



## **Welcome Pastor Andrew!!!!**

The Rev. Andrew Lewis is thrilled to join St. Luke in this new chapter of our ministry together. Pastor Andrew has previously served our sister congregations of Resurrection (Newnan), Emmanuel (Atlanta), and Redeemer (Macon). His hobbies include reading, running, hiking, and travel, and he serves as a chaplain in the US Army Reserve.

He lives with his wife, Suzanne, and children, Junia (3 yrs) and Joseph (10 months), in Marietta.

Pastor Andrew can be contacted via email at [iam.amlewis@gmail.com](mailto:iam.amlewis@gmail.com) or by phone/text at (404) 330-4032.

His office hours will be announced at a later date.

### **Installation of New Council Members**

We will install our new Council members on Sunday, January 19. Our first Council meeting of 2025 will also be that day following service.

### **Congregational Meeting**

We will have our annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 19. We will submit annual reports and the 2025 budget for approval.

### **The Gathering and St. Luke Guys January 24**

The Gathering will meet on Friday, at 11:00 a.m. at Barbara Little's home.

St. Luke Guys will meet Friday, at 11:30 a.m.

### **Pray and Go, after the service January 26**

Join us on January 26th as we pray over homes in our community. Bring your walking shoes! If you have not been able to join us for Pray and Go, we invite you to come with us this month. Pray and Go takes less than one hour, and helps you get your steps in, too!

## **Upcoming Commemorations**

### **January 1 Name of Jesus**

By Jewish law, every baby boy was circumcised and named on the eighth day of life, so on the eighth day of Christmas the church celebrates this event in Jesus' life. The keeping of the covenant as well as Jesus' name are signs of God's salvation given to us through him.

### **January 2 Johann Konrad Wilhelm Loehe, renewer of the church, died 1872**

Loehe was a pastor in nineteenth-century Germany. Loehe's chief concern was that a congregation find its life in the holy communion, and from that source evangelism and social ministries would flow. He sent pastors to North America, Australia, New Guinea, Brazil, and Ukraine.

### **January 9 Adrian of Canterbury, teacher, died around 710 (TFF)**

African by birth, Adrian (or Hadrian) worked with Theodore, archbishop of Canterbury, in developing the church in England. He was director of a school at which church leaders were trained.

### **January 15 Martin Luther King Jr., renewer of society, martyr, died 1968**

An American prophet of justice among races and nations, King was an eloquent preacher, a leader of the non-violent resistance to race-segregated society, and recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. Born on this date, he was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

### **January 17 Antony of Egypt, renewer of the church, died around 356**

One of the earliest of the Egyptian desert fathers, Antony gave away his sizeable inheritance and became a hermit. Later he became leader of a group of monks who devoted themselves to prayer, worship, and labor.

### **January 17 Pachomius, renewer of the church, died 346**

Born in Egypt, Pachomius became a Christian while a soldier. He became a hermit (a solitary monk) and organized others into a religious community. His rule for monasteries influenced later ones in both the Eastern and Western churches.

### **January 18 Confession of Peter**

Today the church remembers the apostle Peter's great acknowledgement of Jesus as "the Christ, the Son of the living God." This festival serves as a fitting beginning to the week in which we particularly pray that all Christians might be united in faith and witness.

### **January 19 Henry, Bishop of Uppsala, martyr, died 1156**

When Erik, King of Sweden, determined to invade Finland for the purpose of converting the people there to Christianity, Henry went with him. Henry is recognized as the patron saint of Finland.

### **January 21 Agnes, martyr, died around 304**

Agnes was a girl of about thirteen living in Rome. The details of her martyrdom are not clear, but she gave witness to her faith and was put to death as a result, most likely by the sword. The church has honored her as one of the chief martyrs of her time.

### **January 25 Conversion of Paul**

The week of prayer begun by the remembrance of Peter's confession now comes to an end as we recall the pivotal moment in the life of the other pillar of the early church, the apostle Paul. His encounter with the risen Christ turned him from persecutor of the followers of Christ to one of their leaders.

