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directly in worship services

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Altar Guild

Members of the altar prep team dress the altar area for all the seasons of the church as well as church holidays.

Activities:

- refresh altar candles weekly
- replace banners as requested by pastors
- prepare altar area for church holidays

Communion Assistants

Communion is a time for us to reflect and make time to remember what Christ did for us. At St. Luke, communion is served during every service each Sunday and during special worship services. Your help ensures the meal is available for all and runs smoothly.

Activities:

- Set the table for worship
- Clear the table and clean the vessels used after worship
- Serve communion - assisting the Pastors serving the wine and grape juice

Hospitality Committee

Make St. Luke a more welcoming place and help build community

Activities:

- Set up or clean up coffee service on Sunday mornings (volunteers take turns and are responsible about once per month)
- Set up and clean up for special receptions on Sunday mornings for occasions like our annual celebration of graduating seniors.



Music Ministry

Welcome to the vibrant music ministry at St. Luke. We're thrilled to have you join us on this journey of faith, where we use the universal language of music to connect with each other and with God. Our ministry is rooted in the belief that everyone, regardless of background or ability, has a place here. Whether you're an experienced musician or just starting out, there's a place for you in our music ministry family.

Why We Have a Music Ministry:

Our music ministry at St. Luke is more than just singing or playing instruments; it's about building community, fostering inclusivity, and deepening our connection with God. Here's why our music ministry matters:

1. **Enhance Worship:** Music adds depth and richness to our worship experience, helping us express our faith in ways that words alone cannot.
2. **Unite the Congregation:** Music has a unique ability to bring people together, transcending differences and fostering a sense of belonging among our diverse congregation.
3. **Inspire and Uplift:** Whether through traditional hymns or contemporary praise songs, our music ministry aims to inspire and uplift our congregation, drawing us closer to God and to each other.

Activities:

- **Rejoice Choir:** Our Rejoice Choir leads our congregation in traditional hymns and anthems, celebrating the rich diversity of musical styles within our faith tradition. The choir rehearses most weeks September-June and participates in worship on Sundays, Christmas, and Holy Week.
- **Modern Worship Team:** Our Modern Worship Team leads contemporary praise and worship songs, incorporating a variety of musical styles to create a vibrant and engaging worship experience that reflects the diversity of our congregation. The band rehearses most weeks throughout the year, and participates in worship on Sundays, Christmas, and Holy Week.
- **Marimba Band:** Our Marimba Band adds a unique and dynamic element to our worship services, infusing our music with the joyful rhythms of African-inspired melodies that celebrate our diversity. All music is learned by rote, which makes this group especially appropriate for beginners. The Marimba Band meets for Saturday morning workshops three times a year, followed by playing in worship the next day.
- **Bell Choir:** Our Bell Choir uses the rich tones of handbells to create beautiful and intricate music that enhances our worship experience and uplifts the spirits of our congregation. Bells ring once a month in worship and rehearse most weeks September-June.
- **Youth Choir:** Our Youth Choir provides an opportunity for young people to explore their musical talents and share their gifts with the congregation, fostering a sense of community and belonging among our youth. Rehearsals are scheduled as needed, with the goal of singing for Youth-led Sundays, Christmas, and Easter.



Readers and Prayer Leaders

Readers and Prayer Leaders give voice to God's word and the prayers of our hearts by reading the Scriptures and leading the Prayers of the People at worship services.

Activities:

- Read the Gospel at the 9:15 a.m. service, or the first and second readings at the 10:30 a.m. service on Sundays. This schedule may change from time to time.
- Lead the Prayers of the People at Sunday 10:30 a.m. service. You may either use the petitions appointed for the day or write your own.
- Read Scripture and/or lead Prayers at other special services, as scheduled.
- Review the readings and practice ahead of time to convey the meaning of the text in an accessible way.
- Volunteer for Scripture or Prayer readings via SignUpGenius (link may be found in the Daily Devotion and at www.stlukechurch.com/worship-info.html).

Sunday Morning Greeters

Welcome congregants as they arrive for Sunday morning worship

Activities:

- Offer a warm greeting
- Provide information about the church
- Assist with any immediate needs or questions

Ushers

Ushers – Is a ministry that is integral to St Luke Lutheran Church's liturgical worship service. The four-member usher team accomplishes this by actively participating in the worship service so that it transitions smoothly. The ministry is open to anyone interested in the congregation.

