

The Steeple

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Luke & Tom



Festival

ST. LUKE'S DAY PICNIC!

Sunday, October 17
Osage Hills State Park,
1:00 pm

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Important Dates



To Remember

ECW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale, Thurs.-Fri., Sept. 30-Oct. 1, Rodgers Hall

Regional Delegates Mtg., Sun. Oct. 3, 2pm, Vinita

CROP Walk, Sun., Oct. 10, 2pm

St. Luke's Day All Parish Picnic, Osage Hills State Park, Sunday, Oct. 17, 1pm

St. Luke's Day will soon be here! We will be celebrating by having an All-Parish Picnic at Osage Hills State Park with our friends from St. Thomas Parish in Pawhuska.

- The picnic begins at **1:00 p.m.** and is being catered by Mthr. Andrea Jones' son-in-law, who is a professional chef! Yum!
- There will be games for children of all ages! (1-99!)
- Tickets will be available for sale every Sunday for the next several weeks for \$5/person; those under age 10 are free!
- Everyone is asked to bring lawn chairs to the picnic.
- When you come to church that morning, wear your casual "picnic" clothes so that you can just head to the park right after church!

Hope to see you there!





FROM THE RECTOR

The Roof Repair Fund

Two major gifts toward the Fund have put us half way toward our goal of \$50,000! I am amazed and so very grateful. Indeed, pledges and gifts started coming in before Lynda and I filled out our card – which we have now done. What a parish!

One “Old-timer” sent a check saying the church leaked from the day it was built. I laughed because I knew he was talking about the leaky Steeple which indeed leaked in the Chancel of the Church from the day it was dedicated. A variety of efforts were made to stop the leak for about forty years and nothing worked. The caulking alone weighed as much as the Steeple itself! When I arrive on the scene in 1997, Jim Brooks convinced me he knew how to stop the leak – and together we convinced the Vestry. When we had raised the funds, the Steeple was removed, cleaned and repaired. Then an “inverted shower pan” was made and placed over the pedestal – and the Steeple replaced. I still delight in the success of this project and grateful from Jim’s insight. I found some pictures of the event and have put them on the bulletin board just for fun.

Clergy Conference

By the time you read this, Stephanie, Doug and I will have returned from our annual Clergy Conference at St. Crispin’s. I never want to take the time out of my schedule for this three-day event and then I am always grateful for the experience. All the clergy of the diocese are required to be there. This is one of only two times a year when the Bishop meets with all of us together. He always has things to share with us, but he also allows time for us to talk with him – questions, concerns, perspectives – the dialogue is most always positive and helpful. The Bishop also has a resource person from outside of the diocese address us concerning particular subjects, issues and insights. This is usually a continuing education type of experience. In and around all of this we have the opportunity of worship, support and enjoyment of our clergy friends. In the end, I most always feel renewed.

Praying the Hours Guides

I forgot to mention them on Sunday, but the guide for Praying the Hours was in the Narthex as promised – just too many other things on my mind. So, copies will still be there on Sunday as well as in the parish office through the week. Several people have said they prayer guide is helpful. I am putting additional prayers on my Grace Notes Blog for those who want them. If you have a favorite, send it to me and I will add it to the choices.

There is still time to join one of the Spiritual Discipline Groups. The morning group meets on Tuesdays at 10:00. The next meeting of the evening group is Wednesday, October 6th, at 7:00. Call or email if you have questions.

The Potluck Supper

Deborah Cooper and Maureen Forsythe did a great job in planning and hosting the Potluck Supper on Sunday night. There were a lot of people and we had fun. We will be hearing more from this group in the coming weeks. What I appreciated most was getting to be with people in a relaxed and loving atmosphere marked by laughter and conversation – not to mention the great food. Being together is a good thing!

Blessings,

Fr. Lee+

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 3, 2010

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Church School
10:30am Rite II
12:00pm Acolyte Party
2:00pm Regional Delegates Mtg.,
St. John's, Vinita

Monday, October 4, 2010

8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, October 5, 2010

10:00am Spiritual Disciplines Group,
library
4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

Wednesday, October 6, 2010

6-8pm Young Disciples
7:00pm Choir
7:00pm Spiritual Disciplines Group,
library

Thursday, October 7, 2010

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

Friday, October 8, 2010

Saturday, October 9, 2010

Sunday, October 10, 2010

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Church School
10:30am Rite II
2:00pm CROP Walk, BHS parking lot

Monday, October 11, 2010

8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist
7:15pm Vestry Mtg.

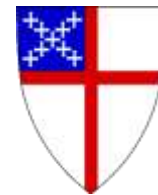
Sunday Discipleship

Forum:

EPISCOPAL SPIRITUALITY

Sundays, 9:15am,

Metcalf Hall



This study takes us beyond being a member of the Church to a spirituality for a life of faith. The text

for the class is Jenifer Gamber's Your Faith, Your Life. The class is good for those who are new to the Episcopal Church and those who have been life-time members. The books are available in St. Luke's Bookstore.

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.)

Malcolm, Charles, Megan, Stratford, Lynn,
Scott, Kim, Ben, Carmen, Martin, Edress,
Isaac, Anne, Shelby, Marty, Virginia,
Marjean, Nathan, Steve, Jean, Bill, Will,
Laurel, Moon, Elizabeth, 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
Chambertain (333-5591,
Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net)

2010 CROP WALK

This year's CROP Walk is **Sunday, October 10, 2pm** in the east parking lot behind Bartlesville High School.

Walkers will make their way toward Pathfinder Parkway. The CROP Walk is an annual event when members of the community come together to take a stand against hunger in our world.

