



Luke's Log

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Sr. Warden's Report by Jim Huber July 26, 2019

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As you are aware, we are in the early stages of creating a strategic plan for St. Luke's. At the Sunday service on July 21st, Reverend E. mentioned this during the announcements and referenced a questionnaire that was in the bulletin. It contains seven different questions that we ask you to consider carefully and respond to as well as you can. If you are a couple or part of a larger group, we ask that each person answer the questions individually. Finally, we ask that you turn them back in by August 11. Learning what you are thinking is a key step in creating a meaningful plan.

We are trying to make this as easy as possible to fill out. First, you can write out your answers on the form provided and drop it off at church, including putting it in the offering plate. Second, if you would like help responding, we are happy

to sit down with you after one of the services and write down your answers as we discuss the questions. A third way is to go to your home if you are unable to make it to church. In other words, if you would like someone to come to your home and help fill out the form, we can do that.

Finally, thanks to the efforts of Bridget Garvin, the form is on St. Luke's website and it can be completed and submitted electronically. Go to St. Luke's website and click on the note at the top of the page: "2019 St. Luke's Parishioners' Survey. Please complete by August 11." That will take you to the letter from Reverend Ernestein to us. At the bottom of the letter click on "Click here to begin taking survey.", which takes you to the survey itself. Simply fill it out (it is more than one page) and click on "Submit" when done.

You may be wondering what exactly is a strategic plan and why are we doing this? There are different definitions but they generally all contain the same elements. Strategic plans normally involve the inclusion of an organization's vision and mis-

sion statements, its goals and objectives, an action plan and a scorecard. The scorecard, or however it is labeled, is simply a way of periodically going back, looking at the plan and assessing if the organization is accomplishing what it set out to do. Since ours will be a 3 to 5-year plan, once adopted we will evaluate how we are doing, probably on a yearly basis.

In terms of why we are doing this, try to think of it this way: the plan is a way of defining our direction, or strategy, and guiding us in making decisions and allocating scarce resources in pursuit of this strategy. This is what successful organizations do. They don't waste their time and resources on things that are not important or integral to accomplishing their vision and mission, which articulate the reason for their existence in the first place. All of this is easier said than done of course, nevertheless this is what we wish to accomplish – create our own 3 to 5-year plan and, as members of the congregation of St. Luke's, be as successful

as we can in achieving what we set out to do.

We cannot do this without your help, however. We need to know what you are thinking and what is important to you, which is why we prepared the questionnaire. Please take your time in responding and return it by August 11. Again, feel free to ask Vestry members, including myself, for help if you need it.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

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Sincerely,
Jim Huber, Senior Warden

Treasurer's Report - by Myrna Rafalovich

Year to Date July 31, 2019

2019 Pledge Budget	\$53,667.00
Paid Pledges	<u>\$52,855.00</u>
Shortfall	<\$812.00>

Special Dates & Events

Note: There is *no* Vestry Meeting in August.

August 6 (Tues.) The Transfiguration

August 10 Sat.) 12-3 Diocesan Listening Sessions at St. Luke's

August 11 (Sun.) 11:30 a.m. Potluck Lunch to benefit Ft. Vannoy Elementary School

August 11-17 (Sun-Sat) The Rev. Ernestein on vacation in afternoon through 8-17

August 12-15 (M-Th) Parish Administrator on vacation through 8-15

August 12-18 (M-Sun) Sexton on vacation through 8-18

August 15 (Thurs.) St. Mary the Virgin

August 24 (Sat.) St. Bartholomew, the Apostle

1	Dennis Duewel
9	Hana Rubens
12	Merle Berry
17	Connie Frum, Charles Brown
21	Margaret James
24	Joani Bristol
29	Nick Vagle, Helen McVay, Fr. Jim Boston
30	Judy Anzalone



Thank You! – From Concetta Buckner

Thank you to all who donated supplies and worked the sandwich assembly line last Sunday. The Ministry in the Park fed about 85 to 90 people that day and all your sandwiches went. (Hope to do this again soon.) Thank you again. Concetta

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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
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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
OFFICE HOURS**

M, T, Th 9 am-1 pm

Wed. 9 am-5 pm

Closed Friday

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Jim Huber, Sr. Warden (2021)

Dennis James (2020) Jr. Warden

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Laurel Samson, Clerk of the Vestry

Concetta Buckner (2022)

Bridget Garvin (2021)

Susan Lee Hall (2020)

Juli Mimnaugh (2021)

Michael Riding (2021)

Hana Rubens (2020)

Lee Smith (2022)

Scott Swindells (2020)