Activities:

- Assist Pastors and Music Minister in special worship
- Hand out worship bulletins and welcome the congregation as they enter worship
- Count the number of congregation members attending worship
- Pass the offering plate for donations
- Release the congregation from the pews for communion
- Put the worship space back in order and clean the pews after worship
- We ask for a commitment of one Sunday a month at either the 9:15 AM or 10:30 AM worship service and occasionally for a special worship service as needed



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Ministries that focus on fellowship
education and spiritual growth

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Adult Education Committee

The Adult Education Committee exists to enhance the spiritual growth of St. Luke members by developing and coordinating educational programs such as Bible studies, classes, book groups and other opportunities.

Activities:

- Support formation and continuation of on-going Bible studies, book groups, etc.
- Poll the congregation annually to determine what opportunities would enrich their spiritual growth.
- Recruit instructors and facilitators from within St. Luke.
- Monitor and measure all educational programs for adults.

Children's Ministry

St. Luke Children's Ministry focuses on teaching God's love and bringing meaningful connections to the faith journeys of our youngest ages 4 years to 5th grade.

Activities:

Sunday Morning Programs:

- 9:15 Children's church is a hybrid offering during the 9:15 service in which children attend worship with their families and attend a brief breakout session during the sermon, returning for communion with their families.
- 10:30 Education Hour Godly Play, Bible storytelling with beautiful wooden materials. Early Birds, an in-between worship services program, gives children plenty to do between 10:15-10:30: planned crafts tied into church/seasonal themes, service projects, or just-for-fun!

Other Programs:

- Children's Ministry offers a 5-day summer camp VBS every June, as well as 3 intergenerational events annually: Fall Festival, Advent Festival, and Easter EGGstravaganza



ChristKin

Christ Kin - adult mentors who are each paired with a Middle School Ministry student (grades 6-8) to provide positive, Christ-centered care for their student throughout the school year. Christ Kin & students are paired each fall, and the first months of the relationship the Christ Kin serves as a "secret Santa" to their student, then after the Reveal in a more open capacity.

Activities:

- Pray daily for a student, write an encouraging letter/card to your student and leave it at the Christ Kin kiosk at St. Luke at least once each month.
- Attend several scheduled, church-sponsored events — The Christ Kin Reveal, the MSM Spring Retreat, Confirmation.
- Optional: attending student's sporting events and concerts. Participate in outings with student

FAB (Fifty and Beyond)

FAB (Fifty And Beyond) is St. Luke's ministry to provide opportunities for individuals, who are 50 and beyond in age, to gather for fellowship, service and educational activities.

Activities:

- Recruit members to join/participate in the monthly planning team meetings
- Plan monthly activities for fellowship and educational opportunities for members, 50 and beyond in age, such as coffee hour presentations and day trips
- Perform setup and cleanup tasks and provide refreshments for onsite gatherings in Fellowship Hall
- Provide support to other St. Luke ministries with any "seated" projects involving sorting and/or envelope stuffing



Good Words Book Group

Good Words Book Group is a welcoming group for book lovers for who attend St. Luke. Its purpose is to create relationships in an open and caring environment by discussing books and considering and respecting diverse thoughts, ideas and experiences.

Activities:

- Meet monthly at St. Luke on the third Sunday morning (except July, August and December).
- Members select books of all genres and subjects by consensus.
- Book selections are distributed to participants by email and added to congregational notices.
- Occasional group social activities may occur based on group interest.

Library

The library serves many people in many ways. It serves as an educational tool for everyone in many ways. It is also a quiet place to just sit & think. We have many groups who enjoy the library as a quiet haven to read, hold Bible Studies and other meetings. We love to help People find something interesting to read!

Activities:

- Provide a reading experience that may help them through a difficult time in their life,
- Show reasons to smile are in many books
- Offering wonderful books to share with a friend
- Find some history about the ELCA.
- Help understand acceptance, forgiveness, & love in the world.

We have a good selection of Fiction, Non-Fiction, Ageing, Self Discovery, Grief, Children's issues, Young Adult. We also accept many donated books for our Book Sale, usually in October. If you are looking for a specific book, just leave a note for the Librarians, including your name & phone number.



Memory Cafe

Memory Café, a ministry for people with memory loss and their family care partners and friends. Memory Café is open to the community, welcoming people of all faiths and no faith to gather monthly to enjoy fellowship, refreshments and singalong music.

