

## Our Mission Statement

We are the people of St. Luke's – an active caring parish who come from many places in central New Jersey **to worship** by honoring God's Presence among us, **to celebrate** Christ's love in joyful fellowship and Christian education for all ages, and **to serve** people near and far in loving action and generosity. Many of us, newcomers and long-time members alike, use the word "home" to describe our feelings about St. Luke's Church.

We are a family church with strong programs for children and youth, including Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Confirmation, a Middle School Youth Group and a Senior High Youth Group. Our Sunday morning worship is traditional and Sunday evening worship is most often contemporary. We are blessed with talented musical leadership, an excellent organ, adult and children's choirs, a hand bell choir and a praise team for the Sunday evening contemporary service.

We worship in the Episcopal/Anglican way, based on the Book of Common Prayer, making full use of the rich heritage of Anglican music. However, we have many members who come from a range of denominational backgrounds and who feel very comfortable at St. Luke's.

We are serious about formation, growing in discipleship and living an authentic expression of the Christian faith. Through preaching on Sundays, several weekly Bible studies and a lively program of Christian education, we explore our faith – its roots and its scriptures, its certainties and its mysteries.

St. Luke's is a vibrant Christian community that welcomes all people to join us for worship, fellowship and involvement that extends beyond Sundays.