

The Steeple

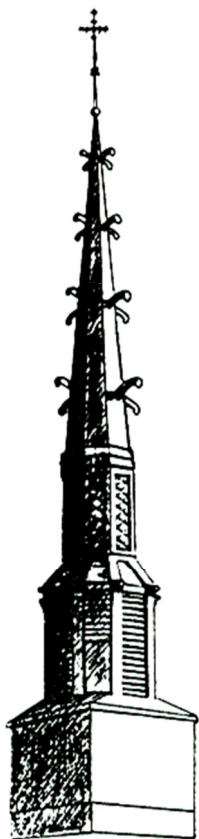
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Words from the Warden: Help for Hugh

As most of you now know, our Assistant Sexton, Hugh Harrison is suffering from stage 4 lung cancer. He is undergoing treatment as we speak and has been battling the disease for some time. A fund has been set up for both Hugh and Virginia to assist them with any expenses not covered by their insurance or medical aid that has been received from the hospital. If you find it in your heart to donate to this fund, you may do so by writing your checks made out to the H and V Fund. These checks can be taken to the church office and they will be deposited on their behalf. This account will be managed by Steve Clark on Hugh's and Virginia's behalf. Remember, these donations are not tax deductible but any assistance you give them will be greatly appreciated. Please prayerfully consider this donation as inreach for one of our own.

Faithfully yours,
Kathy

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✓ Important Dates To Remember

Family Promise, Sept. 10-17
Safeguarding God's Children, Sept. 21 & 23
Fr. Steve's First Sunday, Oct. 8

Deacon's Dialogue



As we are glued to the news and the internet, watching our Texas friends flood, dry out, and begin the long recovery process, we are touched by the many instances of people of every walk helping all those in need. This is humanity, this is brotherhood, this is the Christ in one touching the Christ in the other. My heart and head want to be down in Texas, in the midst of the mess, helping and digging and providing what relief I can.

But this is not quite the time for that. Right now, the neighbors to the south need our financial help as much as anything. 120,000 cars were lost, people are without decent drinking water, homes are ruined, possessions are strewn everywhere. Shipments of food, water, diapers, clothing, and basic necessities are important. The best place to contribute is through Episcopal Relief and Development. All the money contributed goes right to those in need.

You can mail checks to:
Episcopal Relief and Development
PO Box 7058
Merrifield, VA 22116-7058

or you can contribute online at www.episcopalrelief.org

There will be a time for those of us who can to go to Texas and help. Stay tuned.

In other needs, Concern continues to need our financial and concrete support. Their shelves got very empty in the last few weeks. As they use some of our monetary contributions to make their very modest payroll, we can help by bringing canned and boxed goods into the church. Put your contributions in the hallway next to Metcalf. I challenge each of us to bring in 2 bags of groceries this week.

And of course our own. Please continue your prayers for our Hugh and Virginia. His health battle continues, and he stands in need of our constant care. Connie Freebern is in charge of being sure they have meals. Contact her if you'd like to help (918-914-1155). If you'd like to contribute to their financial needs, please make the check out to "H and V fund" and leave it in the church office. The needs are many and deep. Prayer is the most important thing. For each of our specific needs mentioned above, for the needs of our family and ourselves, for our community, the nation and the world, we must pray every day. Prayer matters. It gives us guidance, opens doors, reassures us of God's presence in every step we take. Please pray diligently and consistently.

In Christ's love.

Rev. Lauri

WEEKLY ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sunday, Sep 10, 2017

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Sunday School
9:15am Clergy Forum
9:45am Choir Rehearsal
10:30am Rite II
Family Promise at St. Luke's
Sept. 10 thru Sept. 17

Monday, Sep 11, 2017

5:30pm Holy Eucharist
7:15pm Vestry Meeting

Tuesday, Sep 12, 2017

10:00am Spiritual Discipline
Group, library

Wednesday, Sep 13, 2017

6:00pm Young Disciples, RH
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Sep 14, 2017

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

Friday, Sep 15, 2017

Saturday, Sep 16, 2017

10:00am Greater First Baptist
Tea Party, MH

Sunday, Sep 17, 2017

8:00am Rite I
9:15am Sunday School
9:15am Clergy Forum
9:45am Choir Rehearsal
10:30am Rite II

Monday, Sep 18, 2017

5:30pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, Sep 19, 2017

10:00am Spiritual Discipline
Group, library

ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following persons
in your prayers:

Elizabeth, Jenny, Sue, Jim, Kris, Max,
John, Samantha, Hugh, Kenny, Bev,
Debra, Diana, and 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*

office@episcopalbartlesville.org.

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

In the Beginning God Created

News for Joyful Noise Children!

