



The Steeple

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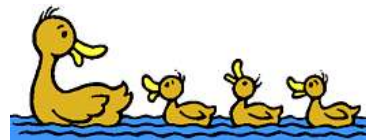
August 4, 2010

The CONCERN Center's 5th Annual Great Duck Dip

Saturday, August 7

5:00 – 8:00pm, Johnstone Park

A chance to win over 30 prizes is \$5 per duck! You do not need to be present to win! Tickets are available at CONCERN, 333 SW Penn, the Concern Child Learning Center, 1225 SW 5th, or by calling 336-8543 or 336-4693. Bring a lawn chair and join us at the park for a benefit concert featuring Bartlesville native **Becky Hobbs**. She is a Nashville recording artist and will provide a benefit concert in support of CONCERN. Please come out to support CONCERN.



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Important Dates To Remember

CONCERN Center's Great Duck Dip Fundraiser, Sat., Aug. 7, Johnstone Park (see article this pg.)

Washington County School Supply Drive Packing Day, Aug. 8; Distribution Days, Aug. 9 & 10, Metcalf Hall (see article this pg.)

Vestry Meeting, Monday, Aug. 9, 7:15pm

First Day of School, Wednesday, August 11

It's Time to PACK THE BACKPACKS Sunday, August 8th

The Washington County School Supply Drive will be packing backpacks for children who can't afford school supplies on **Sunday, August 8th from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm** in Metcalf Hall and we'll be stacking the backpacks for distribution from **6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**. Come join hundreds of folks from around Bartlesville who come together to pack over 2,000 backpacks. We have tasks for people of all sizes and ages. Please join us – you'll have a great time.

St. Luke's has always been most generous in its support of the WCSSD and for that we can't thank you enough. Call us anytime with questions – Bob and Melinda Wesneski (333-7758).



From the Curate



This edition of “The Steeple” arrives to at your doorstep just after the celebration has begun to quiet down after “the BIG weekend,” that weekend being the day of my ordination to the priesthood and my first Sunday to preside at the Eucharist. Excitement built and built, people gathered from across Bartlesville and many corners of the country, and many, many people worked diligently to coordinate or volunteer for this or that part of the celebration to make it meaningful and memorable. No piece of the celebration was missed...right down to the finishing touch of my favorite food, homemade strawberry ice cream. I am incredibly thankful, humbled, and honored by your witness as I crossed a new threshold into a new facet of ministry.

However, much else has taken place during this past month, which has been my first month serving as your Curate here at St. Luke's. Before we could move to make plans to celebrate my ordination together, there were considerable efforts on the part of many to welcome Richard and me into your community. I think the community of St. Luke's could rival the level of hospitality Abraham showed his three visitors in chapter 18 of Genesis. While you might not have brought us water to wash our feet and “selected a choice tender calf,” you have provided us with a pantry full of items to make many a meal; and, a couple of your beloved members, who just happen to be our next door neighbors, even opened up their garden for sharing. You've “pounded” us, you've begun to share your stories with us, you've invited us to dinner, and you've started to pop by the office to introduce yourselves or just say hi, you've shared your favorite spots around town, you've been curious to know more about this new curate and her husband. I could go on more ... let's just say that, overall you've helped us to settle right in and begin to make Bartlesville home. Now when I look around during worship together, I'm beginning to see familiar faces --- it's a wonderful thing to begin feeling connected.

As Fr. Lee has mentioned, typically St. Luke's and their curates have had more time to get more acquainted with each other before “the BIG day” arrives. With recent changes in the ordination process, this is no longer the case. Thankfully St. Luke's capacity for hospitality has not been impacted by this change – the capacity to welcome all who cross its threshold with “Arms Wide Open” is a way of life at St. Luke's as near as I can tell. I've found myself humbled and honored these past thirty days as I've been on the receiving end of your generosity and hospitality, what a wonderful gift with which to bestow upon a new priest in the church. May we all continue to share God's hospitality and love with each other here at St. Luke's and beyond its walls as we live our lives to the glory of God.

