

Sunday Notes

November 29, 2020

RESTORE: now for tomorrow trusting God and each other

Advent Sunday Worship – Sundays at 9:00 am we will celebrate the Coming of Christ through the lens of a sermon series titled, *“Ornaments of Grace.”* Each week will explore a different ornament from God’s tree, the Jesse Tree. Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace will be the ornaments for our reflection. Worship will be in the Sanctuary and online.

Wednesday Advent Devotions will open the timeless tale of a Christmas Carol as we listen to the ghosts of Christmas Past, Future, and Present. Each service is online only on December 2, 9, and 16 at 6:30 pm.

Sunday Worship – As we continue to meet in the Sanctuary, we will observe all recommended health and safety protocols such as masks and social distancing. While it is difficult, please refrain from physical contact while at church to maintain the good health of you and your neighbors. In the event we have too many people in attendance to adhere to social distancing protocols, we will add seating in the Narthex and balcony.

A Call to Action – Imagine in a year of COVID turmoil, employment interruption, social uncertainty, and health insecurity, you lost your house to a fire. Your home. The whole thing. Everything you own. All that was spared was your life and the lives of your family. And then imagine it happened the week before Thanksgiving. That has happened to the employee of a friend of mine. Her name is Ashley Miller. Chris (my friend) is organizing a campaign to collect gift cards to help replace the everyday items they need. Cards for any amount to any business (Target, Walmart, Meijer, Home Depot, Menards, or any grocery store in the St. Charles/Geneva area) will help them. Maybe include an encouraging word about God’s grace and love through Jesus?

If you can help, we will collect them on Sunday mornings through December 13. No amount is too small. Sometimes God puts opportunities in front of us. Let's work together to make the world a little brighter for this family and our neighbor. Thank-you. Pastor.

Thank you – To all who continue faithfully giving their tithes and offerings.

As a reminder:

If you mail your offering, please add attention, Treasurer.

St. Luke's utilizes Vanco Payment Solutions to help you easily and securely make your donations and tuition payments electronically, reducing the possibility of spreading the virus.

If you are new to the process just visit St. Luke's website, StLCFamily.org.

- Click on the offerings tab
- Click on the Online Giving Icon
- Enter the amount of your donation or payment
- Click Continue

From there you will complete your registration and password.

If you need assistance, please contact St. Luke's Treasurer, Debby Springborn, (630) 892-9309 ext. 150.

LWML – Lutheran Women's Missionary League will have their next meeting in the FLC on December 5 at 9:00 am in the Family Life Center. This group is open to all St. Luke's women. The meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month and last about 2 hours. The group will be practicing social distancing, wearing masks and each woman will need to bring her own beverage and snack if she desires. Please enter through the FLC door.

Connecting – If your group or ministry is resuming public gathering, send your info to Chris Hansen at churchoffice@stlcfamily.org by Thursday and she will include it in the Friday issue of Sunday Notes.