

A Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols

December 24, 2020, 9:00 pm



Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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Christmas 2020

Dear Friend in Christ,

We gather once again to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but oh how painfully aware we are of these different days. We cannot have any gatherings of family and friends, nor worship in person at church, and yes, we are called to stay isolated in our various pods. Unprecedented, unfamiliar, unusual, unexpected, are all words that come to mind as we think of this past year and now this holiday season.

We have watched the coronavirus spread around the world and in our country. The death toll is unbelievable. We give thanks for the beginnings of the distribution of vaccines, yet lives continue to be challenged, financial struggles abound, questions are many.

Right into it all though, we hear, *Do not be afraid. To you in born a savior, Christ the Lord.* This savior is Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us. This same savior says to us, *I am with you always.* What hope we are given, our God will never, never abandon us. Our God is here with us, for us, loving us, guiding us.

Thank you for worshiping at Saint Luke. Thank you for sharing this Good News. Thank you for being part of this virtual community, united in this amazing love of God.

Please know we have a very special gift for all visitors. Kindly click here [Visitor Welcome](#) and complete the information. Again we look forward to sending you a gift.

May you find new hope as you hear the words of the Christmas gospel.

Christmas Blessings,



Connie A. Miller
Senior Pastor

PRELUDE

Noël Grand Jeu et Duo
The Manger (Pastorale and Adoration)

Organ Voluntary

Louis-Claude Daquin (1694-1772)
Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Reformation Bells

arr. Douglas Mears

Rhapsody on Noëls

Organ Voluntary

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Once in Royal David's City

Solo

1 Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby
in a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ, her little child.

4 For he is our childhood's pattern,
day by day like us he grew.
He was little, weak, and helpless,
tears and smiles like us he knew:
and he feeleth for our sadness,
and he shareth in our gladness.

Choir

2 He came down to earth from heaven
who is God and Lord of all,
and his shelter was a stable,
and his cradle was a stall;
with the poor and meek and lowly,
lived on earth our Savior holy.

5 And our eyes at last shall see him,
through his own redeeming love;
for that child so dear and gentle
is our Lord in heav'n above;
and he leads his children on
to the place where he is gone.

All

3 And through all his wondrous childhood
he would honor and obey,
love and watch the lowly maiden,
in whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be
mild, obedient, good as he.

6 Not in that poor lowly stable,
with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him; but in heaven,
set at God's right hand on high;
there his children gather round,
bright like stars, with glory crowned.

INVOCATION AND VERSICLES

Isaiah 9:6, John 1:1, 4, 14, and Luke 2:14

In the name of the Father, and of ✠ the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Unto us a child is born. Unto us a Son is given.
And the government shall be upon his shoulders!

And he shall be called Wonderful Counselor, the Mighty God,
The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
And the Word was God.

In God was life:
And the life was the light of all people.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and of truth.
And we beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son of the Father.

Glory to God in the highest,
And peace to God's people on earth.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, you made this holy night shine with the brightness of the true Light. Grant that here on earth we may walk in the light of Jesus' presence and in the last day wake to the brightness of his glory; through your only Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Saint Luke 1:26-33, 38

The angel Gabriel visits Mary.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CAROL

From Heaven Above

- 1 "From heav'n above to earth I come
to bear good news to ev'ry home!
Glad tidings of great joy I bring
to all the world, and gladly sing:"
- 2 "To you this night is born a child
of Mary, chosen virgin mild;
this newborn child of lowly birth
shall be the joy of all the earth."
- 3 Welcome to earth, O noble Guest,
through whom this sinful world is blest!
You turned not from our needs away;
how can our thanks such love repay?
- 4 Ah, dearest Jesus, holy child,
prepare a bed, soft, undefiled,
a quiet chamber in my heart,
that you and I may never part.
- 5 "Glory to God in highest heav'n,
who unto us the Son has giv'n."
With angels sing in pious mirth
a glad new year to all the earth!

SECOND LESSON

Saint Luke 2: 1-7

And Mary gave birth to her first born...

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CAROL

What Child Is This?

