St. Luke's Visitor

But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations. Fsalm 33:11

From The Pastor's Pen

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. Exodus 20:16 & Deuteronomy 5:20

Just as we have a treasure in our body, spouse, and possessions, we also have a treasure in our **good reputation**. "For it is intolerable to live among people in open shame and general contempt." (Large Catechism (LC), 8th Commandment, paragraph 255). Therefore, God has established this commandment so that our neighbor's good name, and our own, might not be diminished.

This commandment uses the words "false witness". If something cannot be properly proved, it should not be mentioned. We should remain silent.

Matthew 18:15 falls under this commandment. Christ says, "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone." We are to handle the matter privately and personally, so that no one's reputation is brought down.

It should also be noted that "where the sin is public, the rebuke also must be public, that everyone may learn to guard against it" (LC, 8th Commandment, paragraph 284).

The point of this commandment: Do no harm with your tongue.

As we "explain everything in the kindest way" (Small Catechism, Meaning of the 8th Commandment), we uphold the reputation of those around us, which will, in turn, have a positive impact on our own reputation.

Before our Father in heaven, through faith in Christ we have received his good name. Although we have broken this commandment, our heavenly Father sees Christ's righteousness as he looks at us.

Prayer: Lord, help us to see the good name of others as important as our own. Thank you for giving me your good name. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Ice Skating is **Saturday**, **February 2**, **7:15-9:00 PM**, at the **Manhattan Ice Rink**. The church is covering all ice skating costs. Don't miss this opportunity to invite friends, neighbors, and relatives to join us.

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The LLL Pancake Feed is on Sunday, February 10, 4:30-6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to support a great cause and enjoy excellent food.

The Early Learning Center (ELC) is hosting a fundraiser at Chick-fil-A on Tuesday, March 26, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Tell them you are supporting the ELC at St. Luke's, and a portion of what you spend will go back to St. Luke's ELC.



"Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us."



Date	Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 11:00 am
February 2/3	Kennedy Danker	Jocelyn Brott	Sophie Wright
February 9/10		Olivia Stuckwisch	Jaden Campbell
February 16/17	Isabella Jepsen	Ethan Olesky	Ava Wright
February 23/24		William Miesner	Luke Wilson

TRAVELING BULLETIN

First Presbyterian, San Antonio, TX, Jamie Spikes
Christ Lutheran, Overland Park, KS, Jesse Smith
Messiah Lutheran, Seattle, WA, Jim Jorns
Mt. Calvary Lutheran, Marysville, KS, David and Julie Hatesohl, Mark Hatesohl
Bethany Lutheran, Long Beach, CA, Larry and Judy Boye
Zion Lutheran, Independence, KS, Brian, Sylvia and Ian Carter
Messiah Lutheran, Hays, KS, Carroll and Barb Hackbart, John Johnson

(When you worship at another church, please bring the worship folder and bulletin to the church office with your name on. We will post your name and where you've worshipped, hopefully stimulating conversation of where you've visited. And, our staff will get the chance to see what other churches are doing. Thanks!)



February 1 Tyler Johnson, Lola Hanson, Harper February 21 Tessa Thiele Lohse

February 2 Linda Graham

February 3 Crystal Danker

February 4 William Wehmueller, Alan Falk

February 5 Sandy Wyatt, Jacob Johnson

February 6 Zachery Peters

February 7 Maxine Ganske

February 9 Dean Genschorck, Jennifer Martin

February 10 Nicholas Thede

February 11 Heidi Hendrickson

February 12 Autum Mathies

February 13 Kathy Dieball, Thomas O'Briant

February 14 Jamie Sunnenberg, Gail

Schwanke, Makayla Tegtmeier

February 15 Jonathan Spikes, Alexandria

Raymond

February 16 Carroll Hackbart, Arlyn Stiebe,

Derek Schmidt

February 17 Adam Fick

February 19 Jeston Miller

February 20 Hannah Feeley, Austin Mathies

Eubanks

February 22 Cameron Vikander

February 23 Lynn Richter, Nelli Anders, Kaitlyn

Holub, Morgyn Roeser, Carter Reinhardt

February 25 Paul Bosch, Annette Helms

February 27 Chloe Robison, Lillian Thede



February 5 Ralph & Sharon Wright February 14 David & Lori Meier February 15 David & Janet Beach February 18 John & Brenda Miesner

ST. LUKE'S EARLY LEARNING CENTER

January has been a cold and long month for the ELC. The cold temperatures and snow covered playground have forced the teachers to get creative with indoor activities. We like to get the kiddos moving with yoga, dancing and active games like hop scotch.

