a raise and not just a one-time bonus! Terrific!

YOUR generosity changed lives, added value and warmth to those dark, cold months, and primed the pumps of generosity for others around you!

I want to thank you for your kindness, not only in this giveaway but always. We have hosted many visitors and new friends in these past several months, and folks always mention to me how kind the parish is.

As we turn our energy to the Spring sprint of end-of-year events, know that you are cared for and loved--- that whether you are called to shepherd others at St. Luke's or just feel like a lost sheep, you are valued and cherished, just as you are.

COOKING FOR HOPE

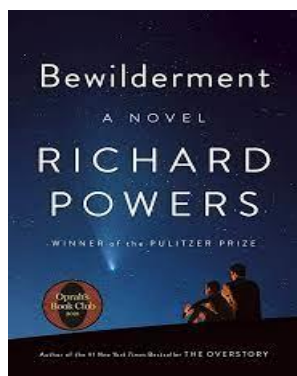


Cooking for HOPE on Sunday, April 16th, the menu consisted of seasoned rosemary chicken with roasted potatoes, peas & carrots. Although there is no group shot, Lisa Connors was also on hand to help along with Angelika, Bill, Ken, Leam, Patty, and, of course, Miss Olivia!

The next HOPE cook date is Sunday, May 14th. If you can spare some time following the worship service, you are most welcome to join the cooking crew in the kitchen. Helping hands are always welcome!

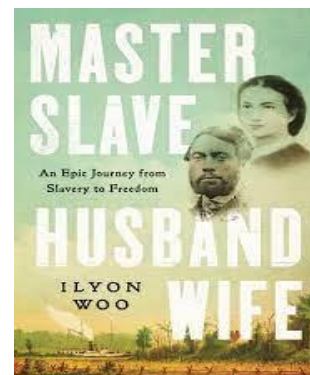
BOOK CLUB CORNER



St. Luke's Book Club meets monthly via ZOOM. Below are our selections for May and June. Everyone is welcome to join in. Speak with Jennifer Archer if you'd like to join the group.



BEWILDERMENT BY RICHARD POWERS –
MAY 17, WEDNESDAY, 7:00 P.M.

MASTER SLAVE HUSBAND WIFE
BY ILYON WOO –
JUNE 21, WEDNESDAY, 7:00 P.M.





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FOOD DRIVE for HOPE

DROP off donations during our Spring Sale
Saturday, May 6th or Sunday, 7th
or Sunday, May 14, 2023

*Please help us collect 500 food items to be donated to
HOPE Community Services.
Let's fill their pantries!*

HOPE Shopping List:

**Protein – Canned Tuna, Chicken
Peanut Butter – 1 to 2 pound bags of Rice
Hearty Soups – Mac and Cheese**

Any questions please contact Dawn at mmcevoy33@aol.com or
Elizabeth at Elizabeth.lizzieb718@gmail.com



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY from the FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Last Chance BUY A BRICK – leave a legacy at St. Luke's

Order your commemorative bricks for our Meditation Garden. We will be placing the order by June 1st. This is your absolute last chance!!! We have 4x6 for \$100 and 8x8 for \$250. You can get a mini ONLY if you order a larger one for just \$25. There's a flyer on page 8 of this issue. Order yours today!

Easter was a glorious day at St. Luke's. The service was wonderfully led by Pastor Cooper. Coffee Hour had a huge turnout. The Easter pageant the following week had a great turnout as well. We need more chairs and more coffee for fellowship from now on!

Our Annual Koinonia Women's Retreat the weekend of April 21 – 23 was attended by 24 women in 19 rooms... we had a bunch of new friends join us and all can't wait to come back next year. If you have not attended in the past, PLEASE consider it this year! Speak to me for more information! We have a great attendance list so far!!! Only a few rooms remaining!



May 6th Spring Sale!!!! We need all your treasurers and your participation! See the flyer on page 6 of this issue, and please share it with friends, family and your community! Friday-Set up, Saturday-sale and Sunday-clean up! Many hands make light work. All proceeds go to support St Luke's - please support us in every way possible.

Please see the church wide calendar of events and activities on the next page of this 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.

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.

Yours In Christ

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CHURCH CALENDAR – SPRING 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

May 6th - Spring Sale

June 12th EOY Congregation Picnic/BBQ/Lunch – SS Promotions

May - Baptism/Communion/ date tbd June 18th – Father's Day – last day Sunday School for Summer

A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!

This year 24 women from St. Luke's family and friends descended on Koinonia on April 21, for a much-anticipated break from their busy lives. The retreat's theme was Friendship and the women happily reconnected with old friends like Pat Damrow, and her daughter Jesse and made new friends too. Friday night was one of fellowship with a pot luck supper and brown bagging followed by a candlelit Taizé service led by Pastor Cricket.

Many women were up at 7 am stretching to Julia Ungewitter's yoga class followed by a hearty egg and bacon breakfast. Bible study focused on experiencing the



Emmaus story as Pastor Cricket encouraged everyone to choose a friend to walk that road where they met a stranger who turned out to be the newly resurrected Jesus. Deacon Nancy followed the friendship theme in her sermon on Sunday with examples from the Old and New Testament.

The retreat program was flexible and varied. There was time to relax by the fire, take a massage, nap, do puzzles, or paint. There was hiking, and kayaking, too. The evidence of Koinonia's new resurgent spirit was seen by hikers visiting the newly renovated Homestead.

Kayakers saw firsthand the new road under construction as Koinonia makes the lake more accessible and updates the facilities there. The parts of a new floating bridge had just arrived too promising new hikes and adventures in the future. Everywhere were reminders of the beauty of creation, with a soaring eagle over the lake, deer coming to investigate the conference rooms bedrooms and an orange newt by the roadside. The retreaters were grateful to Dawn McEvoy who organized the event and to the Koinonia staff of Jean, Laura and Matt who helped keep everything running smoothly, even the projector.