- 1 What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the king,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste, to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary!
- 2 Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you;
Hail, hail the word made flesh,
The babe, the son of Mary!
- 3 So bring him incense, gold and myrrh;
come, peasant, king to own him.
The King of Kings salvation brings;
let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high,
the virgin sings her lullaby;
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
the babe, the son of Mary!

THIRD LESSON

Saint Luke 2:8-14

The angels visit the shepherds.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CAROL

Angels We Have Heard On High

1 Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply,
echoing their joyous strains.

3 Come to Bethlehem and see
him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn king. *Refrain*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo;
gloria in excelsis Deo.*

2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
which inspire your heav'nly song? *Refrain*

FOURTH LESSON

Saint Luke 2:15-20

The shepherds go to Bethlehem.

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

REFORMATION BELLS
Ding Dong Merrily on High

arr. Patricia Cota

CAROL

Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful

- 1 Oh, come all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant!
Oh, come ye, oh come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him born the king of angels:
Oh, come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!
- 2 The highest, most holy, light of light eternal,
Born of a virgin, a mortal he comes;
Son of the Father now in flesh appearing:
Oh, come let us adore him, Christ the Lord!
- 3 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God in the highest:
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!
- 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus to thee be glory given!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:
Oh, come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

SERMON

Pastor Miller



1 Peace came to earth at last that cho - sen night
 2 And who could be the same for hav - ing held
 3 You show the Fa - ther none has ev - er seen,
 4 How else could I have known you, O my God!



when an - gels clove the sky with song and light
 the in - fant in their arms, and lat - er felt
 in flesh and blood you bore our griefs and pains,
 How else could I have loved you, O my God!



and God em - bod - ied love and sheathed his might
 the wound-ed hands and side, all doubts dis - pelled
 in bread and wine you vis - it us a - gain
 How else could I em - brace you, O my God!



Who could but gasp: Im - man - u - el!
 Who could but sigh: Im - man - u - el!
 Who could but see Im - man - u - el!
 Who could but pray: Im - man - u - el!



Who could but sing: Im - man - u - el!
 Who could but shout: Im - man - u - el!
 Who could but thrill: Im - man - u - el!
 Who could but praise Im - man - u - el!

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the
Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being
with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from
heaven; was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our
sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he
rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand
of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will
have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who
with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

We invite you to give your Christmas offering online at saintlukegive.us

You may also mail your checks to:

Saint Luke Lutheran Church
9100 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Music at the Offering

Before the marvel of this night
Adoring, fold your wings and bow,
Then tear the sky a part with light
And with your news the world endow.
Proclaim the birth of Christ and peace,
That fear and death and sorrow cease:
Sing peace, sing peace, sing gift of peace,
Sing peace, sing gift of peace!

Our joy and endless light,
Now to the loveless world be shown,
Now break upon its deathly night.
Into one son compress the love,
That rules our universe above:
Sing love, sing love, sing God is love,
Sing love, sing God is love!

Awake the sleeping world with song,
This is the day the Lord has made.
Assemble here, celestial throng,
In royal splendor come arrayed.
Give earth a glimpse of heav'nly bliss,
A teasing taste of what they miss:
Sing bliss, sing bliss, sing endless bliss,
Sing bliss, sing endless bliss!
The love that we have always known,

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda (1919-2008)
Music: Carl Schalk (b. 1929)

OFFERING HYMN

As with Gladness Men of Old

As they offered gifts most rare
at thy cradle, rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy,
pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee, our heav'nly king.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Filled with wonder and joy that God's gift of grace has been given in the Son born for us,
let us pray for the church, the good creation, and the needs of all.

After each portion of the prayers:

God of grace and joy,

Hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

Come down to us, O God, and make your home with us, in us, and through us,
for the sake of the one whose birth the angels sang and the shepherds proclaimed,
Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Hear us now as we pray the prayer he taught us:

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

**Padre Nuestro Que estas en los cielos
Santificado sea tu Nombre
Venga a nosotros tu Reino
Hagase tu voluntad asi en la tierra como en el cielo
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia
Perdona nuestras ofensas
Como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion mas libranos del mal
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la Gloria
Por los siglos de los siglos. Amen**

CAROL

Silent Night

Part of our tradition at Saint Luke is singing Silent Night in German. Adding to this tradition is singing a verse in Spanish. Please sing the first verse in German then in Spanish. All will then sing three stanzas in English.

Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht!
Alles schläft, einsam wacht
nur das traute, hochheilige Paar.
Holder Knabe im lockigen Haar,
schlaf in himmlischer Ruh,
schlaf in himmlischer Ruh.

Noche de paz, noche de amor!
Todo duerme en derredor.
Entre los astros que esparcen su luz,
bella anunciando al niño Jesús
brilla la estrella de paz,
brilla la estrella de paz.

- 1 Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace,
sleep in heavenly peace.

- 2 Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight;
glories stream from heaven afar,
heav'nly hosts sing, alleluia!
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born!

- 3 Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from your holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at your birth,
Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

BLESSING

Let us carry the Good News this night to all the world.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor ✠ and give you peace.

SENDING HYMN

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

- 1 Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king;
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all you nations, rise;
join the triumph of the skies;
with angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
- 3 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace!
Hail the Son of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
ris'n with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise each child of earth,
born to give us second birth. *Refrain*

*Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"*

- 2 Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail, incarnate deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel! *Refrain*

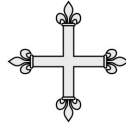
DISMISSAL

Filled with the joy of Christ's birth, go in peace!
Love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)



WORSHIP LEADERS

PRESIDING MINISTER

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, *Senior Pastor*

ASSISTING MINISTERS

The Rev. Franklin Morales, *Associate Pastor*

Deacon Kyle Warfield, *Director of Discipleship and Senior High Ministries*

MUSICIANS

Dr. Alain Truche, *Director of Music and Organist*

Edie Venit, *Director of the Reformation Bells*

Schola Cantorum

Members of the Schola

Sarah Pfanz, *soprano*

Ellen Miller, *alto*

Ralph Watkins, *tenor*

Jeff Jox, *baritone*

Members of the Reformation Bells

Cas Campagna, Cynthia Campagna, Jeff Jox, Bill Leader, Kelly Smith, Edie Venit

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Christmas Poinsettia Food Bag Dedications

Robert Barnes in honor of Lynne Perri, in honor of Abby Barnes, in honor of Grace Barnes, in honor of Scott Kaczmarek

Denyse Baker in honor of Up For Discussion adult Sunday school class, in honor of vaccine researchers and scientists, in remembrance of Jane Dohler

Bassein-Roy family in remembrance of Rhoda Mahler, in remembrance of Ken Mahler, in honor of clergy/staff/volunteers who are keeping Saint Luke going in the time of covid, in honor of all frontline/essential workers who attend Saint Luke

Martin and Martha Bell in remembrance of Grason & Loretta Bell, in remembrance of Adrian & Lucile Propst, in remembrance of Bessie Basham, in remembrance of Asa Basham

Carol Bennet in remembrance of Margarea Bennett, in remembrance of H.H. Bennett, in remembrance of Bessie Basham, in remembrance of Asa Basham

James and Lorraine Bentley in honor of Kim Bentley and Kyle Van Horn, in honor of Eloise and Maya Van Horn, in honor of Andrew Bentley, in honor of Pastor Miller and Saint Luke Staff

Kathleen Bergeron in remembrance of Carol Chambers, in honor of Robert Chambers

Clinton Britt in remembrance of our grandparents

Diane and Nichols Castle in remembrance of Anita Ward, in honor of Gordon Ward, in honor of Lucy Lindgren, in remembrance of Virginia Regas

Chris Cedar in remembrance of her husband Robert Ceder, in remembrance of her parents Isabelle and Samuel Mohr, and in honor of all nurses, medical, and ancillary staff

Carol Crawford in remembrance of Charles and Lillian Crawford, in honor of Chris Crawford-Franklin

Jane Curtin in honor of all of our front line workers

Carol and Tom Darnell in remembrance of their parents and families

Susan DeHart in honor of Eleanor McIntyre and Thelma Fricks, in remembrance of Ken, Dorothy and Tom DeHart and Ball and Chain Members

