



### **Hunger Walk 2024 - Save the Date!**

Join us for the annual Hunger Walk on March 10, 2024. The walk is a hybrid event, with the in-person walk beginning at 12:00 pm at the Home Depot Backyard in downtown Atlanta. Be on the lookout for more information about registering to be part of Team St. Luke!

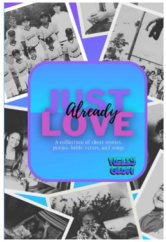
### **Pastor William's Installation**

Pastor William will be installed Sunday, February 11, 2024.

### **Coming Soon: Lent**

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14. There will be two opportunities for worship: a brief service of repentance and imposition of ashes at 11:00 am, and Divine Service with imposition of ashes at 7:00 pm. Midweek Lenten services on Wednesday, Feb 21, 28, March 6, 13 and 20 at 7 pm.

### **Book Signing!**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Our very own published author Dr. Kelly Glow will be at St. Luke on Saturday, February 17th at 2:00 to sign copies of her book. You can pre-purchase them and bring them with you for her so sign. Pick up a few extra copies, they make great gifts, and you will be supporting a sister in Christ

### **The Gathering**

The Gathering will meet on Friday, February 23rd at 11:00 a.m. at Barbara Little's house. St. Luke Guys will meet at 11:30 a.m.

### **Are You Staying Connected?**

St. Luke operates a webpage, a Facebook page, and a Twitter feed, all of which provide congregational news, upcoming events, and items of interest.

Take advantage of these resources!

Web: [www.storyofgod.org](http://www.storyofgod.org)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Luke-Lutheran-Church/>

## Upcoming Commemorations

### **February 2 Presentation of Our Lord**

Forty days after the birth of Jesus we mark the day Mary and Joseph presented him in the temple in accordance with Jewish law. There they were greeted by Simeon, an aged priest who offered the song "Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace," as well as by the prophet Anna, who spoke of the redemption of Israel.

### **February 3 Ansgar, Bishop of Hamburg, missionary to Denmark and Sweden, died 865**

A monk who helped bring Christianity to Scandinavia, Ansgar returned to Germany where he was named bishop of Hamburg. He is remembered for his love for poor people.

### **February 5 The Martyrs of Japan, died 1597**

Christianity was brought to Japan in the sixteenth century by Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries. The religion was suppressed, however, and in 1597 twenty-six missionaries and converts were crucified. Nevertheless, Christianity survived and later prospered.

### **February 14 Cyril, monk, died 869; Methodius, bishop, died 885; missionaries to the Slavs**

These two brothers from Thessalonika, Greece, were monks and were sent to bring Christianity to the Slavic people. In the course of their work they created a written language, inventing the Cyrillic alphabet for it, and translated the Bible and the liturgy.

### **February 18 Martin Luther, renewer of the church, died 1546**

Though he began his adult church life as a simple Augustinian monk, Luther challenged the abuses he saw in the church, and his work eventually led to the Protestant Reformation. Luther's accomplishments included liturgical reform, translation of the Bible, and creation of the Small and Large Catechisms.

### **February 23 Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr, died 156**

Because he is said to have been known by John, the author of Revelation, as well as the important early church fathers Irenaeus and Ignatius, Polycarp serves as a vital link in church history. He was burned at the stake at age 86 for refusing to renounce his faith.

### **February 25 Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess, died 1921**

Born in Norway and trained there as a deaconess, Fedde was asked to come and minister to the poor and to seamen in New York City. She established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn as well as Deaconess Hospital in Minneapolis.

