

The Heart of St. Luke's - February 2012

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John

Sundays

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

9:30 AM Church School

9:30 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal

10:45 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir

Thursdays

12:10 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II

Office Hours

Monday-Friday

9:00 AM — 4:00 PM



Ash Wednesday Services

Holy Eucharist

and

Imposition of Ashes

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

February 22nd, 2012

12:00 PM and 6:00 PM

2012 Lenten Series:

Speaking in Faith, Spreading the Gospel

Wednesdays in Lent, nursery provided

February 29th, March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th

6:00pm

Evening Prayer

6:30pm

Fellowship Dinner

7:10pm

Lenten Programs for Adults

and for Children and Youth

Our 2012 Lenten Series: Speaking in Faith, Spreading the Gospel, is a survey of theological and spiritual reflection that seeks to gain insight into how our profession of faith informs our actions as Christians. Each book takes a unique perspective in examining how the call of Jesus to spread the Gospel is to be interpreted, and the struggles we encounter when we come face to face with those who interpret His message differently.

Each night, we will look at one of the books listed below and hear from Fr. Joel and other presenters from the congregation as they respond to the authors' words. If you would like to order a copy of any of these books, they are all available through Amazon.

The Meaning of Jesus: Two Visions

by Marcus J. Borg and N.T. Wright

The Prodigal God

by Timothy Keller

Taken on Trust: An Autobiography

By Terry Waite

The Miter Fits Just Fine!:

A Story About The Rt. Rev. Barbara Clementine Harris,

The First Woman Bishop in the Anglican Communion

By Mark Francisco Bozzuti-Jones

A Wing and a Prayer: A Message of Faith and Hope

by Katherine Jefferts Schori



Stewardship Spotlight!

Welcome to the new Stewardship Spotlight! Here at St. Luke's we are blessed by God to be a thriving, loving parish. Being so blessed, we believe in being good stewards of all that God has given us. Starting next month, this article will feature questions and suggestions on how we as a parish family can be good stewards of our resources, financial and otherwise, to help sustain our church and our community. Keep an eye out each month to learn more!

VESTRY ELECTIONS

At the Annual Meeting in January we elected four new Vestry members who will take office in March. Congratulations to Phil Jacobs, Jerry Lowery, Lou Patten, and Adam Wilson!



SEEK &
SERVE
CHRIST
IN ALL
PERSONS

28th Annual Diocesan
Convention of the
Diocese of East
Tennessee

February 9th—10th, 2012
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Knoxville, Tennessee

St. Luke's delegates to the Diocesan Convention are Father Joel Huffstetler, Deacon Art Bass, Stephanie Fields, Ray Hackett, and Jack Seymour. Alternates are Virginia Orr, Bondy Hackett, and Kay Seymour.



East Tennessee Episcopal Cursillo

Cursillo is a retreat meant to renew and deepen a person's Christian commitment. Described as "A Short Course in Christianity," the experience helps those in the church understand their individual calling to be Christian leaders.

ETEC #37 will be held March 22-25, 2012 at Grace Point Camp and Retreat Center. For more information, or to sign up for this wonderful weekend contact Armen Epperson at 478-1438 or Tammy Randolph at 716-1224!

mark your
calendar for **March 22-25, 2012**

St. Luke's Parish Family Notes

Congratulations to Nicholas and Stephanie Lillios on the recent birth of their son, Nicholas Scott Lillios. Scott is the grandson of Amy and Bill Lillios and Karen and Scott Matthews.

If important events have happened in your life or that of your family and you wish to share with the parish family, contact the church office.

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to thy never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that thou art doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BCP 831

Diocesan Youth Event

February 9th-10th, 2012

St. John's Cathedral

Knoxville, Tennessee

It's almost time for the Annual Diocesan Youth Event! All youth 6th-12th grades are invited to a diocesan-wide gathering of Youth at St. John's Cathedral. Friday night will be music and games, with a workshop on "dorky dancing" and other fun programming. Saturday morning DYE will join the Diocesan Convention at Crowne Plaza for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist!

Youth and Parents, see Isaac to pick up your forms and for more information.

Happening #63 is right around the corner!

March 9-11, 2012

Knoxville, Tennessee



As you know, Happening is an important ministry in our Diocese for our Senior High Youth and the Youth of St. Luke's have been deeply involved, both as participants and leaders, for the past several years. Kelsey Wofford is the Youth Lay Rector of Happening #63, and we wish her the very best leading the weekend.

If you would like to contribute to Happening, and help show the youth of St. Luke's and the diocese your love and support, talk with Isaac in the church office.

