



ST. LUCAS LANTERN
OUR MISSION STATEMENT
We Bring People to Christ, Nurture People in
Christ, and Equip People for Christ
March 2026



Dear Family and Friends of Saint Lucas:

As the chill of winter begins to fade and the first signs of spring emerge, March reminds us of God's promise of renewal. Just as the earth awakens with fresh blooms and brighter days, our hearts too can be refreshed in His presence.

This month, we are invited to reflect on the ways God is working in our lives—restoring hope, deepening faith, and guiding us toward new beginnings. The Lenten season offers us a sacred opportunity to draw closer to Him through prayer, fasting, and acts of kindness. It's a time to let go of what weighs us down and embrace the joy of walking in step with Christ.

Let us encourage one another to be intentional in our faith journey—whether through joining a Bible study, serving in our community, or simply taking a few quiet moments each day to listen for God's voice. And, of course, regular worship with the family of Christ at Saint Lucas!

As we prepare our hearts for Easter, may we remember that the same power that raised Jesus from the grave is at work in us today. This March, let's step forward with renewed spirit, ready to share His love in every word and action.

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" – 2 Corinthians 5:17

Yours in Christ.
Phil Miksad



Holy Week

SCHEDULE FOR LENT

Midweek Services - 7:00 p.m.

Light Supper - 5:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Youth Embark - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Hand Chime practice - 6:15 p.m.

Choir Practice - After Service

Wednesday Lenten Services

March 4 - March 25

Palm Sunday - March 29, 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday - April 2, 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday - April 3, 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday - April 5

Sunrise Service - 7:30 a.m.

Men's Club Breakfast - 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Festival Service - 10:30 a.m.



ECC: The Children lined up the blocks and pretended they were chairs at the “movies.” When I asked what they were watching, they

said Dinosaurs.



March Coffee-Tawlk: Encouragement

“Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.” -1 Thessalonians 5:11

God’s Word calls us to encourage one another and to build each other up. That sounds like what Christians do! However, as we all struggle with our sinful nature, it may not be as easy as it sounds.

Join our Coffee Tawlk Bible Study on March 22 as we explore the habit of all-in Christian disciples of Encouragement. As always, we will meet at 9:15 a.m. in the gym. A light breakfast is served.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: Remember to set your clocks ahead. Daylight savings time begins March 9th!

March Volunteer List

Date	Early Service	Late Service
Mar. 1	Phil Miksad (Elder) Rita Zipay (Reader) Dave Guemmer (Usher) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)	Laurie Ely (Comm Setup) Travis Lawson (Elder) Elena Harrison (Greeter) Michael Schuster (Reader) Art Matia (Usher) Isaac Harrison (Acolyte) Kevina Johnny (Video Tech) Stacey Wellman (Shep Watch)
Mar. 4	Midweek Lent Service	Bill Bartlow (Elder) Elena Harrison (Greeter) Nancy Roach (Reader) Ron & Joan Shebik (Ushers) Isaac Harrison (Acolyte) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)
Mar. 8	Jane Mihalevich (Comm Setup) Bill Bartlow (Elder) Deb Rose (Reader) Judy Willenbrock, Deb Rose (Ushers) Kabari Biah (Acolyte) Carolyn Crump (Video Tech)	Robert McNiel (Elder) Laurie Riley (Greeter) Don Howell (Reader) Laurie Riley (Usher) Tracy Johnny (Acolyte) Dalton Costick (Video Tech) Liz Kurtz (Shep Watch)
Mar. 11	Midweek Lent Service	Ron Shebik (Elder) Travis Lawson (Greeter) Jane Mihalevich (Reader) Robert McNiel (Usher) Kabari Biah (Acolyte) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)
Mar. 15	Phil Miksad (Elder) Diane Dymond (Greeter) Joyce Kolnik (Reader) June Wooldridge, Dave Guemmer (Ushers) Mauriene Adams (Acolyte) Steve Kulifay (Video Tech)	Art Matia (Comm Setup) Ron Shebik (Elder) Travis Lawson (Greeter) Nancy Roach (Reader) Ken Ely, Laurie Ely (Ushers) Angel Jasper (Acolyte) Angel Jasper (Video Tech) Travis Lawson (Shep Watch)

