

The Heart of St. Luke's - March 2011

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Sundays

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:30 AM Church School

9:30 AM Adult Choir

9:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II

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

2011 LENTEN SERIES:

ENGAGING IN CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Wednesdays — March 16th, 23rd, 30th, April 6th and 13th

6:00 PM

Evening Prayer

“...Simon, Son of John, do you love me?”

6:30 PM

Dinner

...Tend my sheep.”

7:10 PM

Lenten Program

— John 21:16



Habitat
for Humanity®

March 16th — Habitat for Humanity of Cleveland is a non-profit Christian housing ministry. Matthew Carlson, the Executive Director for Habitat, will be here to talk to us about how Habitat's ongoing work in

Bradley County, working in partnership with God and people throughout the area and from all walks of life, to develop communities with people in need by building homes so that there are decent houses in decent communities in which every person can experience God's love and can live and grow into all that God intends. Matthew will share with us ways we can be involved and show our support to this important ministry.



March 23rd — The Caring Place is a vital outreach ministry seeking to model the love of Christ by addressing basic spiritual, physical and social needs of the disadvantaged in Bradley County. Reba Terry, Executive Director, and several volunteers,

will share with us the ongoing work that supports so many people in our community with food and clothing. We will hear about the many ways in which we can continue to contribute to the ongoing care of our neighbors — through giving of our time, talents, and treasure — both individually and as a parish.



March 30th — Bradley Initiative for Church and Community exists to unite churches, along with other community organizations, to address the root/systemic causes of the social, economic and cultural issues in Cleveland/Bradley County, Tennessee. Brenda Hughes, Executive

Director, will join us to share the ways in which BICC has been transforming our community, what their current projects are, and goals for the future. She will also share with us ways we can support BICC's ministry and further Christian service in Bradley County.



April 6th — Engaging in Christian Service means more than just reaching out to the community around us, it means being good stewards of our own congregation. We will discuss the In-reach Ministries of St. Luke's — Caring and Sharing, Helping

Hands, New Member Ministry, Parish Life, and more — and learn how each contributes to our parish's commitment to our Christian life together.



April 13th — We will learn about our new Bishop-Elect, the Rev. George Young, III, and the Transition Process as he becomes the 4th Bishop of the Diocese of East Tennessee. We will also talk about what the responsibilities of the Bishop are and the legacy of Bishop vonRosenberg.

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

Ash Wednesday

Holy Eucharist and the Imposition of Ashes

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

March 9, 2011

12:10 PM and 6:00 PM



*Agnus Dei, Lamb of God, Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,
Who takes away the sins of the world, have
mercy on us.*

— "American Mass"

Choral Evensong

1st Sunday in Lent, March 13, 2011

6:00 PM

St. Luke's Server ROTA Training

On Saturday, April 2nd,
St. Luke's will offer a
training class for anyone
interested in joining the
server ROTA as part of
Sunday Morning
worship (at any of our
three services).

Current servers are
welcome to join us for a
refresher course, or to
be trained in an area
that they do not
currently serve in.

Saturday, April 2nd
10:00 AM — 12:00 PM



Reminder:

**Daylight Savings Time Begins
Sunday March 13, 2011**

Remember to set your clocks forward one hour
before going to sleep on Saturday night.

Vestry and Annual Meeting Minutes are available next to the church office in the Parish House. At the Annual Meeting in January Marsha St. John, Shandra Able, Tom Cate, Jill Davis, and Marili Shoop were elected to Vestry. Thank you to Phyllis Callaway, Jerry Lowery, Jeff Sellins, and Amy Wasson, who have just rotated off Vestry, for their years of service.



Happening #61 at St. Luke's!

As many of you know, Happening has been an important journey for many of the Sr. High youth of our parish. On March 4th-6th, St. Luke's will be hosting Happening #61, with our very own **Sandra Randolph** as the Youth Rector for the weekend.

On Sunday, March 6th, there will be a combined Adult Church School Class in the Parish Hall, facilitated by Jeff Sellins and John Hagler. A combined Children and Youth Church School Class will meet in the Children's Chapel. (Please use the exterior stairs to reach the chapel so as not to disturb the Happeners, as Happening is meant to be a cloistered environment.)

