



The Steeple

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The Parish Survey is Due July 11th

By now, you should have received your copy of the Parish Survey – either by picking it up in person and receiving it in the mail.

If you already completed the survey, thank you so much for being a part of the 24% who have done so.

If you have not completed the Parish Survey, we ask you that you do so this week as they are due on July 11th.

As you complete the Parish Survey, we respectfully ask that you give prayerful consideration and deep reflection to your responses. We need your perspectives and priorities; your ideas and concerns; and most importantly, your hearts and minds.

If you have not received a copy of the Parish Survey, please contact the Church Office or one of the Search Committee members. Similarly, anyone needing special assistance to complete the survey can contact any member of the Search Committee and we will help you.

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Important Dates To Remember

Wonderful Wacky Wednesdays Summer Program for our children continues Wed., through July 27 (see pg. 3)

20th Anniversary Reception for Parish Secretary Ann Bell, Sun., July 10, 12pm, MH

NO Newsletter the week of July 18 while editor is on vacation

ST. LUKE'S PARISH SURVEY RESPONSE RATE





Ann Bell Day – This Sunday is what we are calling Ann Bell Day and we want everyone here for the celebration. This is Ann’s twentieth anniversary as St. Luke’s Parish Secretary. That is almost unheard of in church circles! However, Ann has not just survived for 20 years – she has had a huge impact on our life together as a Parish Family.

I have said this before and want to make it clear again – Ann is on the frontline of our ministry – on the phone, in our publications and emails, keeping us organized, facilitating communications, running interference, scheduling events, greeting everyone coming in the door – and providing pastoral care with a listening ear and gentle encouragement. Describing all that Ann means to our parish is difficult but this image works for me – she embodies “With Arms Wide Open.” She has truly enriched our community of faith and ministry. She is the best I have ever seen or experienced!

So, I look forward to thanking Ann on Sunday for who she is and all that she does for us at St. Luke’s. Ann and her husband, Merle, will be with us in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 10:30 followed by a reception in Metcalf Hall. Come enjoy and give thanks.

Gratitude Note: For the funeral teams at St. Luke’s. We just celebrated two large funerals – for Linda Cabbage and Cheri Doty. Funerals are important events for families and friends of course and we are honored to provide the context for the services. Because I am the Rector of the parish, I am usually front and center in leading the service. However, I have been thinking about the incredible number of people who play a part in these celebrations.

In the case of these two funerals, all five of our clergy were there. There were at least eight Altar Guild members involved. Then there were the Ushers, Crucifers, Layreaders and Chalicers. There were the organist and other musicians who played who were essential to the experience. I should also note the contributions of our parish secretary, parish administrator and sexton. The receptions following the services were splendid, but required at least fifteen people. There must have been at least thirty people (probably more) involved for each service to make sure everything was just right – faithful and compassionate servants. My friends, you truly make a difference on these occasions when we celebrate the life and faith of those who have died. I am grateful – more than you know.

Fr. Sean’s First Anniversary – My how time flies when you are having fun! Fr. Sean has now been with us a year. He has good gifts and skills for the priesthood which he exercises with enthusiastic commitment. As several people have recently said to me, “Fr. Sean is growing by leaps and bounds.” I am certainly glad the Bishop gave Sean to us as our Curate. This has expanded our parish ministries even as we provide a context for him to grow. That is one of the gifts of our parish. You know how to nurture, encourage and love these young priests who have come our way. His second year will be even more exciting to watch and share.

Blessings,
Fr. Lee+

Weekly Activity Calendar

Sunday, July 10, 2016

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
9:30am Choir Rehearsal
10:30am Rite II
12:00pm 20yr Anniversary Reception
for Ann Bell, MH

Monday, July 11, 2016

9:30am Church Staff Mtg.
5:30pm Holy Eucharist
7:15pm Vestry Mtg.

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

10:00am Spiritual Discipline Group,
Library

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

3:00-5:30pm Wonderful Wacky
Wednesday

Thursday, July 14, 2016

6:45am Men’s Fellowship, MH
12:00pm Holy Eucharist

Friday, July 15, 2016

Saturday, July 16, 2016

Sunday, July 17, 2016

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Discipleship Forum, MH
9:30am Choir Rehearsal
10:30am Rite II

Monday, July 18, 2016

NO newsletter this week
5:30pm Holy Eucharist

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED Create for Mission Day

Friday, July 8, 9:30am-2pm

Oak Park United Methodist

601 NW Brentwood Dr., Lunch \$5

We will be cutting and sewing lap quilts, bibs, pillows and catheter covers that will be distributed to area nursing homes. We will also be assembling hygiene and school kits for Church World Services for local, national and international disaster sites.

All women are invited – we need sewers, cutters, pinners, pressers, pillow stuffers and assemblers. You may bring your sewing machine, serger, fabric scissors, rotary cutters & cutting mats. Questions? Contact Mary Burns, 918-331-7297.

ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following in your prayers

(Names on the Prayer List are rotated off every 4 weeks. If there is need for continued prayers, please let us know.)

Dan, Evelyn, Spence, Mike, Scott, Jim, Geir, Hugh, Carolyn, Mary, Georgia, Bob, Glenn, Mark, Becky, Steve, Jeff, Camilla, Natalie, Shelly, Helen, Max, Emma, Sue, Jean, all members of our armed forces and their families.

If you have a prayer request, contact our Prayer Ministry Coordinator Thelma Blackburn 918-333-7902 or TPBGEN@aol.com or the church office at 918-336-1212 or annbell@episcopalbartlesville.org.



