

Saint Luke's Lutheran Church
308 West 46th Street New York, New York - 10036

1989

PASTOR'S REPORT
Annual Meeting of
SAINT LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
New York City

First Sunday in LENT
4 March 1990



Dear Sisters and Brothers . . .

There are years . . . and there are years! And 1989 will certainly go down as A BIG YEAR for Saint Luke, a milestone in her 139 years of life!

The restoration of our church sanctuary -- repairs, renovations, re-freshing -- and; of course, the installation of our new Walcker Organ are a reality . . . and a miracle! Even this "old optimist" would never have imagined that all of this would come to pass in 1989. It is a marvelous testimony of God's grace and power at work, and the loving response of you dear People and our many Friends that brought it to a successful completion.

While all of this has kept us extremely busy (the cleaning "bees" on Saturdays brought so many of you out to give of your time and energy) we have not lost sight of what it's all to be about. Namely, our desire to strengthen our witness and improve our outreach to this community and to the thousands who traverse this Crossroads of the World called Times Square.

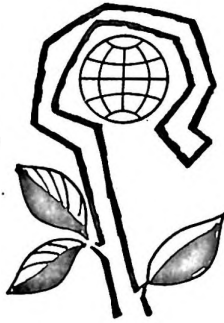
Personnel changes have also made for adjustments. Vicar Lynn Miller was succeeded by Vicar Mark Hueter. Chris Greene left as director of Crossroads Senior Center to pursue other interests, and John Patches came aboard to bring his expertise and commitment to our ministry to the elderly. Elizabeth Patches tackled the job of bookkeeper for the Senior Center and learned the computer/challenges to keep that area of our work humming. We bade goodbye to several dear members as they transferred to the Church Triumphant, and to several members who moved away. But, as always, God's Grace enabled us to welcome new sisters and brothers to share the fellowship and mission of our dear Saint Luke!

As I round out my fifteenth year of ministry among you (today), I thank God for bringing us together . . . for the joys and the sorrows we've shared, for the triumphs and the failures we've celebrated and endured, for "the hopes and fears of all the years" that have made our life together a picture of Christ's Church-at-work.

We recognized with thanks five of our veteran members for their faith and fellowship on Saint Luke's Day, October 15th. . . +Elsie Koester, Herman Reichert, Walter Gausman, Christine Gausman and Sister Martha Eber. May their examples vitalize each of us in our quest to be blessings for God and others!

In Christ,

Pastor Hansen



BAPTISMS

Steph-anie Angelica Mitchell
Ashley Marion Mitchell
Gregory Christian Last

MARRIAGES

John Dennis Mitchell & Kristine Marie Evers
Philip Wong & Pearl Kue Hom
Kent Russell Adams & Linda Marie Larson
Todd Robert Westlune & Anita Lou Kelly
Gian Carlo Mazzanti & Jutta Liselotte Kassner
Kent Alan Anderson & Cheryl Jean Hanson
Mark Anthony Lopano & Heather Marty
Richard Wolchok & Cheryl Lee Slater Funfgeld

BURIALS

Emma Baumann Csicsaky
Louise Klinge
David Weatherspoon
Helen Halblaub Donahue
Charles Hull Jacobs
Elsie Louise Koester
Alfred Glen Mack
Helen Carle

NEW MEMBERS

Thomas Young
Alan Henning
JoLynne Henning
Jan Rude
Margaret Anderson
Eloise Piper
Walter Scheidtker
Jeff Bornemann
Andreas Stauber
Linde Stauber
Heidi Mordorst Hill

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dear Members and Friends,

Greetings! I am grateful to be able to again report to you regarding our finances.

Another year is before us. This past year we made significant changes in our place of worship. A new pipe organ was purchased and numerous and wonderful improvements to our sanctuary were made. These changes still leave us in a financially strong position and will enable us to present a more attractive and worshipful atmosphere to those who come to worship with us.

We added \$35,000 to our restoration/renovation fund from our 1989 budget and our Friends account. The remainder needed will come from our budget of this year and next year . . . and from any gifts we may receive.

I am attaching an income and expense report for 1989. Also I am reporting on our various special funds.