## Upcoming Commemorations (continued)

### January 26 Timothy, Titus, and Silas, missionaries

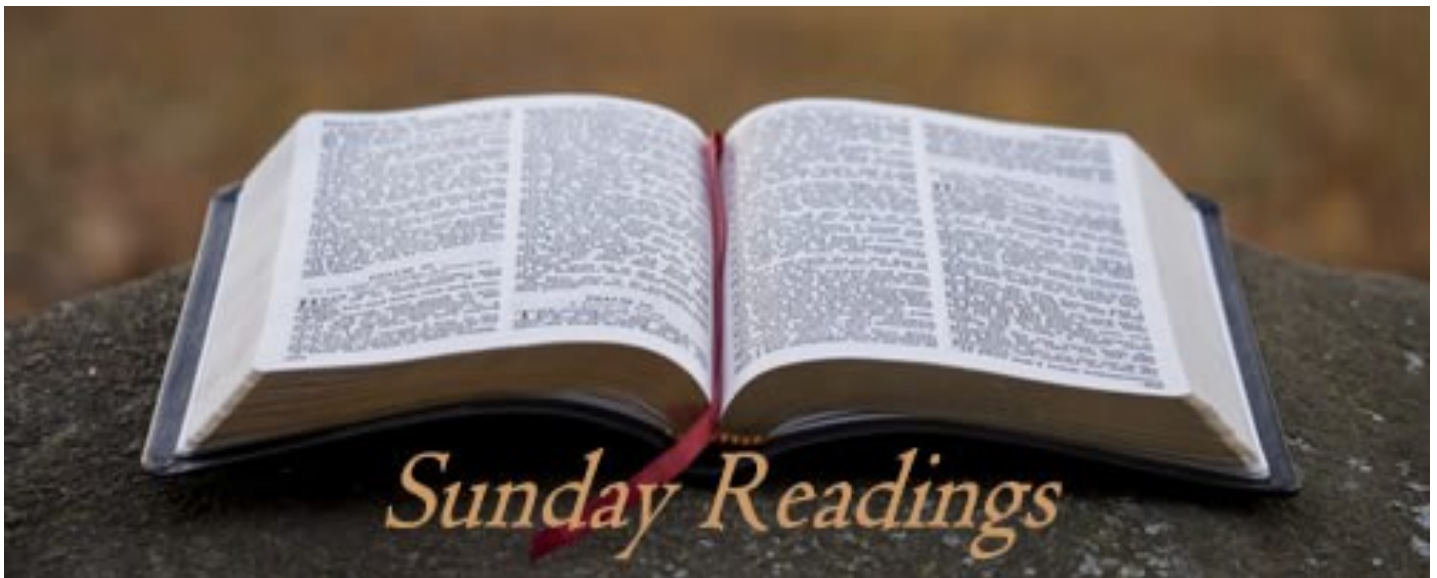
These three early Christian men were missionary companions of the apostle Paul. Timothy became bishop of Ephesus, Titus bishop of Crete, and Silas was imprisoned with Paul at Philippi until they were delivered by an earthquake.

### January 27 Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe, witnesses to the faith

Women as well as men were important Christian leaders from the beginning, as demonstrated by these coworkers of the apostle Paul. Lydia, a seller of purple goods, lent her home for a church; Dorcas was known for charitable works; and Phoebe was a deacon in the church at Cenchrae.

### January 28 Thomas Aquinas, teacher, died 1274

One of the most brilliant and creative theologians in the church's history, Aquinas worked to bring together scripture and the philosophy of Aristotle. A member of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), Aquinas was also a hymnwriter.



#### January 5

Jeremiah 31:7-14

Psalms 147:12-20

Ephesians 1:3-14

John 1:[1-9] 10-18

#### January 12

Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalms 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

