



# The Steeple

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## ◆◆ St. Luke's Treasure Sale ◆◆ ◆5th Edition◆

Friday, February 17, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 18, 10am-2pm  
Metcalf Hall – 8<sup>th</sup> & Dewey, Bartlesville, OK

It's not too late to plan  
to come to this exciting event!  
Tickets for Friday evening will be available  
at the door for \$15.00.

Saturday, February 18 is free and open to all!

Encourage your friends, neighbors, people you meet on the street...everyone to come and see how St. Luke's shares our gifts (treasures, talents) to benefit and to help others!

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### ✓ Important Dates To Remember

Treasure Sale, Fri. & Sat., Feb. 17 & 18  
(see article this pg.)

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper,  
Tuesday, Feb. 28, 5:30-7:00pm, RH

## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, February 28  
5:30-7:00pm, Rodgers Hall



Our Young Disciples Youth Group is hosting **The Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper!** They will be serving "all you can eat" pancakes, sausage, juice, milk & coffee from 5:30-7:00pm in Rodgers Hall.

Donations will be taken at the door and will be used to fund Young Disciples activities and projects. Everyone in the parish is invited to come and enjoy pancakes and fellowship and to support our youth.

**Crafting Our Prayers** group will begin meeting again on Thursday, March 2 at 10am in the Vestry Rm. If you have any questions, please contact Lauri Watkins at [lauri-watkins@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lauri-watkins@sbcglobal.net).

## Thoughts from Fr. Sean



Friends, Episcopalians, LENT ME YOUR EARS!

It's that time of year wherein we begin to walk through Lent. But what is it? Why do we do it? What does it REALLY mean? What are some ways we can be intentional in our approach to this

penitential season? These are all questions that some or many of you may have and I want to explore them with you. As such, we're going to have Soup Sessions, a Tuesday-night opportunity to come together and share a meal, share our ideas and questions on Lent and share our hearts in a closing Compline service. We'll kick off the first Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, with, "What is Lent?" Let's discuss where Lent came from, the ancient practices and some of the newer practices that have developed over the years. Soup's on at 6:30pm and the program portion begins at 7pm; I promise to have you out by 8pm. Childcare will be provided!

Next on the list is an opportunity to come together for no other reason than to enjoy phenomenal entertainment and good friends on Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm in Metcalf Hall. Austin's own B. Sterling is coming back to share his soul and music with what he named, "Some of the best people I've ever played for." B's enthusiasm and story-telling ability couple with his talented vocal and guitar skills to create a memorable night for any in attendance. We'll also have childcare for this! The concert is free for you and I hope you join me in hanging out and listening in with B. Sterling.

It's an exciting time to be "Jesus people" around here at St. Luke's and I'm glad to be a part of the Jesus movement in Bartlesville. Come for the Soup Sessions, the Soul of a Musician series and look for more opportunities to hang out with your church family!

Faithfully,

Sean+



## Weekly Activity Calendar

### Sunday, February 19, 2017

8:00am Rite I  
9:15am Sunday School Classes  
10:30am Rite II

### Monday, February 20, 2017

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

### Tuesday, February 21, 2017

10:00am Spiritual Discipline Group,  
library

### Wednesday, February 22, 2017

6-8pm Young Disciples, RH

### Thursday, February 23, 2017

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

### Friday, February 24, 2017

### Saturday, February 25, 2017

### Sunday, February 26, 2017

8:00am Rite I  
9:15am Sunday School Classes  
10:30am Rite II

### Monday, February 27, 2017

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

### Tuesday, February 28, 2017

10:00am Spiritual Discipline Group,  
Library  
5:30-7pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake  
Supper, RH



*Following is a list of opportunities to make your Lenten experience more meaningful:*

**Ash Wednesday is March 1.** The Holy Eucharist with imposition of ashes will be celebrated at 7am, 12pm and 7pm.

**Lenten Study** Tuesday evenings at 6:30. We'll share soup & bread at 6:30, followed by a discussion on "What is Lent?" at 7pm led by Fr. Sean Ekberg. Metcalf Hall.

**Weekly Eucharist** will be celebrated at 9am every Wednesday, March 8 – April 12.

**Holy Week** is April 9-15.

## ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST

Please keep them 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.)*

Diane, Sue, Tammy, Pam, Jack, Diana, Ann, Rose, Becky, Peggy, Lynette, Jenny, Karl, Lillie, Joseph, Kristen, Elizabeth, Mary, Max, Emma, Cory and all members of our armed forces and their families.

*If you have a prayer request, contact our Prayer Ministry*

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office at 918-336-1212 or  
[annbell@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:annbell@episcopalbartlesville.org).*

## PRAYER FOR THE NEW RECTOR SEARCH PROCESS

*We ask you to pray for the rector candidates, Search Committee, and Vestry during our mutual discernment process for our next rector.*

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries. All this we ask through our savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## ST. LUKE'S PRISM OF CHRIST FOR FEBRUARY

**Maureen Forsythe**

St. Luke's Vestry voted to recognize and thank Maureen for all she has done and is doing for St. Luke's and our community. Even more, who she is as a "Prisms of Christ" and Christ's ministry in our midst. She was presented the Prism for February during the 10:30/8:00 Holy Eucharist on Sunday.

Maureen has served St. Luke's in a variety of ways. People often see her as one of our Greeters on Sunday mornings; eating the Communion Bread she has baked for the Holy Eucharist; or blessing one of the Prayer Shawls she has made. She has served as a teacher and as Children's Education Director – when the theme for VBS was Harry Potter. She has been on Nominating Committees and sung in "People of the Inn."