Activities:

- Recruit and maintain co-facilitators to promote and orchestrate the monthly gathering, to include distributing Memory Café flyers and sending monthly “reminder” notifications to past and potential attendees, as well as volunteers.
- Recruit a dedicated volunteer musician (preferably pianist) to provide singalong music once a month for a 45-minute timeframe.
- Recruit dedicated volunteers to socialize with attendees &/or help with refreshments at the monthly gatherings.
- Perform setup and cleanup tasks and provide refreshments in the Fellowship Hall on the day of Memory Café.

Men’s Bible Study (Tuesday morning)

The Tuesday morning men’s study aims to help men of all ages grow in their faith, understanding of God’s Word, and application of biblical principles in their lives. The gathering builds strong relationships among men, fostering encouragement and support.

Activities:

- Read and discuss faith-based books on various topics written by men and women
 - Recent authors include Diana Butler Bass, Marcus Borg, Peter Ennis, Rebecca Held Evans, Brian McLaren, Henry Nouwen, Richard Rohr, Adam Russell Taylor
- Read and share insights on the appointed biblical scriptures for worship
- Read and discuss articles of interest as offered by study group members

Men’s Bible Study (Friday morning)

The Men’s Breakfast Bible Study Group meets at Millers Homestead Restaurant, 17933 SW McEwan Rd. Tigard 97224, on Friday mornings at 7:30am to study the scripture lessons for the upcoming Sunday. Our gathering lasts about an hour. A few times per year we will have breakfast at Courtyard Village where several St Luke members reside.

Activities:

- Share an old-fashioned breakfast
- Read and discuss the Bible Lessons for the coming Sunday
- Compare different scripture translations, so bring your Bible
- Have a lively discussion on world events and life’s challenges.



Middle School Ministries (MSM)

Middle School Ministries (MSM) Team's purpose: to immerse Middle Schoolers (6th-8th graders) in the love of God so that they can minister with hope at St. Luke and in the wider world. We teach our faith, modeling and practicing safe, loving community as taught by Jesus Christ. We prepare 8th graders to affirm their faith/baptism should they choose to do so. Our team is composed of volunteer teachers, parents, and a Christ Kin coordinator.

Activities:

- Sunday morning gatherings where we teach Old Testament & New Testament stories, questions of the faith, the life of Jesus, Martin Luther, discipleship skills, and our work as St. Luke.
- Facilitate 3 retreats/year – Fall, Winter, Spring
- Support Christ Kin mentor ministry.
- Take part in Confirmation Camp at Camp Lutherwood, Oregon

Parent Group

The Parent Group gathers to share our faith journeys while raising kids in today's world. We have children from babies to twenty-somethings. We meet in Upper Shalom at 10:30 Sunday mornings during the school year while the Children's Ministry, Middle School Ministry and St. Luke Youth meet. Any parent looking for others who understand the joys and struggles of potty training a toddler or teaching a teen to drive would find this group welcoming and supportive. We use our time together to pray, study, laugh and drink coffee. Feel free to drop in and check us out. We'd love to meet you!

St. Luke Youth (SLY)

St. Luke Youth (SLY) - to invite, empower, and encourage youth to know and embrace the love of God in a connected, safe community so that together we can be the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

Activities:

- Gather Sunday mornings from 10:30-11:30 in Vermont House
- Prepare breakfast for youth on Sunday mornings
- Prepare and offer weekend retreats
- Attend National Youth Gatherings every 3 years
- Prepare and offer service trips and experiences



Wednesday Church Night

Builds St. Luke community connecting through food and fellowship. Allows a way to reconnect with members and meet new people. A program offered following the meal highlights St. Luke and community ministry. Church Night is the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:00 – 7:30 pm in the fellowship hall. The support team requires a coordinator and several volunteers.

Activities:

- Coordinator(s)
 - Recruit and manage volunteers
 - Procure 2 door prizes
 - Acquire & return money box for collecting meal payment from attendees
 - Place proceeds from evening in narthex safe
 - Confirm process to reimburse chef's cost of groceries
 - Manage creation of table center pieces
- Volunteers
 - Set up tables & chairs (2 people - 1 hour)
 - Set up before dinner, serve dinner, and help with clean up (this may include helping the chef with food prep) (3 people - 3 hours)
 - Assist dishwasher by putting away dishes and cleaning counters (2 people – 1.5 hours)
 - Put away tables and chairs (2 people - 30 minutes)
 - Take tablecloths and dish towels home to launder (1 person)

Welcome Team

The Welcome Team serves as ambassadors for St. Luke in welcoming visitors and new members. The Team greets visitors, introducing themselves, showing interest in their reason for visiting and learning something about them.

