



# The Steeple

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## Important Dates To Remember

**Wine Tasting Party/Fundraiser,**  
Sun., Feb. 13, Metcalf Hall to benefit  
Ugandan Orphan Fund. (see article  
this pg.)

Effective February 2011, *Oklahoma's Mission* newsletter will no longer be published and mailed to households due to changes with *Episcopal Life*. The Diocese is reviewing different options for providing a more in-depth newsletter. To sign up to received the *Oklahoma's Mission* newsletter, please go to the Diocesan Website ([www.epiok.org](http://www.epiok.org)) and click on the button on the bottom left of the homepage.



To benefit the Ugandan Orphan Scholarships

St Luke's Supper Clubs  
Invite you to a  
Wine Tasting  
5 PM, Sunday February 13, 2011  
Metcalf Hall

**Sold Out!**

Seating is limited. For more information or to purchase your tickets, please contact Ann in the church office. (336-1212)

Excellent Wine  
Delicious Appetizers  
Prizes  
Fellowship

If you are not interested in wine tasting, alternative beverages will be available.

Wine Tasting will be directed by Will McClund  
5th and Shawnee Discount Liquors

Childcare upon request.

## "SOUPER" BOWL CONTINUED...

The NFL's 2011 Super Bowl is history, but hunger in our community is ongoing problem. Since attendance this past Sunday, Feb. 6 (St. Luke's "Souper" Bowl Sunday) was down because of the weather conditions, we are continuing to request donations of canned goods or cash that will help feed the hungry in our community through the CONCERN Food Pantry. Please bring you donations this coming Sunday, February 13. Thank you!





# FROM THE RECTOR

Well, how are things in your part of the world? How have you experienced God in the midst of it all? Our spiritual saints say God is ever-

present even in our pain and suffering – our doubts and fears – our failures and losses – in two successive twelve-inch plus snows in two weeks! Ok, I added the last one – but think about it. What can we learn from all of this?

This has been a challenging time with all the snow and attending complications. Plus, we came home Friday afternoon to a mess beyond description. A pipe had frozen and burst in the master bathroom. We are guessing that the water had been running for about two and half hours. The eastern third of the house was a swamp – two bedrooms, two bathrooms, linen closet and kitchen. The restoration people said they sucked up over two hundred and twenty gallons of water – and that does not include what went out the sliding glass doors in the kitchen and in the carpet that was carried out in pieces. Our house looked like a war zone!

And yet...

We have insurance that will cover everything except the deductible.

The plumbers were here within thirty minutes.

The restoration people were here in an hour and half.

The insurance agent was on the scene within three hours.

The insurance company provided a four hundred advance and a hotel room for Lynda and me and for Lynda's Mother.

The dehumidifiers and fans did their work.

The insurance adjuster called on Saturday and was reassuring.

Nothing of significance was lost.

We moved back home on Tuesday just before the next snow storm.

That afternoon the furnace went out, but our heating and air conditioning man came within thirty minutes and secured the needed part (the last one in Bartlesville) and had us going within an hour.

We will get new carpet for two bedrooms. A friend offered to meet us on Saturday morning to go over the carpet options.

We had plenty of food and cleaning supplies in the house.

Offers came from many people wanting to help – though there was little they could do – but the offers backed by love meant a lot.

At the last minute we were invited to a Super Bowl dinner with friends – delightful!

I was still able to work as usual including...

The Discipleship Forum on "God the What?" was fascinating.

The Eucharist was really different in a good way – much joy and laughter.

The Tuesday morning Spiritual Direction Group was inspiring.

In and around all of this I was able to help a family who had no heat or water because the landlord is actually a "slumlord."

A neighbor died and I was able to help the family in some small ways.

Through it all I have been privileged to see the goodness in so many people in the last week – amazingly helpful and caring.

I have many reasons to be grateful. And, there has been a Presence that helped me to more than survive. It is hard to explain, but I been very mindful that I am very fortunate – more than most – and blessed by God's presence each step of the way. I want to learn more and more how to live into that Presence and help others to do the same.

