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# THE RHODE TO EMMAUS

St. Luke's Weekly Youth Faith Formation Newsletter



## YOUTH FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

### SUNDAYS

Sunday School and Youth Faith Formation classes begin at 9:45AM. We hope to see you there!

**Sunday School (PK-1) - 1st Floor in Room 1**

**Youth Faith Formation 1 (2&3) - Upstairs in Room 9**

**Youth Faith Formation 2 (4&5) - Upstairs in Room 7**

### WEDNESDAYS

**4:30PM - Storytime (Ages 0-4) - 1st Floor Nursery**

**4:30PM Lamplighters (Grades K-5) - Auditorium**

**5:30PM - Family Table (ALL ages!) - Dining Room**

## CHANGES IN SUNDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

As we head into Sunday, please remember the changes to our Sunday morning Youth Faith Formation programs. Due to low attendance, the 6-8 class will be discontinued. Students in this age group who are present and not serving elsewhere are welcome to assist in younger classrooms, worship with their families, or serve as acolytes. We are exploring future formation options for them. To better balance class sizes, 2 & 3 grade will now meet in Room 9, while 4 & 5 will continue in Room 7. Thank you for your flexibility and for being part of a community where our children continue to thrive!



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## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7**

Storytime, Lamplighters, and Family Table resume

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 11**

Sunday School and Youth Faith Formation resume

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 6:00PM**

Fun & Faith Friday Youth Group

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 25**

No classes

9:00AM - One Service  
Annual Meeting following  
Childcare provided (details soon!)

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 6:00PM**  
Fun & Faith Friday Youth Group

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 6:00PM**  
Fun & Faith Friday Youth Group

# PRAYER

Loving God,  
When the world feels scary,  
be our peace and our comfort.

Hold our families close,  
give us courage and hope,  
and help us trust your light  
even in dark moments.

Amen.

## ST. LUKE'S SNAPS

What a busy, joyful season it's been!  
We're so grateful for the lovely  
moments shared at our Parents' Night  
Out Christmas Party and Epiphany  
Pageant. These photos capture the  
fun, laughter, and community that  
made both events so special. Enjoy!

## QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Please send all questions, comments,  
and ideas to Amy Weigand,  
Director of Youth and Family Ministries:  
[AMY@STLUKESEG.ORG](mailto:AMY@STLUKESEG.ORG)

## ANOTHER CHANGE

We had such an incredible time together at our Fall Youth Retreat in November, and one thing our teens shared loud and clear is that they want more time to connect. In response, we're working on an additional youth gathering option (stay tuned for details!), and we're also excited to share that Fun & Faith Fridays will now meet twice a month. Beginning in February, we'll gather on the second and fourth Fridays in the dining room. We can't wait to spend more time together!



# For Children During Worship at St. Luke's

St. Luke's loves children and wants to support families every step of the way on their faith journey and in the life of the church. In addition to the options below, children can also join the choir, acolyte, or usher.

## Nursery (ages 0-3)

Nursery care is available during both the 8:00AM and 10:00AM Sunday services. The nursery is located on the first floor.

## Sunday School and Youth Faith Formation (grades PK-5)

Classes meet on Sunday mornings at 9:45AM. St. Luke's provides age-appropriate lessons that connect the Bible with everyday life and encourage children to practice their faith in simple, meaningful ways. Children rejoin their parents in church after the Passing of the Peace.

## Worship Bags (ages 5 & up)

Worship Bags are available at the back of the church and contain quiet, engaging activities to be used in the pews. Children can pick them up after class and bring them to their pew. Each item is chosen not only to occupy children but to help them connect with and participate in worship in age-appropriate ways. These bags nurture curiosity, creativity, and a sense of belonging while supporting families in fully participating in the service. Worship Bags should remain in the pews and not be taken to the Prayground. Please return the bags to the basket at the back of the church at the end of the service so they can be refreshed for the following week.

## The Prayground (ages 0-5)

The Prayground is a designated space at the front of St. Luke's where our youngest parishioners can engage in worship using age-appropriate materials. We provide children's Bibles, books, coloring pages, blocks, baby dolls, and a wooden Eucharist play set, all stored in baskets under the benches. Children and their caregivers are encouraged to come forward, sit on the benches or the rug, and participate in a way that makes worship meaningful for them. All items should be tidied up at Communion, and families are invited to return to their pews at this time.

## Children's Worship Bulletins (grades 3 & up)

Children may enjoy the Children's Worship Bulletins. Ask an usher for one as you enter the church. Bulletins include word searches, drawing prompts, word scrambles, connect-the-dots, and creative coloring opportunities. Please take the bulletins home at the end of the service.

Join us!

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

2025/2026

# YOUTH PROGRAMMING

WEDNESDAYS  
**4:00**

## Angel Choir (Grades PK-2)

Located in the choir room on the second floor. This group explores the world of music while developing basic vocal and musical skills.

WEDNESDAYS  
**4:30**

## Storytime (Birth-Age 4 & Caregivers)

Located in the nursery on the first floor. Come together for playtime, social connection, and a short story.

WEDNESDAYS  
**4:30**

## Lamplighters (Grades K-5)

Located in the auditorium. An after-school ministry for kids with games, fellowship, songs, and Bible exploration.