Activities:

- Visitor Cards - Pastors make the first contact, then a Team member will contact the visitor by phone or email to let them know we are pleased that they worshipped with us.
- Plan and host Meet and Greet receptions on New Member Sundays about 3 times a year.
- Maintain the Welcome Center
- Once a month check pew for visitor cards and pencils.



Women of St. Luke

The Women of St. Luke work together to grow in faith, to serve others in ways that act on that faith, and to promote fellowship and support for one another.

Activities:

- Gather Bible Studies: meet monthly for fellowship and Bible studies provided in the Gather magazine, which is published by the national Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (WELCA). We have several study/fellowship groups that meet monthly.
- Chronological Bible Study: meets every Tuesday morning at 8:00 am by Zoom and generates lively discussion based on the sequence of readings set out in the Chronological Study Bible published by Thomas Nelson.
- Supporting charitable organizations. We periodically undertake collection drives to gather needed items to support West Women's and Children's Shelter (a Portland haven for abused women and children that provides housing and healing) and Northwest Pilot Project (which works to help solve housing and transportation needs of very low income and disabled Multnomah County seniors).
- Special worship services: We take a leadership role in the Thankoffering Service (giving thanks for blessings and making special offerings to support WELCA ministries).



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Audit Committee

The Audit Committee reviews the various St. Luke Church Committee financial accounts to ensure that all expenditures are properly approved. It consists of three members, with rotating 3-year terms, and the assistance of the Church Treasurer. This work is, in addition to, full financial audits conducted by independent auditors as commissioned by the Church Council.

Activities:

- Hold meetings periodically throughout the year.
- Meet with the treasurer of selected committees as needed.
- Conduct annual internal audits to review the financial transactions with "spot audits". Committee meeting minutes, monthly bank statements, and receipts are reviewed for consistency, accuracy, and best practices.
- Findings and Recommendations are recorded, and a report is submitted to the committee treasurer, Senior Pastor, Finance Committee, and Council President.

Church Council

The council is responsible for implementing the ministry and operation of St. Luke Lutheran Church. The Council is composed of officers and members who function as the Board of the Church. Officers are the President, President-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer. The remainder of the council consists of an additional 4-11 members, including a youth member. Candidates for council membership are recruited by the Nominating Committee and the members are elected at the annual Congregational Meeting in January.

Activities:

- Establish and oversee the committees which carry out the work of the church. Each council member is required to also be a member of a committee.
- Present and seek approval of the annual budget to the congregation at the annual meeting.
- Ensure that the congregation operates within the applicable laws and regulations of the land as well as within the constitution and by-laws of the Church.
- Oversee the management of financial affairs and maintenance of church assets.
- Works with the congregation to establish priorities, plans, and goals for ministry
- Oversee the securing of management, staff, and pastoral positions.
- Assists the pastoral staff in nurturing the spiritual life of the Church
- Acts on behalf of the congregation for making decisions regarding business and worship affairs of the Church.
- Is responsible for seeking the approval of the congregation for major decisions around worship and capital investment.



Climate Justice Committee

The Climate Justice Ministry Team aims to uplift those parts of creation, human and other-than-human, most deeply impacted by climate change while subverting systems of power that perpetuate it. We work in solidarity with creation and climate justice movements in Portland and around the world to advocate climate-centered public policy, educate members about faith-led creation care, and engage in resilient community actions.

Activities:

- Regularly host educational events for St. Luke members and the wider community on climate-related topics.
- Work with staff, Council, and other St. Luke ministries to promote decision-making through climate justice lenses.
- Participate in legislative advocacy days.
- Partner with Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's creation justice efforts.

Community Table Food Box Program

Community Table is St. Luke's food distribution that happens the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month to serve our food insecure neighbors. This ministry partners with the Oregon Food Bank. The number of households served has increased to 95+.