Many classrooms have learned all about winter, snow and hibernation. We are thankful the weather has cooperated with us by bringing real snow and ice to add to our learning :-)





Another highlight to our year has been visits from Sunset Zoo. Educators come once a month to teach our students about animals. around the world. They bring a variety of animal pelts and live animals for the kids to touch. Most of the children love this experience. A few of them prefer to learn with their eyes only!

Keep a watch for information regarding our annual Family Fun Night. We will begin gathering donations a bit earlier this year! We are thankful for your continued prayers and support!



Children's Ministry Chair: Shane Rengstorf, slrengstorf@yahoo.com

BASIC Sub-Chair: Gail Schwanke, 785-210-6250

Sunday School Sub-Chair:

Children's Church/Nursery Sub-Chair: Marilyn Fick,

wm fick@yahoo.com

VBS Sub-Chair: Tiffany Manning, tiffanykaymanning@gmail.com

Family Events Sub-Chair: Darci Paull, 785-565-4123

Ice Skating, February 2, 7:15 to 9:00 PM in the City Park; bring your family and friends.

- BASIC store February 20.
- BASIC schedule is shortened beginning March 6 due to Lenten services; dismissal at 7:20 PM.
- BASIC co-teacher needed for 1st and 2nd grade and 5th and 6th grade.
- We are in need of a 6th to 8th grade Sunday School teacher.

Youth Ministry Chair: Lori Uffman

Servant Events Sub-Chair: Jerry Feeley

Youth Events Sub-Chair: Jessica Campbell

Gathering Sub-Chair: Kristina Schmidt

- February 2, Ice skating in City Park.
- February 3, Regular registration + \$120 due for Quake.
- February 3, Youth Bowl Party at Furniture Warehouse 5:00 PM. Boys bring snacks; girls bring drinks. Everyone bring \$5.
- February 8, Junior Winter Jam in Wichita; RSVP due February 3.
- February 8, Senior High Lock-In; RSVP due February 3.
- February 10, Regular registration + \$175 due for LVR.
- February 17, National Youth Gathering meeting at 12:30 PM and NYG payment \$100 due.
- February 24, LVR late registration + \$200 due.

MISCELLANEOUS

February Door Offering: Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM)

LHM proclaims the life-changing Gospel of Jesus Christ in more than 50 countries through radio, TV, internet, printed materials and live events—but we can't do it without your support. You are helping share the Gospel across six continents through your prayers and partnership. God will use your support to help reach millions with the Good News this year! Lutheran Hour Sunday is February 10.

Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL) Pancake Supper: Leave the cooking to us! February 10, 4:30 to 6:30 PM in the St. Luke's Fellowship Hall. Donations accepted.

LWML Annual Prayer Service: Monday, February 11, at 7:00 PM at the Church fireside room downstairs. Everyone is welcome to attend. Evening will begin with an activity, followed by the Prayer Service: God CARES for You (Psalm 94: 17-19). Refreshments and business meeting to follow. This is a great opportunity to share God's Word and fellowship. For questions, please contact Julie Hatesohl at phoebehat@gmail.com or 785.236.0493.

Mission of Love: We will meet at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, February 13, in the fellowship hall to continue working on quilts. Come and enjoy a morning of fellowship. Questions: Dorothy Burtness, 785-539-8018.

CONNECT GROUPS

Sunday Adult Bible Class, following fellowship time, Pastor Schmidt

Women's Bible Study, Mondays, 2nd and 4th Monday, 9:30 AM, "John, The Way to True Life," Diane Mosier, 785-776-8615

Lighthouse, an infertility, miscarriage, and infant loss support group, 3rd Monday of the month, 6:30 PM, education building, Meghan Loverude, meloverude@gmail.com; Charity Smith, dcestlukesmanhattan.org

Card Making, 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00 PM, at Candlewood Frame Shop, Janet Beach and Ann Williams

Men's Bible Breakfast, Tuesdays, 6:30 AM, "Definitions - Understanding God's Living Word," Eastside McDonald's, Walt Fick, 776-0879

Lunch with Jesus, Tuesdays, noon, in the fellowship hall, Charity Smith, 804-874-1225

Smart Money Smart Kids, Tuesdays, 6:00 PM, education building, Jesse Smith, smithjesse@icloud.com

Mission of Love (working on quilts), 2nd Wednesday of the month, 9:00 AM, basement fellowship hall, Dorothy Burtness, 539-8018

LCMS U Bible Study, Thursdays, 9:00 PM, Blue house, John Augustine,785-531-1899, Katie Eberth, 913-416-3579

Cancer Companions, begins February 1, 2:00 PM, Via Christi Village Chapel, Judy Boye, 785-320-6355 or judyboye@hotmail.com

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

This month's Council Board is **Children's Ministry**.

