



The Steeple

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Important Dates To Remember

Wonderful Sunday Celebration, Sun., July 31 (see article this pg.)

Washington County School Supply Distribution, Mon., Aug. 8 (see pg. 3)

CONCERN'S Annual "Duck Dip" Fundraiser, Sat., Aug. 13 (see pg. 3)

First Day of School in Bartlesville, Wed., Aug. 17



WONDERFUL SUNDAY
 IS JULY 31!
 WE'RE CELEBRATING THE CONCLUSION
 OF WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS!!

We'll enjoy a finale of our Wonderful Wednesdays with *Wonderful Sunday*, this **Sunday, July 31**, where many of the *children and youth will be involved in the 10:30 service* after which we'll enjoy banana split sundaes in Metcalf Hall. Please come!

Here are photos from some Wonderful Wednesdays – a visit from Becky Liehr's horse, Fibber, and our visit to the Washington County SPCA



Fibber the horse w/Evan, Max, Avery & Charlie

Katherine feeding Fibber

Joshua grooms Fibber



A sweet rescue dog at the SPCA

Greta Olsen with two SPCA rescue pups

Katherine holding an SPCA rescue kitten



Joshua pets his new friend at the SPCA

This fellow enjoyed the visit from his new St. Luke's friends

Anneke petting two homeless pups at the SPCA



From Our Associate

Sisters and Brothers in Christ ~

The start of school is less than three weeks away, the *Pack the Backpacks* effort is in full swing, and the summer days are dwindling...although I'm finding that part a little difficult to believe given the current heat.

As we begin to move toward starting school that means *Wonderful Wednesdays* draw to a close. In fact, today, July 27th is our last gathering. I personally have had an outstanding time, and I'm fairly certain the rest of those gathered each Wednesday afternoon have as well. We've played and prayed together, shared snacks together, served together at the Concern Food bank, explored the Forsythe's garden together, looked at the church's windows and created our own "stained-glass" windows, enjoyed mystery visits and surprise guests, shared many laughs and created many memories to name just a few of our experiences. While I'm always interested and curious about what's going on during Sunday School during the school year, it's always too short in my opinion. It's been a special treat to spend extended lengths of time with these children and youth throughout the summer.

I did NOT do this alone...far from it!! The help and support offered by the members of St Luke's has been phenomenal. The list is long, but I'll give it a try in hopes I don't leave anyone off. First to those who organized the various themes each Wednesday: Dolores and Max McCreary for the hospitality of their pool and backyard; Fr Lee and Lynda acting as co-hosts for the swimming part way back in the cool month of June; to the Forsythe's and their tour and play-filled afternoon in their garden; to Amy Borg and our visit to Concern Food bank; to Becky Olsen who put together our tour of the SPCA; to Jim and Becky Liehr for our surprise mystery guest, Fibber; to Richard Jenkins and his efforts in exploring the windows of the church and helping us create our own; to Dolores McCreary for efforts exploring the parable of the *Good Samaritan*.

Then there are our storytellers and youth mentors - Haley Downey, Greta Olsen, Anneke Borg, Max and Grace Mitchell and our guest music makers - Jerry Beal and Natalie Conner. Not to mention a few willing parents and members who helped me "run the show" a few afternoons as well as doing a few odds and ends jobs along the way - Linda Maloney, Natalie Conner, Jeanette Wishall, and Lauri Watkins. Then there was the staff support: Rob who set-up, Ann who sorted through our pictures and got them into the *Steeple* along with various write ups, and Dolores who selected our music for each week. The list is long as you can see...so thank you, thank you to all who helped make *Wonderful Wednesdays* a reality.

To ***top it all off, this Sunday - July 31st***, we'll enjoy the finale, *Wonderful Sunday*, where many of the ***children and youth will be involved in the 10:30 service*** after which we'll enjoy banana split sundaes on Sunday. Please do join us as we celebrate together!! (*See pg. 1 for more information*).

peace ~

Stephanie +

Calendar of Events

Sunday, July 31, 2011

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
10:30am Rite II
12:00pm Wonderful Sunday
Ice Cream Sundae Celebration, MH

Monday, August 1, 2011

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

Tuesday, August 2, 2011

Wednesday, August 3, 2011

Thursday, August 4, 2011

6:45am Men's Fellowship
12:00pm Holy Eucharist

Friday, August 5, 2011

Saturday, August 6, 2011

9:00am School Supply Setup,
MH & RH

Sunday, August 7, 2011

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
10:30am Rite II
1:30-6pm Backpack packing & setup,
MH

Monday, August 8, 2011

8:45am Morning Prayer
8am-6pm Backpack distribution, MH
9:15am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist
7:15pm Vestry Mtg.

Tuesday, August 9, 2011

9am-3pm Backpack distribution, MH
10:00am Spiritual Direction Group,
library

SCRAPBOOKING GROUP TO MEET

Saturday, August 13

9am-5pm, Rodgers Hall

Scrapbookers or those who would like to start! Scrapbook Day at St. Luke's, August 13, 9am-5pm, in Rodgers Hall.



Scrap all day or for just a couple of

hours! Bring your projects and supplies,

we'll supply the tables and even a few tools for you to experiment. If you have never scrapbooked before, bring your photos and we'll show you how to start. Questions? Contact Penny Williams, 918-336-2925, or email:

oklaborn@sbcglobal.net

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.)