Alma Edgerly in honor of Thoma Petersen, in honor of Ruth Manchester, in remembrance of Marie Edgerly, and in remembrance of Rod Petersen

Ron and Jan Eisenbarth in remembrance of members of the Kitchener and Eisenbarth families,

Karen L. Evans in remembrance of James Evans, in honor of her children and their families

Carol Farrar in honor of Amy Farrar, in honor of Jennifer Farrar, in honor of Andrew Farrar, in honor of Abigail Farrar, in honor of Matthew Farrar

Jenny Farrar in remembrance of Lois McCabe and Winnie Mercer

Ed Fenstermacher in honor of Erica, Thomas, and Alex Fenstermacher, in remembrance of Cassel and Marion Jacobson, in remembrance of Harvey and Margaret Fenstermacher, in remembrance of Michael and Cathy Pine

Bev and Amos Gardiner in remembrance of James and Margaret Shaffer

Kate Glenn in honor of Daniel Thomas, in honor of Charles Bond, in remembrance of Robert and Patricia Thomas, in remembrance of John & Janet Gilson, in remembrance of Suzanne Bond

Benjamin Gray in remembrance of George Gray, in remembrance of Viola and E.J. Gallus, in remembrance of Andrew Letcher, in remembrance of Mark and Jesse Hatcher, in remembrance of Anna Marie and Bonnie Gallus

Melissa Groen in honor of medical staff and other frontline workers, in honor of educators and school administrators, in honor of the Sunday School teachers who touch lives every Sunday morning sharing God's love with the children of Saint Luke, in honor of all those who are part of leading Saint Luke's worship services each Sunday

Matthew Grussing in remembrance of Wayne and Fern Anderson, in remembrance of James and Lorraine Grussing

The Gurganus family in remembrance of David and Alma Hudgel and Bonnie Bowles Hudgel

Claudette Hamerski in remembrance of Emily & Claude Myers, and in remembrance of Cleo and Hugh Hamerski

Sarah Hanson in remembrance of Lawrence Larson and in remembrance of Mary Ann Larson

Emily and Brian Horick in remembrance of Luther and Phyllis Horick, in remembrance of Philip and Jacqueline Brunschwyler, and in remembrance of Conrad Brunschwyler

Carol Howell in remembrance of Karen Howell, in remembrance of Robert and Ann Custer, in remembrance of Dana Osterndorf, in remembrance of Mary Jane Lusby, and in honor of the dedicated staff of Saint Luke Lutheran Church

Joni Jacobs in remembrance of Jerry Packard, in remembrance of Steve Spencer, in remembrance of Betina Adams, in remembrance of Jason Rush, and in remembrance of Mark Willard

Charles Kirk in remembrance of Dorothy and Charles Agee, in remembrance of Edward and Ann Kirk, in honor of Edward and Mary Kirk, and in honor of James, Maria, and Diana Kirk

Mary Kirk in honor of Charles and Elisabeth, in honor of Kathleen and David, and in honor of Jennifer and George

Charles LaDuca in remembrance of Brenda Joyce Martin, in remembrance of Marie Louise LaDuca, in honor of Julia LaDuca, and in honor of Alexandra

Jennifer MacLaughlin in remembrance of Grace Pancallo, and in remembrance of Suellen MacLaughlin

Martha, Betsy, and Jonathan McIntyre in honor of Eleanor McIntyre, in remembrance of Albert McIntyre, in remembrance of Ken and Dorothy DeHart, and in remembrance of Eleanor Emch

Lauri and Scott McKay in remembrance of Paul Karpiscak, in honor and thanksgiving of Paul and Ann's 65 years of marriage

Ruth Manchester in honor of the Saint Luke Staff, in remembrance of Helen Gertrude and Gilbert F. Garbisch, and in remembrance of Eleanor Elizabeth and Elbert Grant Manchester

Mary Ellen Meagher in remembrance of Mary and Michael Wanchick

Elinita Mhando in remembrance of Baby Jesus, in honor of all who need help

Ellen and Gary Miller in remembrance of Edythe and Robert Miller and Virginia and Harry Griggs, in honor of James, Katie, Robert, Alexander, and Ellamaija Miller

Pastor Miller in honor of all who worship virtually at Saint Luke and in remembrance of all who have died from covid-19.