St. Luke's Parish Family Notes

Congratulations to Brenda and Jim Martin in the recent birth of their grandson, Martin Reed Peachey. Reed's parents are Katie and Matthew Peachey.

Congratulations to Phil and Meg Jacobs in the recent birth of their daughter, Vivienne Hays Jacobs.

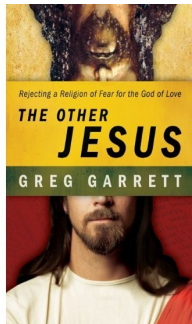
Congratulations to Luke Weston Floyd who was baptized in January. Luke is the son of Wesley Eugene Floyd and Catherine Nicole Stanfill Floyd and the grandson of Ginger Shealy.

Sympathy to Sheridan Randolph and family in the recent death of his mother, Helen.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church has a wonderful resource library on the first floor of the Parish House, across from Father Joel's office. In the Library are works of Biblical scholarship, theology, philosophy, spirituality, faith formation, church history, preaching and teaching. As part of St. Luke's commitment to ongoing Christian Education, we will be ordering new books for the library every few months or so on a wide range of subjects. You are invited to stop by and check out these new additions to supplement your own continuing education and faith formation. New books will be highlighted ever so often in *The Heart* and on the bulletin boards in the Parish Hall.

New in the Library

Look for these new titles in the St. Luke's Library, coming this March.



The Other Jesus: Rejecting a Religion of Fear for the God of Love
by Greg Garrett

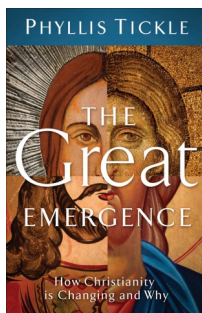
From the Author

The Other Jesus is the culmination of my fifteen-year journey back to faith after many more years outside the Christian tradition. I've written a spiritual autobiography telling the story of that journey (*Crossing Myself* and *No Idea*) and a number of books on how I felt literature and culture communicating the presence of the Divine even in my darkest hours. I've written around the edges of faith; *The Other Jesus* takes all these lessons and tries to confront head on the challenges and possibilities of 21st Century Christianity.

People outside the faith are developing an overwhelmingly negative view of Christian faith, and while I have nothing but scorn for current attempts to focus-group faith, I cite a number of leaders of the Church who agree that these negatives often reflect our failure to live out the authentic message of Jesus. Ironically, people who know of Jesus but do not follow him can remind us what it is we are supposed to be doing. I want to reject cultural visions of Jesus and the resulting Christian faith for the Jesus who healed and fed, who reached out to the marginalized, and who said that all the commandments could be summed up in the need to love God and love our neighbors.

In *The Other Jesus*, I tell stories, ask hard questions, and propose possible ways forward. In various chapters, I explore how we can pay attention to the Bible in a way that is both faithful and authentic; I suggest that the ancient wisdom traditions of Christianity can give us strength and courage today; I consider some harmful contemporary beliefs and some damaging real-life implications of pursuing them; and I argue for interfaith relations based on living out our faith instead of denying it.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, says that *The Other Jesus* "opens fresh windows for the imagination and fresh perspectives on the figure of Jesus as the one on whom all our human hopes for joy and reconciliation can converge." Certainly this was my hope in writing; my life has been transformed by an encounter with Christ, and I believe that encounter can be life-changing and life-giving for you as well. Please join me for conversation about what it might look like if we trained our vision on the Other Jesus and tried to follow him faithfully into a life of service, compassion, and love.



The Great Emergence: How Christianity is Changing and Why
by Phyllis Tickle

Official Review from Booklist Online

Long an astute observer of religion, Tickle examines a phenomenon she refers to as the Great Emergence, a once-every-500-years trend within Christianity, in which a new and "more vital" form of the religion emerges. She believes such a development is happening now. To make her case, she examines the complex history of Christianity from Copernicus' heretical idea that the earth circled the sun to the sixteenth-century Great Reformation to the Catholic Counter-Reformation. She also examines the effect on religion of great nineteenth- and twentieth-century cultural and social upheavals including those wrought by Darwin's Origin of Species; Faraday's field theory, which became foundational for the technology we all take for granted today; and the theories of Sigmund Freud, Carl Jung, Albert Einstein, and Joseph Campbell. She explores the impact that the rise of the automobile has on Christian worship and church service while also making brief forays into the origins of Pentecostalism, the influence of Karl Marx, Buddhism, Alcoholics Anonymous, recreational drug use, and the changing roles of women and, hence, the notion of the traditional family, in society since World War II. Somehow all these diverse strands come together in a seamless fabric that, at fewer than 200 pages, is small but full of big ideas, a remarkable achievement of synthesis and thoughtful reflections. Review by June Sawyers

