



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



Living as Easter People: Stewardship in Action

Dear Friends and Family of Saint Lucas:

April is a month filled with the joy of Easter — a season when we celebrate the victory of life over death and the boundless love of God. As we rejoice in the Resurrection, we are reminded that stewardship is not just about what we *give*, but how we *live* in response to God's grace.

True Christian stewardship begins with gratitude. Every breath, every relationship, every opportunity is a gift from the Lord. In this Easter season, we are called to reflect that gratitude through our time, talents, and treasures. Whether it's volunteering in a ministry, offering a listening ear to someone in need, or giving generously to support the mission of the Church, each act of stewardship becomes a living testimony to the Risen Christ.

This month, let us ask ourselves: *How can I share the joy of Easter with others?* Perhaps it's inviting a neighbor to worship, mentoring a young believer, or simply being more intentional in prayer for our community. When we live with open hands and open hearts, we become instruments of God's love in a world that longs for hope.

May our stewardship this April be a joyful response to the greatest gift ever given — Jesus Christ Himself.

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" — 2 Corinthians 9:15

Yours in Christ,

Phil Miksad



Holy Week

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.



We have opened enrollment Summer Camp. (ages preschool through 8-year-old) Camp will run from June 1 - July 31. To

Enroll go to the church web site stlucaslcms.org
or call (314) 832-2307



The infants were reading a book about Jesus' resurrection.

April Volunteer List

Date	Early Service	Late Service
April 2 Maundy Thursday		Nancy Roach (Comm Setup) Robert McNiel (Elder) Elena Harrison (Greeter) TBA (Reader) Art Matia (Usher) Angel Jasper (Acolyte) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)
April 3 Good Friday		Bill Bartlow (Elder) Travis Lawson (Greeter) TBA (Reader) Ron Shebik, Joan Shebik (Ushers) Isaac Harrison (Acolyte) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)
April 5 Easter Sunday	Bill Bartlow (Elder) Diane Dymond (Greeter) TBA (Reader) Judy Willenbrock, Deb Rose (Ushers) Mauriene Adams (Acolyte) Steve Kulifay (Video Tech)	Barbara Baranovic (Comm Setup) Ron Shebik (Elder) Myrna Land (Greeter) (Reader) Art Matia (Usher) Angel Jasper (Acolyte) Angel Jasper (Video Tech) Stacey Wellman (Shep Watch)
April 12	Jane Mihalevich (Comm Setup) Phil Miksad (Elder) Mary Bartlow (Reader) June Wooldridge, Dave Guemmer (Ushers) Timothy Adams (Video Tech)	Travis Lawson (Elder) Laurie Riley (Greeter) Kayla Barnes (Reader) Ken Ely, Laurie Ely (Ushers) Isaac Harrison (Acolyte) Kevina Johnny (Video Tech) Travis Lawson (Shep Watch)
April 19	Bill Bartlow (Elder) Bill Bartlow (Reader) Jane Solovic-Townsend, Stan Shurmantine (Ushers) Kabari Biah (Acolyte) Carolyn Crump (Video Tech)	Bob Sadlon (Comm Setup) Robert McNiel (Elder) Elena Harrison (Greeter) Laura Hertel (Reader) Laurie Riley (Usher) Tracy Johnny (Acolyte) Dalton Costick (Video Tech) Yabesh Rajbhandari (Shep Watch)

<p style="text-align: center;">April 26</p>	<p>Jane Mihalevich (Comm Setup) Phil Miksad (Elder) Diane Dymond (Greeter) June Wooldridge (Reader) Dave Guemmer (Usher) Mauriene Adams (Acolyte) Steve Kulifay (Video Tech)</p>	<p>Ron Shebik (Elder) Travis Lawson (Greeter) Nancy Roach (Reader) Ron Shebik, Joan Shebik (Usher) Angel Jasper (Acolyte) Angel Jasper (Video Tech) Liz Kurtz (Shep Watch)</p>
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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.



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.