Blessings ~
Stephanie

Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 8, 2010
8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
10:30am Rite II

Monday, August 9, 2010
8:45am Morning Prayer
9am-6pm Washington County
School Supply Distribution, MH & RH
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist
7:15pm Vestry Mtg.

Tuesday, August 10, 2010
9am-3pm Washington County
School Supply Distribution, MH
4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

Wednesday, August 11, 2010

Thursday, August 12, 2010
6:45am Men's Fellowship
12:00pm Holy Eucharist
4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

Friday, August 13, 2010

Saturday, August 14, 2010

Sunday, August 15, 2010
8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
10:30am Rite II

Monday, August 16, 2010
8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, August 17, 2010
4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

JOIN THE FOLDING GUILD!

The Steeple newsletter “folding guild” needs more volunteers. A group of dedicated volunteers folds and labels our newsletter for mailing every Wednesday at 10am in Metcalf Hall. But our numbers are dwindling! No special skills required! Questions? Call Ann in the church office, 336-1212.



With Sympathy

Sincere sympathy and prayers to James & Patty Vail (1401 Cherokee Hills Dr., 74006) on the death of James' father, *Albert Vail*, of Bartlesville, on Thursday, July 29. Funeral services for Mr. Vail were held on Tuesday, August 3.

ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following persons
in your prayers...

(Names on the Prayer List will be rotated
off every 4 weeks. If there is a need for
continued prayers, please let us know.)

Walt, Edress, Isaac, Anne, Shelby, Marty,
Virginia, Phil, Amy, Chelsey, Marjean,
Nathan, Cheryl, Jean, Bill, Michelle, Maris,
Howard, Barbara, Will, David, Laurel,
Roberta, Moon, Joe, Steve, Elizabeth,
Mark, Jan, Joseph, Brandon, Jeremy, Greg,
Natalie

If you have a prayer request, please call or
e-mail our Prayer Ministry Coordinators:

Thelma Blackburn (333-7902,
TPBGEN@aol.com) or Richard
Chamberlain (333-5591,
Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net)



Favorite hymns for August 8
include those chosen by: Rusty Hoff,
Hugh Harrison, Becky Liehr, the
Simmons family, and Fr. Lee
Stephens.

A word about the offertory song for Sunday, August 8,
"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"...

We are blessed with a rich inheritance of music from many
peoples, styles of music, historic and worship traditions. The
songs God's people sing contain and reflect the very heights and
depths of human joy and sorrow, of exuberant faith and
perplexing doubt, of soaring thanksgiving and pleading humility.

The musical setting for "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" (a
Negro Spiritual), was composed by Robert Hobby, a young, very
tall, red-headed Lutheran organist/composer with whom I had the
pleasure of working recently at a church music conference in
Lexington, KY. It is by the grace of God that a man, so far
removed from the experience of a people from whom this
profoundly moving spiritual was born, could compose a setting
that honors the remembrance of those children of God so
oppressed by slavery. We continue to sing their songs even as we
must continue to pray that God will guide us in recognizing
oppression in our own day and time.

Come sing with us!

AGAPE MISSION Food 4 Kids Program

**If you don't think Bartlesville has
hungry children, think again.**

46% of our elementary and junior
high kids get free or discounted
school lunches. What are they eating
on the weekends? With as little as
\$3 per backpack, Agape Mission
makes sure that over 420 children
have food every weekend through
our Food 4 Kids Backpack Program.



Agape Mission is gearing
up for the 2010-11 school
year. If you would like to
donate to the Food 4 Kids

program, bring your items to church
and place them in the designated
box outside of the nursery. Tammy
Baughman, our nursery attendant,
will make sure your donations are
taken to Agape.

Items needed for this program are:

- Cereal cereal bars
- Raisins (snack sized boxes)
- Cheese crackers
- Vanilla & chocolate puddings
(no refrigeration needed kind)
- Fruit cups
- Sunflower seeds (shelled)
- Fruit snacks
- 100% Fruit Juice (individual boxes)

Also, if you have plastic grocery
sacks, we could really use them.
Thank you so much!

