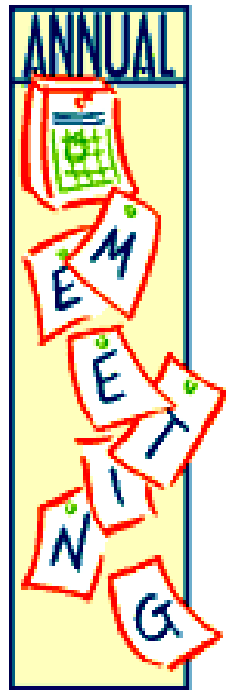


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## All-Parish Soup Lunch & Annual Meeting Sunday, January 29, Metcalf Hall

The All-Parish Soup Lunch begins at  
12:00pm followed by the  
Annual Meeting at 1:00pm

The Annual Meeting will be preceded by an **All-Parish Soup Lunch at 12pm**. Nursery will be provided during the meeting.

The Annual Meeting serves as a time of reflection on the past year and also a time to review the 2011 Annual Report and focus on our goals for 2012. We will also vote for our candidates for Vestry, Diocesan Convention Delegates and the Nominating Committee. Everyone in the parish is urged to attend.

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### Important Dates To Remember

- Vestry Mtg.**, Monday, January 16, 7:15pm
- Annual Mtg.** 1pm, Sunday, January 29, preceded by Soup Lunch, MH at 12noon
- Altar Guild Mtg.**, Monday, Jan. 30, 6:15pm
- Bishop's Visitation & Confirmation**, Sun., February 5 (see article this pg.)
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, Feb. 21, 5:30pm, Rodgers Hall
- Ash Wednesday**, Feb. 22

Discipleship Forum...

## CONFIRMATION CLASS: EPISCOPAL 103 IN JANUARY

"Episcopal 103" is being offered in the Discipleship Forum on Sunday mornings at 9:15 in Metcalf Hall every Sunday through January 29. This is an opportunity for those who are coming into the Church to learn more about the Episcopal Church and St. Luke's. This will also be an opportunity for new and long-time members to have a refresher course and ask the questions they have gathered along the way.



*Please Note:* Bishop Ed Konieczny will be at St. Luke's on Sunday, February 5 for Confirmation and Reception of New Members.



We are rapidly approaching the time of our Annual Meeting. This is the one time of the year we meet as a parish to conduct the business of the church. The agenda primarily includes elections of the lay leadership of the church, reports on parish life and the adoption of the new budget. Other items may be added with ample advanced notice. The rest of the year the Vestry, including the priests, conducts the business of the church and leadership of the parish in terms of vision, direction and personal involvement. This type of polity is different from both the “congregational” polity of most Protestant churches and the “hierarchical” workings of churches on the other end of the spectrum.

Thus the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, is very important. This year the Vestry opted for a “Sunday after church” time for the annual meeting instead of the usual last Monday of January time. The hope is that more people will attend, be informed and participate in the “business” side of the church. To help the process, plans are being made for lunch after the service and preceding the meeting – worship, food, fellowship and business – a good package.

Moving the meeting up to Sunday has some time implications. Our by-laws call for the posting of minutes, reports, financials, budget and agenda two Sundays before the Annual Meeting. This means Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>. That is pushing everyone to get it ready. While everything we have will be posted at the appropriate time, there will likely be some additions and revisions during that week – so be aware. For example, the Nominating Committee is still working on a slate of nominees and the attending biographical information. And, while a preliminary budget of 2012 has been formed by the Treasurer, Wardens and Priests, the Vestry will not meet until the 16<sup>th</sup> to finalize the proposed budget.

Regarding the Agenda, this must also be posted two Sundays in advance of the meeting. This gives ample notice to the parish of what to expect in the meeting. As of now the agenda will include the minutes from 2011, election of a secretary, a book of reports including the 2011 financials, special acknowledgements, elections for Vestry, Convention Delegates and Nominating Committee and adoption of the 2012 Budget. Any other items proposed for the Agenda need to be sent to me as soon as possible.

Most every year I have probably stressed that this meeting is important and you need to be there. That is certainly true this year. While our 2011 financials indicate that we were about on target for the year – that still means with a \$14, 000 plus deficit. The



## Calendar of Events

### **Sunday, January 15, 2012**

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

### **Monday, January 16, 2012**

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

### **Tuesday, January 17, 2012**

5:30pm Adult Bible Study, library

### **Wednesday, January 18, 2012**

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

### **Thursday, January 19, 2012**

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

### **Friday, January 20, 2012**

### **Saturday, January 21, 2012**

### **Sunday, January 22, 2012**

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

### **Monday, January 23, 2012**

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

*(“From the Rector” continued)*

anticipated income for 2012 to date suggests a similar gap without cuts in personnel. With ongoing budget concerns and changes in the staff, more lay leadership is needed to support and guide the parish as we move forward. The Annual Meeting is a time for our beloved “community of faith” to come together, become more informed and respond to this time of transition.

Having just observed my fifteenth anniversary at St. Luke’s, I look forward to our Annual Meeting and moving forward into God’s future for us as much as ever.

