<u> Zalents & Zestimonies</u>

A time of prayer, scripture, sharing God moments, singing & playing instruments - a time of fellowship.

Join us the third Wednesday of each month.



St. Luke Lutheran Church 308 First Ave. PO Box 276 Goodhue, MN 55027

Sunday School: 8:30AM · Sunday Worship: 9:30AM Wednesday Worship: 6:45PM

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Beginning Prayer:

God of the years that lie behind us, Lord of the years that stretch before, Weaver of all the ties that bind us, Keeper and King of the open door: Grant us hope and a courage glowing White and pure as the stars above; Grant us faith in a full stream flowing, From the heights of Your eternal love. Out of the ruins of doubt and sorrow, Out of the aches and pain and tears, Help us to fashion a new tomorrow, Free from the anguish of blighting fears. All through the seasons of sowing and reaping, All through the harvest of song and tears, Hold us close in Your tender keeping, O Maker of all New Years!

Opening Hymn: "Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet" Pianist, Debbi St. John

- Chorus: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
- Vs 1: When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right beside me. Nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. [chorus]
- Vs 2: I will not forget your love for me, and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; I will love You to the end.

Scripture Readings:

John 1:14 – The word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only son, who came from the father, full of grace and truth.

Job 23:14–4 He carries out what is destined for me, and many such destinies are with him.

Zephaniah 3:17 – The Lord your God in your midst, a mighty one, will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing.

Colossians 2:7 – Let your roots grow down into him, & let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

Time of Sharing God Moment: by Larry Miller

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, you are my guide. Help me to choose you and follow your way. When I feel hopeless, guide my focus back to you. Jesus when I feel lost, you save me. Eternal Lord, help me to accept the waiting is a necessary part of your plan. Let my prayer become like incense before you. Lord, when I get off track and worry about tomorrow, lead me back to the here and now, into the wisdom of your word. My loving God, I am learning to appreciate your unexpected directions, which leads me to grow in ways I never imagined. At the start of this brand new year, guide me to make a difference in this world for your glory. Amen

Time of Prayer

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Postlude

I will give thanks to the Lord because of his righteousness; I will sing the praises of the name of the Lord Most High. ~Psalm 7:17