Shirley Moore in remembrance of her mother, Mary Sylvia

Ruth Moorman in remembrance of Arthur Moorman, in honor of The Gilbertsons, and Abby Moorman, in honor of all of my wonderful Tellers throughout my tenure

Kerry Moose in honor of the hungry

Tia Nelis in remembrance of Maryjo Talsma

Laura and Bradley Nichols in honor of Confirmation Ministry Leaders for their persistence, patience and kindness

Jack and Sally Niermann in remembrance of Renata Niermann-Meier

Gary and Ann Nuss in honor of Pastor Miller, Pastor Morales, Deacon Warfield and Dr. Truche.

Kay Paide in remembrance of Tonis Paide, and in honor of Ruth Manchester

Connie Peters in remembrance of Don and Virginia Baker, and in remembrance of Carol Widen

Gary Pettit in honor of all essential workers

Sarah Province in remembrance of Philip Province, beloved husband, father and grandfather, in honor of daughters, Bonnie Nay, Rose Azalde and Susan Phillips, in honor of grandchildren, Nick, Kennedy, Cecelia Phillips, Philip, Mark, Naman Nay, Claudia and Antonio Azalde, in honor of the ministry of Saint Luke in serving our Silver Spring community.

Alysha Rajnarine in remembrance of Mary Inez Ishmael

Saint Luke Women of the ELCA in honor of Pastor Platz for her leadership and guidance with WELCA, and in celebration of the 50th anniversary of her ordination

Barbara Sanders in remembrance of my husband, Harry Lee, and all the dearly departed of the Sanders and Vaught families, in remembrance of her parents, Edwin and Roberta Marsh, and all the dearly departed of the Marsh, Pearson, Giessman and Spiker families, in honor of the dedicated Pastors, Deacon and staff of Saint Luke, who sustain this congregation and our community through their exemplary service in these extraordinary times

Carolyn Schick in remembrance of Irvin and Marjorie Schick

Ed and Jane Schrantz in remembrance of Joe and Jean Schrantz, and Tom & Clare Finlayson

Bill and Joyce Schultz in remembrance of her father, Richard Braithwaite, in remembrance of her mother, Eleanore Braithwaite, and in remembrance of her grandmother, Sigrid Braithwaite

Wilson and Nancy Shaffer in remembrance of W. Earl and Dorothy D. Bricker, in remembrance of Albert W. and Natalie Shaffer, and in honor of Michael, Katie, Brigid, Thomas, Thaddeus, and Brendan Shaffer

Mary Ann Shepherd in remembrance of William Shepherd and in honor of Saint Luke IT team

Linda Sherwood in honor of our frontline workers, and in honor of our educators and students

Traude Smith in remembrance of Rudolf and Minnie Stamm

Carin Sprick in remembrance of Lisa Elg, in honor of Ingrid and Patrick David, in honor of Christina and John Romiza, and in honor of grandchildren Jack, Isabella and Finlay Romiza

George Stecklein in remembrance of Sharon Louise Stecklein, in remembrance of John Lawrence and Nettie Catherine Stecklein, in remembrance of Reuel and Arlys Thompson, and in remembrance of Eugene Franklin Alder

Frances Troxler in honor of Roney Shawe

Willard and Becky Unkenholz in remembrance of Clarence and Elizabeth Keiper and Willard L. and Marlys Unkenholz, and in honor of Tim, Chris, and Luda Unkenholz and Rachael Maddox

Debbie Van Buskirk in remembrance of the Rev. Engebret Olaf Midboe, in remembrance of Helen Midboe, in honor of James Van Buskirk and family, in honor of Thomas Van Buskirk and family, and in honor of the Midboe sisters and families

Diane Van Lonkhuyzen in remembrance of John Van Lonkhuyzen, and in remembrance of Robert and Doris Cross

Gordon Ward in remembrance of beloved wife Anita Ward

Deacon Warfield in remembrance of Robert Warfield and in remembrance of Justin Warfield.

Edward Wetzlar In remembrance of Robert Buchler

Christmas Blessings!