#### January 19

Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalms 36:5-10

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

John 2:1-11

#### January 26

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Luke 4:14-21

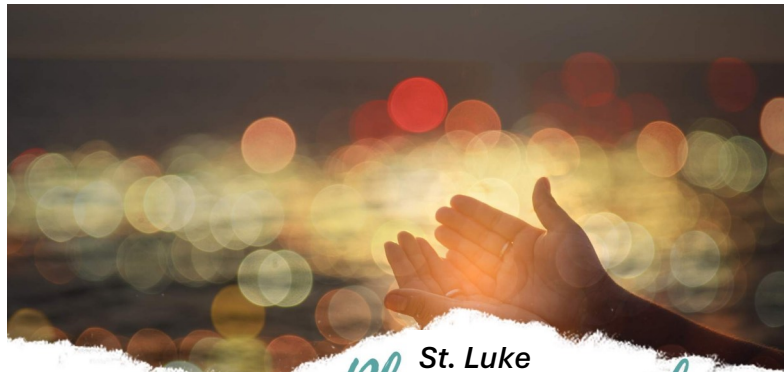


## January Birthdays

3 Paul Adair

7 Larry Egas

19 Paul Egas



*St. Luke  
Please pray for...*

## Please pray for:

Ron and Chong Brauer

Marla Perrone

Alison Voss-Moore

Margaret (Peggy)

Thomas

Teresa Sodactlanh

Mike Harrison

Karen Tomasi

Freddie Clark

Joyce Smalley

Angelina DeWent

Steven Pridemore

Layla Kemp

Eva Ayo'n Barclay and  
family

Louise Harrison

Nina Kouri

Carolyn Crawford

Annette Schlicht

John Ellis

Barbara Carroll

Lenore LeFranque

Rose Denzin

Judy Jenkins

## **January/February 2025 Sunday Servants**

### **January 5**

Assistant: Kelly Glow  
Lector: Dave Barkdoll  
Greeters: Kelly Glow and Wilma Nace  
Ushers: John Shaw and Erick Heckman  
Counters: Paul Egas and Eric Heckman  
Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

### **January 12**

Assistant: Kelly Glow  
Lector: Shelia Kelley  
Greeters: Ed and Judy Joyner  
Ushers: Wilma Nace and Larry Egas  
Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace  
Cleaners: The Egas Family

### **January 19**

Assistant: Mark Rettig  
Lector: Conrad Busch  
Greeters: Mark Rettig and Erick Heckman  
Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner  
Counters: Bev Rettig and Caren Shih  
Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little

### **January 26**

Assistant: Mary Shulak  
Lector: David Ludley  
Greeters: Mary Shulak and Connie Capell  
Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig  
Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little  
Cleaners: The Barkdolls and Vickie Pace

### **February 2**

Assistant: Kelly Glow  
Lector: Dave Barkdoll  
Greeters: Kelly Glow and Wilma Nace  
Ushers: John Shaw and Erick Heckman  
Counters: Paul Egas and Eric Heckman  
Cleaners: Susan Sparrow

### **February 9**

Assistant: Kelly Glow  
Lector: Shelia Kelley  
Greeters: Ed and Judy Joyner  
Ushers: Wilma Nace and Larry Egas  
Counters: Judy Barkdoll and Vickie Pace  
Cleaners: The Egas Family

### **February 16**

Assistant: Mark Rettig  
Lector: Conrad Busch  
Greeters: Mark Rettig and Erick Heckman  
Ushers: Dave Barkdoll and Ed Joyner  
Counters: Bev Rettig and Caren Shih  
Cleaners: The Kelley Family and Barbara Little

### **February 23**

Assistant: Mary Shulak  
Lector: David Ludley  
Greeters: Mary Shulak and Connie Capell  
Ushers: Mark and Beverly Rettig  
Counters: Paul Egas and Barbara Little

# January 2025

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday School 9:40 am Worship 11 am	Al-Anon 12 pm		1	2	3	4 AA 9 am
5 Sunday School 9:40 am Worship 11 am	6 Al-Anon 12 pm	7	8	9	10	11 AA 9 am
12 Sunday School 9:40 am Worship 11 am	13 Al-Anon 12 pm	14	15	16	17	18 AA 9 am
19 Sunday School 9:40 am Worship 11 am <b>Congregational Meeting</b> <b>Council Meets</b>	20 Al-Anon 12 pm Deadline for newsletter submissions	21	22	23	24 <b>Gathering 11:00</b> <b>St Luke Guys 11:30</b>	25 AA 9 am
26 Sunday School 9:40 am Worship 11 am <b>Pray and Go</b>	27 Al-Anon 12 pm	28	29	30	31	1 AA 9 am