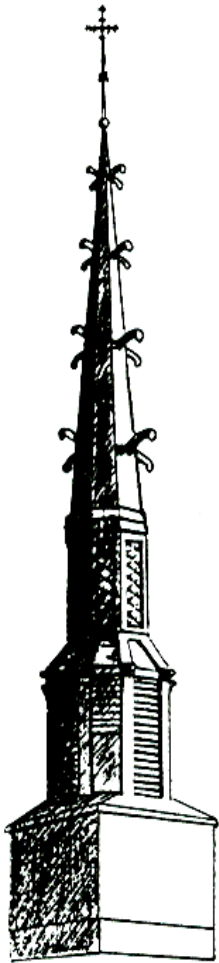


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## UNITED THANK OFFERING INGATHERING

Sunday, May 1

The **United Thank Offering** supports programs that address compelling human needs supporting the alleviation of poverty both domestically and internationally within Anglican provinces, dioceses, and companion dioceses. UTO's Mission is to expand the circle of thankful people. To achieve this mission, we encourage daily prayers, offerings, and awareness of the abundance of God's blessings. So as you give thanks every day for the many blessings in your lives, put a few coins in a UTO Blue Box (available in the narthex or church office) and bring your gift of thanksgiving to church on Sunday, May 1.



## CONCERN PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 30, 8:30-11am  
Fr. Lynch Hall, 8<sup>th</sup> & Keeler

A Pancake Breakfast to benefit CONCERN will be held in Fr. Lynch Hall at St John's Catholic Church, on Saturday, April 30, from 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. Tickets are available from Tim Simmons and Jim Liehr.

This is a wonderful way to support CONCERN and enjoy a great pancake breakfast.



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### ✓ Important Dates To Remember

United Thank Offering Ingathering, Sunday, May 1
Mother's Day is Sunday, May 8
Monthly Vestry Mtg., Monday, May 9
Senior Recognition/Youth Sunday, May 15



# FROM THE RECTOR

*Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

## The Journey

The journey through Lent, Holy Week and Easter Sunday was wonderful. Of course the Easter celebration continues as we reflect on what all of this means to us now. Many people contributed to the journey. The Choir, Layreaders, Acolytes, Ushers, Greeters and Altar Guild provided extra efforts for all of the liturgies. I also want to thank Mthr. Stephanie and Deacon Doug for their leadership and support. Of course Ann Bell did her huge effort in cranking out the service leaflets, prayers and scripture sheets – she is amazing!

## Dolores

And then there is Dolores – the music was glorious! Many people didn't know that as she experienced Lent, and especially Holy Week, she was preparing for her first knee replacement – the day after Easter! Monday it happened – “Behold, old things have passed away and behold, a replacement knee has made her right leg new again.” One more to go – but not too soon. The surgery went well and I am happy for her.

## Anglican Covenant

We have been involved in studying the proposed Anglican Communion Covenant along with churches all across the diocese – and the Church. This Sunday, May 1, will be the first of eight regional meetings to hear the responses to the Covenant – and the first one is for our region. Clergy, convention delegates and anyone who is interested will meet this Sunday afternoon at St. John's in Vinita at 2:30. Feedback from these meetings will be made available to the Bishop, Delegates to the General Convention and the Diocese and may be used to form a resolution at the annual Diocesan Convention. If you are interested in attending, please let me know so we can coordinate the transportation.

## OkWU Chorale

In early April the OkWU Chorale performed at St. Luke's. People really enjoyed the concert and expressed an interest in their spring concert at the university. Well, the time has come. The Chorale will present their spring concert in the OkWU Chapel on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00pm. The concert is free.

## The ECW Annual Meeting and Bishop's Day

On Friday and Saturday of this week is the annual meeting of the ECW and Bishop's Day in McAlester. This year I have been invited to do two breakout sessions for them on Bridges Out of Poverty. Specifically, they want a report on the results of this effort to help people out of poverty. I am eager to tell them what I have experienced and what is happening more and more in Oklahoma and across the country. When some of the city leaders heard of this meeting, they have asked that I come back to McAlester in the next few months to do a workshop on Bridges Out of Poverty for the community. Needless to say, I am looking forward to this meeting and then going back. Bridges works!

Blessings,  
Fr. Lee+



## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, May 1, 2011

*UTO Ingathering*

- 8:00am Rite I
- 9:15am Church School
- 10:30am Rite II
- 2:30pm Regional Anglican Covenant Mtg., St. John's, Vinita

### Monday, May 2, 2011

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

### Tuesday, May 3, 2011

- 10:00am Spiritual Direction Group, library

### Wednesday, May 4, 2011

- 6-8pm Young Disciples, RH
- 7:00pm Spiritual Direction Group, library

### Thursday, May 5, 2011

- 6:45am Men's Fellowship
- 9:30am Bible Study, library
- 12:00pm Holy Eucharist
- 5:30pm Bible Study, library

### Friday, May 6, 2011

### Saturday, May 7, 2011

### Sunday, May 8, 2011

*Mother's Day*

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

### Monday, May 9, 2011

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

### Tuesday, May 10, 2011

- 10:00am Spiritual Direction Group, library

## Dear St. Luke's Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers, concern, & cards. We really appreciate the love that you have shown us during this sad time of loss in our family.