Steps to Christian Living

by Fran Henry

It never ceases to amaze me how things happen for the good. I was searching online for a pattern for a scarf to knit when I came across a pattern for a prayer shawl. It reminded me that we had a prayer shawl ministry "back home" at Holy Cross Church in Sanford, Florida. I never felt called to participate in creating a shawl then since I was so involved in other ministries and hadn't knitted or crocheted anything in a long time.

However, when I found this online, I was inspired to bring the idea to the Steps to Christian Living Church School Class and ask if anyone was interested in joining in this ministry. To my delight, there was a lot of interest so I committed to sharing it here in the newsletter. Here is the history I found online about Prayer Shawl Ministry.

In 1998, Janet Bristow and Victoria Galo, two graduates of the 1997 Women's Leadership Institute at The Hartford Seminary in Hartford, Connecticut gave birth to a ministry as a result of their experience in this program of applied Feminist Spirituality under the direction of Professor Miriam Therese Winter, MMS. Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry and spiritual practice which reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace, as well as in celebration and joy. Many blessings are prayed into every shawl.

Whether they are called Prayer Shawls, Comfort Shawls, Peace Shawls, or Mantles, etc., the shawl maker begins with prayers and blessings for the recipient. The intentions are continued throughout the creation of the shawl. Upon completion, a final blessing is offered before the shawl is sent on its way. Some recipients have continued

the kindness by making a shawl and passing it onto someone in need. Thus, the blessing ripples from person-to-person, with both the giver and receiver feeling the unconditional embrace of a sheltering, mothering God!



So if you are interested in being a part of this ministry at St. Luke's what is needed is someone to organize it, plenty of people who knit or crochet, contributions of yarn or

funds for yarn, and people who need prayer shawls. Please feel free to contact me if you feel called to participate. It might be just what you need to boost your spiritual practice this year. For multi-taskers, it is a no excuse way to make sure you get your prayer time in, you craft need met, and have fun doing it.

Your Sister in Christ,

Fran Henry

Email: fran@franhenry.com or call 423-472-0507 to share your interest in a Prayer Shawl Ministry

February is St. Luke's Month to Supply



Thank you for all that you do to support the Caring Place!

St. Luke's has been so very supportive of the Caring Place over the past several months. Our participation and support in their ongoing community ministry has made a difference in the lives of people in Cleveland and Bradley County. In December, our congregation was able to make a \$2,900 gift for food as part of the "Feed My Sheep" drive. This is in addition to the great work done in November to provide blankets and space heaters to those needing warmth during this cold season.

Every February, St. Luke's makes the commitment to supply the Caring Place with a food supply, similar to what we did recently with our holiday contributions. Listed below are the Caring Place's commonly needed items, however feel free to donate whatever you feel appropriate. Please bring your donation to the church and place it in one of the two collection bins, in the Parish House and Parish Hall. These foodstuffs will be delivered every week to the Caring Place for distribution.

When shopping, the Caring Place suggests small cans, jars, boxes, and bottles so that clients can more easily carry their food and have more of a variety in their food bag.

- Boxed "complete" meals
- Boxed meals with required canned meats (tuna, chicken helper)
- Pasta products & spaghetti sauce
- Instant potatoes
- Mac & cheese
- Dried beans, rice, canned or dried fruits
- Peanut butter, jelly, syrup
- Cereals, complete pancake mix
- Canned chili, hearty soups, canned pasta with meat (ravioli, etc.)
- Cooking oil (small bottles)
- Dry milk with individual pouches

Join Us on February 5th, 2012 for the Bishop's Visit and Confirmation with Reception following the 10:45am service



Bishop George
Young

The Rt. Rev. George D. Young, III, will be visiting St. Luke's on Sunday, February, 5th, preaching and celebrating Holy Eucharist with us at **all three services**.

Bishop Young was elected as the Fourth Bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee in June of 2011 and this will be his first official visit to St. Luke's!

The 10:45am service will be Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, at which time several of St. Luke's youth and adults will be confirmed, received, and reaffirmed.

There will be a **Reception for the Bishop and Confirmands following the 10:45am service**. Please stop by to congratulate the Confirmands and greet our new Bishop.

