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"Comfort, O comfort my people, says your Lord God." Isaiah 40:1



A memorial service for Diane Conneman, who passed away early in the morning on October 4th, will be held **Saturday**, **October 25th**, **2025 at 1:30 pm** at St. Luke Lutheran Church. Anyone who would like to bring some light refreshments to share is invited to put them in the downstairs fellowship hall kitchen on Saturday before the service.

For parking information - and livestream options if you are unable to attend in person, please visit our website by <u>clicking here.</u> You can read more about Diane and her remarkable life by visiting her obituary page by <u>clicking here.</u>

We continue to hold Diane's family and friends in prayer. May Diane, with all the saints of God, rest in the eternal peace and love that is Christ our Lord.

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." Psalm 121:1-2

Lutheran Disaster Relief



Lutheran Disaster Response is in communication with Lutheran Social Services of Alaska to see what needs exist and how we and our network of partners can support the response and recovery efforts to support the many indigenous communities impacted by #TyphoonHalong and the #Flooding they experienced.

Give to Lutheran Disaster Response Here

Feeding the Hungry

<u>Wow!</u> Thank you for the amazing response to fill the IKC Red Wagon and the Blue Wagon as well! We went from a few cans of soup to 3 cases of donated canned soups, multiple boxes of pasta and more! You are loving your neighbors in such a practical way. As winter approaches, let's be sure to keep up this good work. More soup is always welcome and the top choices are tomato, chicken noodle, and cream of mushroom soups.

Blue Wagon for the Blue Cabinet: This cabinet is refilled 3-4 times a week as food insecurity has been growing even here in our Collegetown Neighborhood. All non perishable food items are welcome but the most popular items are soup, peanut butter, mac n' cheese, and protein bars. Hygiene products are also welcome, such as: bar soap, Kleenex, toilet paper, and feminine hygiene products.





THIS SUNDAY is
Reformation Sunday
& Confirmations

Wear red to celebrate the Reformation!

This Sunday we are also hosting the Fall Assembly for the Southern Tier Conference at 3:00 pm. At the gathering we will discuss the redistricting efforts for the Upstate NY Synod's conferences as well as hear from Bishop Miller and one another as we raise up the work of our eight congregations.



What is faith-based advocacy? Learn why and how to do it THIS WEEKEND!

NYS Council of Churches will hold a Regional Advocacy program designed to equip clergy and lay members to:

- address pressing issues in their communities
- · communicate with elected officials, and
- build lasting networks

When: October 24 and 25: Friday, 1-4 pm and Saturday 9am-5pm.

Where: First Presbyterian Church, 315 N. Cayuga St., Ithaca, NY

What: worship, workshops, storytelling, keynote addresses and discussions.

Opening prayer by our Upstate NY Synod Bishop Lee Miller II.

Why: Learn how charitable work which aids individuals and meets basic needs and social justice work which removes root causes and improves structures complement each other.

Learn more or register here.

Stewardship Bible Study

October 26, 2025 - "Money and Finance"

Reading: Prov 11:4

Question: How do we understand and use money?

Think about the question in terms of your own experience. Where is God in that experience? How do you decide what percentages of each dollar go where? Do you have a formal budget? Consider tracking your expenditure this week. As you track it, are there any surprises? Is your use of money healthy? In what ways does it have room to grow?

Prayer: Lord, continually remind me of joy of being blessed, and of being a blessing to others. In Christ's name, Amen

We pray together...

... for the family and friends of Diane Conneman, and also for Kathy, Brenda, Linda, Becky, Ernie, Carl, and Jenna. We pray for the people in Alaska who have lost their homes and livelihoods due to the typhoon. We pray for the family of Christine Lindemann as they mourn the passing of her father.

Upcoming commemorations of saints, renewers of society, and other festivals can be **found here.**

Prayers are added weekly to out list and will remain for three weeks. If you wish to extend the name of the person for whom we are praying please inform the office. To add someone to the prayer list please email <u>the Communications Manager</u>.

Calendar

Thursday, October 23

1:00 pm CCC Events Committee

Friday, October 24

10:00 am Tea and Tarot

Saturday, October 25

9:00 am. Council Retreat

1:30 pm Diane Conneman Memorial Service

Sunday, October 26

10:00 am Reformation Sunday & Confirmations11:45 am. Coffee Hour to celebrate the Confirmands

3:00 pm. Fall Assembly for the Southern Tier Conference

Monday, October 27

6:30 pm Poe by Candlelight in the Sage Chapel Crypt

Tuesday, October 28

12:15 pm Bring Your Own Lunch Bible Study

4:00 pm. CCC Fall Meeting

Wednesday, October 29

10:00 am Staff Meeting

1:00 pm Collegetown Community Collective

6:00 pm Diving Paradox Group C

St. Luke Office is open: Mon. 1 pm-5 pm, Tues. 9:30 am-1 pm, Wed. 8am-4pm, Thur. 9:30 am-5pm, Fri. 9:30 am-1pm

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Remember, God loves YOU!

Service of Holy Communion ~ Sundays at 10:00 am

St. Luke is a **Reconciling in Christ Congregation** of the **ELCA.** As a Reconciling in Christ Congregation, the people of St. Luke Lutheran Church are called by God to be a community of Christians, a part of the body of Christ. Because we believe we are one in God's eyes, we welcome the mix of ages, races, gender identities, physical and mental capabilities, and sexual orientations with which God's children are blessed. Everyone is invited to share in God's grace. We rejoice in the knowledge that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus--not our wealth, nor our poverty, nor our nationality, nor our political convictions, nor whom we love, nor anything else in all creation. We are called to follow God's mission of reconciliation and justice with all humanity, and we celebrate our journey of discipleship with a special appreciation for the privileged responsibility of our campus related ministry.

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