

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Welcome

Welcome to St. Luke on this wonderful morning! If you are visiting and would like more information about our church, please speak with Pastor Harrell or the greeter. You can also find out more about us by visiting our website at www.storyofgod.org or on our social media accounts.

Facebook: @saintlukemcdonough Instagram: @st.lukelutheran

#### **New Members Class**

Are you interested in learning more about how to join St. Luke? Pastor Robb will be offering a class for new and prospective members on September 10 and 17 at 9:40 am. If you are interested, please speak with Pastor.

#### **Online Devotions**

Pastor Robb is leading online devotions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:30. Join us live at that time or watch the video later in the day.

#### **Return of Sunday School**

Sunday School for all ages will return on Sunday, September 10 at 9:40 am. Makes plans now to attend!

#### **Tailgate Volunteers**

We are hosting a tailgate party for the faculty and staff of Locust Grove High School on September 8 prior to the Wildcats football game against Houston County. If you would like to help out, please speak to Pastor Robb or Mary Shulak.

#### Yard Sale Time!

It is time to start preparing for our annual yard sale! The yard sale will be on October 7, and 100% of the proceeds go to support our Thanksgiving Food Box ministry.

You may start bringing in items THIS SUNDAY! All items should be placed in the youth room in the designated areas marked by a sign.

All items should be clean and in good, working condition. Furniture, home and holiday decor, sporting goods, tools, electronics, and kitchen items are always our top sellers.

#### DO NOT BRING: clothing, food, household/lawn chemicals, broken or soiled items, mattresses.



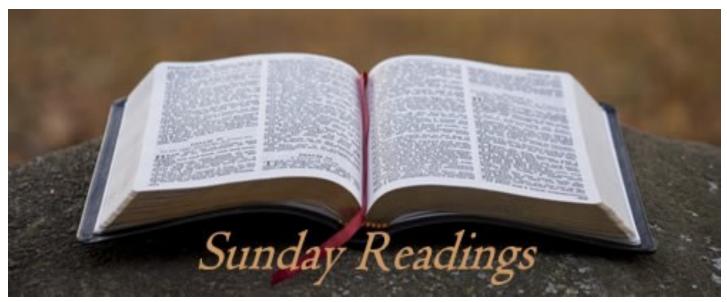
Our own resident Hip-Hop historian, author, artist, and activist Dr. Kelly Glow has released a new book! Order your copy now!

*Just Love Already* is a collection of short stories, poems, bible verses, and songs by Kelly Glow. As a mature, black, Christian woman living in America, Dr. Glow finds herself at the intersection of "justice" and "love". This personal exploration of godly love, brotherly love, and marital love offers conversation starters for very sensitive topics that most women tend to suffer silently with. It is reflective, it is vulnerable, and it is a gift for all women and those who have loved ones who are women. Read, enjoy, and be encouraged to share your own stories.

# Please pray for:

Layla Kemp Louise Harrison Nancy Voss Hiltunen and Johnston families Rose Denzin Judy Jenkins Ron and Chong Brauer Joyce Smalley Angelina DeWent Freddie Clark James Taylor Nilgul Taylor

Alex Allred Lenore LeFranque Paula Royal Connie Capell Steven Pridemore The Joyners



**September 3** Jeremiah 15:15-21 Psalm 26:1-8 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28 **September 10** Ezekiel 33:7-11 Psalm 119:33-40 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20

#### September 24

Jonah 3:10--4:11 Psalm 145:1-8 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16 September 17 Genesis 50:15-21 Dealm 102:[1,7] 8

Psalm 103:[1-7] 8-13 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35

## **Upcoming Commemorations**

## September 9 Peter Claver, priest, missionary to Colombia, died 1654

Born into Spanish nobility, Claver became a Jesuit missionary, and served in present-day Colombia. His ministry was focused on the enslaved people who arrived there. He gave them food and medicine, learned their dialects, and taught them Christianity.

