



March 2026

Good News

Mt Zion – St Luke Lutheran

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3-1 SS 10a.m.
Worship Serv 11am
Online option

#2Lenten Service 6:00p.m.
w/supper

3-6 Friday – Singing at
The Oaks @
10:30a.m.

3-8 SS 10a.m.
Worship Serv 11am
Online Option

Council [Mtg@8:45a.m](#)
#3Lenten Service 6:00p.m.
w/supper

3-15 SS 10a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Online Option

FAMILY MEAL DAY
Newsletter Deadline
#4Lenten service
6:00p.m./NO supper

3/18 Lutheran Ladies’
Lunch @ Old Mexico @
11:30a.m

3-22 SS 10a.m.
Worship Serv 11am
Online Option

#5Lenten Service@
6:00p.m. w/supper

3-28 Adopt-a-Highway
9:00a.m.

3-29 Palm Sunday
SS 10a.m.
Worship Serv 11a.m.
Online Only

Dear Mt. Zion–St. Luke Family,

Grace and peace to you as we enter the holy season of Lent—a forty-day journey that draws us again to the cross and into the heart of God’s renewing love. Lent invites us to prayer, reflection, repentance, and service, opening space in our lives for God to shape us more deeply in faith and compassion.

This season, I invite you to prayerfully consider how you might support and participate in the many ministries highlighted throughout this newsletter. From outreach efforts like *Fight Hunger for 40 Days* and our Prayer Pocket Quilt ministry, to worship, fellowship, and service opportunities, each ministry is a living expression of Christ’s love shared through this congregation. Your time, presence, and generosity help these ministries flourish and extend hope into our community.

Our Choir and Bell Ringers are already faithfully preparing beautiful music for Holy Week and Easter worship. Their dedication enriches our proclamation of the gospel and our shared worship life, and we give thanks for their gifts and commitment.

I am also looking for youth and young adults willing to serve during Holy Week worship. This is a great opportunity for our younger members to grow in faith and leadership while serving the body of Christ. If you or someone in your family would like to participate, I would love to hear from you.

As we walk these forty days together, may we be drawn ever closer to Christ and to one another, bearing witness to God’s mercy in all we do.



With gratitude for each of you and for the ministry we share,

In Christ’s peace,
Minister Audra

Quilting Group Invitation: Prayer Pocket Quilt Ministry

Mt. Zion–St. Luke’s Quilting Group invites you to take part in a special ministry of care and comfort as we create *Prayer Pocket Quilt Squares*. Each small quilt square will be prayerfully stitched and filled with a tiny cross—reminders of God’s presence to share with those who are ill, grieving, or in need of encouragement.

We are looking for helping hands in several ways:

-  **Cutting fabric strips**
-  **Sewing quilt squares**

If you are willing to cut fabric, we can prepare a simple take-home kit for you to complete at your convenience and return to the church.

This is a beautiful way to serve—whether you sew, cut, or simply hold the ministry in prayer.

 Please contact **Mary Haigler** or **Minister Audra** to let us know how you would like to help.

Together, stitch by stitch, we share Christ’s love.



Lenten Worship & Supper – “By Faith”

What is faith? Hebrews tells us, *“Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen”* (Hebrews 11:1).

This Lenten season at Mt. Zion–St. Luke, we are invited into a midweek journey through Hebrews 11 in our series **“By Faith.”** Each week we will encounter the stories of those who trusted God’s promises before they could see their fulfillment — Noah, Abraham, Moses, and the people of Israel — culminating in Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, as he walks the road to the cross.

Join us each Wednesday in Lent for **supper at 6:00 p.m. in the Lingle Room**, followed by a brief reflective worship service shaped by the words and themes of Hebrews. Our liturgy, prayers, and blessings draw from Hebrews 11–13, guiding us to persevere in faith, encourage one another, and run with endurance the race set before us.

Come share a meal, a word, and a time of prayerful reflection as we journey together toward Easter.

All are welcome. Invite a friend.



Fight Hunger for 40 Days – Lenten Outreach Invitation


This Lent, Mt. Zion–St. Luke invites you to join in a simple and meaningful way to care for our neighbors experiencing food insecurity. Through “**Fight Hunger for 40 Days,**” we will be creating *simple meal kits* to share with individuals and families in need throughout our community.

 **Outside the Church Office,** you will find:

- Suggested **meal kit ideas**
- A list of **needed non-perishable food items**
- A **drop-off box** for your donated items

You are invited to pick up a suggestion sheet, assemble one or more meal kits during Lent, and return them to the collection box. Together, these gifts will become meals of nourishment and hope for our neighbors.

As we journey these forty days, may our Lenten practice include sharing daily bread with others.

 **Questions?** Please contact **Karen Hatten.**

Daylight Saving Time Begins



A friendly reminder that **Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 8.** Be sure to set your clocks **forward one hour** on Saturday night so you can join us on time for Sunday School and worship.

We look forward to gathering together — bright and early in the light of the new day! 

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Please help keep *this prayer list current. Contact the Church Office to update -*

Pray for Members: Franchelle Arnold, Jenny Brannan, The Choppla Family-Gulshan Prem, Rick Coogle, Brenden Fitzgerald, Jr., Frank Freshwater, Dale Godfrey, Myrtle Joiner, Jeremy Martin, Tommy Martin, Zack Martin, John & Celeste Trilla Simmons, George Smith, Helen Smith Family, Donna Webb, Tony Webb, our college students, The Call Committee and for all the ministries of our church.

For Friends and Family: Joan Cannon Family, Maritza Rivera Caunt, Randy Carlson, Pam Cole, Gay, Erin, Travis & Trevor Daily, Tosha Downey, Carl Ethridge, Shelly Fields, Elizabeth Gauthier, Jorene Gordon, Kelvin Hasch, Janice Haugabook Family, Andy Harvill, Dan Harvill, Jr., Adam Hobbs, Michael Hortman family, Daniel Jankowski, Lauren Jankowski, Ron Johnson aka Papa J, Randy Keene, Ann Lacey, Ben Leathers, David Levie, Sherry Martin, Bob Melvin, Terry Oglesby, Don Oliver, Greg & Cathy Law Patterson, Hazel Perry, Mark Poole, Evelyn J. Sellers, Diane Spradley Smith, Ariel Torres, Helen Veras (Celeste Simmon's sister), Daniel Watson, Lamar Yoder, our nation, Ukraine, and the world.