Elizabeth, Nicole, Ed, Sydney, 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) or

Richard Chamberlain (333-5591,

Deaconrc@sbcglobal.net)

**CONCERN'S
ANNUAL "DUCK
DIP" FUNDRAISER**
Saturday, August 13
at Frontier Pool,
7:00-9:00pm



Be ready to swim and listen to great Christian Rock music by The David Baughn Band. No outside refreshments allowed, but the concession stand will be open. Bring folding chairs & towels. Over 30 prizes to be given away – no need to be present to win! Tickets are \$10 and available from

Tim Simmons or Jim Liehr.

This is CONCERN's primary fundraiser of the year. All proceeds benefit the Food Pantry and the Child Learning Center.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	June			June Year to Date		
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance (unfav.)	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance (Unfav.)
Income						
Pledge Payments	21,158	26,833	(5,675)	155,253	161,000	(5,747)
Non-pledge Payments	1,123	1,875	(752)	5,136	11,250	(6,114)
Other Income	1,533	1,117	416	14,231	12,380	1,851
Total Income	23,814	29,825	(6,011)	174,620	184,630	(10,010)
Expenses	35,136	35,981	845	189,034	185,274	(3,760)
NET INCOME/LOSS	(11,322)	(6,156)	(5,166)	(14,414)	(644)	(13,770)

FAVORITE HYMNS

The list of "Favorite Hymns" has been compiled since 2006 and reveals some interesting things about St. Luke's congregation! The hymn or song selected by the most people (9) is from the GATHER Hymnal, "On Eagle's Wings". The second most chosen song, one from sources other than the three hymnals in the pews, is "Surely the Presence of the Lord", selected by five people. From The Hymnal 1982, the most frequently selected hymns include: "Alleluia, Give



Thanks to the Risen Lord" (#178), "Be Thou My Vision" (#488), "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (#508), "The Church's One Foundation" (#535), "Amazing Grace" (#671), and "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (#686). A total of 34 people have suggested favorite hymns during these past 6 years.

Any other "favorites" you want included? Have some of your "favorites" change? Have you added new "favorites"? We will continue to include as many favorite hymns/songs as possible during the month of August with one Sunday dedicated to "Favorite Christmas Carols/Hymns". Get your suggestions to Dolores as soon as possible. It's best to give her a written list either in person or by e-mail, dolores@episcopalbartlesville.org.

IT'S TIME TO "PACK THE BACKPACKS"

The Washington County School Supply Drive is Upon Us!

Supplies Staging Day: Saturday, August 6 from 9:00am to 12noon at St. Luke's (Come and help carry a bunch of pencils and paper).

Packing Day: Sunday, August 7 from 1:30 to 5:00 and 6:00pm to 9:00pm at St. Luke's (Come pack the backpacks and put them in order).



Distribution Day: Monday, August 8 from 8:00am to Noon, 1:00pm to 6:00pm at St. Luke's (Come watch the faces of some VERY happy kids and parents). Monetary contributions welcome – Just drop in the collection plate on Sunday.

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.

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 7/31/11 through 8/7/11

Acolytes
Sunday, July 31, 2011
10:30 a.m.

Servers

Jack Wiseman
Tom Wiseman

Crucifer

Anneke Borg

Sunday, August 7, 2011
10:30 a.m.

Servers

Nicole Simmons
Katie Todd

Crucifer

Katie Todd

Torchbearers

Grace Mitchell
Max Mitchell

Scripture Lessons for
Sunday, 7/31/11

Genesis 32:22-31;
Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Romans
9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

Music for 7/31/11

#9 – “Not Here for High and
Holy Things”

GATHER #159 – “Deep
Within”

#602 – “Jesu, Jesu”

GATHER #346 – “One Bread,
One Body”

#657 – “Love Divine, All Loves
Excelling”

Plate Counters

Sunday, July 31, 2011

Jim Grillot

Sunday, August 7, 2011

Jeanette Wishall

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 31, 2011

8:00am

Gretchen Hoyt

10:30am

Becky & Jim Liehr

Sunday, August 7, 2011

8:00am

Don Davidson

10:30am

Glenn & Thelma

Blackburn

Jo Oertlc

Church Nursery

Volunteers

July 31 – TBA

August 7 – Zella Simmons

August 14 – Barbara Todd

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

Ushers

Sunday, July 31, 2011

8:00 a.m.

Gardner, Zervas

10:30am

Birk, Harrison

Sunday, August 7, 2011

8:00am

Gardner, Zervas

10:30am

Malone, Simmons

Children's Chapel

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

ECW Bereavement

Committee

July 2011

Connie Freebern, Cordy Liggett

August 2011

Kris Bonner, Molly Ferguson,

Sue Sparks

September 2011

Thelma Blackburn, Becky Liehr

Agape Mission

4th Thursday (7/28/11)

9am-11am

Fr. Lee Stephens, Jim Liehr

10:45am-1:00pm

Pam & Fred Pierce,

Wendy Hall, Molly Ferguson,

Deborah Cooper

1:00-2:45pm

Ellen Heald,

Maureen Forsythe