Also coming in March: *The Meal Jesus Gave Us* by N. T. Wright, *Grace (Eventually)* by Anne Lamott, *A Faith of Your Own* by Ronald Allen, and *Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate* by Jerry Bridges.

Server Schedule for **Ash Wednesday, MARCH 2011** through **April 3rd, 2011**

<i>If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange for a replacement</i>	Ash Wednesday	1 Lent	Lenten Choral Evensong	2 Lent	3 Lent	4 Lent
	March 9th	March 13th	March 13th	March 20th	March 27th	April 3rd
8:00 AM	12:10 PM	8:00 AM	6:00 PM	8:00 AM		
Lay Reader	LR — Lou Patten CB — Lou Patten Isaac Doty Acolyte — Lou Patten Ushers — Bill Littlejohn Jack Seymour	Mike Callaway	LR — Mark Shoop 1st — Barry Turpin 2nd — Liz Turpin Crucifer — Michael Shoop Ushers — Tom Wasson Amy Wasson	Pam Park	Kelsey Wofford	Sanders Moore
Chalice Bearer		Dan Crook		Pam Park	Armen Epperson	Sanders Moore
Acolyte		Lester Simerville		Pam Park	Armen Epperson	Jack Seymour
Usher		Bill Littlejohn		Gary Davis	Mike Callaway	Tom Grant
Usher		Jane Littlejohn		Jill Davis	Phyllis Callaway	Geneie Grant
Greeter		Jane Littlejohn		Jill Davis	Phyllis Callaway	Geneie Grant
9:30 AM				9:30 AM		
LR/CB		Ledford Leabow		Lou Patten	Don Dietrich	Mark Shoop
CB/Acolyte		Tammy Randolph		Mark Able	Helen Lewis	Lou Patten
Usher		Bob St. John		Sanders Moore	Joe Markham	Christy Mahan
Usher		Marsha St. John		Jim Burton	Tammy Randolph	Janey Patten
10:45 AM	6:00 PM	10:45 AM				
Lay Reader	LR — Jerry Lowery CB — Jerry Lowery Acolyte — Isaac Doty Ushers — Ray Hackett Bondy Hackett Greeter — Bondy Hackett	Hazel Steel		Jerry Lowery	Kevin Kerr	Isaac Doty
Chalice Bearer		Ian Harper		Jerry Lowery	Ann Hendricks	Isaac Doty
1st Server		Allie Harper		Autumn Kelly	Emma Curtis	Briley Moore
2nd Server		Ian Harper		Christian Kelly	Hallie Hughes	Lucy Leach
Crucifer		Kate Harper		Mackenzie Mahan	Jack Henry Hughes	Michael Shoop
Usher		Tom Krupa		Larry Cook	Ray Hackett	Doug Moore
Usher			John Hagler		Tom Cate	Bondy Hackett
Usher Assist		Jack Milne		Christy Mahan	Jeff Sellins	Paul Leach
Greeter		Amy Wasson		Tom Cate	Bondy Hackett	Jane Rolison
Host		Paul Leach and Kathy Melton		Janey Patten Heather Jackson	Jim and Philomena Davis	Margaret Ann and Sheridan Randolph
Altar Guild	March 7—13		March 14—20		March 21—27	Mar 28—April 3
Linens/March Joyce Cruz Kathy Melton	<u>Patty Callaway</u> Ruth Dunaway Mark James Sandy Farlow		<u>Pat Pierce</u> Joyce Cruz Bondy Hackett Judy Cobb		<u>Annie Hadland</u> Mark Shoop Mark James Amy Wasson	<u>Patty Callaway</u> Sylvia Coyle Joan Baker
Brass Polishing	March 11 — Nancy Green, Carl Moore, Jo Groothius, Joyce Cruz		March 25 — Joyce Cruz, Sammy Hayden, Annie Hadland		April 8 — Tom Krupa, Elizabeth Krupa, Nancy Green, Carl Moore	