<p>Mar. 18</p>	<p>Midweek Lent Service</p>	<p>Phil Miksad (Elder) Diane Dymond (Greeter) Robert McNiel (Reader) Ken Ely, Laurie Ely (Usher) Mauriene Adams (Acolyte) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)</p>
<p>Mar. 22</p>	<p>Bob Sadlon (Comm Setup) Bill Bartlow (Elder) Timothy Adams (Reader) Stan Shurmantine, Jane Solovic-Townsend (Ushers) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)</p>	<p>Robert McNiel (Elder) Ken Ely (Greeter) Don Baggett (Reader) Ron & Joan Shebik (Ushers) Isaac Harrison (Acolyte) Kevina Johnny (Video Tech) Yabesh Rajbhandari (Shep Watch)</p>
<p>Mar. 25</p>	<p>Midweek Lent Service</p>	<p>Travis Lawson (Elder) Ken Ely (Greeter) Art Matia (Reader) June Wooldridge, Dave Guemmer (Ushers) Tracy Johnny (Acolyte) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)</p>
<p>Mar. 29 Palm Sunday</p>	<p>Phil Miksad (Elder) TBA (Reader) Dave Guemmer (Usher) Kabari Biah (Acolyte) Carolyn Crump (Video Tech)</p>	<p>Travis Lawson (Elder) Charlotte Brewer (Greeter) TBA (Reader) Robert McNiel, Jane Mihalevich (Ushers) Tracy Johnny (Acolyte) Dalton Costick (Video Tech) Stacey Wellman (Shep Watch)</p>

ST. LUCAS CHOIR RESUMES: Rehearsals began after the Lenten Services. Join the choir for our Holy Week and Easter celebrations. We are thankful the Nicole McReynolds has graciously agreed to lead the choir this season. Contact Nicole at mcreynne@gmail.com For more information.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 – Stella Mckinney | 19 – Suanubari Biah |
| 5 – Jason Christopher | Beatrice Regnier |
| Debbie Intagliata | 21 – Bethie Genszler |
| 9 – Sean Bartlow | 22 – Rita Zipay |
| Judy Willenbrock | 23 – Marguerite Hennessy |
| 11 – Lily Bagi | Joyce Kolnik |
| Michael Baranovic | Larry Pritchett |
| 12 – Rachel Larson | 25 – Ruth Hrabovsky |
| Sharon Pritchett | 26 – Daniel Elze |
| 13 – Terri Howell | David Guemmer |
| Nadia Lee | Valerie Weerts |
| 14 – Sharon Majoros | 29 – Mathew Hettenhausen |
| 16 – Amanda Jotte | 30 – Art Matia |
| Daniel Riley | |

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 – John & Kathy Christopher 46 years
- 3 – Ryan & Stephanie McKinney 14 years
- 23 – John & Rebecca Brewer 30 years
- 30 – Chris & Michelle Currie 30 years

HELLO EVERYONE: We are delighted to announce that our Slovak Pastry Sale for Easter is just around the corner! This is a wonderful opportunity to indulge in some delicious, traditional Slovak pastries while supporting our St. Lucas Early Childhood Center.

We have a selection of mouthwatering treats, including rosiky, pecan and poppy seed rolls that are sure to bring joy to your Easter celebrations. Our talented bakers have been working tirelessly to ensure that each pastry is made with love and care, using the finest ingredients.

The sale will take place on April 4 during the Easter egg hunt at St. Lucas from 10 am until 1 pm in the gym. THE SALE IS PREORDER ONLY. Be sure to place your order by March 30 and spread the word to your friends and family. These delectable pastries are perfect for sharing with loved ones or enjoying as a special treat for yourself.

PRICES CASH ONLY

POPPYSEED ROLL - \$15

PECAN ROLL - \$15

ROSKY (1 dozen) - \$10

Call or text (314) 283-0049 with your order or email billandmary@msn.com

Don't miss out on this fantastic event! We look forward to seeing you there and sharing these delightful Slovak pastries with our wonderful community.



