



Luke's Log

Planting Seeds



November 2018

"Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice honor me; to those who go the right way I will show the salvation of God." Psalm 50:23

The year is quickly coming to an end, and Thanksgiving will be here before you know it. As one year rolls away, we often begin to take stock of what went well and what did not, often dwelling on what went wrong. In life, we get both good and bad; but we always need to remember to give God thanks. As the song "In Everything" sung

by the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir says,

"In everything give him thanks, in the good times praise his name, in the bad times do the same, in everything give the king of kings all the thanks."

Trust and faith in God combined with gratitude goes a long way in making the unbearable bearable. For each breath we take, each morning we wake up, each hug we get from our loved ones, give God the thanks. A thankful heart and willing spirit for the little things makes our journeys easier.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, let us remember to be thankful and give God the thanks for the small and big. Let us be thankful for family and friends who love us and who we love. Let us be grateful for those who set the bar high for us to follow and for those

who teach us to be patient, kind and compassionate. Let us be grateful for those who help us to see when we want to remain blind to the suffering and cruelty of our world. Let us be thankful for the beauty of God's earth and show gratitude by caring for and preserving all of God's creatures.

Have a Happy, Happy Thanksgiving, everyone!

Thank you, God for everything. Amen.

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Rev. Ernestein †

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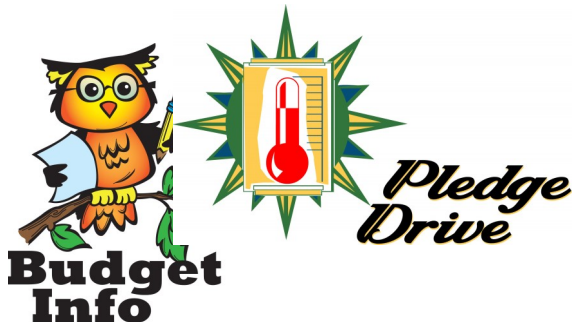


Special points of interest:

- ♦ School Needs
- ♦ Pledge Drive

More information Inside!

Treasurer's Report - by Myrna Rafalovich



As of October 30, 2018

Pledged Amount	\$75,790.00
Pledge Payments	<u>\$71,731.00</u>
Shortfall	<\$4,059.00>

Sr. Warden's Report — by Juli Mimnaugh

This is the time of year that we consider Stewardship. Think about the word *steward*, a person who takes care of another's property, and apply that to what we need to do to keep our place of worship up and running, vital and continuing.

We all need to pitch in and do what we are able; time, talent and money. There are many clichés that I can think of that apply: *It takes a village, many hands lighten the load*, etc. I think you see where I'm going, we all need to do our part. A little from each of us adds up.

Please take a few moments to consider the importance of St. Luke's in your life. Then consider how you would feel if there were no longer a St. Luke's.

If you have not already filled out a pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. We operate with a budget that is balanced and we have to know what our income will be before we can plan financially for the upcoming year.

A year ago it was unsure if I would even be here to make this plea. Because of your prayers, my blessings continue to be many and I am able to ask you to consider your blessings and pledge accordingly.

Thank you and continued blessings,

Juli Mimnaugh

School Needs — by Laurel Samson

As we move into Fall it is a good time to think how we can help the children at Ft. Vannoy Elementary School. I suggest that we focus on warm clothes. Not having a jacket or long pants or even socks can be a real problem for these children. Drop off any items in one of the barrels in the Parish Hall for this purpose. I will deliver them to the school right after Thanksgiving. Thank you.

Jr. Warden's Report — by Dennis James

Fall Update

- The stained glass windows are being re-covered with Lexan.
- New frames for each cover are being installed.

Future Projects

- New windows for the chancel have been ordered and will be installed in November.
- New red doors will be ordered and installed in November.
- Vandalism damage to church siding and 4th street church sign will be addressed.
- Shed will be built on east side below kitchen windows.
- Office windows facing alley will be re-painted and re-caulked.
- Bark will be spread during the week of November 1st.



MOROCCAN PROGRESSIVE DINNER — by Laurel Samson

Thanks to everyone who gave me a chance to prepare a full Moroccan Dinner. It was great fun and we raised \$774+ for the Choir. In February, I am heading to Argentina to see my daughter, Thea. That may be the theme for our next Progressive Dinner! I expect that their food is fabulous.

A Note About FISH — by Connie & Nick Vagle

Connie and Nick remove goods often from the FISH box in the front hallway. Once or twice a month we are able to deliver many bags of groceries to Newman United Methodist Church which hosts FISH. Thank you for all the donations. Please bring a few cans or boxes of non-perishable foods when you are able to— it all adds up.



Thank you to those parishioners who have already pledged for 2019. The countdown to our financial goal is in the Parish Hall I hope you enjoy it!

Laurel Samson

Special Dates & Events

Nov. 1 (Thurs.) All Saint's Day; Rev. E. at Diocesan Convention; 4-7 Rogue Indivisible post card writing party; 6:00 p.m. Pub Theology at Climate City

Nov. 2 (Fri.) All Souls' Day; Rev. E. at Diocesan Convention

Nov. 3 (Sat.) Rev. E. at Diocesan Convention; 4-7 Rogue Indivisible post card writing party

Nov. 4 (Sun.) All Saint's Sunday; Daylight-Saving Time ends; Reading of the Necrology at 8 and 10:00 a.m. services

Nov. 5 (Mon.) 4-7 Rogue Indivisible post card writing party

Nov. 6 (Tues.) Election Day

Nov. 8 (Thurs.) Rev. E. at "Fresh Start," Wilsonville; 5:30 p.m. Cursillo; 7:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Nov. 11 (Sun.) Veterans Day; Choir Bake Sale (fundraiser for the Choir)

Nov. 14 (Wed.) 11:00 a.m. Pastoral Care Committee

Nov. 15 (Thurs.) Faith House Wreath dropped off; 6:00 Pub Theology, Climate City

Nov. 18 (Sun.) Harvest Sunday; 12:00 noon Thanksgiving Meal: turkey, ham and pork provided; please sign up to bring a side dish, dessert or beverage— see sheet at kitchen door; United Thank Offering (UTO) boxes will be out today— Juli Mimnaugh, coordinator— more on this soon.

Nov. 22 (Thurs.) Thanksgiving ; Parish Office closed; (no service)

Nov. 25 (Sun.) Christ the King Sunday; 9:00 a.m. single service: "Teaching Eucharist;" no Choir

Nov. 28 (Wed.) 6:00 p.m. Celebration of New Ministry of the Rev. Ernestine C. Flemister with Bishop Michael J. Hanley

Nov. 30 (Fri.) St. Andrew the Apostle



November	6	Eileen Widdison	16	Scott Swindells
	8	Louis Delp	23	Noah Calvert
	9	Nancy Murray	25	Joan Collins
	10	Ben Widdison	27	Dan Collins

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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
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Nursery available

WEDNESDAY

12:15 p.m. Mid-week
Eucharist

MONDAY—THURSDAY

7:45 a.m. Morning
Prayer

FRIDAY — 7:15 a.m.

**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
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