YOUTH EVENTS: Check the weekly E-news for information on the upcoming events.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 – Larry Gilliland | 14 – Amelia Elam |
| 2 – Mark Zipay | Cindy Riley |
| 3 – Sharon Bierman | 19 – Myrna Land |
| Barrett Taylor | 22 – Tiffany Adams |
| 4 – John Simmons | Wyatt Bishop |
| 6 – Ian Baggett | Barbara Schmaltz |
| 7 – Wesley Bishop | 24 – Jacob Larson |
| Rachel Crump | Phillip Miksad |
| 9 – Christopher Meurer | 25 – Ian Dymond |
| 10 – Kristen Warner | Hanah Olechnovics |
| 11 – Kyle Crump | 26 – John Simmons |
| 12 – Matthew Fahrenkamp | Mauriene Adams |
| Owen Venegoni | Deb Rose |
| Michael Murry | 30 – Cathy Wooldridge |
| 13 – Josh Aguado | |

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 11 – Ryan & Kate Hoyt 6 years
11 – Kenny & Liz Kurtz 11 years
16 – Kevin & Lydia Kwiatkowski 4 years
Dave & Stacey Wellman 38 years
21 – Michael & Teresa Schuster 36 years
26 – Steve & Debbie Intagliata 29 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 roscky, 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.



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."



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 right side of 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: Our next Bingo will be held 1 week later than usual - Thursday, April 9 (NOT 2nd) at 6:30 p.m. in the gym. The cost to play is \$5.00 and some people bring snacks to share.

Our charity this month is Brenden's Friday Backpacks. With Spring Break upon us, they will be needing foods that kids can open like cans with tab tops, individual boxes of cereal, cheese/cracker packs, individual packages of chips, things like that. Many kids will be home alone during this time.

Please let me know if you plan on attending - OH, and bring a friend or 2. sharon.m3845@yahoo.com



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)





LWML SELC District Convention

At St. Lucas, May 1-3, 2026

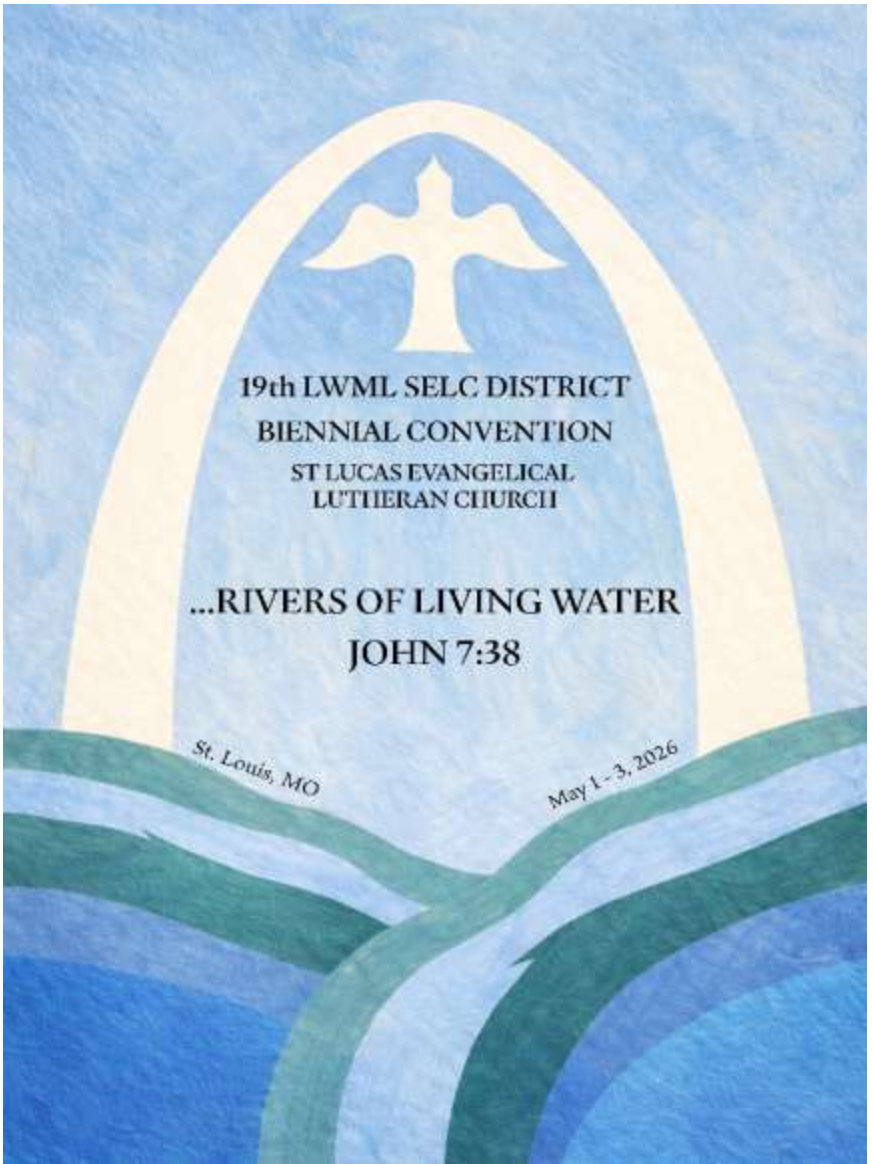
The LWML-SELC is holding their convention in St. Louis, Missouri, May 1 - 3, 2026. The theme of the convention is "Rivers of Living Water" based on John 7:38. Jesus declares, "*He that believes in me, as the Scripture has said, out of his belly will flow Rivers of Living Water*" (KJV).

