

The Steeple

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*Episcopal Church Women's
Luncheon & Program
Monday, March 21
11:30 a.m., Metcalf Hall
Catered Lunch - \$8/person*

Becky Wallace will present the program on antique Victorian dolls. All women of the church and their guests are invited to attend. Contact Deborah Cooper for reservations: 918-766-5135 or deborahjcooper@yahoo.com

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Important Dates To Remember

ECW Luncheon & Program, Monday, March 21, 11:30am, Metcalf Hall (*see article this pg.*)

Co-Ed Cursillo, March 24-27, St. Crispin's Conference Ctr. (*see pg. 3*)



Lenten Opportunities at St. Luke's

Wednesday Morning Eucharist during Lent The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 7am every Wednesday in Lent, followed by a continental breakfast in Metcalf Hall. (March 9 through April 20)

Lenten Study 2011: THE PRAXIS OF FAITH Case Studies in Real Life The Lenten Study this year will be based life situations based on the "Journals of a Priest" – a compilation of life experiences. Participants will be invited to reflect, share and learn more about our faith in ways that matter and shape us. Scripture, Tradition, Reason and Experience centered in Christ will guide to a deeper spirituality and application of our faith. Three identical sessions will be offered for four weeks in the Church library beginning the week of March 20:

Sundays, beginning March 20, **5:00 p.m.** (*please note new time*)

Tuesdays, beginning March 22, 10:00 a.m. or

Wednesdays, beginning March 23, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Week April 17 – 23

Easter Sunday April 24



*Oh God be with me as I walk through this day
and sleep through this night.
Hold me gently in your arms and when I slip
from your side forgive me.
Teach me to do everything with the awareness
that you are with me always. Amen*

Praying the Hours

Upon Awakening: Thank you Lord for the gift of another day. Let me be filled with a generous spirit as I move through it. Let my actions and my thoughts be filled with love and kindness; a reflection of the love you have for me. Amen.

Midmorning: Oh God help me to remember to be more like you. Let me see you in others and be to them as you would be; encouraging, kind and loving. Amen.


Lunchtime: Thank you for a moment of rest in the middle of the day. Help me to continue to be aware of your presence as I am right now through the rest of the afternoon and evening. Amen.

Mid Afternoon: Lord let me take stock of the day and not schedule too much more into it. Let me take a moment to reflect and be with you - and then go on with you by my side. Amen.

Dinner: Lord help me to enjoy the evening with food and some reflection. Let me be aware of your presence and be grateful for the opportunities you put in my path to serve and see you. Amen.

At Bedtime: Oh God hold me gently in your arms. Restore me as I sleep. Forgive my faults and love me into being more like you as I lie in rest. Amen.

In the Night: Oh Lord calm my breath and my restless spirit that I may return to the peace of rest. Take away my fears and worries that surface in the dark. Hold me safely in your arms and let me return to sleep. Amen.



Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 20, 2011
8:00am Rite I
9:15am Church School
10:30am Rite II
5:00pm Lenten Study, library

Monday, March 21, 2011
8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
11:30am ECW Luncheon & Program, MH
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, March 22, 2011
10:00am Lenten Study, library
4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

Wednesday, March 23, 2011
7:00am Holy Eucharist
10:00am Yoga Class, Rm. 217
6-8pm Young Disciples
7:00pm Choir
7:00pm Lenten Study, library

Thursday, March 24, 2011
6:45am Men's Fellowship
9:30am Bible Study, library
12:00pm Holy Eucharist
4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217
5:30pm Bible Study, library
March 24-27, Co-Ed Cursillo, St. Crispin's

Friday, March 25, 2011

Saturday, March 26, 2011

Sunday, March 27, 2011
8:00am Rite I
9:15am Church School
10:30am Rite II
5:00pm Lenten Study, library

Monday, March 28, 2011
8:45am Morning Prayer
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Episcopal Church Women's SEMI-ANNUAL Rummage Sale

**Thursday, March 31
9am-2pm
Friday, April 1
9am-1pm
Rodgers Hall**

St. Luke's ECW's big fundraiser Rummage Sale is coming up later this month. We are requesting donations of clothes (clean and in good repair), household items, furniture, books, etc., for our Spring Rummage Sale. Bring your tax deductible donations to the church anytime M-F, 8am-4pm. If you have any questions or would like to help with set-up, sales and/or clean up, please contact Sharon Schilling at 337-2107 or rschil@aol.com.



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.)

Cindy, Joe, Zac, Gene, Mike, Jessica, Isaac, Mary Jane, Bobby, Maggie May, Ethan, Martin, Marty, Julie, Jeff, Dianne, Lindsay, Steve, Charles, Judie, Loise, Chad, Edress, Jonathon, Shelby, Marjean, Nathan, Jean, Will, 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) or

Richard Chamberlain (333-5591,

Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net)

2011 COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES

All services are held at First Presbyterian Church, 5th & Dewey
Theme: "Lessons In Living"