I thank our Pastor for his work to accomplish this. Also I pray that our Father will continue to bless our efforts this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Gausman
Treasurer



SAINT LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Income and Expenses

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1990 (Budget)</u>
Envelopes	35,392	39,374	41,358	43,000
Plate Offerings	6,329	7,551	8,466	8,500
Lent & Easter	3,511	3,988	3,590	4,000
Thanksgiving	1,411	1,515	1,327	1,500
Christmas	4,437	4,248	3,920	4,000
Anniversary	2,667	2,337	2,945	2,500
Property Use Fees	51,041	49,230	55,254	59,000
Investment Income	44,577	50,353	50,865	45,000
Special Income	1,581	494	352	--
FRIENDS of St. Luke	10,279*	3,498*	9,017*	20,000
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Budget Income	\$ 161,225	162,138	177,092	187,500

* Amount used from FRIENDS for budget purposes

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	58,114	61,806	61,401	74,900
Travel	1,200	1,800	1,800	3,000
Pension/Medical	4,635	10,235	8,708	10,750
Social Security	4,005	4,150	3,977	4,500
Office Supplies	866	974	1,753	1,000
Telephone	2,208	1,923	1,314	1,500
Postage	1,007	961	1,009	1,000
Printing	856	758	600	1,000
Worship Material	1,826	2,214	2,028	2,500
Advertising	4,398	4,902	5,298	5,500
Insurance	10,317	8,450	1,624	6,500
Repairs/Maintenance	17,294	23,812	9,983	10,000
Gas & Electricity	30,915	28,330	30,922	30,000
**Restoration Fund	---	---	35,000	25,000
Bank Charges	5,365	5,218	5,392	5,000
New Equipment	---	1,850	1,945	5,000
Miscellaneous	5,595	4,756	4,339	4,000
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Expenditures	\$ 161,225	162,138	177,092	187,500

SPECIAL FUNDS ACCOUNTS

FRIENDS of ST. LUKE FUND

Balance January 1, 1989		\$ 24,350.56
Receipts:		
FRIENDS Gifts	\$ 12,962.28	
Flower Account	1,075.00	
McGraw-Hill Employees	553.00	
1989 Benefit	3,445.77	
Rummage Sales	<u>2,045.02</u>	<u>20,081.07</u>
		\$ 44,431.63
Disbursements:		
Renovations (1988)	25,000.00	
Renovations (1989)	9,017.41	
Sr. Center Gifts	398.00	
Christmas Charities	1,000.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>189.00</u>	<u>35,604.41</u>
Balance January 1, 1990		\$ 8,827.22

CROSSROADS at ST. LUKE SENIOR CENTER (Church Account)

Balance January 1, 1989		\$ 2,433.44
Receipts:		
General Contributions	\$17,843.86	
Saturday Meal Program	1,100.00	
NY State Grant	5,000.00	
(walk-in refrigerator)	<u> </u>	<u>23,943.86</u>
		\$ 26,377.30
Disbursements:		
*City of New York	8,000.00	
Walk-in refrigerator	5,018.50	
Carpeting	2,700.72	
Personnel expenses	1,940.00	
Washer & Dryer	1,361.00	
Utilities	1,200.00	
Repairs/Maintenance	2,200.96	
Telephone	1,010.29	
Seminars	600.00	
Soft Ware/Computer	239.44	
Crafts & Performers	179.99	
NYC on 87/88 contract	108.00	
Portable Sound System	99.50	
Miscellaneous	<u>680.95</u>	<u>25,339.35</u>
Balance January 1, 1990		\$ 1,037.95

* City Dept for Aging failed to re-imburse us for plumbing repairs

EVANGELISM MATERIALS

Balance January 1, 1989	\$ 923.25
Disbursed	516.78
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Balance January 1, 1990	\$ 406.47

BENEFIT FOR ST. LUKE

Received	\$ 6,740.00	\$ 6,740.00
Disbursed:		
Grand Sea Palace Restaurant	2,730.00	
Musical accompaniment	300.00	
Sound engineer	100.00	
Wine	134.23	
Miscellaneous	65.00	3,329.23
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Amount accredited to FRIENDS Fund		\$ 3,410.77

MISSIONS & CHARITIES

Received for Missions (to ELCA & Synod)	\$ 3,970.05
Lutheran World Relief	665.00
California Earthquake Offering	275.90
Christmas Charities*	1,010.00

- * Warburg Lutheran Home - Mount Vernon
- Wartburg Lutheran Home - Brooklyn
- Lutheran Deaconess Association
- Lutheran Community Services
- United Lutheran Fund
- ELCA World Hunger Appeal

RESTORATION/RENOVATION FUND

Receipts:		
Members & Friends	\$ 17,530.32	
FRIENDS Fund 1988	25,000.00	
St. Luke's Ladie Aid	1,179.25	
Christmas Tree Sales	680.09	
Budget 1989	25,982.59	
FRIENDS Fund 1989	9,017.41	
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	\$ 79,389.66	

