

*Informational Directory 2010*  
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**CHURCH SERVICES:**

One Service: 9:00 a.m. Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend

Two Services: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Labor Day weekend until Memorial Day weekend.

Fellowship: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Schools: 9:15 a.m.

Nursery Available

Holy Communion: Each worship service

**CHURCH COUNCIL TEAM MINISTRIES:**

Church Council meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

**PROPERTY MINISTRY:**

General maintenance for the church building, including tables, chairs, lawn, lights, snow removal, heating, air conditioning, repairs etc. Annual review of insurance for congregation council.

**OUTREACH AND HOSPITALITY SUPPORT MINISTRY:**

Outreach and care to members and non-members, including areas such as hospitality, welcoming newcomers, inactive members, new member classes, visitors and follow-up visitation. Shut-in visitation and transportation to those in need.

**STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY:**

Promote the expression of Christian faith in using our God-given gifts of time, talents and finance. Plan a stewardship education program and decide where emphasis will be; encourage members to serve, including pledges and offering boxes. Co-ordinate with the treasurer and provide status reports to the church council.

**EDUCATION MINISTRY:**

Oversee, plan and promote various Christian education offerings such as adult and youth classes, confirmation, *Vacation Bible School* and children's Christmas programs; all based on Lutheran curriculum whenever possible. Promote the *Lutheran Magazine* and Lutheran camp opportunities. Create a budget for *Parish Education Ministry* and be involved with sub-committees in the youth and children's ministries.

**YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:**

Geared toward church and church-sponsored activities, promoting children, youth and family as a vital part of the congregation. Working with other teams to involve children and youth and providing support ministry and opportunity for youth conferences and gatherings.

**ADDITIONAL MINISTRIES WITHIN THE CHURCH**

An overview of how the Lord works within our congregation.

Please see the last page for names and telephone numbers to call for information.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: *Pastor John Orwig***

The Adult Sunday school class meets at 9:15 a.m. when there are two worship services. The class varies on topics, and often video adjuncts are used with discussion following. Nursery care is provided.

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:** *Cheryl Kelly and Susan Pennington*

A children's Sunday school program is provided for school-aged children. Meets at 9:15 a.m. when there are two worship services.

**NURSERY:**

St. Luke's provides a nursery attendant if needed by contacting the usher. If you are interested in providing this service please contact Susan at 684-7594 or E-mail [billsusanm@vcn.com](mailto:billsusanm@vcn.com). You may also contact the church office by phone, 684-7872 or E-mail at [stlukeselca@vcn.com](mailto:stlukeselca@vcn.com). We ask that you sign your child in, and let the attendant know if there are any food allergies, your child might have. We provide diapers, wipes, etc.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES:**

A progressive program on Christian education for seventh and eighth grade youth. Classes are held Wednesday evenings. Starting dates and times are announced in the Sunday worship bulletin and the monthly newsletter.

**ADULT CHOIR:** *Kathy Brus, Director.*

Meets every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. for practice. The choir sings for the Lord at worship service and for special times throughout the year. Time changes are announced in the worship bulletin. New members are always welcome.

**BELL CHOIR:** *John Orwig, Director.*

*The Bells of St. Luke's* meet for practice every Wednesday at 6:45 p.m., and on Thursday during Lent. Time changes are announced in the worship bulletin. They play for special times at the church and in the community throughout the year. New members are always welcome.

**USHERS:**

Greet and welcome people to worship. Hands out the Sunday worship bulletins, takes the offering, keeps track of the attendance and guides the congregation for Holy Communion.

**ALTAR GUILD:** *Carrol Dybdahl; Chairperson.*

Sets up for Holy Communion, changes the paraments, cares for the fair linen and candelabra. The Altar Guild meets every three months.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:**

The large flower calendar is at the entrance to the nave. The person in charge of the flower ministry, *Bessie Dickerson*, arranges for their delivery on the proper date. The cost, at this time, is \$15, billed to your home. The flowers may be taken home after the last worship service on Sunday, in the plastic containers provided in the sacristy, or a personal vase. The brass container and green plastic container are left at the church. If you do not wish to take the flowers home, they can be taken to the Amy Holt Care Center, the BeeHive or the hospital.

**LUTHERAN WOMEN'S GROUP: (ELCW)**

The regular meeting and afternoon Bible study meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.; locations are announced in the bulletin and monthly newsletter.

**QUILTING:**

Quilters meet at the church on the last Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. The ladies usually bring a lunch or lunch out. If you are not a quilter, you are invited to attend and enjoy the fellowship.

**LADIES EVENING BIBLE STUDY:**

The ladies evening Bible study meets the first Sunday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Bessie Dickerson.

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:**

The ladies morning Bible study meets each Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. at the church.

**CHURCH PROPERTY AND AMENITIES:**

Anyone wishing to use tables, chairs, etc, please call a member of the Property Committee. For items from the church, such as roasters, coffeepots, utensils, etc, please contact Ginnie *Hancock* at 684-7948. Ginnie heads up the Kitchen Maintenance Committee.