With Sympathy

Sincere sympathy and prayers to Mr. & Mrs. Bill (Mthr. Andrea) Jones, 1901 Skyline Pl., Bartlesville, OK 74006, and on the death of Andrea's brother, *John K. Wallace*, of North Liberty, Iowa, on Sunday, June 26. Mthr. Andrea officiated at his graveside service on July 5th in Mt. Vernon, Iowa.

LifeTouch

CHURCH
DIRECTORIES
AND PORTRAITS

Coming soon to a Metcalf Hall near you... PHOTOSHOOT! We are having a new directory made and we need your help! Please try to be available one of the days between Tuesday through Thursday, September 13-15 so that we can take your picture professionally. More details to come, stay tuned!



What's Happened and What's Ahead with W.W.W..... (Wonderful/Wild Wacky Wednesdays)

Three weeks down and 4 to go! Last week we let our light shine and Jeanne told the Baptism story to 18 kids! It was "full" of little lights!

☺ They enjoyed making kaleidoscopes and they shared different talents that God has given them. This week.....our theme is "The Earth is Rich with Life!" We will be spending the majority of the afternoon outside splashing in water activities and under our tent planting and singing songs with Deacon Mike! Each week a new friend or two has joined us and we feel very blessed. MARK your CALENDAR for our last W.W.W at FRONTIER POOL on July 27th. Stay tuned for time and details. (It will be after 6:00 PM)

July 5	"The Earth is Rich with Life"	Tents outside of St. Luke's
July 13	"Harmony-How We Live Together"	St. Luke's
July 20	"Peace Be with You"	St. Luke's
July 27	End of W.W.W Bash	Frontier Pool



It is next to impossible for me to keep up with the pulse of things in the church, thus I depend on you, the users of church facilities, to keep me informed. However, I cannot get a problem fixed if I don't know about it, so please let me know. If at all possible, I would appreciate being informed of such at some other time than when I am attending church or enjoying fellowship. Thanks for your assistance.

Crisis Averted! Crisis Averted! I have, I think, mentioned before that things happen around that I could not make up. Last Friday as folks were preparing for a funeral reception, they found to their considerable dismay that the door knob to the Metcalf room housing the "reception fridge" was inoperative! So, there they were with food that needed to be put out, but they could not get to it—looked like a crisis to them! I was out at the Tallgrass Prairie Preserve, but Lana drafted her husband Henry who a mere week earlier had helped me overcome the same door problem in Rogers Hall. All that was necessary was to take the door off its hinges and Henry did it in sort order! Crisis Averted and I now have the door knob functional again. Thank you Lana and Henry!

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 7/10/16 through 7/17/16

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions.

Acolytes
July 10
Servers
 David Wiseman, Grace Mitchell
Torchbearers
 Keaton Mitchell, Evan Mitchell
July 17
Servers
 Nick Olsen, Greta Olsen
Torchbearers
 Kyle Peterson, Charlie Olsen

Scripture Lessons for
Sunday, July 10
 Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82;
 Colossians 1:1-14;
 Luke 10:25-37
Music for Sunday, July 10
 Selected "Favorite" Hymns

Greeters
Sunday, July 10
8:00am
 Don Doty
10:30am
 Debbie & Dennis Mueggenborg
Sunday, July 17
8:00am
 Monica Martin
10:30am
 Carol Murphy
 Maureen & Steve Forsythe

Ushers
Sunday, July 10
8:00am
 Ace Gardner, Michael Kemp
10:30am
 Brian Ferguson,
*volunteer needed**
Sunday, July 17
8:00am
 Michael Kemp, Dean Zervas
10:30am
 Glenn Bonner, Steve Clark
**Contact Steve Clark,*
918-914-9662

Layreaders
Sunday, July 10
8:00am
 Judy Currey, Jim Grillot
10:30am
 Juanita Green, Bob Wesneski
 Nick Conner, Kate Carroll
Sunday, July 17
8:00am
 Darian Kedy, Scott Williams
10:30am
 Judy Currey, Penny Williams
 Kate Carroll, Bob Wesneski

Coffee Fellowship Hour
July 10
 20 yr. Reception for Ann Bell
July 17
 Lauren & Juanita Green
July 24
 Volunteer needed*
**Please contact Rita Childers,*
918-519-8470 or
puevey45@gmail.com

St. Luke's Bookstore
The Bookstore is open
Sundays between the two
services and after the
10:30 service. All proceeds
from sales go to St. Luke's
Outreach Projects.
***To volunteer, you may**
 contact Melinda Wesneski,
 918-333-7758 or
mcwesne@gmail.com.

Children's Chapel
July 10
 Erin & Travis Perry
July 17
 Becky & Brian Olsen
July 24
 Jeanne Julstrom, Travis Sutton

Nursery Volunteers
July 10
 Natalie Conner
July 17
 Barbara Todd
July 24
 Anneke Borg

Bereavement Committee
Team 2
 Barbara Martin, Laura Birk,
 Thelma Blackburn, Sally
 Canfield, Debbie Mueggenborg

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
 Please have articles that
 you would like printed in
The Steeple to the church
 office no later than
Tuesdays at 10am.
 Thank you!

Agape Mission
2nd Thursday,
July 14, 2016
9-11am
 Jeanne Julstrom,
 John McCollum
10:45am-1pm
 Kris Bonner, Rita Chiders,
 Becky Liehr, Kathy Zervas,
 Marcia Zervas
1-2:45pm
 Melinda Droege,
 Miriam Petrovich

Sunday Plate Counters
July 10
 Jim Malone
July 17
 Steve Clark
July 24
 Jim Grillot, Jim Malone