PARISH NURSES: are offering a special opportunity for our congregation members to participate in a **FREE** CPR class. This class is designed to equip you with the vital skills needed to respond to emergency situations effectively and confidently.

Learning CPR can make a significant difference in our community by enabling us to save lives and offer immediate assistance when it is needed the most. Whether you are a complete beginner or simply need a refresher course, this class is suitable for everyone. The experienced instructors will guide you through the essential techniques and ensure that you feel comfortable and prepared.

We encourage you to take advantage of this invaluable opportunity. Not only will you gain life-saving skills, but you will also be contributing to the safety and well-being of our entire congregation. The class will held Friday March 20 at 8:30 am at St. Lucas.

Limited spots are available. Call or text Mary at (314) 283-0049 to register.

Thank you for your attention, and we look forward to seeing you at the CPR class. Let's come together and make a positive impact in our community!

In His name
Mary Eichner



EASTER LILIES: Please sign the sheet in the back of church starting March 8, to order one or more Easter Lily plants.

They are \$10 each. Make checks Payable to St. Lucas Women's Guild.

YOUTH EVENT: "As we walked away from Activate Games in January, the general consensus was '**WOW! LETS DO THAT AGAIN**'. And again we shall do it! We are excited to have another Activate Games event coming on March 22nd following the late service. We will have pizza after the service then head to Brentwood for another in-game experience. We are happy to help with rides if needed. If you have any questions, please contact Tyler Simmons!"



BAKE SALE: The ECC teachers are hosting a Bake Sale during the annual Egg Hunt on April 4, 2026. We will be located in the gym. Come pick up a sweet treat during this event. The funds will go toward the ECC Classrooms. A free-will offering is

appreciated. Those who would like to donate to our cause or provide any bake goods may contact Cathy Weisbrod at cjweisbrod@yahoo.com. Checks are payable to St. Lucas ECC with memo "ECC BENEFIT."



EGGSTRAVAGANZA: Easter and the Eggstravaganza are just around the corner. Saturday, April 4. The Easter Egg Hunt begins at 1:00 p.m. We are asking for donations of candy to stuff the eggs. There will be a box placed in the narthex for the

eggs and candy until Palm Sunday. You may also bring your plastic eggs and candy donations early in the morning of the hunt. If you have any questions about the Egg Hunt, don't hesitate to get in touch with Art Matia at (314) 776-3336. Thank you for your donations.



SPRING RUMMAGE SALE: Wednesday April 15 - Thursday April 16. The Women's Guild Spring Rummage Sale will be on **Wednesday, April 15 from**

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. with the popular Dollar Bag Day on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Help is needed for

- Set up Monday, April 13, 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday April 14, 9:00 a.m. to noon.
- The sale at the date and times above.

Bring your clean, usable clothing, shoes, household items, books, toys, and hardware to the gym stage starting March 29. Please, no computers, monitors, TVs or other old electronics. Also, no furniture.

