

Worship at
St. Lucas UCC
January 18, 2020
5:00 p.m.



WE ARE
THE CHURCH

ST. LUCAS UCC

*Transforming lives
as the hands and feet of Christ*

***Invitation to rise as you
are able; in body,
in spirit, in voice.**

~Please don't forget to
sign our Friendship Pads!

**St. Lucas UCC
Mission Statement:**
St. Lucas UCC unites
Christians in the worship
of God and affirms
life-long Christian
education, faithful
discipleship and caring
service in God's name.



**St. Lucas UCC
Promise Statement:**
St. Lucas UCC members,
united in Christ and led
by the Holy Spirit, strive
to live faithfully, grow
spiritually and serve
lovingly all of God's
creations.

Welcome and Announcements

Ritual of Fellowship

Ringling of the Bells

Prelude *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him* arr. Smith

*Call to Worship

I waited patiently for GOD; who turned to me and heard my cry, who lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; and set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

We sing a new song! Our mouths are full of the praise of God.

Blessed are we when we make the Lord our trust; when we do not turn aside to false gods.

We sing of all your many wonders, O God, too many to declare them all.

Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but our ears you have pierced and a body you have prepared for us.

We sing, "Here I am, I have come—I desire to do your will, O my God; your law is in my heart."

*Hymn

Close to Thee

#405

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of Mercy, forgive our misplaced devotions. Most of our daily lives are spent focusing on material matters. Discipleship is not our main priority. We confess that though we call ourselves Christians, we tend to follow Christ when it's convenient. Redeem our faulty ways of following Jesus and teach our spirits to be devoted disciples.

*Words of Assurance

Gracious God, your steadfast love embraces us with grace, no matter how far we stray from the path. As we attempt to follow you with renewed commitment, encourage us to trust your mercy. Wherever we are on our paths we are met with redeeming grace. With that gift comes the assurance that we are indeed forgiven.

Scripture Readings

Psalm 40:1-11, pgs. 502-503

John 1:29-42, pgs. 966-967

The word of God for a people of God,
thanks be to God!

Sermon

Pastor Anna

In Our Prayers

Recent

Hospitalizations

Prayer Concerns

Rev. Doug Anders
Kris Bundy
Rick Diemert
Brian Heine
Phyllis Kuhns
Jared Naslund
Richard Scharlott
Evelyn Stolz

Military Active & Deployed

George Butler
Jason Lee
Sean Kingsland
Jeremi Williamson
Spencer Wagner

Joys & Concerns of the St. Lucas Family

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated

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*Benediction

*Postlude

Fanfare on an Original Theme

Martin

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Thank You to All Who
Helped with Worship
this Evening.

Worship Leader

Rev. Anastassia Sharpe

Organist

David Kuhns

Ushers

Mike & Mary Kay Bohn

A/V Technician

Scott Benack

Scripture Readings

Psalm 40:1-11

- ¹I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.
- ²He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.
- ³He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.
- ⁴Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.
- ⁵You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.
- ⁶Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.
- ⁷Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.
- ⁸I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."
- ⁹I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.
- ¹⁰I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.
- ¹¹Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

John 1:29-42

- ²⁹The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" ³⁰This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." ³²And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." ³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. LUCAS UCC, JANUARY 20~26, 2020

Monday, Jan. 20

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, Jan. 21

9:00 a.m.	Preschool Early Registration	Room 18/20
6:00 p.m.	Stewardship Committee	Fireside Room
7:00 p.m.	Social Justice	Room 18/20
7:00 p.m.	Dartball	Social Hall

Wednesday, Jan. 22

9:00 a.m.	Preschool Early Registration	Room 18/20
9:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting	South Narthex
10:00 a.m.	Bridge	Fireside Room
1:30 p.m.	St. Lucas at Friendship Village	Rhineland Hall
5:30 p.m.	Luke's Ukes	South Narthex
6:30 p.m.	Building & Grounds	Kruse Center
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Thursday, Jan. 23

6:30 p.m.	PET	Room 19
7:00 p.m.	General Endowment	Room 19
7:00 p.m.	Cabinet Meeting	Fireside Room
7:00 p.m.	Women's Exercise Group	Social Hall
7:00 p.m.	Bible Study	South Narthex

Friday, Jan. 24

6:00 p.m.	Volleyball	Social Hall
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Saturday, Jan. 25

7:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	Walnut Grill
5:00 p.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary

Sunday, Jan. 26

7:55 a.m.	Confirmation Class deliver Epiphany Boxes	Epiphany UCC
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.	Child Care—Birth through age 3	Room 232
9:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	Church School, age 3—5th Grade	Sanctuary/Social Hall
	Middle School Discussion	Sanctuary/Youth Room
10:10 a.m.	Adult Ed/ <i>Your Path, God's Purpose</i>	Room 18/20
11:00 a.m.	Blended Worship	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Community Meal	Social Hall