Disbursements:

Architectural fees	\$ 12,094.69
Carpet removal	620.00

Granite chancel	27,990.00
Old organ removal	1,500.00
General contractor	26,028.00
Painting	28,000.00
Tree removal	1,500.00
Roof repairs	5,235.00
Floor refinishing	4,350.00
Choir/Chancel chairs	1,183.33
Fabric for chairs	414.70
Altar ware refinishing	350.00
Altar rail fittings	130.00
Shorten pews for chapel	330.00
Cut down pew cushions	100.00
Sound system	2,625.00
Chancel decorating	10,000.00
Chancel woodwork	8,780.00
Light fixtures	<u>2,000.00</u>

Expenditures \$133,230.72

Receipts 79,389.66

NEEDED (\$ 53,841.06)

SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND

Balance January 1, 1989	\$ 99.25	\$ 99.25
Receipts	<u>92.62</u>	<u>92.62</u>
		191.87
Disbursed		<u>188.80</u>
Balance January 1, 1990		\$ 3.07

CHANCEL FUND

Balance January 1, 1989	\$ 1,560.36
Received	<u>330.00</u>
	1,890.36
Disbursed	<u>1,816.77</u>
Balance January 1, 1990	\$ 73.59

EASTER & CHRISTMAS DECORATING FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1989	\$ 208.12	
Received	<u>1,085.00</u>	
		\$ 1,293.12
Disbursed: Easter flowers	387.90	
Christmas decorations	<u>829.60</u>	<u>1,217.50</u>
Balance January 1, 1990		\$ 75.62

SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

One characteristic of Christian stewardship is to share one's resources with the Kingdom for strengthening its work and witness in future years. Saint Luke's has been blessed with members whose vision included generations to come . . . and changing times and challenges for its mission and ministry. Including Saint Luke's in their Wills -- making bequests to their congregation -- has provided us with Trust Funds which have provided income vital to the maintenance of our ministries today. Over a quarter of our regular budget needs comes from income from our Trust Funds. We herewith record the names of those who are memorialized through such gifts to our parish during the years 1923 - 1989 . . .

1923 Catherine Karsch	1968 Marie Schweitzer
1927 J. Louis Schaefer, Sr.	1968 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer
1932 Bernhard Karsch	1969 John Theurer, Sr.
1942 Adele Henning	1969 Elsie Eiermann
1946 Sebastian & Margaretha Dorfmueller	1969 Rudolph Fischer
1951 Annie L. Hohns	1969 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer
1952 Henry & Katherine Puckhaber	1970 John Theurer, Sr.
1953 John Dettner	1970 August Hauff
1954 Alfred Grizzle	1970 Mr. and Mrs. C. Voigt
1955 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1970 Alfred Hebert
1956 Anton, Sr. & Marie Koester	1971 Henry Rieth
1957 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1972 Henry Rieth
1958 Miss M. Scommodau	1972 Alfred Gobber
1958 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1973 Paul Koepchen
1959 Minna Theurer	1974 Anna C. Viohl
1959 Matilda Schlobohm	1974 Ethel Mahnken
1959 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1975 Elizabeth Baader
1960 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1975 Mathilda Tietjen
1961 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1976 Alexander McKean
1961 John & Anna Marie Theurer	1977 Renata McGannon
1962 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1977 Henrietta Burger
1963 Sophie Schaefer	1977 Bernhard & Catherine Karsch
1963 Bernhard & Catherine Karsch	1978 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer
1963 Margaret Schaefer	1979 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer
1963 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1980 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer
1964 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1982 J. Louis Schaefer, Jr.
1965 Elsa Husser	1982 Emile Cordes
1965 Elsie Eiermann	1982 Anton W. Koester
1965 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1983 Olga Rustia
1966 Elsa Husser	1984 Marguerite Schaefer
1966 Charles Unger	1984 Amanda Baltera
1966 J. Louis, Sr. & Susan K. Schaefer	1985 Bernhard K. Schaefer
1967 Henry J. Koester	1985 Anna Kuhle
1968 Lottie B. Steinbach	1987 Emma Hahn
	1988 Albert Ebeling

MEMORIAL WREATHS 1989

Arlene Anderson
 Barbara Balling
 Fred Balling
 Timothy Brosman
 Mrs. Cokub

Grace Cumming
 Dr. Albert Hackim
 Anna Hackim
 Elizabeth Hutchinson
 Magnus E. Hansen

Charles Jacobs
 Ayl Mack
 Mr. Naimy
 Meta Nisius
 Nancy Scheepstra

REPORT OF THE LADIES AID SOCIETY

1989

Greetings, from the Ladies Aid Society!

