



April 30, 2023

STUDY HOURS!

St. Luke will once again be hosting Study Hours for students in our community! The church will be open from Thursday May 11 - Friday May 19, 10am-Midnight (Sunday 1pm-Midnight) for quiet study and socializing. Please let students in your life know!

We need your help!

Host: Building Hosts sit at the welcome table, make sure snacks and coffee are available and take count of students in the building, and make sure everything is going smoothly. Signup link in the emailed newsletter or on paper in the narthex.

Snacks: Students always appreciate having snacks, especially homemade cookies! Bring them to the church anytime packaged compactly, and put in either freezer. Store bought is fine also, and pretzels are good for this as well. Please bring a label with ingredients if possible.

Pause for Paws

New element to Study Hours! On Saturday, May 13 we invite you to bring friendly pets to church anytime between noon and 4pm for students to take a study break with. Please let **office@stlukeithaca.org** know if you're planning to do this so we can organize times if there are lots of pets.

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be Sunday, May 7, following worship.

THE NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE! Check it out at the same address: www.stlukeithaca.org

UPDATE ON HANNAH PATEL As we await additional ways we can support the Patel family, please feel free to check-in on updates through the wonderful site CaringBridge. You can visit Hannah's Site: **<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/hpatel>**. Please continue to hold the family in prayer.

PEACE BY PIECE QUILTERS will meet on **Friday, May 5 instead of Thursday May 4 due to the blood drive on Thursday.** They normally meet on the first and third Thursday of each month. We invite all to come, watch and learn how we make quilts. One of the things we really need help with is the last step tying quilts to keep the layers secure. This is a task that can be done at home while you watch TV or listen to a book on tape. If you would like to volunteer, talk to Diane Conneman or Betta Hedlund. We welcome all.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT ST LUKE: May 4 from 9-2 in the Fellowship Hall.

ITHACA KITCHEN CUPBOARD (IKC): Please continue to be generous and donate needed food to the IKC. For the month of April the Social Ministry Committee is requesting donations of boxes of crackers (any type). Please put food donations in the collection baskets near the Social Ministry table in the Narthex. Thank you!



PRAYER: Please direct prayer requests to Pastor Jason. A prayer chain of St. Luke folks prays confidently and confidentially for those who have requested prayer. If you would like to be part of the prayer chain, please contact Louise McGee rmcgee5@twcnny.rr.com or Pastor Jason.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES AND LUNCH – BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL

Starting May 1 at 12:15 pm - 1:15 pm we will gather in the Campus Ministry lounge on Mondays to study Acts. All you need to do is bring your lunch and a Bible (or use one of ours). That's all. We will move through the book together talking and answering questions ... and you can drop in at any point. Though we go chapter by chapter it is not necessary to be at every study. All Campus Ministry students, faculty, staff, church members and friends ... everyone is welcome. We will have some drinks and occasional refreshments.

When: Mondays (starting May 1) 12:15 pm

Where: St. Luke Campus Ministry Lounge

Who: Anyone/everyone

GIVING TO ST. LUKE

Thank you for all the ways you GIVE to the ministry of St. Luke—time, talents, and treasures. If you'd like to GIVE financially, you can choose from several options:

- Use the Giving App: Download the Givelify App from Google Play or the Apple Store
- Go to the website www.stlukeithaca.org Click on "Donate."
- Write a check and mail it to St. Luke, 109 Oak Ave., Ithaca, NY 14850.
- Arrange with your bank or other financial institution to automatically send the amount you designate at intervals you designate.
- Use the QR code in the bulletin

FLOWERS FOR CHURCH AND FRIENDS. Sign-up to provide flowers for church and to share with friends and shut-ins on the chart outside the door to the sanctuary. There are envelopes for the \$35 cost. After church, you may take the flowers to the sacristy to remove them from the black container. There are plastic containers under the sink in which oasis and flowers will fit. Remove the tape that holds the oasis in place. A list of names for sharing are on the sacristy bulletin board. Please check off a name if you plan to take flowers to them. Right now there are many blanks on the sign-up sheet so please consider giving flowers. Questions? Contact Diane Conneman at dyk2@cornell.edu or 607-257-1470.

COMMUNITY NEWS

(Let office@stlukeithaca.org know if you have an event coming up so, space permitting, we can share!)

Now Thank We All Our God: An Interactive Organ Concert and Instrument Petting Zoo
Children and their families are invited to explore the organ as an instrument of praise at an ecumenical interactive family concert hosted by COLLIS Institute. Anabel Taylor Hall Chapel (Cornell University), **11 AM on Saturday, May 6.** More info and RSVP's at collisinstitute.org/sacred-music

Ithaca Community Chorus and Chamber Singers present Beethoven's Mass in C Major and Britten's *Rejoice in the Lamb* on Saturday May 6 at 7:30 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church 402 N. Aurora. \$20, see Jim Hedlund for tickets.