Together, we raise awareness and funds for international relief and development, as well as fighting hunger locally. 25% of money raised will go to CONCERN.

If you would like to participate in the walk, please see Tim Simmons to obtain a pledge sheet. If you are unable to participate in the walk on the 10th, please support one of those that are walking by signing their pledge sheet.

ACOLYTE SUNDAY

October 3

All of St. Luke's Acolytes will be in attendance during the 10:30 Eucharist on Sunday, Oct. 3. All new acolytes will be commissioned and there will be special recognition for those who have changed positions since last fall. After the service, a group photo will be taken and the Annual Acolyte Party will begin!



Treasure Sale News

2nd Edition Treasure Sale coming soon!

November 12 & 13

Mark your calendars for October 12 – 15!

Then search through all your very special "once-we-couldn't-do-without-them" items now collecting dust or in storage in the attic. Bring those hidden treasures to Metcalf Hall Monday-Friday, October 12 – 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Your treasures will be gratefully accepted and genuinely appreciated by your Treasure Sale committee. All proceeds from our 2nd Edition Treasure Sale will be given to St. Luke's local out-reach projects.

"Make a Joyful Noise"



Do you know what the connection is for these words: "windows, artist, St. Hilary, Joyce Wilson"? The children who were in Sunday School this past Sunday might give you a clue! They learned some interesting history about St. Luke's and people of St. Luke's while they were "Making a Joyful Noise"!

Supper Club Potluck – What Fun!

Thank you to everyone who came to the potluck on Sunday, Sept. 26. Sunday evening showed just how much of a family St. Luke's is with everyone helping each other, sharing with one another, and having fun. The input you provided for Supper Clubs is helping us plan the year. Most everyone wants to continue with groups of 6 to 8 people, but would also like another group gathering. We will have your groups by next week sometime and further plans on a Spring gathering, so watch your mail and *The Steeple* newsletter. For those who didn't come, please consider joining the group. We will find a place for you when you are ready.

Maureen Forsythe & Deborah Cooper

ROOF REPAIR FUND DRIVE

A letter to the parish was sent last week calling attention to a critical need. As a parish St. Luke's cares for people within the church and in the community in ever-increasing ways. Now St. Luke's buildings are in need of care and repair – specifically our roofs. The response to the appeal is wonderful!

As mentioned before, we have had an increasing number of leaks in different areas of the church. With the exception of the Narthex roof, no roofs need to be replaced, but the repairs will total about \$50,000. Some areas need to be addressed before freezing weather arrives. After securing and considering the bids, as well as talking with the roofing experts, the Building and Grounds Committee, Staff and Vestry agreed that a capital improvement campaign is needed to make the repairs as soon as possible.

Before we even began, the church received a very generous gift of \$10,000 for the needed repairs. Sunday another remarkable gift was given of \$15,000! We are well on our way and the pledges and gifts are just starting to come in.

The parish is being asked to help complete this capital fund drive by St. Luke's Day, Sunday, October 17th – just two weeks away. Please send your gift or pledge to protect and care for our facilities to the church office, or if you prefer, you can drop it in the offering plate on Sunday. Just designate in the memo area "Roof Repair." If possible, we would like to have roof pledges fulfilled by the end of the year. Gifts beyond our goal will be placed in a "Capital Improvement Fund" and used exclusively for that purpose.

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Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 10/3/10 through 10/10/10

Acolytes **Sunday, Oct. 3, 2010**

10:30 a.m.

Servers

Nicole Simmons
Lauren Heald
Crucifer
Lauren Heald
Torchbearers
Spencer Heald
Grace Dixon

Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010

10:30 a.m.

Servers

Jack Wiseman
Tom Wiseman

Crucifer

Tom Wiseman
Torchbearers
Dave Wiseman
Hayden Harlow

Scripture Lessons for **Sunday, 10/3/10**

Lamentations 1:1-6; Psalm
137; 2 Timothy 1:1-14;
Luke 17:5-10

Music for Sunday, 10/3/10

#518 – "Christ is Made the
Sure Foundation"
GATHER #252 – "We Walk By
Faith"
GATHER #335 – "Jesus, Wine
of Peace."
#346 (text) – "Completed,
Lord, the Holy Mysteries"
#544 – "Jesus Shall Reign
Where e'er the Sun"

Plate Counters

Sunday, Oct. 3, 2010

Volunteer needed, call Bob
Wesneski, 333-7758

Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010

Jim Malone
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, Oct. 3, 2010

8:00am

Don Davidson
10:30am

Glenn & Thelma
Blackburn

Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010

8:00am

Don & Cheri Doty
10:30am
Truly Johnson
Carolyn Lawrence

Church Nursery

Volunteers

Oct. 3 – Zella Simmons

Oct. 10 – Barbara Todd

Oct. 17 – Natalie Conner

Volunteers: Please make your
own substitutions. To Volunteer,
or to be a sub, you may call
Tammy Baughman, 440-8088.

Ushers

Sunday, Oct. 3, 2010

8:00 a.m.

Zervas, Gardner

10:30am

Malone, Simmons

Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010

8:00am

Kemp, Gardner

10:30am

Blackburn, Ferguson

Children's Chapel

Oct. 3 – Rosy Zuklic

Oct. 10 – Amy Borg

Oct. 17 – Tracy Harlow

Volunteers: Please make your own
substitutions. To Volunteer, or to be
a sub, you may call Stephanie
Mitchell, 336-1212 or 405-850-3321.

ECW Bereavement

Committee

October 2010

Hall, Martin, Winters

November 2010

Birk, Grillot

Agape Mission

2nd Thursday (10/14/10)

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 Droege