We are a small group but certainly would welcome more of the ladies of St. Luke's to join us. Unfortunately, we have lost some of our members and we do miss them a great deal. We meet one Sunday a month with the exception of the summer.

Our projects remain the same as previous years, though this year, with the loss of our dear member and former President Elsie Koester, we are matching the monies received in her Memorial Fund for a project which will be decided. We have also paid our pledge to the Organ Fund (\$3,000).

The continuing projects are:

1. Campbell Labels and other items as listed for Bethesda Lutheran Home in Watertown, Wisconsin.
2. UPC labels from Scott Paper Products for the Ronald McDonald Home and projects.
3. Eye glasses for the needy.
4. Postage stamps (cancelled) for missions.

Any of the above items can be brought to church (collection box is in the narthex) and the Ladies Aid will send them to the proper places.

I should like to thank the officers of our group for their dedication and cooperation in carrying out the details necessary to keep our society functioning, i.e., Elsie Reichert, Vice President; Virginia Callahan, Treasurer; Genevieve Savio, Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Marguerite E. Novak
President

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC AT SAINT LUKE'S

The past year has seen a flurry of activity for the Music Ministry at Saint Luke's! The old pipe organ was removed, the choir was temporarily relocated to the balcony and a magnificent new pipe organ was installed. During this period, the Saint Luke's Church Choir has worked hard to adapt to varying surroundings and has helped raise funds toward the purchase of the new organ and liturgical furnishings.

On a hot, humid Sunday in June, 1989, the old 1923 Moller pipe organ was removed by a group of organ technicians and enthusiasts from Philadelphia. Prior to its removal, a fitting benediction for the organ was offered when Steve Lawson accompanied Elizabeth Patches in an impromptu rendition of "The Lost Chord." Soon after, the organ removal crew arrived in several trucks and vans. Most of the old pipe ranks were carefully packed in crates for future recycling in another organ of its vintage. In fact, Saint Luke's organ technician, A.J. Buttler, recently informed us that many of the old pipes now augment a large theatre organ in the Philadelphia area, which is maintained by volunteers in the local chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society. The remainder of the old organ - windchests, relay actions, console and the largest wooden pipes - were deemed unusable and were discarded.

Meanwhile, the Saint Luke's Choir relocated to the balcony and was accompanied by the Allen electric organ which, for many years, set unused in the Senior Center. This organ, originally a gift from the Schaefer family for the Sunday School, served us well in the interim. On several Sundays the Liturgy was enhanced with sounds from a French Horn (played by our own Kirsten Patches), a guest trumpeter and, oftentimes, a Yamaha synthesizer. Other sounds not listed above which emanated from the balcony (such as the joyful singing of our adored mascot, Maximillian) were strictly unplanned! Our thanks go to the choir for cleaning the balcony and repainting the floor and east stairwell.

Finally, the new E.F. Walcker pipe organ arrived from West Germany. After endless months of demolition, dust, reconstruction, refinishing, repainting, redecoration and new lighting, the completion of our project was in sight!!! Two builders from the Walcker company, Ulrich Singer and Helmut Walcker, flew from Kleinblittersdorf, West Germany to install our new pipe organ. With assistance from several choir members and volunteers, the crates were carried from the shipping container into the church. There were thousands of parts, all carefully packed in acres of excelsior, large panels which made up the casework, the blower, the console, almost a thousand pipes and three very heavy windchests upon which the pipes now sit. At first, every available space in the chancel and nave was covered with the components and pipes of the new organ. But the installation went quickly, and

by the following Sunday, the casework, console and polished tin facade pipes were in place. When Mr. Singer's work was completed, he was replaced by Walcker's master pipe voicer, Helmut Wolff. The organ builders worked an average of 12 hours per day. But their first trip to New York (and the United States) was not all hard work: the choir hosted a delicious after-church potluck luncheon in their honor, and both our church organist and organ technician ensured that our German guests knew where to find bratwurst, knockwurst, schnitzel and Dinkel Acker Bier.

At long last, the congregation heard the first sounds from the organ following the Eucharist on Sunday, February 18th. The ranks of pipes which were voiced and tuned were played, and all joined in the singing of "Savior, Again To Thy Dear Name." By the next Sunday, February 25, the organ was complete. This time, a more comprehensive demonstration followed the Eucharist, beginning with the singing of hymn 540, "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens", then several examples from the organ repertoire which displayed the principal, flute, string and reed voices of the pipe organ. The organ postlude was the famous "Toccata" from Charles-Marie Widor's Fifth Organ Symphony.