**BULLETIN:**

If you have an item or announcement for the church bulletin, please put it into the church secretary's folder on the desk no later than 9:00 a.m. Thursday.

**NEWSLETTER:**

Items, pictures and articles for the monthly newsletter are welcome, and can be E-mailed to [judith@vcn.com](mailto:judith@vcn.com). You may also call at 684-0290 or put in the mailbox marked Williams. The deadline for each month is announced in the church worship bulletin.

**PRAYER LINE:**

The Prayer Line is used for immediate prayer needs and concerns. There are three primary contacts, which contact the first person on their list. That person contacts the next and on down. Confidentiality is respected.

**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST:**

The men of the church meet each Thursday morning at 6:30 a.m. at The Wrap for breakfast, fellowship and prayer.

**ANNUAL EVENTS:****ANNUAL BAZAAR, LUNCH AND COOKIE BAKE SALE:**

Usually held on the first Saturday in November. The ladies of the church serve a lunch of soup, roll and dessert. In addition to the bazaar items they have handcrafted and donated, there is a raffle, with the monies going to the *Lutheran Care Center* in Billings.

**CHRISTMAS KID'S SHOPPE:**

The first two Saturdays in December are set aside for the children of Buffalo, ages four to 10 years. Christmas "shopping" is held at the church. Each child may choose up to five free gifts for family or friends. This is a free ministry for the children with no money involved. The gifts are gift wrapped and tagged for them. The parents can enjoy cookies upstairs while the children shop with their helper. Donations for this are welcome all year long and the Buffalo businesses have been very generous. This event takes a lot of work and preparation. Anyone is welcome to help and need only contact Julia Bettinger; chairperson of the Kid's Shoppe Committee.

**VALENTINE BRUNCH:**

Held on the closest Saturday to *Valentine's Day*. Times are announced in the Sunday worship bulletin and the newsletter.

**LENTEN SERVICES:**

A light soup supper and short, meaningful worship services are held each Wednesday during Lent. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the *Union Congregational Church* and *St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church* combine their supper and services with the first three weeks at St. Luke's and the last three weeks and Maundy Thursday at the *Union Congregational Church*. The offering, from the Lenten Services goes to the *Bread of Life Food Pantry* and is designated for the milk fund.

**ST. LUKE'S ANNUAL SCANDINAVIAN DINNER:**

Held on the last Sunday in February or first Sunday in March. There is a lot of preparation for this time of fun and fellowship as we continue to remember the Scandinavian Heritage of the church. So come and share in the lutefisk and lefse! We encourage helpers, both young and old, to participate as cooks, servers, dishwashers and decorators, as well as eaters! Contact any one of the Scandinavian Dinner Committee listed on page five.

**ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC:**

A time of fellowship and fun for the whole congregation. Potluck picnic and games at the park as summer ends and fall begins. Details are announced in the Sunday bulletin and monthly newsletter.

**ADDITIONAL OUTREACH MINISTRIES SUPPORTED BY THE CHURCH**

**LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** Contact couples are: *Pastor John and Nancy Orwig, Bill and Colleen Payne and Rick and Kathy Brus* Our congregation supports this movement and we encourage couples to consider it as a way to enhance and strengthen their marriages

**MEALS ON WHEELS:**

St. Luke's liaison for the Bread of Life Food Pantry is Denise Hawley, 217-0239

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF THE EASTERN BIGHORNS - BUFFALO:**

HFH's task is to build houses for those who could not qualify for a conventional mortgage. The committee meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the HFH office located at 310 Williams St. in Buffalo. We are always looking for more volunteers. HFH phone is 684-5220.

**BUFFALO MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION:**

Through the Ministerial, we work with other denominations in Buffalo. This is something that we as a congregation deem important as all of us witness to our Christian faith through working with one another. We may differ in particularities, but we all witness that salvation is through Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Names, telephone numbers and E-mail provided below for additional information concerning a ministry, or if you have any questions or comments.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church:	684-7872	<a href="mailto:stlukeselca@vcn.com">stlukeselca@vcn.com</a>
Pastor:	John W. Orwig 684-2700	<a href="mailto:johnancy@vcn.com">johnancy@vcn.com</a>
Church Secretary:	Ann Gilbert 684-0245	<a href="mailto:clara1@vcn.com">clara1@vcn.com</a>
Pianist/Organist:	Julie Silbemagel 684-9409	<a href="mailto:jsilber@mail.tribcsp.com">jsilber@mail.tribcsp.com</a>

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President:	Scott Madsen 684-2686	<a href="mailto:rmadsen@wyoming.com">rmadsen@wyoming.com</a>
Vice President:	Kathy Brus 684-1669	<a href="mailto:krickbrus@vcn.com">krickbrus@vcn.com</a>
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## Other Contacts

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Housekeeping	Helen Straight	684-2479	
	Nelda Straight	684-2355	
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LCW/Bible Study:			
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	Mona Pickering	684-5892	
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