



Small Groups

Make a BIG difference!



ST. LUKE GROUPS

Together...Living, Growing, Serving

2023



St. Luke United Methodist Church

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CHILDREN

*Contact: Sarah Archer, Director of Children & Family Ministry
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Facebook page: [St. Luke Kids](#)

Sunday Morning Nursery

When: Every Sunday at 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. in the Education Wing

Nursery is provided for children ages 6 weeks to 3 years of age at both the 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship services on Sunday mornings.

Kids Sunday School

When: Every Sunday during the school year (except Christmas and Easter) at 9:15-10:25 in the Education Wing

Sunday School is a dynamic children's program following the Children's Moment (in the worship service) every Sunday for kids Grades 3-5. It includes music time to practice for when the kids will sing in worship, as well as free-play time in the gym.

Mission Kids

When: First Wednesday of every month during the school year (October-May) at 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Great Room

Mission Kids is a hands-on mission program that gives kids Grades 2-5* the opportunity to serve others and make a difference in their world. Mission Kids meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and then they work on a project from 7:00-8:00.

*Kids younger than Grade 2 are welcome to attend if a parent stays with them.

Club 45

When: 6-8 times a year on Wednesdays at 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Club 45 offers social events just for Grade 4-5 kids, offering an opportunity to develop friendships before joining youth group. Cost is \$10 per participant per event to help cover supply costs.

Vacation Bible School (2 opportunities)

Opportunity 1: In partnership with Hanscom Park United Methodist Church, VBS will be offered July 10-15, 2022, in the evenings for kids age 3 to Grade 5. Watch for details.

Opportunity 2: VBS will be offered at St. Luke July 31-August 4, 2022, at 5:30-8:30 p.m. for kids age 3 to Grade 5. Watch for details.

Special Kid Event Sundays (watch for details)

Back to School Blessing (August)

Pop-Up Sunday (September)

Bible Presentation for Grades 3-5 (October)

Pop Tarts & Pajamas (March)

St. Luke kids sing in worship services several times during the school year

Special One-Day Kid & Family Events (watch for details)

Easter Egg Hunt (day before Easter Sunday)

Family Picnic (June)

Family Movie Nights (June & July)

St. Luke Neighborhood Party (August)

Blessing of the Animals (September)

Family Bingo & Potluck (October)

Trunk or Treat (October)

Family Advent Party (December)

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Contact: Chris Archer, Director of Children & Family Ministry

chris@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 318

Facebook pages: Senior High Youth Group and Crossfire-St. Luke Jr. High Youth Group

Jr. High Sunday School/Confirmation

When: Sunday mornings during the school year

Jr. High Sunday School for Grades 6-8 youth is offered on Sunday mornings at 9:45-10:25.

Our Confirmation Class allows youth to fully develop an understanding of the Bible and how they can relate it to real life experiences and day-to-day activities. In May, those youth who are graduating from Grade 8 will be confirmed on Confirmation Sunday.

Sr. High Sunday School

When: Sunday mornings during the school year

Sr. High Sunday School for Grades 9-12 is offered on Sunday mornings at 9:45-10:25. We utilize a curriculum called "Teen Text."

Come hang out with other youth for fellowship and talking about how the Bible relates to your 21st Century life.

Jr. High Youth Group

When: Wednesday evenings during the school year

Grade 6-8 youth meet every Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Come hang out with your friends while enjoying dinner together, activities and awesome fun! Themes, special events, serving our community and tons more...bring your friends and join us!

Sr. High Youth Group

When: Wednesday evenings during the school year

Grade 9-12 youth meet every Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Bring your friends, let loose and have fun. Dinner together, movies, games, mission work and special events are all in store for you. You'll have a great time and make lifelong friends!

Youth Mission Trips

Each summer the Jr. High Youth and the Sr. High Youth go on mission trips. Each trip is a week of service to the community and fun activities with friends from youth group. Watch for details.