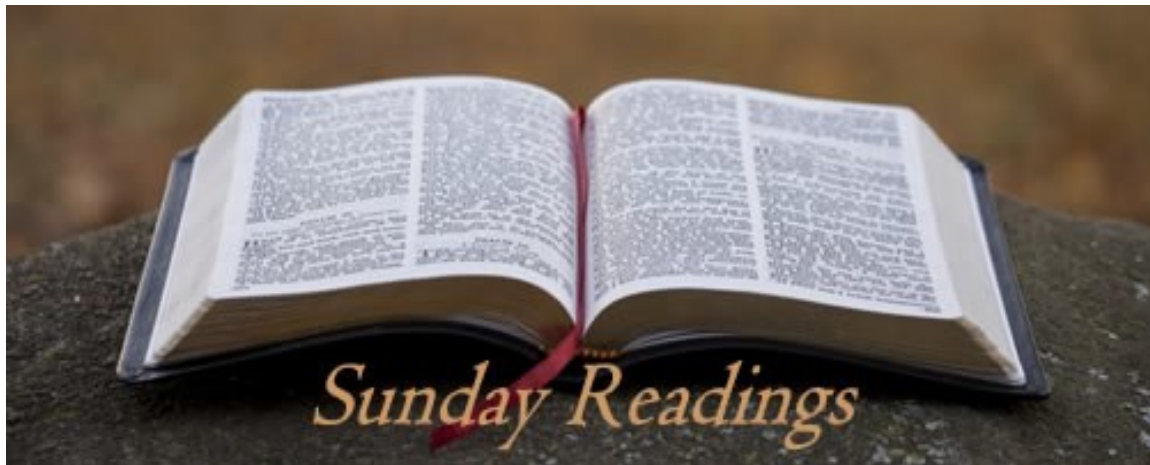
## Upcoming Commemorations (continued)

### March 1 George Herbert, hymnwriter, died 1633

An excellent scholar, Herbert served briefly in the English parliament, then became a parish priest. He was known for devoted care of his parishioners, as well as for writing poetry and hymns, including "Come, my way, my truth, my life." He died at age 40.

### March 2 John Wesley, died 1791; Charles Wesley, died 1788; renewers of the church

These brothers led a revival originally intended to remain within the Church of England, one that involved frequent communion and advocacy for the poor. Except for a brief time in America, they worked in England. Charles was also a prolific hymn writer. After their deaths, their work led to the formation of the Methodist Church.



#### February 4

Isaiah 40:21-31  
Psalm 147:1-11, 20c  
1 Corinthians 9:16-23  
Mark 1:29-39

#### February 11

2 Kings 2:1-12  
Psalm 50:1-6  
2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
Mark 9:2-9

#### February 18

Genesis 9:8-17  
Psalm 25:1-10  
1 Peter 3:18-22  
Mark 1:9-15

#### February 25

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16  
Psalm 22:23-31  
Romans 4:13-25  
Mark 8:31-38

## February 2024 Sunday Servants

### February 4

Assistant: Kelly Glow

Lector: Dave Barkdoll

Greeters: Kelly Glow and Wilma Nace

Ushers: Preston Foster and Larry Egas

Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace

Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

### February 11

Assistant: Debbie Lundell

Lector: Shelia Kelley

Greeters: Ed and Judy Joyner

Ushers: John Shaw and Tony Kelly

Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little

Cleaners: The Egas Family

### February 18

Assistant: Mark Rettig

Lector: Conrad Busch

Greeters: Mark Rettig and Erick Heckman

Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner

Counters: Beverly and Mark Rettig

Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little

### February 25

Assistant: Mary Shulak

Lector: David Ludley

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# PRAYER REQUESTS

*If you have any prayer requests, please let Pastor William or Susan know so that they may be included on this list.*

## Please pray for:

Family of Paula Royal

Carolyn Crawford

Annette Schlicht

John Ellis

Barbara Carroll

Lenore LeFranque

Ron and Chong Brauer

Joyce Smalley

Angelina DeWent

Freddie Clark

Steven Pridemore

The Joyners

Layla Kemp

Louise Harrison

Nancy Voss

Hiltunen and Johnston families

Rose Denzin

Judy Jenkins

# February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 AA 9 am
Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 11 am	Al-Anon 12 pm					
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 AA 9 am
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17 AA 9 am
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24 AA 9 am
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25	26	27	28	29		
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