## September 13 John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, died 407

John was a priest in Antioch and an outstanding preacher. His eloquence earned him the nickname "Chrysostom" ("golden mouth"). Appointed bishop of Constantinople, seat of the empire, he criticized corruption in the court. As a result, he was exiled by the empress.

# September 14 Holy Cross Day

Helena, mother of Constantine, made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and found what may be the actual site of Jesus' crucifixion. Her son built two churches there, and the dedication of one of them gave rise to this celebration of our Lord's victory on the cross.

## September 16 Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, martyr, died around 258

Cyprian served as a bishop during a time of great persecution of Christians. He insisted on receiving back those who had left the faith under duress. He also provided medical care during a severe epidemic.

# September 17 Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, died 1179

A mystic who was widely influential within the church, Hildegard advised and reproved kings and popes, wrote poems and hymns, and produced treatises in medicine, theology, and natural history. She was also a musician and artist.

# September 18 Dag Hammarskjöld, renewer of society, died 1961

A Swedish diplomat, Hammarskjöld served as the second Secretary General of the United Nations until his death in a plane crash while trying to negotiate peace in present-day Zambia. His journal, published as Markings, revealed the depth of his Christian faith.

# September 20 Nelson Wesley Trout, bishop, died 1996 (TFF)

A native of Ohio, Trout served parishes in several parts of the United States before being elected bishop of the South Pacific District of the American Lutheran Church, the first African American Lutheran to serve in such a capacity.

# September 21 Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Matthew (or Levi) was a tax collector in Capernaum for the Roman government. Tax collectors were frequently despised for dishonesty and for assisting the occupiers. Jesus nevertheless showed love for them, and chose Matthew to be a disciple.

# September 29 Michael and All Angels

Michael the archangel, captain of the heavenly hosts, is remembered on this day along with the other angels and archangels. The word "angel" means messenger, and in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, these beings have a fully spiritual nature and no physical body.

# September 30 Jerome, translator, teacher, died 420

Jerome was a biblical scholar and translator, but rather than translating the original Hebrew and Greek scriptures into classical Latin, he worked in the commonly-spoken Latin of the day, creating a version called the Vulgate.

#### September/October 2023 Sunday Servants

#### September 3

Assistant: Kelly Glow Lector: Dave Barkdoll Ushers: Preston Foster and Larry Egas Counters: Beverly and Mark Rettig Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

#### September 10

Assistant: Debbie Lundell Lector: Shelia Kelley Ushers: John Shaw and Tony Kelly Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace Cleaners: The Egas Family

## October 1

Assistant: Kelly Glow Lector: Dave Barkdoll Ushers: Preston Foster and Larry Egas Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

#### October 8

Assistant: Debbie Lundell Lector: Shelia Kelley Ushers: John Shaw and Tony Kelly Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little Cleaners: The Egas Family

#### September 17

Assistant: Mark Rettig Lector: Conrad Busch Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little **September 24** Assistant: Mary Shulak Lector: David Ludley Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig Counters: Beverly and Mark Rettig Cleaners: The Barkdolls and Vickie Pace

## October 15

Assistant: Mark Rettig Lector: Conrad Busch Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner Counters: Beverly and Mark Rettig Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little **October 22** Assistant: Mary Shulak Lector: David Ludley Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace Cleaners: The Barkdolls and Vickie Pace

# October 29

Assistant: Barbara Little Lector: Eric Heckman Ushers: Ed and Judy Joyner Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little Cleaning: The Joyners and the Sparrows

# September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
07	22	20	20	24	1	0
27 Worship 11 am	28 Al-Anon 12 pm	29 The Didache 11 am Online Devotions 9:30	30	31 Online Devotions 9:30	1	2 AA 9 am
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10 Sunday School 9:40 am Worship 11 am	11 Al-Anon 12 pm	12 Online Devotions 9:30	13	14 Online Devotions 9:30	15	16 AA 9 am
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