Schedule for February 5th

- 8:00am Holy Eucharist Rite I
Bishop Young, celebrant and preacher
- 9:30am Holy Eucharist Rite II
Bishop Young, celebrant and preacher
- 9:30am Church School for All Ages
- 9:30am Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 10:15am Bishop meets with Confirmands in Gathering Room in the Parish House
- 10:45am Holy Eucharist Rite II and Confirmation
*Bishop Young, celebrant and preacher
Adult Choir and St. Cecilia's Choir sing*
- 12:00pm Reception for Bishop and Confirmands

A Journey of Love

by Mary Ransom

*former Christian Education Director
at St. Luke's Episcopal Church*

When our children were little and needed our constant attention, we wondered if they'd ever grow up. Now they are growing up on their own and we wonder how their childhood years could have passed so swiftly!

When our children were little, the Easter baskets discovered on Easter morning brought moments of joy and delight. Of course they didn't understand about the Resurrection, but they did associate Easter with lots of expectation and joy.

There are many similarities between a family's life story and the Lenten story. All along life's journey there are great expectations, hope, joy, death, and resurrections.

How hope-filled we are when we are expecting the birth of a child! How sad when a relative dies or when some important part of our life ends!

And what about the resurrection?

There is surely a glimpse of new life when a family is reconciled. Think of the joy and happiness we feel when a friendship is mended or a personal problem is overcome! Lent is a time to look at the resurrections in our own lives. It is a time to dedicate ourselves to nurturing the love that makes them happen.

Family life was created by God to be a journey of love. In life there are always bumps and detours, but God seems to have created us in such a way that the problems of raising and being part of a family are outweighed by the pleasures. Love makes the difference. Time is a great healer and angers, jealousies, and disappointments soon fade.

Some of us are good at giving love by not receiving it. Others are good at receiving love but never think to give it. If you have any difficulty with loving, Lent is a time for change and to take steps to do so.

Traditionally Lent is a time to renew, to rediscover the person God intends us to be. This involves us in prayer and serving others, fasting and worship. It involves us in loving and forgiveness. These activities will involve and develop our sense of who we are and get us back in touch with our spiritual roots.

The Christian faith is one of hope because Jesus died and rose again. His love for us makes our salvation possible.

What we choose to do during the Lenten season can give hope to others—to our children, spouse, parents, friends, and even strangers whose lives we touch. [I pray that] you and your family feel the presence of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, as you make your preparations for Easter a Journey of Love.

*"A Journey of Love" by Mary Ransom
published by St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Cleveland, TN, 1985.*

“Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

It is with this stern admonition taken from Genesis 3:19 that the celebrant at the Ash Wednesday Eucharist paints the forehead of the faithful with an ashen cross. The ashes are made by burning the palms from the Palm Sunday Eucharist of the previous year. In this way a link is made between victory, symbolized by the palms, and mortality and penitence, symbolized by the ashes.

In the Western Church, Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, a penitential season intended to prepare us for Easter through introspection, prayer, fasting, and acts of self-denial.

Although the traditional custom has been to give things up for Lent, there has been a trend among Christians in recent years to use Lent as a time for the doing of new and extraordinary acts of charity and good works. Instead of giving things up, this new Lenten discipline involves taking on things for the benefit of others.

The word “Lent” comes from a German word for spring-time, “Lenz,” which in turn was derived from the same Germanic root as the English word “long.” We often refer to the Lenten Season as being forty days long. Lent is intended to remind us of the forty days of fasting which Jesus undertook in the wilder-

ness to prepare himself for his ministry. There was also a tradition in the early church that Jesus spent exactly forty hours in the tomb before his resurrection. However, the actual number of days from Ash Wednesday to Easter is forty-six. The six Sundays which occur during Lent are not counted because each Sunday of the Christian year is considered a feast day in honor of the Resurrection, a sort of mini-Easter.

There is also some technical disagreement among liturgists about when Lent is over. Most hold that it ends with Easter or the Vigil of Easter, but others say it ends on Thursday evening during Holy Week when the Easter Triduum begins.

The Eastern Church also

has a season of preparation for their Easter celebration, which in English is called “Great Lent.” However, Great Lent begins not on a Wednesday, but on “Clean Monday” and lasts for six weeks. Great Lent is the only season when eastern Christians kneel for certain prayers during the liturgy. The rest of the year they stand to pray, following the custom of the early church.

Recently, some Episcopal Churches, mostly in large urban areas, have been taking Ash Wednesday ashes to the people. It started three years ago in Chicago where at train and bus stations, Episcopal clergy were in place for the Wednesday morning commute, offering to place ashes on the foreheads of any and all takers.