Calendar for the Month of **MARCH** 2011

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 5:15 PM St. Cecilia's Choir 6:15 PM Adult Choir	3 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist	4 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast	5
				#60 Staff Overnight	Happening #60 @ St. Luke's Fri. 8pm—Sun. 5pm	
6 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II, Adult Choir, Church School 10:45 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II NO EYC Tonight	7 6:30 PM Edu. for Ministry (EfM)	8	9 Ash Wednesday 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes 5:15 PM St. Cecilia's Choir 6:00 PM Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes 7:00 PM Adult Choir 7:15 PM Vestry Meeting	10 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist	11 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast	12
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		Holy Week April 17 — Palm Sunday April 21 — Maundy Thursday April 22 — Good Friday April 23 — Easter Egg Hunt April 24 — Easter Sunday			Deadline for April Issue: <i>March 21</i>	

STEPS TO CHRISTIAN LIVING

Lenten Discipline

by Fran Henry

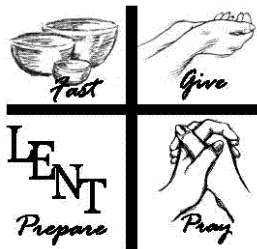
Ash Wednesday is on March 9th and begins the church season of Lent. Before you decide what you are going to do for your **Lenten discipline** you might want to do this exercise that I use often in coaching. It is known as Start, Stop, or Continue. Often times our plates are so full that taking something more on feels like it will make us **crash and burn**. We know God is not about that.



The exercise is to list everything you have on your plate (**to-do list**) on a sheet of paper. Then on a new page, make three vertical columns and label one column **Start**, one **Stop**, and one **Continue**.

Next you will take each entry on your to-do list and put it under one of the three column headings. Of course you will want to **invite God to help** you discern where each task goes. Don't worry about the how, until you complete the list. God knows the how, you simply have to **become willing**. After all, we pray in the Lord's Prayer, "Thy will be done."

Last year one of my Lenten commitments was to **Stop** all TV, newspapers, etc during dinner. Of course I had to ask for my husband's cooperation. We found such value in it that we have maintained the commitment.



Now that you have your list completed and you are willing to follow your findings, you should have the time, space and energy to implement your Lenten discipline. Your discipline should **evolve you** in one or all of these areas – **mental, spiritual, and physical**.

If you would like help from your spiritual community, regularly attend one of St. Luke's Sunday School Classes. In **Steps to Christian Living**, we would love to have you join our discussions which are always designed to evolve you. Perhaps that can be your Lenten discipline for 2011.

Your Sister in Christ,
Fran Henry



THE GOOD NEWS EXPRESS

Bible Story - Jesus and the Children

MEMORY VERSE: Let the Little Children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the Kingdom of God belongs. (Mark 10:13-16)

MAIN IDEA:

Jesus proclaimed through his words and actions that children are valued by God. Children have important roles to play in the community of faith.

OBJECTIVES:

Children will have the opportunity to hear the story of Jesus welcoming the children, experience being a valued part of the faith community, see that we are all children of God, and that every person is someone of worth.

Christian Education at St. Luke's

St. Luke's Women's Bible Study

Beginning in March, the Women's Bible Study will begin studying the Gospel of John, seeking perspective on how the New Testament guided the earliest Christians while remaining relevant to us today.

Drawing on our recent study of the Gospel of Matthew, we will make comparisons between the Synoptic tradition and the fourth Gospel, seeking common ground between them as well as examining their differences.

Using N.T. Wright's *The Gospel of John* from the For Everyone series as our guide, we will explore how John's understanding of Christ has shaped our experience as Christians.

The Women's Bible Study meets in the 1st floor classroom of the Parish House, Wednesdays, at 10:00 AM. All women of the church are invited to attend.

St. Luke's has several offerings in Christian Education throughout the week. Each offers a unique approach to the Bible and Christian Living, come join us!