Blessings,  
Fr. Lee+



## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, February 13, 2011

8:00am Rite I  
9:15am Church School  
10:30am Rite II  
5:00pm Wine Tasting Fundraiser, MH

### Monday, February 14, 2011

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

### Tuesday, February 15, 2011

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

### Wednesday, February 16, 2011

10:00am Yoga Class, Rm. 217  
6-8pm Young Disciples, RH  
7:00pm Choir  
7:00pm Spiritual Direction Group, library

### Thursday, February 17, 2011

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

### Friday, February 18, 2011

### Saturday, February 19, 2011

### Sunday, February 20, 2011

8:00am Rite I  
9:15am Church School  
10:30am Rite II

### Monday, February 21, 2011

8:45am Morning Prayer  
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.  
5:30pm Holy Eucharist  
6:15pm Altar Guild Mtg.  
7:15pm Vestry Mtg.

## Jim Grillot Receives Award!

Last Sunday, Feb. 6, at both services, Jim Grillot received a long overdue recognition for all the work he does around the church. Deacon Doug



Freebern, who also serves as our Parish Administrator, presented a plaque to Jim which says, "St. Luke's Episcopal

Church Thanks Jim Grillot, Master Mechanic and Helper of All". The plaque has a medallion on it which depicts numerous tools that Jim uses.

Jim spends many hours every week diagnosing, fixing, and often replacing malfunctioning equipment from burned out light bulbs to 300 pound pump motors, all in order to save the church money and help our worship experience.

Jim thanked numerous individuals in the congregation for their help when he calls on them.

Deacon Doug thanked Jim and pointed out that because he makes his own job so much easier, he made sure there was no beginning or end date on the plaque for his service. Jim, thank you! We appreciate you very much!

## 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.)*

Ethan, Julie, Phil, Martin, Marty,  
Jeff, Rusty, Dianne, John, Earl,  
Mary, Max, Betty, Don, Dennis,  
Lindsay, Steve, Charles, Judie,  
Loise, Eilene, Chad, Edress,  
Krista, Jonathan, Shelby,  
Marjean, Nathan, Jean,  
Elizabeth, Will, Moon, Laurel,  
Joseph, Brandon, Greg, Jeremy

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

*Coordinators:*

*Thelma Blackburn (333-7902,*

*[TPBGEN@aol.com](mailto:TPBGEN@aol.com)) or*

*Richard Chamberlain (333-5591,*

*[Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net))*

## It's a Bible Study Date!

We'll gather starting this  
Thursday, Feb. 10 from 5:30 to  
6:30 pm in the church library.



Our first focus  
will be a couple  
of authentic  
letters of Paul.

First on the docket is the book  
of Galatians.

If you'd like to join us, there's  
still plenty of room! Read the  
first chapter in Paul's letter to  
the Galatians keeping in mind  
the 1st century Jewish context  
in which Paul was writing. I've  
got one small companion book  
remaining to review and then  
I'll make a recommendation to  
purchase and use as a scholarly  
voice in our study.

In curiosity  
~ Stephanie+

## ANNUAL MEETING RESULTS

Elections results from last week's Annual Meeting are as follows:

**Senior Warden:** Darian Kedy

**Junior Warden:** Jim Liehr

**Vestry (Class of 2013):** Connie Freebern, Jim Grillot, Wendy Hall & Truly Johnson.

**Lay Delegates for Diocesan Convention:** Jo Baughman, Kris Bonner, Steve Clark, Darian Kedy, Becky Liehr. Alternates: Connie Freebern, Lynda Stephens and Mike Watkins.

**Nominating Committee:** Karen Rukovena, chair; Nick Conner, Cindy Gasior, Miriam Petrovich and Mike Watkins.

The following motion was also approved: *"The St. Luke's Vestry will provide, by July 1, 2011, a special report for the membership detailing the function and operation of the Property Improvement and Maintenance Fund. This report will include, but not be limited to, the current maintenance status (buildings, equipment, fixtures, etc.) of all properties owned by St. Luke's, as well as past and current income from all St. Luke's rental properties."*

Copies of St. Luke's 2010 Annual Report are still available in the church office.

## VALENTINES FOR OUR "SPECIAL FRIENDS"

The "Special Friends Ministry" for St. Luke's homebound members would like to thank Church School teachers Amy Borg, Natalie Conner, Jennifer McIver, and Rosy Zuklic and their students for making the beautiful Valentines for our "Special Friends" and the volunteers who visit them. The Valentines were very much appreciated by the volunteers and recipients. Your time and talent brought many smiles.