Thank You,

St. Lucas Women's Guild

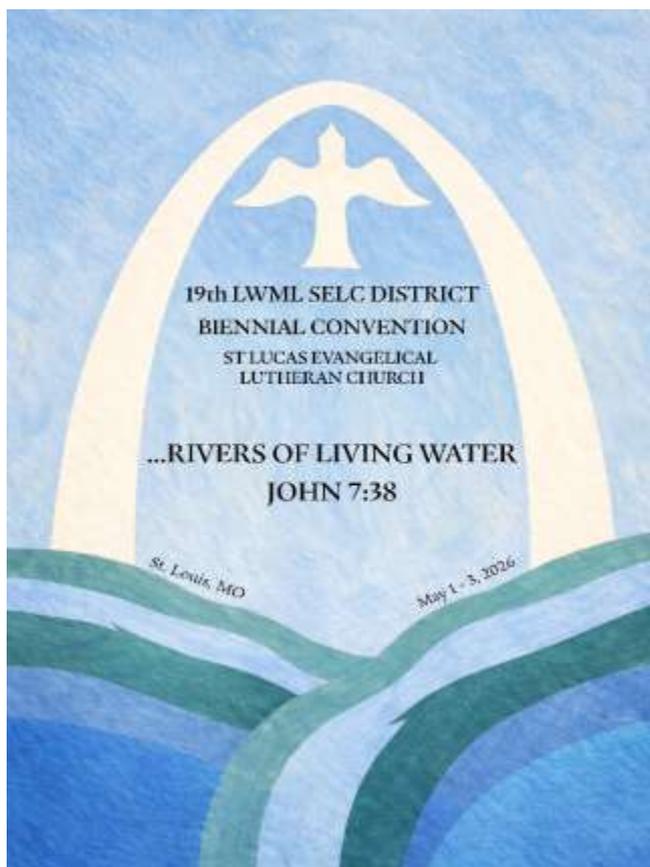
BUNCO: will be in the gym on Thursday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. Our charity this month will be Light To The Nations. They are requesting canned food, child & adult clothes & shoes, bath towels & wash clothes.

The cost to play is \$5.00. Some bring snacks to share. We no longer have a soda machine so if you wish a beverage, you can bring something from home.

Don't forget, guests are always welcome! Bring a friend with you on the 5th.



SAVE THE DATE: Our summer VBS program, Rainforest Falls: Exploring the nature of God, will be held the first week of June, June 1-5, from 9 AM until noon. Directors Diane Dymond and Phil Miksad will soon be recruiting staff (teachers, crew leaders, assistants, and many more) so please prayerfully consider helping with VBS this year. Thanks in advance! Diane (dianedymond@email.com) and Phil (ptmiksad@aol.com)



Reading Through the Word

MARCH

- 1... Numbers 27 & 28 & 29; Mark 8
- 2... Numbers 30 & 31; Mark 9
- 3... Numbers 32 & 33; Mark 10
- 4... Numbers 34 & 35 & 36; Mark 11
- 5... Deuteronomy 1 & 2; Mark 12
- 6... Deuteronomy 3 & 4; Psalm 36; Mark 13
- 7... Deuteronomy 5 & 6; Psalm 43; Mark 14
- 8... Deuteronomy 7 & 8 & 9; Mark 15
- 9... Deuteronomy 10 & 11 & 12; Mark 16
- 10... Deuteronomy 13 & 14 & 15; Galatians 1
- 11... Deuteronomy 16 & 17 & 18; Psalm 38; Galatians 2
- 12... Deuteronomy 19 & 20 & 21; Galatians 3
- 13... Deuteronomy 22 & 23 & 24; Galatians 4
- 14... Deuteronomy 25 & 26 & 27; Galatians 5
- 15... Deuteronomy 28 & 29; Galatians 6
- 16... Deuteronomy 30 & 31; Psalm 40; 1 Corinthians 1
- 17... Deuteronomy 32 & 33 & 34; 1 Corinthians 2
- 18... Joshua 1 & 2; Psalm 37; 1 Corinthians 3
- 19... Joshua 3 & 4 & 5 & 6; 1 Corinthians 4
- 20... Joshua 7 & 8; Psalm 69; 1 Corinthians 5
- 21... Joshua 9 & 10 & 11; 1 Corinthians 6
- 22... Joshua 12 & 13 & 14; 1 Corinthians 7
- 23... Joshua 15 & 16 & 17; 1 Corinthians 8
- 24... Joshua 18 & 19 & 20; 1 Corinthians 9
- 25... Joshua 21 & 22; Psalm 47; 1 Corinthians 10
- 26... Joshua 23 & 24; Psalm 44; 1 Corinthians 11
- 27... Judges 1 & 2 & 3; 1 Corinthians 12
- 28... Judges 4 & 5; Psalms 39 & 41; 1 Corinthians 13
- 29... Judges 6 & 7; Psalm 52; 1 Corinthians 14
- 30... Judges 8; Psalm 42; 1 Corinthians 15
- 31... Judges 9 & 10; Psalm 49; 1 Corinthians 16