Adult Bible Study
Steps to Christian Living
Inquirer's Class
Sundays, 9:30am

Education for Ministry
Monday, 6:30pm

Women's Bible Study
Wednesdays, 10:00am
Men's Prayer Breakfast
Fridays, 7:00am



THE BISHOP-ELECT OF THE DIOCESE OF EAST TENNESSEE



The Rev. George D. Young, III, was elected on Saturday, Feb. 12 as fourth bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee, pending the required consents from a majority of bishops with jurisdiction and standing committees of the Episcopal Church.

Young, 55, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Fernandina Beach, Florida, was elected on the eighth ballot out of a field of five nominees. He received 107 votes of 142 cast in the lay order and 59 of 84 cast in the clergy order. An election on that ballot required 95 in the lay order and 56 in the clergy order.

Young asked the Rt. Rev. Charles G. vonRosenberg to convey his excitement about the future and said that he is looking forward to being with us in our future ministry in East Tennessee.

Pending approval from the Standing Committees of the Church, the Rev. Young will be ordained as Bishop on June 25, 2011 at The Church of the Ascension, Knoxville, Tennessee. To learn more about Rev. Young or the Transition Process, please visit www.etdiocese-search.com.



All Things Anglican -- Anglicans and the Apocrypha

by Art Bass+

From time to time at St. Luke's, we hear Old Testament readings at the Eucharist from such books as Tobit, Wisdom, or Sirach. When this happens, there are often questions after the service from parishioners wanting to know, "Where did that first reading come from?" The answer is that it came from a part of the Bible which Anglicans call the Apocrypha, or less often, the Deuterocanonical books. Some of the books from the Apocrypha are incorporated into the lectionaries of the Roman Catholic, Orthodox, and Anglican Churches and are thus occasionally read in church. Protestants generally reject these additional books as being without any authority and make no use of them except perhaps for historical study.

The story of how the Apocrypha came to be is an interesting one. The first collection of all the Hebrew scriptures was known as the Septuagint. Completed around 132 B.C., the Septuagint was written in Greek and was intended to be a complete collection of Jewish religious texts for the great library in Alexandria, Egypt. Later, the Septuagint came to be the Old Testament of the early church when Emperor Constantine commissioned Bishop Eusebius to

prepare the first complete Christian Bible in 331 A.D.

But while the Christian religion embraced the Septuagint, the Jewish religion did not. In 100 A.D. a group of Jewish scholars came together in Jamnia, Israel and determined the official or canonical list of books to be included in the Hebrew Bible. That list corresponds exactly with the list of Old Testament books now accepted by protestant Christians. The extra books from the Septuagint which were excluded at Jamnia make up the Apocrypha.

The books of the Apocrypha are as follows: 3 Esdras, 4 Esdras, Tobias (or Tobit), Judith, Rest of Esther, Wisdom, Sirach (or Ecclesiasticus), Baruch, Song of the Three Children, Story of Susanna, Bel and the Dragon, Prayer of Manasses, 1 Macabees, and 2 Macabees.

During the Counter-Reformation at the Council of Trent, the Roman Catholic Church decided that all of the above (except for the Prayer of Manasses, 3 Esdras, and 4 Esdras) were canonical and should be included in the Old Testament. The books of the Apocrypha thus accepted came to be known among Roman Catholics as the Deuterocanonical

books, which means "second canon" books. Protestant Christians, however, do not accept any of the Apocrypha as canonical.

Anglicans have always followed a middle of the way course regarding the Apocrypha. Article VI of the Thirty-nine Articles, promulgated in 1571 during the reign of Elizabeth I, agreed with Catholics that the books of the Apocrypha were suitable for reading and instruction, but in protestant fashion, this article rejected their use in the establishment or support of church doctrine.

Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox editions of the Bible disperse the books of the Apocrypha throughout the Old Testament, but Anglicans have usually grouped them into a special section placed between the Old and New Testaments. This was done in both the Great English Bible and in the King James Bible, although protestant versions of the King James Bible usually omit the Apocrypha altogether. The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, which was sponsored by the National Council of Churches, is published in editions which exclude the Apocrypha for protestant use and in editions which include it in a special section for Anglican/Episcopal use.