Young Adults

We welcome all young adults between the ages of 18-25. If you want to be notified about Young Adult events, contact Chris Archer.

FUN & FELLOWSHIP

Bistro Group

Contact: Craig Howell via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Various times throughout the year

The Bistro Group is a group of individuals who love cooking, eating and fellowship. Our goal is to cook meals for special church gatherings and to promote potlucks and other church events where food is served. Breaking bread together is an act of Christian love inside the St. Luke family and in community outreach. We welcome others who enjoy cooking, eating and fellowship to join this group!

Chancel Choir (vocal choir)

Contact: Ann McMorrow via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings from the end of August through early June

The Chancel Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings and sings in the 10:30 worship service on Sunday mornings. New choir members are warmly welcomed!

Chancel Ringers (bell choir)

Contact: Betsy Kallstrom via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings from September through May

The Chancel Ringers provide inspirational music for both worship and non-worship settings. Weekly Wednesday evening rehearsals are filled with fun and fellowship. Typically we perform in the 10:30 worship service one Sunday a month. We're always looking for new ringers. If you can read music, come join us...we'll train you!

Fellowship Movie Nights

Contact: Dave Wilson via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Various times throughout the year at Dave & Karen Wilson's home

This group was formed for men and women to meet and get to know other St. Luke members through the vehicle of watching and discussing movies. This group meets in Dave and Karen Wilson's home. The purpose of watching the movies together is to provide a forum where we watch a movie with a controversial topic and can facilitate a civil discussion regarding our differing opinions. Announcements in the weekly email will be posted prior to each event. New members to the group are always welcome, though seating is limited so RSVP's are necessary.

Women's Ministry

Contact: Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Various events and groups meeting throughout the year

Women's Ministry is overseen by a Leadership Team whose objective is to support and encourage all women of St. Luke—no matter your age or stage of life—and to help plan events. If you would like information about participating in Women's Ministry, either in a group or with an event, contact the Church Office.

Women's Ministry Book Club

Contact: Suzanne Rood via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: One Thursday morning every other month in St. Luke's Great Room

The Book Club is open to all women and meets once every other month on a Thursday at 10:00 a.m. The books we discuss are chosen by members in the group, and we all enjoy talking about what we have read and how it impacted us. This is a great way to get to know others at St. Luke! We would love to have you join us!

Women's Ministry Dining Out Group

Contact: Elaine Misner via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: One Saturday each month at a local restaurant

All women are welcome! We gather one Saturday each month for lunch. We enjoy conversations and food at a different local restaurant each month.

Women's Ministry Mahjongg Group

Contact: Marilyn Pike via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Fourth Tuesday of every month at 1:00-3:00 p.m. in St. Luke's Great Room

We always welcome new people to this group. Our purpose is fun and socializing! Whether you already play or would like to learn, we welcome all adults! This is the traditional game that was developed in 19th Century China and has now spread throughout the world—it is a tile-based game in which each player draws and discards tiles to form a legal "hand." If you have a Mahjongg game and/or current year Mahjongg card, please bring them with you.

Women's Ministry Quilting Group

Contact: Carol Elliott via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: One Friday each month in various members' homes

We meet the second Friday of each month from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the homes of quilting group mem-

bers. Each quilter brings a sack lunch and the “host” provides beverages. Interested women are invited to come—no prior quilting experience is necessary. Quilters may work on a group project (donation quilts) or bring their own work.

Women’s Ministry Soul Sisters Weekly Bible Study

Contact: Kristi Starmer via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Every Thursday at 10:00-11:30 a.m. via Zoom

Part of the Women’s Ministry, this group meets Thursday mornings for fellowship and a book study to help us grow in our faith. Members take turns choosing a book to read and discuss. New members are always welcome!

Women’s Ministry Weekly Lunch Gathering

Contact: Kristi Starmer via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Every Thursday at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom

Come join us for lunch and conversation on Zoom! Started during Covid, this gathering was created out of a need to connect to people, so we gather on Zoom every Thursday from 11:30-1:30. Pop in whenever you’re available. See the weekly email for the Zoom ID.