Today was the first Sunday our new organ was heard throughout the Service. And the choir has returned to its former location. The chancel and choir area has been enlarged, every chancel and choir furnishing (except the organ!) is now movable for maximum flexibility. Additional lighting has eliminated dark areas in the chancel and choir while dramatically highlighting the worship centers. New hard surfaces of granite and wood flooring have provided an increased resonance, which is so important to the impact of the spoken word, choral and instrumental music.

What next? As we approach the 140th anniversary of Saint Luke's Lutheran Church, the congregation and community can look forward to several inaugural organ recitals, services with music for choir, soloists, instruments and organ, and various special concerts. Discussion is currently underway about implementing a (First Wednesday?) noonday recital series, played by area organists and students from local music conservatories.

Special thanks go to the Saint Luke's Choir for their endless support and loyalty; to Pastor Hansen, without whom the new pipe organ would not be in place today; to those members and friends who so generously supported the vision of a new pipe organ with their pledges and gifts; and especially to the Organ Committee: Kathleen Weber and John Danielson (co-chairs), Mark Buchan, Genevieve Savio, Verna Retzlaff, Mel Meisinger, and to Tom Schaub (our in-house engineering consultant).

Respectfully submitted,

Steven E. Lawson
Director of Music and Organist

COMMUNICANT MEMBERS 12/31/89

Alexander, Kirt
Anderson, Janet
Anderson, Margaret
Arberry, Minnie

Barattini, Helen
Barnett, Judith
Barris, Richard
Bettis, Marvin
Bettis, Toni
* Ashley

Bixby, Jonathon
Bornemann, Jeffrey
Bornemann, Shawn
Bramer, Henry
Bramscher, Charles
Buchan, Mark

Callahan, Virginia
Coester, Katherine
Craft, Irving

Danielson, John
Demke, David
Demke, Linda

Eber, Sister Martha
Edwards, Harry
Edwards, Victoria

Flagg, Milton
Frahm, Olga
Fricke, John
Fricke, Patricia
Fuelling, Donald

Gardner, Michael
Gausman, Christine
Gausman, Walter
Gulliksen, Marge

Hansen, Pastor Dale D.
Hackim, Genevieve
Hackim, Violet
Hardnett, Jarrell
Harper, Larry
Harris, Julian
Hanson, Barry
Henning, Alan
Henning, JoLynne
Henry, Gregory
Hernandez, Anna
Hernandez, Melitina
Hernandez, Damaso
Hill, Heidi Mordhorst

Hunter, Irving
Hutchinson, Rita E.

Johnson, Hilda

Keno, Michelle

Lee, Pastor Clement
Linsenbarth, Margaret
Lynch, Michael
Lynch, Tia

Malina, Martha
Matheis, Florence
Mauskopf, Jason
Mauskopf, Marion
Meisinger, Dr. Melvin
Mitchell, Phyllis

* Tiph-Anie
* Steph-Anie
* Ashley

Montanez, Esther
Musil, John

Nisius, Helen
Novak, Marguerite

O'Connell, James
Oster, Andrew

Patches, John
Patches, Elizabeth
Patches, Kirstin
Pennyfeather, James
Pineiro, Barbara
Philpott, Paul
Piper, Eloise

Reichert, Herman
Reichert, Elsie
Reichert, June
Retzlaff, Verna
Robertshaw, Nanette

* Alexandra
* Ben

Rude, Jan
Russell, Jeanine

Savage, Alpha
Savio, Genevieve
Schaub, Thomas
Schneider, Carolyn
Scheidtker, Walter
Sherwood, Naomi
Sitler, David

Stahler, Robin
Stauber, Andreus
Stauber, Linde
Stevens, Timothy
Swann, Garrett

Theurer, Mathilda

Vaughn, Terry

Waites, Alma
Weber, Kathleen
Witt, Martin
Wuest, Mark

Young, Thomas

ASSOCIATE/IN ABSENTIA

Aponte, Luz
Baetz, Harold
Baetz, Jane
Carroll, Edward
Gebel, David
Jackel, Paul
Hall, Virginia
German, Reynolds
Lawson, Steven E.
Peard, Louise
Schaefer, Betsey
Sluberski, Rev. Thomas
Widmaier, Gerhard
Wolfram, Mark
Zurmuehl, Louise
Craig, Casey
Carlson, Steven
Kollmorgen, Steven
Kollmorgen, Mary
* Mark
Jobson, Mark DeVille