Blessings,  
Fr. Lee +

## 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.)*

Mary Lynne, Howard, Al, Jim, Tom, Cheri, Sherrilyn, Rose Mary, Marjorie, Bruce, Carol, Tom, Robert, Jeff, Paula, Margaret, Lynda, Crystal, Thelma, Shirley, Glenn, James, Vicky, Chris, Alex, Noelle, Rachel, Marie, Stan, Margaret, Nora, Loren, Jan, Isaac, Steve, Charles, Jean, Will, Joseph, Brandon, Jeremy, Greg

*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))*

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### OKLAHOMA CURSILLO REUNION

**Friday – Saturday, January 27 & 28**

Calling all Cursillistas in the state...we're planning a big reunion. This is a chance to get together for great fellowship and renew that "DeColores feeling". We'll also meet with the Cursillo Secretariat as they direct plans for the upcoming Cursillo events. Our meeting will take place at St. Crispin's Friday, Jan. 27 and Saturday, Jan. 28. If you're unavailable for the Friday evening meeting, join us Saturday, the 28th for worship, breakfast and fellowship. Join us and renew your friendships ... worship and help us plan the future of Oklahoma Episcopal Cursillo. If you haven't attended a Cursillo, but are interested in learning more about it, we'd love to have to join us. For more information about Cursillo go to <http://cursillo.epiok.org/>.

Friday & Saturday: \$46(Double Occupancy); \$66 (Single Occupancy) Fees include Saturday morning breakfast. Just breakfast and Saturday meeting \$6.

For details and to reserve your spot contact Bebe Dotter 405-760-4304 or by email [labluv@cox.net](mailto:labluv@cox.net). Deadline for reservations is January 18th.

### Episcopal Church Women's Retreat

Friday, February 10, 7 p.m. through Saturday Feb.11, 2 p.m.

St. Crispin's Camp and Conference Center

*"Bread for the Journey and a Little Chocolate just because..."*

Retreat Leader: The Rev Debora L. Jennings

All are welcome, come and bring a friend.

Fee of \$70.00 includes double occupancy and 2 meals as well as \$5.00 per person for supplies.

Add \$10 for single occupancy.

Send Registration fee by January 28th to

Pam Hudson 2800 N.W. 21st St. Oklahoma City, OK 73107.

Bring a loaf of bread to share, and munchies for Fri. evening.

Sponsored by Oklahoma Episcopal Church Women.



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Holy Eucharist: Sunday 8am & 10:30am  
Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 1/15/12 through 1/22/12

**Acolytes**  
**Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012**  
**10:30 a.m.**

*Servers*

Katie Todd

Max Mitchell

*Crucifer*

Max Mitchell

*Torchbearers*

Grace Mitchell

Ruth Todd

**Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012**

**10:30 a.m.**

*Servers*

Tom Wiseman

Anneke Borg

*Crucifer*

Anneke Borg

*Torchbearers*

Genevieve Miller

Mary Miller

**Scripture Lessons for**  
**Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012**

1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

**Music for Jan. 15, 2012**

#7 – "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

#656 – "Blest Are the Pure in Heart"

#516 – "Come Down, O Love Divine"

#341 – "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

#497 – "How Bright Appears the Morning Star"

**Plate Counters**

**Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012**

Steve Clark

**Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012**

Grillot, Malone

*Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions.*

### **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, Jan. 15, 2012**

**8:00am**

Sue Glass

**10:30am**

Maureen & Steve

Forsythe

**Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012**

**8:00am**

Sally Canfield

**10:30am**

D. J. & Jerry Nezam

Frank & Karen Rukovena

**Church Nursery**

**Volunteers**

**Jan. 15** – Natalie Conner

**Jan. 22** – Cordy Liggett

**Jan. 29** - TBA

*Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions. To Volunteer, or to be a sub, call Tammy Baughman, 918-440-8088.*

**Ushers**  
**Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012**

**8:00 a.m.**

Kemp, Zervas

**10:30am**

Bonner, Clark

**Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012**

**8:00am**

Babcock, Zervas

**10:30am**

Grillot, McCreary

**Children's Chapel**

**Jan. 15** – Jerry Beal

**Jan. 22** – Natalie Conner

**Jan. 29** - TBA

**ECW Bereavement**

**Committee**

**January 2012**

Sally Canfield, Cordy Liggett

**February 2012**

*Volunteers needed. Contact Jeanne Julstrom, 918-333-5517 or [indojuls@hotmail.com](mailto:indojuls@hotmail.com)*

**Layreaders**  
**Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012**

**8:00am**

Birk, Kedy

**10:30am**

L. Watkins, Stephens

Wesneski, Dreiling

**Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012**

**8:00am**

Kedy, P. Williams

**10:30am**

Johnson, L. Green

M. Watkins, S. Williams

**Agape Mission**  
**2nd Thursday, 1/12/12**

**9am-11am**

Cheri Doty, John McCollum

**10:45am-1:00pm**

Bryson Read, Rita Childers,

Marcia Zervas, Kathy Zervas,

Rusty Hoff

**1:00-2:45pm**

Miriam Petrovich,

Melinda Droege