March 16

The Rev. Dale Scott

Good Shepherd Presbyterian

Music: 1st Church of Nazarene Men's Quartet

March 23

The Rev. Bill English

Disciples Christian Church

Music: Rachel Hammon, Clarinet

March 30

Dr. Everett Piper

Oklahoma Wesleyan University

Music: Bartlesville HS Orchestra Ensemble

April 6

The Rev. Dr. Timothy Jackson

Greater First Baptist Church

Music: Central Middle School Girls Choir

April 13

The Rev. Jason Elmore

Friday Nite Church

Music: Bartlesville Mid-Hi String Ensemble

April 20

Kristy Rodgers, CLP

1st Presbyterian

Music: Ad-Libs

Services are held every Wednesday during the seven weeks of Lent prior to Easter Sunday. **Pre-service music begins at noon; Worship Service is from 12:15-12:45 p.m.** This is an interdenominational community-wide event. Each week a different speaker will deliver the message. Musicians in the community will provide music. A light lunch is available beginning at 11:30 a.m. each Wednesday and will be served after the service as well. A nursery is provided.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	February			February Year to Date		
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance (unfav.)	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance (unfav.)
Income						
Pledge Payments	30,712	26,833	3,879	56,582	53,667	2,915
Non-Pledge Payments	873	1,875	(1,002)	1,273	3,750	(2,477)
Other Income	1,000	1,117	(117)	7,341	7,613	(272)
Total Income	32,585	29,825	2,760	65,196	65,030	166
Expenses	30,343	28,856	(1,487)	56,685	52,921	(3,764)
NET INCOME/LOSS	2,242	969	1,273	8,511	12,109	(3,598)

Adult Discipleship Forum

Sundays, 9:15am, Metcalf Hall

Starting this Sunday, March 20, we will begin our study & discussion on The Proposed Anglican Covenant – what does it mean and does it matter for our life in Christ and the Church?

CO-ED CURSILLO WEEKEND

Thursday – Sunday, March 24-27

St. Crispin's Conference Center

Please be in prayer for the upcoming Cursillo Weekend. Attending as a candidate from St. Luke's is Mthr. Stephanie Mitchell. Those from St. Luke's serving on the team are Becky & Jim Liehr, and Steve & Maureen Forsythe.

St. Luke's – Transforming Hearts & Lives

What Saint Luke's Episcopal Church Means to Me

One of the best decisions that Radomir and I ever made was to join St. Luke's. We have become members of a loving and caring extended family (so eloquently described by others), who have helped us when we have needed it and with whom we have had the opportunity to help others, both within and outside the church. St. Luke's is a place where we are both comfortable being our idiosyncratic selves. The young people are wonderful – individuals, enthusiastic, curious, full of life – who reflect the loving and caring values of their parents, and I find it delightful to spend time with them. There is something about the music, the stained-glass windows, the architecture of the sanctuary, the pomp and glory of the service, and the symbolism of the Eucharist that come together and help me to temporarily withdraw from the outside world and develop a calm, more meditative attitude of the here and now, something that I find hard to do in churches that resemble meeting halls with services that lack tradition. I look forward to the sermons; they are so good, and this in my experience is not usual in the Anglican tradition (the excuse being that the liturgy is considerably more important than the sermon). Father Lee, Mother Stephanie, and Deacon Doug all make the Scripture relevant to today, sometimes make us squirm, but usually make us think, and challenge us to live into the teachings of Jesus and be more open to the spiritual aspects of life. Although I need all of the above, I think the most important aspect of St. Luke's to me is the emphasis on reason, which is so often missing in the approach to Christianity. Through Father Lee's classes I think I am developing a feeling for a dimension of life that is beyond scientific reasoning; and over the years I have gained greatly from discussing my questions and skepticisms with both Father Lee and Doug. Perhaps I am beginning to see some light.



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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 3/20/11 through 3/27/11

Acolytes

Sunday, March 20, 2011
10:30 a.m.

Servers

Jack Wiseman

Katie Todd

Crucifer

Katie Todd

Torchbearers

Grace Mitchell

Max Mitchell

Sunday, March 27, 2011
10:30 a.m.

Servers

Nicole Simmons

A. J. Clem

Crucifer

A. J. Clem

Torchbearers

Anneke Borg

Harald Borg

Scripture Lessons for Sunday, 3/20/11

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121;
Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Music for 3/20/11

#144 (text) – "Lord Jesus, Son
of Righteousness"

#457 – "Thou Art the Way"

#337 – "And Now, O Father,
Mindful of the Love"

#467 – "Sing, My Soul, His
Wondrous Love"

#423 – "Immortal, Invisible,
God Only Wise"

Plate Counters

Sunday, March 20, 2011

Steve Clark

Sunday, March 27, 2011

Jim Grillot, Jim Malone

Volunteers: Please make your
own substitutions.

Sunday Coffee Hour Treats

March 20 – Green

March 27 – Watkins

April 3 - Clark

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, March 20, 2011

8:00am

Sue Glass

10:30am

Betty Hardin

Maureen & Steve

Forsythe

Sunday, March 27, 2010

8:00am

Sally Canfield

10:30am

D. J. & Jerry Nezam
Frank & Karen Rukovena

Church Nursery Volunteers

March 20 – Natalie Conner

March 27 – Cordy Liggett

April 3 – Zella Simmons

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

Ushers

Sunday, March 20

8:00 a.m.

Kemp, Zervas

10:30am

Bonner, Clark

Sunday, March 27, 2011

8:00am

Babcock, Zervas

10:30am

Grillot, McCreary

Children's Chapel

March 20 – Tracy Harlow

March 27 – Tim & Zella Simmons

April 3 – Rosy Zuklic

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

ECW Bereavement Committee March 2011

Sydney Beasley, Sue Glass,

Rusty Hoff

April 2011

Millie Harrison, Gretchen Hoyt,
Sharon Schilling

Agape Mission

4th Thursday (3/24/11)

9am-11am

Fr. Lee, Jim Liehr

10:45am-1pm

Pam & Fred Pierce, Wendy Hall,
Molly Ferguson, Deborah

Cooper

1-2:45pm

Ellen Heald, Maureen Forsythe