



Luke's Log

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Sr. Warden's Report

By now you know that we have a candidate to be our next permanent rector who has the enthusiastic support of the Vestry and the entire diverse Search Committee. The Vestry believes that the Search Committee has found the person who will be, in the words of the prayer "a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries." This person is presently unmarried and has no dependents, which makes them portable and not very expensive. One Vestry member has even located a possible home for this prospective rector to rent, which is almost miraculous in the tight local housing market. Things are coming together, and we can call a rector if we have sufficient funds, but pledges and contributions keep declining and funding may be a problem. We are presently projecting that the parish will be short by \$10,000 or more of what we must be able to budget to call this priest. It is good to donate time and talents, but there is no getting around the need for treasure also. We have

cut expenses about as far as we can. I am writing to you today about the need for addition funding from pledges and contributions.

The Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of Oregon and other governing documents mandate minimum levels of compensation and benefits for priests and the cash stipend (salary) minimums are set forth in a table that is revised annually. The minimum compensation requirement for smaller parishes such as St. Luke's is lower than for larger ones and because our next rector will work three-quarters of a full-time equivalent, only 75% of that minimum will be paid. Because this priest is from outside the Diocese, they will start at the lowest level of the compensation table. The Episcopal Church requires that medical and dental insurance and other benefits be provided for employees working more than twenty hours per week. I am working with our candidate on possible ways to provide the health insurance at a lower cost than is typical. A major effort is being made by the candidate and Vestry to reduce the cost of a permanent rector for St. Luke's, but funding will be a serious challenge for us.

If you pledge now and can afford to increase your pledge, please do so. If you are behind on your pledge payments, please try to catch up as soon as you can and not wait until the end of the year. If you contribute, but do not pledge, please convert to pledging by filling out a yellow pledge card and turning it into the parish office. If you are doing all that you can already, thank you and God bless you for that! I personally do not know how much anyone pledges and I do not want to know.

It's up to us and to God, but I think that the funding will have to come from us.

I will host town hall-type meetings after each service this Sunday, July 1, to answer your questions.

Thank you for your prayers and support for what we are doing together,

John Barnard



Special points of interest:

- ♦ *Jr. Warden's Report*
 - ♦ *ECW High Tea*
- More information Inside!*

Jr. Warden's Report — by Dennis James

Progress has been made in the plans for maintaining St. Luke's Church.

1. The porches are now painted.
2. Painting is scheduled for June 29 and 30 (Friday and Saturday).
3. Carpet has been ordered. Installation is set for July 2018 at a date to be announced. Help will be needed to move furniture for carpet installation.
4. The Vestry met on June 24, 2018 and approved the carpet selection and style.

Future Projects

1. Painting all window casements on the outside of the church and parish hall.
2. Address the doors at the side of the parish hall (replace or upgrade).
3. Re-cover the stained-glass windows.
4. Replace the utility shed.
5. Replace the windows in choir area of the sanctuary.

Thank you to all who have helped see these projects through.

Dennis James



Cursillo News

Episcopal Cursillo of Oregon and SW Washington invites one and all to a Grand Ultreya and snack food Potluck gathering on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at 2pm. It will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1444 Liberty St. SE, Salem, OR 97302. Lots of singing, sharing, and connecting with friends old and new. Find and join us on Facebook under Oregon Episcopal Cursillo, and sign-up for Cursillo email at www.oregon-cursillo.org.

Episcopal Church Women's Tea—by Joan Collins

It's time again for our semi-annual Ladies' Tea. It is scheduled for Saturday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on July 14th. I thought it would be fun to have a "High Tea" this time. One of the ladies has already volunteered to make chicken salad sandwiches. Other interesting dishes are also planned. So, bring your favorite tea cup on the 14th. And hats are optional!

Joan Collins



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| 1 | Alex Frum |
| 11 | Bridget Garvin |
| 13 | Marcus Allen |
| 15 | Michael Anzalone |
| 16 | Lester Dougherty |
| 17 | Jennifer Roberts |
| 21 | Susan Lee Hall |

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



Special Dates & Events

July 1 (Sun.) Fr. Tom Murphy; Adult Forum is on hiatus until Fall

July 2 (Mon.) Sexton out through Friday, July 6

July 4 (Wed.) Independence Day — Parish Office closed; no 7:45 a.m. Morning Prayer; 12:15 p.m. service on hiatus until Fall; no Choir practice

July 8 (Sun.) Rev. Anne Bartlett; 2:00 p.m. Cursillo at St. Paul's, Salem; *Mary Magdalene Reimagined* juried art exhibit at Trinity, Portland through September 2018

July 17 (Thurs.) 7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

July 14 (Sat.) 1-3:00 p.m. ECW High Tea

July 15 & 22 (Sun.) Rev. Anne Bartlett

July 29 (Sun.) Fr. Tom Murphy

Date for carpet installation to be announced.

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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—THURSDAY
7:45 a.m. Morning
Prayer
FRIDAY — 7:15 a.m.

PASTORAL CARE
Dan & Joan Collins
Lynn Hughes
Dave & Diana Robertson

**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**

M, T, Th 9 am-1 pm
Wed. 9 am-5 pm
Closed Friday
541-476-2493

ST. LUKE'S OFFICERS & VESTRY

John Barnard (2020) Senior Warden
Dennis James (2019) Jr. Warden
Myrna Rafalovich, Treasurer
Bridget Garvin (2021)
Susan Lee Hall (2020)
Alison Huber (2019)
Juli Mimnaugh (2021)
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