Blessings,

The Canfield Family &  
The Dukeminier Family

## 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.)*

Kimberly, Dolores, Emerson, Jennifer, John, Garry, Margaret, Amber, Betty, Shauna, Peggy, Nora, Bob, Loren, Jan, Elaine, Cheryl, Margie, Cindy, Isaac, Bobby, Maggie May, Martin, Marty, Julie, Dianne, Lindsay, Steve, Charles, Judie, Loise, Chad, Edress, Jonathon, Shelby, 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)*

## ANGLICAN COVENANT DISCUSSION REGIONAL MTG.

Sunday, May 1, 2:30-4:30pm,  
St. John's, Vinita. This meeting is open to anyone interested in attending. Contact Fr. Lee at 918-336-1212 or [leestephens@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:leestephens@episcopalbartlesville.org) for more information.



Many thanks go to Rick Wodnik for making two sets of wooden stands for our crosses & banners that we use for Children's Chapel! We really appreciate you!

*The Children of St. Luke's*

## DIOCESAN "ALLELUIA FUND"

**THE ALLELUIA FUND** is a Diocesan offering to grow our Episcopal Church in Oklahoma. This fund supports a vision and an opportunity that is beyond the scope of individual congregations. Gifts to the ALLELUIA FUND enable our Diocese to create new mission and strengthen existing ministries in a way that exceeds our allocated resources. It strengthens us to higher levels of commitment to The Great Commission:



*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20)*

Every year during the Easter Season, the people of our Diocese join together to support our common ministry and celebrate our lives together in Christ. THE ALLELUIA FUND is a time of reflection and of expressing gratitude for our Risen Lord. The focus of the Alleluia Fund is on our relationship with Christ and discerning how we use God's abundance. We learn to be open, hear, and respond boldly to God's call to mission.

*To plant new churches*

*To strengthen existing congregations*

*To bring the good news of Christ to all persons*

*To enhance spiritual formation for every baptized person*

*To respond to the hungry, homeless, displaced and disenfranchised*

The people of our Diocese are blessed with an abundance that exceeds any in the history of the world. We are called to share that abundance for the welfare of those we serve through our ministries. Together we can do great things. Alleluia! Give Thanks and Praise.

## Discipleship Forum for May WHAT HAPPENED TO HELL? Sundays, 9:15, Metcalf Hall

Hell is much in the news these days. What does the Church say about hell? What did Jesus say? What do you believe? Come and explore the Scriptures, Tradition, Reason and experience concerning hell. Check out resources such as Bishop Carlton Pearson and Pastor Rob Bell. Help Fr. Lee's sermon on hell – yet to be created.

**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED  
TO CELEBRATE  
MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY  
11:30am, Friday, May 6  
New Hope Indian United Methodist Church  
910 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St. in Dewey  
Potluck Luncheon**



Men and women from all faith congregations are invited. For more information contact Thelma Blackburn, 918-333-7902 or visit the CWU webpage, [www.churchwomen.org](http://www.churchwomen.org).

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Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 5/1/11 through 5/8/11

**Acolytes**  
**Sunday, May 1, 2011**  
**10:30 a.m.**

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

**Sunday, May 8, 2011**  
**10:30 a.m.**

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

**Layreaders**  
**Sunday, May 1, 2011**

8:00am  
P. Williams, Grillot  
10:30am  
S. Williams, Wesneski  
M. & L. Watkins  
**Sunday, May 8, 2011**  
8:00am  
L. Watkins, Braden  
10:30am  
Johnson, Stephens  
Grillot, S. Williams

**Scripture Lessons for**  
**Sunday, 5/1/11**

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1  
Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

**Music for 5/1/11**

#174 – "At the Lamb's High  
Feast We Sing"  
GATHER #252 – "We Walk by  
Faith"  
GATHER #344 – "Behold the  
Lamb of God"  
#193 – "That Easter Day With  
Joy Was Bright"  
#182 – "Christ is Alive! Let  
Christians Sing"

**Plate Counters**  
**Sunday, May 1, 2011**  
Jeanette Wishall  
**Sunday, May 8, 2011**  
Jim Malone

Volunteers: Please make your  
own substitutions.

**Sunday Coffee Hour Treats**

**May 1 – vacant**  
**May 8 – vacant**  
*Sign up sheet is in the Metcalf  
Hall kitchen. Please sign up!*

### **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, May 1, 2011**  
8:00am

Don Davidson  
10:30am  
Glenn & Thelma  
Blackburn  
Jo Oertle

**Sunday, May 8, 2010**  
8:00am

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

**Church Nursery  
Volunteers**

**May 1 – Zella Simmons**  
**May 8 – Barbara Todd**  
**May 15 – Natalie Conner**  
*Volunteers: Please make your  
own substitutions. To Volunteer,  
or to be a sub, you may call  
Tammy Baughman, 440-8088.*

**Ushers**

**Sunday, May 1, 2011**

8:00 a.m.  
Gardner, Zervas  
10:30am  
Malone, Simmons  
**Sunday, May 8, 2011**  
8:00am  
Kemp, Gardner  
10:30am  
Blackburn, Ferguson

**Children's Chapel**

**May 1 – Rosy Zuklic**  
**May 8 – Amy Borg**  
**May 15 – Tracy Harlow**  
*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**  
**April 2011**

Millie Harrison, Gretchen Hoyt,  
Sharon Schilling

**May 2011**

Nancy Winters, Sarah Winn

**June 2011**

Audry Foote

*Additional volunteers needed, call  
Sharon Schilling, 918-337-2107*

**Agape Mission**  
**4th Thursday (4/28/11)**

9am-11am  
Fr. Lee, Jim Liehr  
10:45am-1:00pm  
Pam & Fred Pierce, Wendy Hall,  
Molly Ferguson,  
Deborah Cooper  
1:00-2:45pm  
Ellen Heald, Maureen Forsythe