



# Luke's Log

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## A Message from the Interim Rector

It's good to be with you!

Thanks to all for the warm welcome to your wonderful church home. I've been amazed at your commitment to this parish, especially during the interim time, and all the ministries of this place.

Someone asked my first Sunday, "What are you planning on doing?" My hope is to support all you do, help you explore some of your new ideas, resume some things you've wanted... such as the Wednesday Eucharist, help you prepare for your next rector, learn more together about our spiritual life and God and... have some fun!

I've enjoyed attending some meetings for the many ministries of this church, Pastoral care, Daughters of the King and Vestry and hope to attend

others. I've visited some of you who have been hospitalized and who can no longer make it to services and will do more of that on my Wednesdays and Sundays.

I'd welcome you to stop by for the Wednesday Eucharist and or Brown Bag Lunch, or schedule time to visit.

Some folks have asked what to call me.... in various settings I've been called Pastor Mary, Chaplain Mary, Mother Mary (which has some other connotations that don't really work) and even Father Mary! In a formal setting my title is "The Rev." but for everyday, let's just go with "Mary."

On July 9<sup>th</sup> I'll be leading an Adult Forum between both services on "Holy Hospitality." It's a new way to look at

Jesus' mandate to welcome in his name, share our experiences of welcome (or lack of), and to take a look at what we're good at and what needs tweaking here at St. Luke's. After the forum there's a survey that a group of interested parishioners can take, looking around the church with fresh eyes to see as a newcomer sees. So, join us and offer your thoughts at either 9 :00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m.

As we begin our time together, I ask you to pray daily for this church, and for the Holy Spirit to guide your search process.

Blessings,

Mary ✠

P.S. Thank you to all who helped with the Celebration of life of Gloria Edmon and the wonderful reception!

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## Treasurer's Report — by Myrna Rafalovich



### As of June 30, 2017

Budget	\$48,108.00
Pledge Payments	<u>\$40,695.00</u>
Shortfall	<\$7,413.00>

### A Note from Lynn Hughes



I am in the process of lightly purging out-of-date books from our church Library. We've run out of room! Most of these books have been donated by previous parishioners. The books in the Library are a wonderful resource for many of us. Because the books have been given to the church, I do not want to discard any that donors may cherish. Please contact me if there are any books that you wish to remain in the Library, and I will honor your request. Please keep in mind that this action is to help our Library be user-friendly and up-to-date. Thank you.

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You are invited to an ECW (Episcopal Church Women) Tea on Saturday, July 15th from 2 to 4:00 p.m. The tea will be in St. Luke's Parish Hall. Come and join your sisters at St. Luke's for a relaxing fellowship. If you would like to bring a friend, a special tea cup, tea pot, tea, or goodies to share, you are encouraged and welcome to do so. Questions? Call Joan Collins at (541) 47606169 or email her at danjoan@charter.net.

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## Special Dates & Events

**July 2** (Sun.) Potluck Lunch to benefit Ft. Vannoy Elementary School — please bring a dish to share according to last name: A-I: Side/salad; J-R: Dessert; S-Z: Entrée;

**July 3** (Mon.) Sexton returns from vacation

**July 4** (Tues.) Independence Day — No 7:15 a.m. Morning Prayer; 8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Powderhorn Café; Parish Office closed

**July 5** (Wed.) 12:15 p.m. Mid-Week Eucharist starts up again, followed by a Brown Bag Lunch

**July 9** (Sun.) 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Adult Forum: *Holy Hospitality*

**July 13** (Thurs.) 7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

**July 15** (Sat.) 2-4:00 p.m. ECW Tea at St. Luke's

**July 22** (Sat.) St. Mary Magdalene

**July 25** (Tues.) St. James the Apostle



13	Marcus Allen
15	Michael Anzalone
16	Lester Dougherty
17	Jennifer Roberts, Michael Sanchez
21	Alex Frum, Susan Lee Hall

*If your name is not on the birthday list, please contact the parish office to get added on.*

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## Sr. Warden's Report — by John Barnard

**S**t. Luke's was remarkably blessed to have the services of Louis Delp as Junior Warden until he felt compelled by circumstances to recently resign. Not only did he bring skills, experience and a dedication to craftsman-level work to this important office, but his energy, cheerfulness, humor and very friendly personality enhanced the parish. He also led the devoted, hard-working groups that did the chancel reconfiguration and the power-washing project. I often say that without his diagnosing and repairing the sump pump a year ago, last winter the church basement would have turned into an aquarium. His broad range of skills saved us a lot of money by avoiding the need to pay for services from outside the parish. More importantly than all that good work, we miss his manifest joy at being in church to worship, and hope that he and Marilyn will rejoin us at services soon.