Young Adults

Contact: Chris Archer at chris@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 318

When: Various times throughout the year

St. Luke has a Young Adult group and we welcome all young adults between the ages of 18-25. For more about this group or to be put on our list to be notified for upcoming Young Adult activities, contact Chris Archer.

SPECIAL GROUPS

Scout Troop 770

Contact: Email Troop Scoutmaster at info@troop770.org

When: Every Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge

Scout Troop 770 (boys ranging from 10-17) meets at St. Luke. We have boys from OPS, Millard and District 66 school districts. Boys do not need Cub Scout experience in order to join this troop. We welcome new boys and they can join at any age.

LEARNING & DISCUSSION

Adult Sunday School

Contact: Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Sunday mornings during the school year at 9:45-10:25 (between worship services)

Typically we offer one or two adult classes during this time. The Adult Sunday School classes offer small group study and discussion, as well as an opportunity to get to know others from St. Luke.

Bible/Book Studies

Contact: Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Several times a year

Studies are offered several times throughout the year. Typically each study will meet for 1-2 months. The studies focus on the Bible and/or religious/spiritual literature and provide opportunities for discussion and getting to know others from St. Luke.

Bible Study with Pastor Marshall

Contact: Pastor Marshall at marshall@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 312

When: Every Tuesday at 2:00-3:00 p.m. via Zoom

Everyone is welcome! On Tuesdays we meet via Zoom for a one-hour conversation during which we discuss the sermon from the week before and the sermon for the upcoming week. See the weekly email for the Zoom ID.

Faith in Action Team

Contact: Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Third Tuesday every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m. via Zoom

This group meets on the third Tuesday of each month via Zoom for one hour to work on outreach activities crossing racial lines in our greater Omaha community. We want to learn from others by engaging with them in a meaningful way. See the weekly email for the Zoom ID.

Upper Room Devotionals Available

The "Upper Room" devotional magazines are always available at St. Luke (in regular size and large print). The copies are available on the shelf in the bell tower foyer (outside Sherrie Lindsey's office).

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SERVING & MAKING A DIFFERENCE

St. Luke "happens" because of the combined efforts of staff and church members. We need and appreciate individuals who share their time and talents to help us continue to be a caring church that makes us attractive and meaningful to those who attend.

Boutique

Contact: Michelle Fryzek via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Held annually in September, though planning is done throughout the year

Sponsored by the Women's Ministry, this annual Boutique is held as a fundraiser for St. Luke. The Boutique features craft booths, a bake sale, book sale, breakfast, lunch and desserts. The whole congregation works together to make this event a success—help is needed from many St. Luke members before, during and after the Boutique.

Children & Youth Ministries

For Children's Ministry contact: Sarah Archer at sarcher@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 313

For Youth Ministry contact: Chris Archer at chris@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 318

When: Typically held during the school year, though there are some summer activities

Our Children & Youth Ministries offer opportunities for our children and youth on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. There is always a need for additional workers. You might be the perfect person to fill one of these spots! Why not contact Sarah or Chris to explore all the ways we can use volunteers to see where you are a perfect fit!

Decorating Team

Contact: Rachel Jensen via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: Various times during the year

This group meets to decorate the church for everyday needs and for seasonal events. If you'd like to be a part of the group or help decorate, contact the Church Office.

Heartland Hope Food Pantry

Contact: Peggy Albertsen via the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

When: The last Thursday every month from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at Heartland Hope (2021 U Street)

St. Luke volunteers meet at Heartland Hope Food Pantry to help the pantry organize their food supplies and to help individuals picking up groceries from the pantry. Additional volunteers are always welcome!

