

# The Steeple

*St. Luke's Episcopal Church*  
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## WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

For our children, Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> in June & July

3-6pm in June and July:

All sessions begin and end at the church.

**June 29<sup>th</sup> Sharing with Others**

An afternoon at CONCERN Food Bank

**July 13<sup>th</sup> Caring for God's Creatures**

An afternoon at local animal shelter

**July 20<sup>th</sup> Windows to Our Stories**

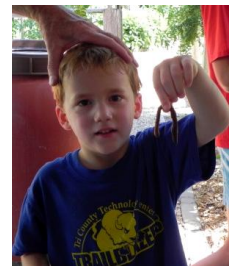
Richard Jenkins will help us connect St Luke's stained-glass windows with our own stories

**July 27<sup>th</sup> Drama & Story**

Dramatic parables with our own Dolores McCreary



Our Wonderful Wednesdays have been wonderful! Many thanks to the Forsythe's for Fun in the Sun in their lovely garden as we learned how we can care for God's creation!



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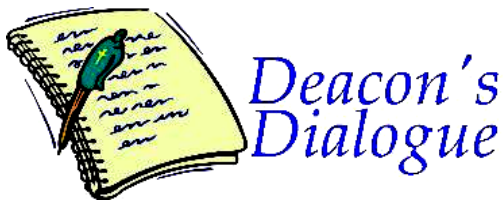


### Important Dates To Remember

Wonderful Wednesdays activities thru July 27 (see article this pg.)

**Independence Day**, Monday, July 4, church office closed. Holy Eucharist celebrated 5:30pm

**For Wonderful Wednesday this week** (June 29) we will be going to CONCERN where we will learn about the wonderful things they do for our community. We will meet at St. Luke's before heading over to CONCERN in the church van. CONCERN needs our help with donations. Their greatest needs are for **paper towels, toilet paper, toothpaste and tooth brushes**. Fortunately, they do NOT need canned goods right now! Please bring whatever you can donate to our Wonderful Wednesday on June 29. See you then!



## Deacon's Dialogue

As I gleefully observed at the 10:30 service Sunday, where Deacon Postulant Lauri Watkins assisted by giving the Children's Homily and Deacon Aspirant Mike Watkins conducted the Discipleship Forum, "Deacons, Deacons everywhere and not a Priest in sight!" And so it was as Fr. Lee's vacation to see his new grandson and Mthr. Stephanie's vacation, backpacking with husband Richard in the Colorado Rockies, overlapped due to last minute scheduling changes.

All was well, of course, as the choir ended their season of song for the summer with marvelous music highlighted by Dolores' composition of a medley of loved hymns. We wished Dolores well with her second knee replacement surgery scheduled for Monday; the surgery did indeed go as planned and she is now beginning the recuperative phase of her process. She has informed us that no meals will be needed from the congregation as there are still frozen meals in the freezer from knee operation #1, but after a few more days she will enjoy a brief visit by phone and even perhaps in person. Call first!

Now a little business. You may recall that at the Annual Meeting last January, your staff was asked to develop a complete assessment of the church facility's needs. This project is nearing completion of its first phase which will be presented to your Vestry at it's July meeting. If you have ideas about facility improvements and/or about how we are maintaining our church home, I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE KNOWING ABOUT THEM. We have a format for writing in suggestions available in the office and I would appreciate your picking one up and using it. Also, you are welcome to simply e-mail me at [dfreebern@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:dfreebern@episcopalbartlesville.org) or calling me either at the church between 9:30 and 1:30 at 918-336-1212 or on my cell phone 918-914-0525.

For your information, the process we are following includes gather a list of all needs during phase 1, prioritizing those needs in terms of urgency and time during phase 2 (this task will be done by the Property Management Committee) and then the bigger and/or more costly projects will be cost estimated. Where necessary, projects will be let out for bids. The result will be a schedule of small, medium and large projects that need to be done, the cost of each, and a time-line for implementing them that will be presented to the Vestry for recommendations and approval. This approved plan will be presented to our membership, perhaps at a special meeting for that purpose. This is the current plan of approach. Again, I really will be happy to hear from you; positive and negative comments are equally important.

I enjoy very much serving as your Deacon and also as your Parish Administrator.

Thank you for your support!

Yours in Christ,  
Doug

## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, July 3, 2011

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

### Monday, July 4, 2011

*Independence Day, church office closed*

5:30pm Holy Eucharist

### Tuesday, July 5, 2011

10:00am Spiritual Direction Group,  
library

4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

### Wednesday, July 6, 2011

10:00am Yoga Class, Rm. 217

### Thursday, July 7, 2011

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

### Friday, July 8, 2011

### Saturday, July 9, 2011

### Sunday, July 10, 2011

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

### Monday, July 11, 2011

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

### Tuesday, July 12, 2011

10:00am Spiritual Direction Group,  
library

4-7pm Yoga Classes, Rm. 217

## Time to Register for "Happening" Youth Weekend July 6-8 St. Crispin's Retreat Center

A weekend experience designed for youth who have completed grades 10, 11, or 12, this intense and



inspirational retreat led primarily by high school and college student is full of music, discussion, surprises, laughter and new friends.

Happening is scheduled for July 6th, starting at 7 p.m. through July 8th at 11:30 a.m. and is held at St. Crispin's. The cost to attend is \$85 which covers all expenses for this two-day event.