95 Eastchester Road New
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SPRING SALE

Saturday, May 6th

10am – 3pm

RUMMAGE

JEWELRY ~ ACCESSORIES ~

GIFTS ~ PORCELEAN DOLLS

BAKE SALE

CAFÉ

RAFFLES

AND MORE...

Contact mmcevoy33@aol.com with questions

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL SAYS HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Thank God for all our moms, grandmothers, aunts, sisters etc... and every mother there is or will be. We are so blessed to have each and every one of you. We in the Sunday School are especially grateful to all our moms for your support, participation, and contributions. Thank you! Thank you!

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!!!

Thank you all that helped support the Sunday School with your contributions In Lieu of the Bake Sale. We are so appreciative.



Our Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success... we had 12 children who hunted for more than 200 eggs.

Our Pageant, "Bed Bug Bible Gang presents The Passion" was fabulous. The children did a wonderful job and we are so proud of them. Thank you to all the friends and family that came to support them.

Please continue to use your envelopes and contribute to the Sunday School. We are self-supporting through your contributions. We gave all new students envelopes to use for the Sunday donations. We like to teach them the importance of tithing at an

early age and all of your donations help us to do all the things we do for the Sunday School: their lessons, supplies, crafts, gifts, pageants, costumes, parties, etc. We ask that all children use their envelopes; if the children do not have then we will provide them. Please help to support the Sunday school.

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

Please visit our website and Facebook pages.
www.Slnr.org and @slnr.org

Yours in Christ, Dawn McEvoy –
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Daniele – Treasurer
Teachers – Melissa McEvoy, Vicky McEvoy,
Shari Taylor and Jacob Kuligowski





Last chance ...
MEDITATION GARDEN
BUY A BRICK

In honor of our 150th 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. **THIS IS THE FINAL CHANCE** to add your lasting memory! To place your order, please use the form below:

In Honor of
 Janie Smith
 First Holy Communion

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

"4x8" Brick 3 Lines \$100

"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 = \$*** _____

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Thank you for your support!!!

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.

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

5/1	Shari Taylor	5/21	Victoria McEvoy
5/2	Thomas Breen	5/22	Nancy LoPresti
	Sean Taylor		Michael Dassler
5/6	Olivia Connors	5/24	Matthew Brent
5/10	Carmen Thompson		Conor Ahyoung
	Faith Forsberg	5/26	Douglas Smith
5/11	Karen DiBiccari		Susan Johansen-Shiels
5/12	Leam McEvoy		Matthieu Rankis
	Melissa Rubicco	5/27	Roberta Dassler
5/15	Sherry Fraser-Pulvermiller		Karen Fontecchio
5/16	Daniel Brisson	5/28	Megan Fontecchio
5/17	John Rubicco	5/29	Margaret Lenz
		5/31	Kristen Johnson-Head

Anniversaries

5/3	Michael & Nadia Dassler
5/15	Richard & Patricia Tobin
5/18	Clifford & Roberta Dassler
5/18	Kristen & Matthew Head
5/21	Margaret & Michael Nicolais
5/22	Joan Bast-Rodriguez & William Rodriguez

End of Year Congregation Picnic/BBQ

Hosted by the Sunday School

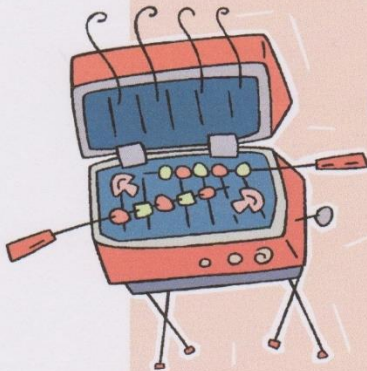
*Please join us for our end of year
celebration - All are WELCOME!
Please rsvp..*

June 4 at 11am

*immediately following service in
Fellowship Hall and Backyard*

RSVP to:

**Dawn at mmcevoy33@aol.com
or use sign up in Narthex.**



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ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH – MAY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>All Sundays</u> 9a-Choir Rehearsal 10a-Sunday School 11a-Coffee Hour	1	2	3 10a-Prayer Group*	4	5 Synod Assembly (5 th & 6 th) 5p-Setup for Spring Sale No Boy Scouts	6 SPRING SALE 10a—3p <i>Food Drive for HOPE</i> <i>Drop Off Dates:</i> <i>May 6, 7 & 14th</i> No A.A. Men's Group
7 10a-Worship 11a-Coffee Hour, Host: Sunday School/Youth Group <i>Food Drive for HOPE</i> <i>Drop Off</i>	8	9 7:30p-Church Council Mtg.	10 10a-Prayer Group*	11	12 7:15p-Boy Scouts	13 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
14 10a-Worship 11a-Coffee Hour, Host: Altar Guild 11a-Cooking for HOPE <i>Food Drive for Hope</i> <i>Drop Off</i>	15 <i>10a-Hope Food Pickup</i>	16 7:30p-Worship & Music*	17 10a-Prayer Group* 7p-Book Club	18	19 7:15p-Boy Scouts	20 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group 6-10p– McEvoy Party
21 10a-Worship 11a-Coffee Hour, Host: Fellowship	22	23	24 10a-Prayer Group*	25	26 No Boy Scouts	27 9:30a-A.A. Men's Group
28 <i>Pentecost!</i> 10a-Worship 11a-Coffee Hour, Host: Church Council	29 <i>Memorial Day</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	30	31 10a-Prayer Group*			

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