Now we need a Junior Warden. It is only necessary to fill the position; no one would be expected to fill Louis' shoes. His energy and skill-set were exceptional. We are going to lighten the burden associated with that office. Before Louis resigned, the Vestry had determined that the Junior Warden ministry was too large for one person to do alone. The next Junior Warden will serve as the head of a group of volunteers which would undertake projects and one or more of those people with do-it-yourself skills would make up a roster on call for urgent repairs. The names "Building and Facilities Committee" and "Junior Warden's Posse" have been suggested for the group, but the members should decide what do call themselves. The fine and devoted work of the Gardening Angels will serve as an excellent example and inspiration to the new group.

A number of you have already graciously volunteered to help out with projects. Thank you for that. The Acting Junior Warden (who temporarily is the undersigned) will get back to you when he has time.

If you are willing to serve with that group or, if you are willing to be the next Junior Warden, please contact the Parish Administrator or me. We don't need master carpenters and plumbers, just enthusiastic volunteers. The new Junior Warden would only be obligated to serve for nineteen months, which is when the previous incumbent's term would have expired.

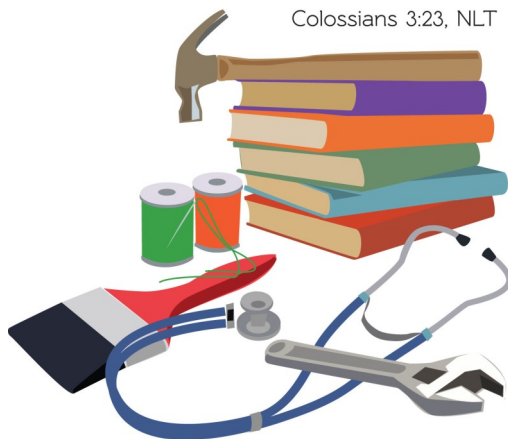
Veering off in another direction, today I saw a Bible verse in an online devotional that encouraged me as we go forward with our search for a new permanent rector. It is from Psalms 37:5. "Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act." (NRSV) It doesn't say when, so please keep praying.

You are wonderful people, and I am

John Barnard

Work willingly at  
whatever you do,  
as though you were  
working for the Lord  
rather than for people.

Colossians 3:23, NLT



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**IDENTITY STATEMENT FOR ST. LUKE'S**

St. Luke's Episcopal Church is a community of diverse and unique individuals and families, joined together in the Body of Christ. We are a family united by worship, discovering God's purpose in our lives and using our gifts in service to him, to one another, and to the world.

We believe the historic Christian creeds. We carry on the heritage of Christian worship, celebrating the biblical faith with traditional and contemporary forms. We encounter God in word and sacrament, in music and prayer, and in one another.

We offer opportunities for education, spiritual growth, service, fellowship, and the giving and receiving of pastoral care

We seek, through worship and service, to show forth in the world the healing love of Jesus.



**ST. LUKE'S SERVICES  
SUNDAY MORNING**

8:00 a.m. Holy  
Eucharist, Rite II  
10:00 a.m. Holy  
Eucharist, Rite II  
Nursery available

**MONDAY—FRIDAY**

7:15 a.m. Morning  
Prayer

**WEDNESDAY**

12:15 Holy Eucharist

**ST. LUKE'S MISSION  
STATEMENT**

*Love. Faith. Reason.  
Community.*

*We reach out in joy and  
in Christ's name to one  
another, our community,  
and the world.*

**ST. LUKE'S  
OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
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John Barnard (2020) Senior Warden  
Susan Lee Hall (2020)  
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Mary Wineteer, Clerk of the Vestry  
Marcus Allen (2018)  
Alison Huber (2019)  
Bill McBee (2018)  
Juli Mimnaugh (2018)  
Hana Rubens (2019)  
Scott Swindells (2020)