

IN THE NAME OF GOD, WELCOME to the continuing celebrations of the Christmas Season. The church's Christmas season only begins on December 25. It continues until January 6 [The Epiphany]. Thus, we are in the midst of these "twelve days of Christmas". In the business world, after-Christmas sales have already been held. In the church world, we are still in Christmas. As in the birth of human children, the birth of This Child is not the end but just the beginning of a new and wondrous relationship. God invites us to take the baby home. Today as we mark the life and ministry of St. John, we remember the Good News that God loves the whole world – i.e., all children everywhere.

Hymn 288 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" IN DULCI JUBILO

Lessons from Scripture

Genesis 1: 1-5, 26-31
1 John 1: 1 – 2: 2
John 21: 20-25

Hymn 292 "Love Has Come"

UN FLAMBEAU

Children's Sermon "Declare"

Pastor Bair

Free Hymn Sing

Offertory "Mendelssohn"

Carl Schalk

Dialogue for the Meal

from A Spoken Order for Holy Communion (insert)

Hymn 290 "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

GO TELL IT

THE FORM FOR THIS SERVICE. By occasionally varying the order for our worship, we remind ourselves that we are not called to worship a particular form nor even in a particular form, but rather we are called to worship **God through** forms that reflect both the roots of scripture and the fruits of the Spirit. We pray God will enrich us all through our worship in this relaxed and free form.



WORSHIPPING with this faith community for the first time? Sign the book in the narthex so that we may greet you more personally, and please share in the relaxed after-church time over goodies.

HEARING ASSIST devices are available from the table in the narthex. Each device has an earpiece and volume control.

2010 ALTAR FLOWER CHART is posted in the narthex. Sign up for the Sunday of your choice, noting both donor and occasion.

FAITH AND CARE COORDINATORS will be at their table in the narthex, **Sunday, January 3 & 17**, for sign-ups for the February and March volunteer opportunities. How can you help?

FAITH AND CARE LUNCHEON, SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, after the Worship Service. The lunch will be hosted by the January Faith and Care Team for the February volunteers. If you can't stay for lunch, coffee is also available. Everyone is invited to share!

NAME TAGS. Thanks for helping us all remember by wearing one. Your help in returning your tag to the rack in alphabetical order with the string tucked in is also appreciated.

CATECHETICS CLASS will meet on Sunday, January 10 at 1:00 p.m.

CHURCH SCHOOL AND FORUM will return Sunday, January 10, at 9:30 a.m.

PHOTOS NEEDED - We are looking for photos from our St. Luke community for use on our website. If you have nice digital photos of our church, our events and especially our people, please email them to saint.luke.ithaca@gmail.com. Please include names of people in photos if you know them. If you or your children are in the photos, please include permission for use.

MONDAY MIDDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY (MMBBBS) will NOT be meeting until January 4. Contact Susan Hoskins, sbh1@cornell.edu, Day 255-4864, Eve 564-3483 for information.

CAMPUS MINISTRY LIST SERVE. To join, send an e-mail: stluke-campusministry-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

HANDICAP PARKING. There is a 'Handicap Parking' space on Oak Avenue across from the entrance to St. Luke. There are also four parking spaces behind the Church, and on Sunday mornings these are for the use of our members who have difficulty walking.

NURSERY CARE is provided for young children during worship in two nurseries, which are on the same level as the sanctuary. Please feel free to use the facilities for your children.

ARE YOU ACCESSING THE ST. LUKE WEBSITE? [<http://www.stlukeithaca.org>] It now includes photos, a calendar of events, documents (from weekly bulletins to the Constitution and By-laws), and improved audio of our morning worship services. Please contact Scott Adams with your ideas.

FAITH IN ACTION: DIRECT PRAYER REQUESTS to Louise McGee at 844-4303. A prayer chain of St. Luke folks prays regularly, privately, and confidentially for the parishioners' concerns.

FAITH AND CARE: USHER: Jean Robinson & Ronald Shewchuk; **GREETER:** Bill Brown. **There be no coffee hour today.**

NEXT SUNDAY: Christmas 2, Service of Holy Communion at 10:45 am. Lessons: Jeremiah 31: 7-14; Ephesians 1: 3-14; John 1: 10-18; Sermons: "Comfort" and "What's Your Pleasure, God?" Hymns: 287, 296, 300, 275.

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