There are so many ways to get involved in St. Luke's Children's Ministry program from teaching to serving meals, to crafts, to crossing guards, and many other things in between. We would love to visit with you and see where we can help you get involved with our children at St. Luke's.

The Children's Ministry Board has 5 sub-chair positions that facilitate all children's events/activities and family events at St. Luke's. The 5 sub-chair positions are B.A.S.I.C., Sunday School, VBS, Family Events, and Children's Care Ministry. There are also numerous other volunteer opportunities for people who don't want to take on a sub-chair position. Currently we are looking for a Sunday

School sub-chair, teachers for Sunday School and BASIC, and before you know it we will be looking for VBS help. There are many different levels of time commitment for various volunteer opportunities in the Children's Ministry Program; so, if you like to help children learn more about their faith and would like to give us a try, you can contact Julie Hatesohl, Stewardship Board Chair, our DCE Charity, or any of our board members who are listed below.

Shane Rengstorf (Board Chair): 785-556-1277 or shanerengstorf@gmail.com

Gail Schwanke (BASIC): 785-210-6250 or gaith90@cox.net

Tiffany Manning (VBS): 785-562-6391 or vbs@stlukesmanhattan.org

Darci Paull (Family Events): 785-565-4132 or darci.paull@gmail.com

Marilyn Fick (Children's Care): 785-776-0879 or wm fick@yahoo.com

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod LCMS Stewardship Ministry February 2019 Newsletter Article

The season of Epiphany focuses on how God was made manifest in the flesh of Jesus. The church spends time hearing of the miracles, the signs and wonders, of Jesus in the world.

And this made plain to all that Jesus was who He said He was: He was the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the only-begotten Son of the Father, in the flesh. For "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14).

It is revealed for all the world to see that Jesus is God in the flesh. It is made manifest by His words and His work, by what He said and by what He did. And these belong together, for "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

Jesus is the Word and will of God in the flesh, that is, He is the walking, talking, enactment of God's Word.

It is no different for us. We are called not just to believe in God in hearts, but also to trust in God in word and deed.

As James wrote: "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" (James 1:22), and again, "What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? ... So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ... Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. ... For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead" (James 2:14, 17–18, 26).

Our faith is lived out in works for our neighbor. Our trust in the Word and will of God is lived out not in word only, but also in deed and in truth.

In other words, the Epiphany of the Lord creates in us an epiphany of our faith in our works of obedience to God who commanded them. By this, our faith is made manifest to the world. It is, as Luther wrote of faith:

"Faith is a divine work in us. It changes us and makes us to be born anew of God (John 1). It kills the old Adam and makes altogether different people, in heart and spirit and mind and powers, and it brings with it the Holy Spirit.

"Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly. It does not ask whether there are good works to do, but before the question rises, it has already done them, and is always at the doing of them.

"He who does not these works is a faithless man. He gropes and looks about after faith and good works and knows neither what faith is nor what good works are, though he talks and talks, with many words about faith and good works.

"Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man would stake his life on it a thousand times. This confidence in God's grace and knowledge of it makes men glad and bold and happy in dealing with God and all His creatures.

"And this is the work of the Holy Spirit in faith. Hence a man is ready and glad, without compulsion, to do good to everyone, to serve everyone, to suffer everything, in love and praise to God, who has shown him this grace.

"And thus it is impossible to separate works from faith, quite as impossible as to separate burning and shining from fire. Beware, therefore, of your own false notions and of the idle talkers, who would be wise enough to make decisions about faith and good works, and yet are the greatest fools." (*Preface to the Book of Romans*)

So, then, let our faith be active by God's power in the Word through the Holy Spirit. And let then our faith be made manifest to the world by what this faith does: serving our neighbor — in church, in the family, and society — with the works of faith in time, talents, and treasures.



ST. LUKE'S LWML MINUTE

February is the first LWML Society meeting, which occurs Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Fireside Room in the Church Fellowship Hall. This meeting is our annual prayer service and meeting. The prayer service will include prayers and petitions included in the annual LWML Prayer Service (http://www.lwml.org/prayer-service).