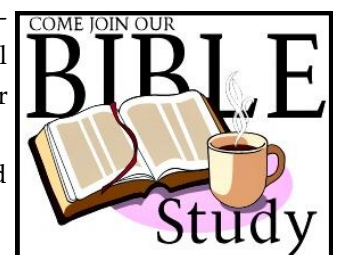
St. Luke’s Women’s Bible Study

Ladies of the Church, join us Wednesday mornings at 10:00am in the Parish House for a time of Bible Study and reflection. Each week we take time to examine the Scripture and make sense of its message, both to its original audience and us hearing it today.

We are currently reading the Book of Esther, seeking to discern in its pages how we can be instruments of God’s grace. On February 15th, we will be joined by Rabbi Bill Teppert of the Mizpah Temple in Chattanooga, who will share with us a Jewish perspective on Esther and the Feast of Purim, which is first commemorated in the book.

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, we will begin a seven week survey of the Book of Psalms, appreciating not only their beauty but also examining their role in worship, personal devotions, and music. We will also be sharing personal favorites and reflecting on their impact on our individual lives.

You are cordially invited to join us, and we look forward to seeing you!



Server Schedule for FEBRUARY 12th, 2012 through MARCH 4th, 2012

<i>If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange for a replacement</i>	Sixth Sunday of Epiphany	Last Sunday after Epiphany	Ash Wednesday	First Sunday in Lent	Second Sunday in Lent
	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 26	Mar. 4
	8:00 AM		12:00 PM LR — Isaac Doty CB — Liz Turpin Acol. — Liz Turpin Ushers Bill Littlejohn Jack Seymour	8:00 AM	
Lector	Adam Wilson	Mike Callaway		Mark Adams	Marili Shoop
Chalice Bearer	Adam Wilson	Dan Crook		Mark Adams	Marili Shoop
Acolyte	Adam Wilson	Lester Simerville		Jack Seymour	(CB) Isaac Doty
Usher	Jill Davis	Bill Littlejohn		Linda Kincaid	Mike Callaway
Usher	Gary Davis	Jane Littlejohn		Isaac Doty	Phyllis Callaway
Greeter	Jill Davis	Jane Littlejohn		Linda Kincaid	Jackie Rhinehart
	9:30 AM		6:00 PM LR — Lou Patten CB — Lou Patten Acol. — Lou Patten Ushers Ray Hackett Bondy Hackett	9:30 AM	
LR/CB	Helen Lewis	Tammy Randolph		MaryGrace Kyker	Don Dietrich
CB/Acolyte	Michael DeBacker	Jessica Ferrell		Mark Able	Lou Patten
Usher	Bob St. John	Molly Jackson		Steve Hixson	Joe Markham Amy Markham
Usher	Marsha St. John	Jonathan Jackson		Cathy Hixson	Jane Simmons
	10:45 AM				
Lector	Gary Farlow	Mark Shoop		Jerry Lowery	Hazel Steel
Chalice Bearer	Liz Turpin	Mark Shoop		Jerry Lowery	Hazel Steel
1st Server	Barry Turpin	Gabriel Shoop		Mackenzie Mahan	(CB) Emma Curtis
2nd Server	Liz Turpin	Mark Shoop		Hallie Hughes	Briley Moore
Crucifer	Crosby Cole	Michael Shoop		Jack Henry Hughes	Jackson Moore
Usher	Carl Moore	Ray Hackett		Tom Wasson	Doug Moore
Usher	Max Phillips	Bondy Hackett		Amy Wasson	John Hagler
Usher Assist	Tom Cate	Tom Krupa		Jeff Sellins	Mark Able
Greeter	Tom Cate	Bondy Hackett		Amy Wasson	John Hagler
Hosts	Jim and Philomena Davis	Beth and Jerry Bird Jane Lucchesi		Janey Patten Heather Jackson	Margaret Ann and Sheridan Randolph
Altar Guild	Feb 6—12	Feb 13—19	Feb 20—26		Feb 27—Mar 4
Linens/Feb. Pam Dietrich	Sylvia Coyle Sammy Hayden Sandy Farlow	Mark Shoop Tammy Randolph Mark James Betty Callaway	Annie Hadland Isaac Doty, Pat Pierce Elizabeth McGowan Amy Wasson		Patty Callaway Joan Baker Mark Shoop Sandy Farlow
Brass Polishing	February 3rd — Annie Hadland, Carl Moore, Nancy Green, Jackie Rhinehart		February 17th — Sammy Hayden, Pat Pierce, Tom and Elizabeth Krupa		

Calendar for the Month of **FEBRUARY** 2012

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 5:15 PM --St. Cecilia's Children's Choir -Jr. High EYC 6:15 PM Adult Choir	2 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II	3 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;">Pre-Happening in Knoxville</div>	4
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