In the community Maureen is involved with Hopestone, a ministry for cancer patients and survivors. She has also worked with the Library Literacy Program, Master Gardeners, and Farmers' Market.

While Maureen is connected to many activities in the parish and community, the spirit in which she does them is what makes her a Prism of Christ. St. Luke's is a better place and we are better people because of her – a "Prism of Christ's Ministry" for all of us.

## FAMILY PROMISE UPDATE

With the passing of Bill 1329 which addresses and resolves building codes and fire safety, Family Promise is once again ready to start up operations.

**Mark your calendars! St. Luke's will host families from March 26 to April 2.**

We will be commencing sign-ups for the various volunteer roles on Sunday, February 26 and every Sunday thereafter. There will be a number of roles where you can help - Meal preparation, evening hosts, overnight hosts, set-up and take down, and food supply donations.

Interested in learning more about Family Promise and their approach to addressing family homelessness in Washington County? Would you like to serve as a volunteer at St. Luke's? Already a volunteer and need a refresher? We will be hosting a training session on Sunday, March 5 at St Luke's from 12 noon to 2 PM. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Jen Peterson if you will attend the training at 918-397-7779, or [jenrpet@gmail.com](mailto:jenrpet@gmail.com).



Having a dishwasher repairman, a plumber, and the Treasure Sale preparation in the church at the same time pretty much defines the Parish Administrator's Three Ring Circus! Thankfully I don't have to take it on the road!

The dishwasher guy checked out and repaired the Metcalf Kitchen Hobart dishwashers—the one on the left was indeed "sickly". I learned some more about the workings of the machine which I will post on the inside of the cabinet with the other instructions. It is very informative reading which all users of the machine should know (there will be a pop quiz sometime soon).

The plumber ascertained that the water heater in the old building was left over from Noah's Ark and thus is on its last gasp! We will replace it along with a recirculating pump which will insure quick hot water to the Rodgers Hall kitchen and the bathrooms. This will be very important as we begin Family Promise again. The replacement will occur next Monday, Feb. 20. Please do not use the dishwasher in the Rodgers Hall kitchen until this occurs. **Water will be hot—Life will be good!**

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**LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE 2/19/17 through 2/26/17**

*Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions.*

**Acolytes**

**Sunday, Feb. 19**

Servers

Nick Olsen, Greta Olsen

Torchbearers

Kyle Peterson, Charlie Olsen

**Sunday, Feb. 26**

*No Acolytes scheduled today*

**Scripture Lessons for**

**Sunday, Feb. 19**

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18; Psalm  
119:33-40; 1 Corinthians 3:10-11,  
16-23; Matthew 5:38-48

**Music for Sunday, Feb. 19**

#518 – "Christ is Made the Sure  
Foundation"

#602 – "Jesu, Jesu"

GATHER #339 – "Life-Giving  
Bread"

GATHER #336 – "Now In This  
Banquet"

#657 – "Love, Divine, All Loves  
Excelling"

**Greeters**

**Sunday, Feb. 19**

8:00am

Monica Martin

10:30am

Carol Murphy

Maureen & Steve Forsythe

**Sunday, Feb. 26**

8:00am

Sally Canfield

10:30am

D. J. & Jerry Nezam

Jim & Nancy Warring

**Ushers**

**Sunday, Feb. 19**

8:00am

Dean Zervas

10:30am

Glenn Bonner, Jim Warring

**Sunday, Feb. 26**

8:00am

Robert Babcock, Dean Zervas

10:30am

Jim Grillot, Max McCreary

**Layreaders**

**Sunday, Feb 19**

8:00am

Jeff Birk, Jim Grillot

10:30am

Nick Conner, Juanita Green

Lauren Green, Judy Currey

**Sunday, Feb. 26**

8:00am

Nick Conner, Darian Kedy

10:30am

Bob Wesneski, Penny Williams

Kate Carroll, Lauren Green

**Coffee Fellowship Hour**

**Feb. 19**

Lauren & Juanita Green

**Volunteers needed for Feb. 26**

**March 5**

Carol Murphy

To volunteer, contact Rita

Childers, 918-519-8470 or

[puvey45@gmail.com](mailto:puvey45@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,** contact  
Melinda Wesneski,  
918-333-7758 or  
[mcwesne@gmail.com](mailto:mcwesne@gmail.com).

**Children's Chapel**

**Feb. 19**

Blair & Chad Ellis

**Feb. 26**

Erin & Travis Perry

**March 5**

Heather Boyle, Bob Tedstrom

**Nursery Volunteers**

**Feb. 19**

Barbara Todd

**Feb. 26**

Diana Crawford

**March 5**

Erin Perry

**Sunday Plate Counter**

**Feb. 19**

Steve Clark

**Feb. 26**

Jim Grillot, Jim Malone

**March 5**

Amy Borg

**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**  
**4th Thursday, Feb. 23**

9-11am

Jim Liehr

10:45am-1pm

Jeff Birk, Molly Ferguson,  
Glenda Garrison, Darian Kedy,  
Jen Peterson

1:00-2:45pm

Carol Murphy, Radomir Petrovich

**Bereavement Committee**

**Team 3**

Wendy Hall, Connie Freebern,  
Glenda Garrison, Gretchen Hoyt,  
Becky Liehr, Carol Murphy