Activities:

- Organize food pantry and order food for the month
- Pack boxes and bags of dry goods, household goods, and canned goods
- Distribute food in a drive-up setting
- Take statistics for Oregon Food Bank
- Set up and take down everything needed for the drive-up setting



Finance Committee

The finance committee oversees the congregation's budget and financial procedures

Activities:

- monitor pledges, donations, and expenditures throughout the year
- oversee the activities of the offering counters
- review contracts, insurance coverage and employee job tasks related to finance
- oversee the financial activity of the Commercial Property, and assist with tax form preparation
- oversee the implementation and use of financial software used for payroll, church revenue and expenditures, employee benefits
- ensure that regular audits of church finances are conducted
- at the discretion of the council, oversee other committee accounting and treasurer activity

Grauer Back-To-School Project

Grauer Back-to-School is a year-round effort to support a single day giveaway of back-to-school supplies and clothing to children enrolled in a school in the Ida B. Wells cluster and are eligible for free and reduced lunch.

Activities:

- Shop for socks, underwear, shoes, coats, backpacks, and supplies
- Leads meet monthly March – July to prepare
- Grant writing (year-round)
- Set up event
- Many volunteers are needed on the actual giveaway day, the second Saturday in August
- Give away socks, underwear, shoes, coats, backpacks, and supplies
- Take down and clean up following the event



Lay Visitation Ministry

The Lay Visitation Ministry (LVM) is a program which brings the love of God to members of St. Luke who are homebound. As Christians, we walk along-side those that can no longer have the community of church in the church building and bring the connection and support to those we visit.

Activities

- Connect homebound members with a Lay Visitation Minister
- Visit members about twice a month in their homes
- Bring God's touch through a friendly face and time together
- Pray with those we visit
- Serve communion to those we visit
- Track our visits so Pastors know who is being visited
- Bring news of any changes or concerns to the Pastors for follow-up
- Give training to new LVMs on serving communion, conversation methods and listening
- Gather as LVMs for mutual support, sharing the joys of ministering and addition training as needed

Memorial Reception Team

Through the Memorial Reception committee, the church community offers support to grieving families by providing a space for family members and friends to gather after their loved one's memorial service. The reception gives mourners the chance to support each other, share stories and memories and continue to celebrate the life of the departed church member.

Activities:

- Plan the reception with the family to meet their personal preferences using the memorial receptions option sheet.
- Provide refreshments of cookies, punch and coffee.
- Coordinate volunteers for set up, refreshments or meal support and clean-up of the Narthex or Fellowship Hall.
- Arrange for volunteers to bake cookies.
- Arrange for youth dishwashers.
- Prepare a Memorial Service entry table in the Narthex.
- Arrange for family planned memorabilia displays.



Mini Panty Ministry

Mini Pantry Movement Ministry – This St. Luke community action ministry was created to provide simple non-perishable food 24/7 for neighbors in need. With the need for food in the community the pantry is well used. The pantry serves the community and is filled by members and neighbors. Members of St. Luke monitor the pantry. This ministry was created as an intergenerational opportunity.

Activities:

- Communications: Create messages for publications, social media, St. Luke announcements and Table Talks
- Using SignUp Genius to Maintain the pantry: Sign up to examine the pantry and advise about needs or issues. Take photos to use for monitoring food items.
- Buy food with grant funds: Synod grant funds for this project are still available for shopping.
- Deploy the 2 additional pantries: These pantries need to be assembled, and the partner organization needs to know best practices for location and on-going neighborhood support.
- Tell the story about food and food insecurity for members and neighbors.

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee recruits members of the congregation to serve on the Church Council, the Trust Committee, the Personnel Committee and Nominating Committee.

Activities:

- Recruits general council members, a youth representative, and a council president elect
- Recruits members for the Trust Committee, the Personnel Committee and Nominating Committee as needed
- Strives to balance recruiting members from various age groups, backgrounds, genders, and skills with the goal of building a balanced and committed group of committees to serve the congregation
- Committee generally meets from August - January about twice a month

Nursery Team

Nursery Team - provides a safe, welcoming, and engaging environment for children ages birth - 5 years on Sunday mornings so that their caregivers can worship, connect, and recharge.

Activities:

- Staff the nursery with a team of two childcare providers on Sunday mornings from 10:15 - 11:00am.
- Volunteers end up working about one Sunday each month.



Personnel Committee

The Personnel Committee is responsible for setting the conditions for the success of the staff serving St. Luke. We achieve this goal by ensuring personnel policies, procedures and systems are well defined and operate to the highest level of efficacy possible.