WEDNESDAYS  
**5:30**

## Family Table (All ages!)

Held weekly in the dining room following Storytime and Lamplighters. Join us for a casual intergenerational dinner with the goal of providing fellowship and building community. Free with donations welcomed.

FRIDAYS  
**4:00**

## St. Cecilia Choir (Grades 3-12)

Located in the choir room on the second floor. This group continues to develop music skills at a high level and sings for a wide array of Sunday services, special events, concerts, and civic occasions.

3RD FRIDAY  
OF THE MONTH  
**6:00**

## Fun & Faith Fridays (Grades 6-12)

A monthly youth group meeting in the dining room. Dinner is included, followed by games, faith exploration, and Compline. We are a welcoming and inclusive space for young people to make friends, have fun, and deepen their understanding of faith.

SUNDAYS  
**9:45**

## Sunday School (Grades PK-1)

Located in room 1, Sunday School offers children engaging, age-appropriate lessons that connect the Bible with everyday life. It helps them explore their faith, ask questions, and practice living out their beliefs in simple, meaningful ways.

SUNDAYS  
**9:45**

## Youth Faith Formation 1&2 (Grades 2-5)

Located in Room 7 (grades 4&5) and Room 9 (grades 2&3), Youth Faith Formation encourages students to deepen their understanding of the Bible and see how it connects to their daily lives using a lectionary-based and inclusive curriculum called Mini Revolutions.

→ Have questions?

Email [amy@stlukeseg.org](mailto:amy@stlukeseg.org)



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# Fun & Faith FRIDAYS



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## Youth Group for Grades 6-12

Join us on the second and fourth Friday of the month from 6:00-8:00PM in the Dining Room for an exciting and engaging Youth Group experience.

### What to Expect:

- Dinner!
- Games & Fun: Kick off the evening with a variety of fun games and activities that encourage teamwork, creativity, and laughter.
- Faith Exploration: Dive into thought-provoking discussions and activities that explore faith and spirituality in a way that resonates with young people.
- Compline: Conclude the night with a peaceful and reflective Compline service, providing a moment of quiet contemplation and connection.

Our Friday Youth Group is a welcoming and inclusive space for young people to make friends, have fun, and deepen their understanding of faith.

# Lamplighters

AFTER-SCHOOL MINISTRY FOR KIDS WITH GAMES,  
FELLOWSHIP, SONGS, AND BIBLE EXPLORATION!

WEDNESDAYS AT 4:30PM IN THE AUDITORIUM



STAY AFTER FOR FAMILY TABLE!

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First Floor Nursery

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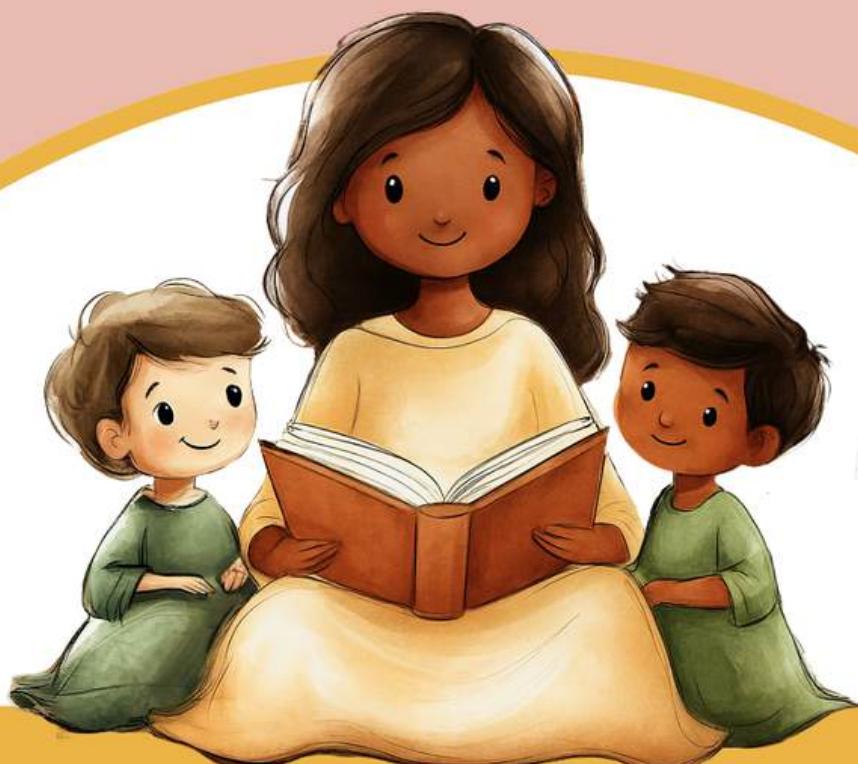
# STORYTIME

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Come together for  
playtime, social connection, and a short story!

**WEDNESDAYS AT 4:30PM**

Open to children ages  
birth to 4 years and their caregivers





BEGINS  
SEPTEMBER  
24TH!

# YOU'RE INVITED TO family TABLE

WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30PM IN THE DINING ROOM



Join your St. Luke's family mid-week for a casual dinner and fellowship. Here's what you need to know...

- ✓ After Choir, Lamplighters, and Storytime, and before Adult Faith Formation
- ✓ Intergenerational, all are welcome!
- ✓ Very casual, come as you are!
- ✓ Free! Donations welcome.
- ✓ Questions? Email [amy@stlukeseg.org](mailto:amy@stlukeseg.org)



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