SUMMER DISCIPLESHIP FORUM

Reviews of Recommended Reading
Sundays, 9:15am, Metcalf Hall

We are continuing our recommended reading reviews every Sunday
during the Discipleship Forum at 9:15am in Metcalf Hall. Various
parishioners have volunteered to review books that they consider
worth reading. If you have something you would like to present, call
or email Fr. Lee to get on the schedule. There will also be
opportunities to sign up on Sundays during the Forum. Please join
us for what has proven to be an enlightening and lively forum.

CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Church School Classes and Children's Chapel are tentatively
scheduled to resume on Sunday, September 12. Please watch *The*

Steeple newsletter for updates. Volunteers and
substitutes are always needed. For more
information, please contact our curate, Stephanie
Mitchell at smitchell@episcopalbartlesville.org or
336-1212.



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Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 8/8/10 through 8/15/10

Acolytes
Sunday, August 8, 2010
10:30 a.m.

Servers

Jack Wiseman
Tom Wiseman

Crucifer

Tom Wiseman

Torchbearers

Dave Wiseman
Anneke Borg

Sunday, August 15, 2010
10:30 a.m.

Servers

Jack Wiseman
Katie Todd

Crucifer

Katie Todd

Torchbearers

Grace Mitchell
Max Mitchell

Scripture Lessons for
Sunday, 8/8/10

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

Music for Sunday, 8/8/10

"Will You Come and Follow Me?" (text: WLP #757)

#589 – "Almighty God, Your Word is Cast"

WLP #805 – "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

#312 – "Strengthen for Service, Lord"

#671 – "Amazing Grace"

Plate Counters
Sunday, August 8, 2010

Jim Malone

Sunday, August 15, 2010

Debbie & Dennis

Mueggenborg

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have any information that you would like printed in *The Steeple* to the church office no later than Tuesdays, 12 noon. Thank you!

St. Luke's Bookstore

The Bookstore is open Sundays between the two services and after the 10:30 service. All proceeds from sales go to St. Luke's Outreach Projects.

**To volunteer, you may call Melinda Wesneski, 333-7758 or Barbara Martin, 336-8445.*

Greeters
Sunday, Aug. 8, 2010
8:00am

Don & Cheri Doty

10:30am

Truly & Paul Johnson
Carolyn Lawrence

Sunday, Aug. 15, 2010

8:00am

Sue Glass

10:30am

Betty Hardin
Debbie & Dennis
Mueggenborg

Ushers
Sunday, August 8, 2010
8:00 a.m.

Kemp, Gardner

10:30am

Blackburn, Ferguson

Sunday, August 15, 2010

8:00am

Kemp, Zervas

10:30am

Bonner, Clark

Children's Chapel

No Children's Chapel during the summer months. We will resume our regular schedule when school is back in session.

ECW Bereavement
Committee
August 2010

Ferguson, Schilling, Sparks

September 2010

Blackburn, Liehr

Layreaders
Sunday, August 8, 2010
8:00am

S. Williams, P. Williams
10:30am

M. Watkins, L. Watkins

Kedy, Buhlinger

Sunday, Aug. 15, 2010

8:00am

Grillot, Birk

10:30am

L. Watkins, P. Williams
Green, M. Watkins

Church Nursery
Volunteers

Aug. 8 – Barbara Todd

Aug. 15 – Rosy Zuklic

Aug. 22 – Cordy Liggett

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions. To Volunteer, or to be a sub, you may call Tammy Baughman, 336-0126.

Agape Mission
2nd Thursday (8/12/10)
9am-11am

Cheri Doty, Karen Rukovena
10:45am-1pm

Becky Liehr, Rita Childers,
Marcia Zervas, Kathy Zervas,
Rusty Hoff

1:00-2:45pm

Sharon Schilling,
Melinda Droeg