Lay Rector for the up-coming Happening is Josh Dean Keegan (Watson-Hill). Registration forms are on line at:  
<http://www.epiok.org/Christian%20Formation/happenings.html>

## 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.)

Hilary, Joan, Pat, Ruth, Amelia, Charley, Marie, Louann, Adrian, Stan, Jennifer, John, Garry, Margaret, Betty, Shauna, Nora, Loren, Jan, Elaine, Cindy, Isaac, Bobby, Julie, Steve, Charles, Judie, 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,

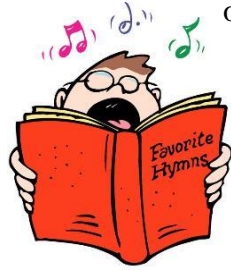
[TPBGEN@aol.com](mailto:TPBGEN@aol.com)) or

Richard Chamberlain (333-5591,

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

## FAVORITE HYMNS TIME IS COMING SOON!

During the months of July and August you are invited, indeed you are urged, to share your favorite hymns/songs to be included in the music for 10:30 Sunday Eucharist. Don't expect the



organist to use her ESP skills to guess what your favorites might be. (Hint: ESP skills are not included in her job description!)

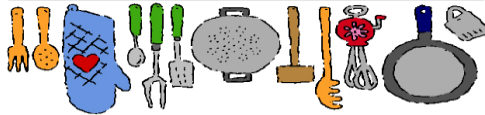
How to submit your choices? Needed are: Title of hymn OR first line of hymn; source where hymn can be found (especially if not in the 3 hymnals we have in the pews); when you are fairly certain you will NOT be present on a given Sunday. (You will most likely want to be here when we sing your favorite(s)!) E-mail [dolores@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:dolores@episcopalbartlesville.org) OR give your list to Ann Bell in the church office.

## SUMMER DISCIPLESHIP FORUM Spiritual Cinema Circle Films and Discussion

Sundays, Metcalf Hall, 9:15am

The Discipleship Forum is using film shorts from Spiritual Cinema Circle. In its sixth season, Spiritual Cinema provides uplifting stories that inspire compassion and challenges which connect us with the world around us. These inspirational films are being created by visionary filmmakers and are currently being shown in more than eighty countries. Each film leads to personal searching, sharing and visioning. Several groups, including members of St. Luke's have been using Spiritual Cinemas for several years and found them thought provoking and inspirational. Come and join us in this experiment in faith this summer.

## FROM THE KITCHEN COMMITTEE



A recent inventory of the church kitchen shows that we are missing the following items:

- Three round cream-colored tablecloths
- Two rectangular cream-colored table cloths
- Three round green tablecloths
- Five white rectangular cotton tablecloths

If you have any of these items home for laundering or took them from the kitchen for any reason, please return them as soon as possible!

When making plans for receptions and church events, it's very necessary to have all items available. Thank you!



## INDEPENDENCE Day

The Church Office will be closed Monday, July 4. The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at 5:30pm.

## MARTHA'S TASK YARD SALE FUNDRAISER

Saturday, July 2, 8am – 2pm

718 S. Johnstone

Fabric galore! By the yard and remnants!

Sewing Machines, Ironing Boards, Craft Items & more

Martha's Task is an economic development program for women who live in or near the poverty level. It is a faith-based non-profit organization that strives to be a sign of the Gospel at work in today's world.



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Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 7/3/11 through 7/10/11

**Acolytes**  
**Sunday, July 3, 2011**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Servers

Nicole Simmons  
Katie Todd

Crucifer

Katie Todd  
Torchbearers  
Grace Mitchell  
Max Mitchell

**Sunday, July 10, 2011**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Servers

Jack Wiseman

Tom Wiseman

Crucifer

Dave Wiseman

**Scripture Lessons for**  
**Sunday, 7/3/11**

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45:10-17;  
Romans 7:15-25a;  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

**Music for 6/26/11**

#594 – "God of Grace and God of Glory"

#679 – "Surely It Is God Who Saves Me"

#719 – "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

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

#718 – "God of Our Fathers"

**Plate Counters**  
**Sunday, July 3, 2011**

Jeanette Wishall

**Sunday, July 10, 2011**

Jim Malone

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions.

**Sunday Coffee Hour Treats**

All upcoming Sundays are open. 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 at 10am.** 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, July 3, 2011**

8:00am

Don Davidson

10:30am

Glenn & Thelma Blackburn  
Jo Oertle

**Sunday, July 10, 2010**

8:00am

Don & Cheri Doty

10:30am

Truly Johnson  
Carolyn Lawrence

**Church Nursery**  
**Volunteers**

**July 3** – Zella Simmons  
**July 10** – Barbara Todd  
**July 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, July 3, 2011**

8:00 a.m.

Gardner, Zervas

10:30am

Malone, Simmons

**Sunday, July 10, 2011**

8:00am

Gardner, Kemp

10:30am

Blackburn, Ferguson

**Children's Chapel**

*Children's Chapel will not meet during the summer months.*

**ECW Bereavement Committee**

**June 2011**

Kate Carroll, Rachel Gurule

**July 2011**

Connie Freebern, Cordy Liggett

**August 2011**

Kris Bonner, Molly Ferguson,  
Sue Sparks

**Agape Mission**

**2nd Thursday (7/14/11)**

9am-11am

Cheri Doty, John McCollum

10:45am-1:00pm

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

Rusty Hoff

1:00-2:45pm

Sharon Schilling,  
Melinda Droege