In celebration of our 70th year Anniversary, we are highlighting activities of the LWML. This month, we are highlighting **flowers**. In the narthex, there is a Flower Chart for 2019. If you have a special day (e.g. birthday, anniversary, etc.) you are welcome to sign-up to provide the flowers on the altar for that weekend. After the weekend services, you are welcome to take these flowers home and enjoy them.

You can choose where you get the altar flowers; however, St. Luke's has made arrangements with Kistner's Flowers here in Manhattan (785-776-7044 or 800-532-3409). If you choose to use Kistner's you tell them that you want to order two altar arrangements for St. Luke's. The arrangements cost \$22.50 each and this includes delivery to the Church on Saturday.

Throughout the year, people can also purchase Easter Lilies or Christmas Poinsettias for the altar. The LWML does the ordering and the flowers are delivered and arranged. After the Easter Service and before Epiphany (after all Christmas services), those who purchase these flowers are welcome to take these flowers home or give them to someone special.

If you have questions about the altar flowers, please contact Julie Hatesohl.

June 20-23, 2019 is the National LWML Convention in Atlanta, GA. More details will be coming leading up to this event. If you are interested in attending, please visit: http://www.kansaslwml.org/2019-national-convention.html.

We can always use volunteers and if you are interested in learning more, please contact the Society Officers: Julie Hatesohl, Alice Wesche, Jill Newland, Marilyn Fick, Dorothy Burtness or Liana Eagan either at Church or contact us through the Church Directory. We'd love to hear from you!

DECEMBER OFFICIAL ACTS

Transfer In

Beth Luhman, Brianna Gough, Immanuel, Canton, KS

Jancy Radke, Dillan & Lilly Stelly, Crosspoint, Sahuarita, AZ

Transfer out Jeffrey Skibins, Faith, Ethan & Zoe

Release **Phyllis Shepek**

Baptisms

Madilyn Marie Burris
(Bryce & Kelly)
November 3, 2018

Kiernan James Huss Kieghlyn Rose Huss (Jason & Courtney) December 30, 2018

Burial **Doris N. Gaul**, November 6, 2018

Funeral: November 16, 2018



Leave the cooking to us!

Lutheran Laymen's League PANCAKE SUPPER

FEBRUARY 10, 2019 4:30 - 6:30 PM ST. LUKE'S FELLOWSHIP HALL 330 SUNSET, MANHATTAN, KS

(DONATIONS ACCEPTED)

From The Parish Nurse...

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Advanced Directives

People in the U.S. enjoy one of the best life expectancy rates in the world. The end of life will arrive gradually for most of us and we will face many decisions about the dying process, for ourselves and possibly for others. Take some time to consider your wishes at the end of life. Then make sure you talk about what you want with those close to you. This will not only give them peace of mind, but will also help them communicate your wishes to your health care team if you cannot.

Advance directives typically include:

- a living will
- a health care proxy, and/ or

a Do Not Resuscitate
 (DNR) order and/or
 Physician Orders for Life
 -Sustaining Treatment
 (POLST).

A living will records your end-of-life care wishes in case you are no longer able to speak for yourself. It spells out what life-sustaining treatment you do or do not want if you are terminally ill, permanently unconscious, or in the final stage of a fatal illness.

Because it is unlikely your living will can cover every possible situation, you probably want to name someone to make care decisions for you if you cannot. You may choose a

family member, friend, lawyer, or someone from your religious community to be your health care proxy.

A Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) order tells health care providers not to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or other life-support procedures if your heart stops or if you stop breathing. A document similar to the DNR is the Physician Orders for **Life-Sustaining Treatment** (POLST) form. Created specifically for patients with serious, advanced illness, a POLST form provides standing, actionable medical orders concerning end-of-life care. A lawyer can prepare these documents or you can do them yourself. The forms

are available on the Internet and from state and local governments. Often these documents need to be witnessed, usually by a public notary, a person who is licensed by the state to witness the signing of legal documents. Once signed and witnessed, make sure your health care proxy, alternates, and primary health care provider have copies. Hospitals may also request a copy when you are admitted, even if you are not seriously











LEARN HANDS ONLY CPR!

Most people who experience cardiac arrest at home, work or in a public location die because they don't receive immediate CPR from someone on the scene. As

a bystander, don't be afraid. Your actions can only help.

If you see a teen or adult suddenly collapse, call 9-1-1 and push hard and fast in the center of the chest to the beat of the classic disco song "Stayin' Alive." CPR can more than double a person's chances of survival, and "Stayin' Alive" has the right beat for Hands-Only CPR.

For a video demonstration and more information visit: cpr.heart.org

Your Parish Nurses!

Jamie, Kate & Heidi