St. Luke Child Development Center

Contact: Aimee Bryer (Director) at childcare@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 301

St. Luke Child Development Center has a reputation in Omaha as a quality child care center and provides care for nearly 150 children each weekday. We can always use volunteers to come in and rock babies, read stories, help out in classrooms and help with special events. If you are age 16-75 and would like to volunteer in our Child Development Center, contact Aimee Bryer

We also are always hiring for our Child Development Center. Individuals must be ages 16-75 and be able to pass a background check and drug test. Contact Aimee to apply for a position in our Center.

Teen Center

Contact: Abbey Jackson at abbey@teencenteromaha.org or JaLisa Sanford at jalisa@teencenteromaha.org

The Teen Center offers a program for Burke High students that includes academic assistance, enrichment activities, mentor relationships, post-secondary prep and much more. There are many ways St. Luke individuals can volunteer. Contact Abbey or JaLisa to find out how you can be involved. Check out the Teen Center web site at: <https://teencenteromaha.org/>

Volunteer Opportunities

For details about any of the volunteer opportunities listed below, contact the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

We need many friendly volunteers to share their time and talents! Below is the list of ongoing volunteer needs:

- Adopt a St. Luke flower bed to maintain (spring through fall)
- Audio-Visual Technicians (Sunday mornings and occasional special services)
- Building & Grounds Projects (as needed)
- Children's Ministry
- Child Development Center
- Coffee Hosts (Sunday mornings)
- Communion Servers (Sunday mornings)
- Funeral Lunch Team (as needed)

- Give TLC to Sanctuary & Great Room worship spaces (weekly)
- Give TLC to upstairs kitchen (monthly)
- Greeters (Sunday mornings)
- Heartland Hope Food Pantry (1 afternoon per month)
- Office Assistant (weekly or 1-2 times per month on weekdays)
- Provide suppers for youth groups (Wednesday evenings)
- Scripture Readers (Sunday mornings)
- Teen Center
- Ushers (Sunday mornings)
- Worship Décor Team (seasonal)
- Youth Ministry

Committees & Teams

For details about any of the committees and teams listed below, contact the Church Office at churchoffice@stlukeumc.com or 402-333-6886 ext. 300

- Administrative Council
- Bistro Team
- Boutique Team (annual event)
- Children & Youth Ministry Team
- Faith in Action Team
- Finance Committee
- Missions Team
- Special Events Team
- Staff Parish Committee
- Trustees
- Women's Ministry

WAYS TO CONNECT WITH US

Church Office

Email: churchoffice@stlukeumc.com

Phone: 402-333-6886 ext. 300

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Web Sites

Church: stlukeumc.com

- Contains the following: About Us, Giving, Capital Campaign 2023-2026, Local Ministries & Resources, United Methodist Church & Faith Links, Sign-Ups, Calendar, Child Development Center

Teen Center: teencenteromaha.org

St. Luke Gear Store: store.ideal-images.com/st_lukes/shop/

Facebook Pages

Church: facebook.com/stluke.omaha.ne

Children & Family Ministry: facebook.com/Stlukekidsomaha

Jr. High Youth: facebook.com/stlukecrossfire

Sr. High Youth: facebook.com/stlukesrhighyouth

Child Development Center: facebook.com/St-Luke-Child-Development-Center-105531908305677

Livestream Worship

Watch worship live from your computer or device (via Zoom.com):

- 9:00 Worship Service: Zoom ID 917 2508 5364
- 10:30 Worship Service: Zoom ID 982 3919 7032

Watch worship (live or later) on our Facebook page

Listen to worship live over your phone line:

- Call in on your phone and listen to the worship service live (traditional landline or cell phone). At 9:00 or 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, dial the phone number designated below:

9:00 service: Dial 1-312-626-6799 (then when prompted, ID 917 2508 5364)

10:30 service: Dial 1-312-626-6799 (then when prompted, ID 982 3919 7032)

YouTube Channel (videos of past worship services)

On Youtube subscribe to: St. Luke United Methodist Church - Omaha, NE

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