



# Luke's Log

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## Planting Seeds September 2018

Luke 8:5-7 "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. 6 Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. 7 Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. 8 Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold." As he said this, he called out, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"

I have been in Grants Pass for less than a month and I have been shown great hospitality and welcome by the people of St. Luke's and others. I want to thank you

all for making me feel at home. We worshipped together our first time on Sunday, August 26, 2018 and we made a joyful noise unto the Lord and enjoyed two meals; the Eucharist and after worship a wonderful reception. It was amazing, so much delicious food! Thanks to everyone for making it such a grand beginning.

As I begin to serve as your rector, my prayer is that together we will sow good seeds and allow God to do great work among us. Let us prepare the soil of our lives to receive Word and Sacraments to guide us along the way. Let us prepare the soil of our communities to nourish and respect one another. Let us be as one in the love of Jesus Christ.

Finally, as Paul's letter to the Ephesians

3:18-20 says, *18 I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. 20 Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.*

Faithfully yours,

Rev. E.



### Special points of interest:

- ♦ Thank You from Sr. Warden
- ♦ Progressive Dinner

More information  
Inside!

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## Treasurer's Report - by Myrna Rafalovich

As of August 31, 2018



Pledged Amount	\$60,632.00
Pledge Payments	<u>\$57,400.00</u>
Shortfall	< <b>\$3,232.00</b> >

### Support for Students at Ft. Vannoy Elementary School

It's the beginning of the school year and children are required to bring in supplies for the year. Some of these children cannot afford the supplies. Can you donate to purchase some or all of the materials for a student?

There is a display in the Parish Hall with a list of the items that are needed for each of the grades. I am hoping that we can support one child in each classroom.

Thank you for your help.

Laurel Samson

### Episcopal Church Women

The annual meeting of Episcopal Church Women in the Diocese of Oregon will be held in Gardiner on September 22, from 11am to 2 pm this year. It will be hosted by the ladies of St. Mary the Virgin. Gardiner is on the coast just north of Reedsport. As Jo Martin Board President, says , "We will share our faith, a meal, and our sisterhood in Christ."

If you would like to attend, contact Joan Collins for a registration form: 541-476-6169 or cell 541-218-1013.

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## Special Dates & Events

**Sept. 3** (Mon.) Labor Day — Parish Office closed; 7:45 Morning Prayer; no 9:00 a.m. Needle & Thread; 9:30 a.m. Gardening Angels

**Sept. 8** (Sat.) 5:30 p.m. Progressive Dinner (see article)

**Sept. 10** (Mon.) No 9:00 a.m. Needle & Thread

**Sept. 11** (Tues.) Patriot Day

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

**Sept. 14** (Fri.) Holy Cross Day

**Sept. 21** (Sat.) St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

**Sept. 22** (Sat.) 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ECW Diocese of Oregon Annual Meeting at St. Mary the Virgin, Gardiner; First Day of Autumn

**Sept. 26** (Wed.) 12:15 p.m. Mid-Week Holy Eucharist starts up again. Mark your calendar!

**Sept. 29** (Sat.) St. Michael & All Angels



### Join us for Food and Fun!

Once again, we are using the Progressive Dinner to raise money for the choir. The dinner will be on Saturday evening, September 8. We will start at the home of Phyllis McGill for appetizers then to the home of Laurel and Scott for the dinner and end at Alison and Jim Huber's house for dessert.

The theme this year is Moroccan food. The main course is a slow-cooked chicken dish served with couscous and a variety of salads. Moroccan food is not spicy.

The proposed cost is \$25 per person and this is a sliding scale. If \$25 is too much, then pay less. And if \$25 seems too little, please give more. All of the money will go to the Choir. The list is filled up— if you find you cannot attend, please let me know. I have two people on the wait list. Thanks!

Laurel Samson

#### Addresses:

**Phyllis McGill – 730 NW Midland, GP 97526 – 541-476-3232**

**Laurel & Scott Samson – 1432 NW Lawnridge, GP 97526 – 541-479-1642**

**Jim & Alison Huber – 1675 Williamsburg Dr, GP 97526 – 541-226-8181 or 541-218-1225**

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## THANK YOU FROM THE RECENTLY RETIRED SENIOR WARDEN — John Barnard

I thank the Junior Warden, Vestry members and parishioners for the card, the sentiments and the beautiful mug, which I just refilled. Thank you also for the support which you have given to St. Luke's and to me during almost two years without a permanent rector.

The Reverend E is very well-qualified and also very well-suited to this parish and we are fortunate to have her. I personally appreciate very much her forthright approach and the value of the experience she brings to the priesthood from her experience prior to entering the seminary. This will work out well, but she will be most effective if she receives support through prayer and effort from each of us, not only now, but next year and the year after that and into our future together.

God bless her and all of you and St. Luke's Church.

John Barnard



- 1 Bruce Mimnaugh
- 9 Bill Crow
- 10 Dick Griffiths
- 12 Marlene Brown
- 13 Durfee Bedsole
- 15 Blenda Wingate
- 22 Joanne Taxelius
- 28 Audrey Dawson

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

## “Thank you!” from the Jr. Warden — Dennis James

A hearty word of thanks to all who moved furniture and items, rearranged the Parish Hall and in general helped out while painting and carpet installation went on. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

Dennis James

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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 Episcopal Church publishes Luke's Log monthly. Submit articles to our email address or to the parish office by the 20th of the month. For more information, visit our website above.



**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  
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Susan Lee Hall (2020)  
Alison Huber (2019)  
Juli Mimnaugh (2021)  
Michael Riding (2021)  
Hana Rubens (2019)  
Scott Swindells (2020)