Thank you!

*Sally Canfield, Inreach Chairperson*

## ADULT DISCIPLESHIP FORUM

**Sundays at 9:15am in Metcalf Hall**

Having explored the metaphors for God—old, biblical, new and possible—our attention goes to what we believe and experience of God. How does what we believe about God work with our metaphors for God? And, how do our metaphors reflect our beliefs? Join us on Sunday mornings as we continue our study & discussion on the book *God the what?* by Carolyn Bohler.

## Attention All Scrap Bookers!

You are welcome to attend an all day scrap booking event on Saturday, February 26 from 9 a.m. to 8p.m. in Metcalf Hall. Beginners to seasoned scrap bookers are welcome. It is come and go - come when you want and stay as long as you want. Please bring your scrap booking project and a snack to share. If you want to learn, we will teach you the fun in scrap booking - just bring your photos. Lunch and dinner are on your own. Questions? Call Penny Williams at 918-766-2157.



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The Rev. Dr. T. Lee Stephens, Rector ([leestephens@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:leestephens@episcopalbartlesville.org))  
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The Rev. Douglas Freebern, Deacon/Parish Administrator ([dfreebern@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:dfreebern@episcopalbartlesville.org))  
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Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 2/13/11 through 2/20/11

**Acolytes**  
**Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Servers  
Jack Wiseman  
Tom Wiseman  
Crucifer  
Tom Wiseman  
Torchbearers  
Dave Wiseman  
Hayden Harlow

**Sunday, Feb. 20 2011**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Servers  
Jack Wiseman  
Katie Todd  
Crucifer  
Katie Todd  
Torchbearers  
Grace Mitchell  
Max Mitchell

**Layreaders**  
**Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011**

8:00am  
Braden, S. Williams  
10:30am  
L. Watkins, Johnson  
Green, M. Watkins  
**Sunday, Feb. 20, 2011**  
8:00am  
S. Williams, P. Williams  
10:30am  
Wesneski, Sparks  
L. Watkins, Grillot

**Scripture Lessons for**  
**Sunday, 2/13/11**

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm  
119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9;  
Matthew 5:21-37

**Music for 2/13/11**

WLP #780 – “Lord, You Give  
the Great Commission”  
#628 – “Help Us, O Lord, to  
Learn”  
#318 – “Here, O My Lord, I  
See Thee Face to Face”  
#641 (text) – “Lord Jesus,  
Think On Me”  
#477 – “All Praise to Thee”

**Plate Counters**  
**Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011**

Jim Malone  
**Sunday, Feb. 20, 2011**  
Steve Clark

*Volunteers: Please make your  
own substitutions.*

**Sunday Coffee Hour Treats**

**Feb. 13** – Rukovena

**Feb. 20** – Nezam

**Feb. 27** – Cooper

*Call Maureen Forsythe,  
914-3320, to volunteer*

### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

Please have articles 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, Feb. 13, 2011**

8:00am

Don & Cheri Doty

10:30am

Truly Johnson,  
Carolyn Lawrence

**Sunday, Feb. 20, 2010**

8:00am

Sue Glass

10:30am

Betty Hardin  
Maureen & Steve  
Forsythe

**Church Nursery**

**Volunteers**

**Feb. 13** – Barbara Todd

**Feb. 20** – Natalie Conner

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

**Ushers**  
**Sunday, Feb. 13**

8:00 a.m.

Kemp, Gardner

10:30am

Blackburn, Ferguson

**Sunday, Feb. 20, 2011**

8:00am

Kemp, Zervas

10:30am

Bonner, Clark

**Children's Chapel**

**Feb. 13** – Amy Borg

**Feb. 20** – Tracy Harlow

**Feb. 27** – Tim & Zella Simmons

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

**ECW Bereavement Committee**  
**February 2011**

*Volunteers needed.*

*Contact church office, 336-1212  
or Sharon Schilling, 337-2107*

**March 2011**

Sydney Beasley, Sue Glass,  
Rusty Hoff

**Agape Mission**

**2nd Thursday (2/10/11)**

9am-11am

Cheri Doty, Karen Rukovena

10:45am-1pm

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

1-2:45pm

Sharon Schilling,  
Melinda Droege