Activities:

- Evaluate each staff member yearly.
- Serve as a liaison to a staff member, offering support to ensure they are thriving in their position.
- Update the personnel manual annually and share with staff at regularly scheduled meetings.
- Reevaluate and update job descriptions and responsibilities.
- Review health insurance options for staff and make recommendations to Council for preferred plans.
- Support the recruitment and hiring of staff.

Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain has the great privilege of praying for specific requests submitted by members of St. Luke, trusting that God hears and answers prayers.

Activities

- When a prayer request is initiated by a St. Luke member, each member of the Prayer Chain receives a phone call from one member and then calls the request on to the next designated member of the Prayer Chain.
- Each member prays for that request individually, in their own time and personal space.
- All prayer requests are shared with the pastors and are otherwise kept confidential within the Prayer Chain.



Priceless Company Quilters

We gather in uplifting fellowship each week. At that time, we make about 200 quilts a year for those in need of warmth locally, nationally, and around the world.

Activities:

- At home we make quilts tops
- Pillowcases, hand towels, and washcloth we make go into baskets for low-income seniors moving into housing with the help of the NW Pilot Project.
- *Each Tuesday, we gather at church to assemble, tie, and sew around the quilts*
- Most of the quilts are sent around the world through Lutheran World Relief
- Others go to the NW Pilot Project, the West Women's and Children's Shelter, Letty Owens, and Emanuel Hospital
- We make quilts for St. Luke's graduating high school seniors

Property Committee

The purpose of the Property Committee is to oversee, maintain, and enhance the facilities at St. Luke Lutheran Church and its surrounding grounds. The scope of the committee includes getting proper contractor help and participating in research to make certain church building improvements over time. Our church facilities provide a base for the church's loving spirit to do God's work in a world of need.

St. Luke Lutheran Church facilities include:

- St. Luke Main Church building
- Shalom Center
- Vermont (SLY) House
- Vermont Hills Commercial Building
- Parking lots, environmental zones, swales for storm-water drainage, church lawns, and the drive access to Vermont St.



Social Concerns

The Social Concerns Committee (open to all members of the congregation) identifies and extends the St. Luke outreach ministry to those in need locally, statewide, regionally, nationally, and internationally through distribution of the annually allocated congregational benevolence budget, with one half of the annual benevolence budget shared with the ELCA Oregon Synod this percentage determined by Church Council and voted by the congregation at the annual meeting.

Activities

- Identify and engage with local nonprofits to provide financial support with organizations that share missions consistent with St. Luke outreach ministries
- Distribute congregational benevolence systematically throughout the year
- Encourage congregation to participate in working with local outreach ministries
- Invite local nonprofit leaders to share about their missions through Table Talks and Adult Education opportunities
- Provide ongoing communication with congregation
- Request members of the congregation provide local ministries for Social Concerns to consider supporting
- Social Concerns is a committee that has many congregational activates under its funding and sponsoring umbrella:
- Christmas in September, volunteering at Northeast Emergency Food Program, helping refugee families, Christmas Giving Tree, wreaths, quilters, The West Women's and Children's Shelter, Grauer Back to School Project, and Community Table to name a few

Stewardship Committee

This ministry team inspires the sharing of spiritual gifts, participation in ministry, and financial contributions. The committee encourages year-round engagement with the St. Luke Church community to grow in their life of faith and ministry. We accomplish this through biblical guidance and the faith traditions of the ELCA.

Activities:

- Celebrate member generosity often
- Offer workshops to assist members to identify their spiritual gifts
- Provide tools for members to utilize their spiritual gifts
- Support and promote awareness of ministry opportunities
- Lead Fall Stewardship financial appeal



Trust Fund Committee

The primary mission of the Trust Fund Committee is to manage funds donated to St. Luke from bequests, memorials, insurance proceeds and other gifts for the benefit and support of the church's mission. This includes investing the funds and honoring funding requests from other church committees and staff with attention to categories of worship, property, outreach, and education. A secondary mission is to award scholarships to St. Luke members and lineal descendants who attend Lutheran colleges and seminaries using funds donated by the Benson Family Foundation. The Committee follows formal Trust Fund Committee by-laws, and all members of the Committee are elected to their roles.

Activities:

- Administer bequests, memorials, insurance proceeds, and gifts to St. Luke Church
- Invest the funds and manage the financial accounts
- Provide other St Luke committees with funding for necessary expenses
- Manage the Benson Scholarship application process - Communicate eligibility for scholarships and timelines for submittal - Review scholarship applications and determine scholarship amounts
- Account for and maintain records of Trust Fund spending