Overnight rooms are available at the River City Casino and Hotel. Rooms must be reserved by **April 16, 2026 at 8:00 AM** through the **River City Hotel_Booking Link** (CODE:STLC26E). Individuals may also call (855) 785-4263 for reservations using the same code **Check the weekly E-News for more information.**

Convention registration is \$125, which includes all your meals. The registration form is attached below. The deadline for emailed registrations is April 22, 2026. Please follow the instructions for sending your payment to Stephanie Bailey, District Treasurer.

Donna Snow, author, speaker and Bible study teacher, will be one of our honored guests.

Registration Forms will be in the narthex.



Reading Through the Word

APRIL

- 1 ... Judges 11 & 12; Psalm 50; 2 Corinthians 1
2 ... Judges 13 & 14 & 15 & 16; 2 Corinthians 2
3 ... Judges 17 & 18; Psalm 89; 2 Corinthians 3
4 ... Judges 19 & 20 & 21; 2 Corinthians 4
5 ... Ruth 1 & 2; Psalms 53 & 61; 2 Corinthians 5
6 ... Ruth 3 & 4; Psalms 64 & 65; 2 Corinthians 6
7 ... 1 Samuel 1 & 2; Psalm 66; 2 Corinthians 7
8 ... 1 Samuel 3 & 4 & 5; Psalm 77; 2 Corinthians 8
9 ... 1 Samuel 6 & 7; Psalm 72; 2 Corinthians 9
10 ... 1 Samuel 8 & 9 & 10; 2 Corinthians 10
11 ... 1 Samuel 11 & 12; 1 Chronicles 1; 2 Corinthians 11
12 ... 1 Samuel 13; 1 Chronicles 2 & 3; 2 Corinthians 12
13 ... 1 Samuel 14; 1 Chronicles 4; 2 Corinthians 13
14 ... 1 Samuel 15 & 16; 1 Chronicles 5; Matthew 1
15 ... 1 Samuel 17; Psalm 9; Matthew 2
16 ... 1 Samuel 18; 1 Chronicles 6; Psalm 11; Matthew 3
17 ... 1 Samuel 19; 1 Chronicles 7; Psalm 59; Matthew 4
18 ... 1 Samuel 20 & 21; Psalm 34; Matthew 5
19 ... 1 Samuel 22; Psalms 17 & 35; Matthew 6
20 ... 1 Samuel 23; Psalms 31 & 54; Matthew 7
21 ... 1 Samuel 24; Psalms 57 & 58; 1 Chronicles 8;
Matthew 8
22 ... 1 Samuel 25 & 26; Psalm 63; Matthew 9
23 ... 1 Samuel 27; 1 Chronicles 9; Psalm 141; Matthew 10
24 ... 1 Samuel 28 & 29; Psalm 109; Matthew 11
25 ... 1 Samuel 30 & 31; 1 Chronicles 10; Matthew 12
26 ... 2 Samuel 1; Psalm 140; Matthew 13
27 ... 2 Samuel 2; 1 Chronicles 11; Psalm 142; Matthew 14
28 ... 2 Samuel 3; 1 Chronicles 12; Matthew 15
29 ... 2 Samuel 4 & 5; Psalm 139; Matthew 16
30 ... 2 Samuel 6; 1 Chronicles 13; Psalm 68; Matthew 17