Imagine this wonderful, exciting
retelling of the Creation Story using
all the fun musical instruments (yes,
the tuneful ones and the noisy
ones!) to announce each new act of
Creation! And if you are one of the
"Joyful Noise" children who come to
Sunday School by 9:15 a.m. you will
be one of the lucky ones who get to
choose which instrument for day,
night, moon, sun, and imagine what
you would use for all those great
animals! Get a head start on
remembering the story. Read the 1st
chapter of Genesis - the 1st book of
the Bible. Looking forward to seeing
all our children Sunday at 9:15.
Interested or just curious adults are
also welcome! We have instruments
in abundance!

Responding to Hurricane Harvey

Long ago the prophet Malachi taught that we are all children of God by virtue of our creation by the same God. "Have we not all one father? Has not one God created us?" he asked (2:10). Jesus taught the same thing when he told a story about a Good Samaritan. We are indeed all the children of God. And if we are all God's children, then we are all brothers and sisters.

As you know, our brothers and sisters in Texas now need our help. Our support of Episcopal Relief and Development is a tangible, practical, effective and reliable way to do that, not just in the short term, but for the long haul. You can send a donation to assist those in need to:

The Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma

Attn: Hurricane Relief

924 North Robinson

Oklahoma City, OK 73102

Family Promise Needs You! ***Sept. 10-17***

This coming Sunday, September 10th, we will begin our week of hosting Family Promise families at St. Luke's. We have 4 critical volunteer roles left to fill. Please check your calendars and see if you could spare a couple of hours to this wonderful program. Please contact Jen Peterson ASAP if you are available to help! 918-397-7779 jenrpet1971@gmail.com

Evening Host 7-9pm

Friday, Sep 15th - **need 2 volunteers**

Overnight host 9pm to 6am following morning

Wednesday, Sep 13th - **need one volunteer**

Thursday, Sep 14th - **need one female volunteer**

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The Rev. Bob Gates, Interim Priest frb426@aol.com 918-335-0929
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The Rev. Lauri Watkins, Deacon lwatkins@episcopalbartlesville.org 918-766-2473
The Rev. Mike Watkins, Deacon mike.watkins@sbcglobal.net 918-336-1430

In an Emergency, contact any of the clergy listed above.

Karl Franks, Parish Administrator. (ktfranks@gmail.com)

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Dolores McCreary, Organist/Choir Director (dolores@episcopalbartlesville.org)

Kathy Zervas, Sr. Warden (kzerv@aol.com)

Amy Borg, Jr. Warden (amy.a.borg@p66.com)

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-4:00pm, Fridays 8:30am-12:30pm

Holy Eucharist: Sunday 8am & 10:30am; Monday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE September 10, 2017 through September 17, 2017

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions

Acolytes

September 10

Ruth Todd, Keaton Mitchell, Evan Mitchell

September 17

Nick Olsen, Greta Olsen, Charlie Olsen, Madelyn Stuart

Layreaders

September 10

8:00am

Jeff Birk, Jim Grillot

10:30am

Kate Carroll, Juanita Green

September 17

8:00am

Darian Kedy, Jeff Birk

10:30am

Jim Warring, Penny Williams

Nursery Volunteers

September 10

Natalie Connor

September 17

Barbara Todd

September 24

Diana Crawford

**Hugh & Virginia
Meal Preparation**

September 6

Judy Currey

September 8

Carol Murphy

September 11

Karen Lewey

September 13

Steve & Cheryl Van Aken

September 15

Mike & Lauri Watkins

Scripture Lessons for

September 10

Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 149;

Romans 13:8-14; Matthew

18:15-20

Music for September 10

#610 "Lord, Whose Love

Through Humble Service"

"Have You Seen Jesus My Lord?"

#306 "Come Risen Lord and

Deign to be Our Guest"

#312 "Strengthen for Service

Lord"

#427 "When Morning Gilds the

Skies"

Sunday Coffee Fellowship Hour

September 10

Volunteers Needed

September 17

Volunteers Needed

September 24

Young Disciples

*To volunteer see the sign-up
sheet in the Metcalf Hall kitchen
or contact Rita Childers, 918-519-
8470 or puvey45@gmail.com*

Sunday Plate Counter

September 10

Bruce Ramzel

September 17

Steve Clark

September 24

Jim Grillot

Greeters

September 10

8:00am

Don Doty

10:30am

Debbie & Dennis Mueggenborg

September 17

8:00am

Monica Martin

10:30am

Carol Murphy

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 Connie
Freebern**

connie.freebern@yahoo.com

918-914-1155

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!

Ushers

September 10

8:00am

Don Davidson

10:30am

Brian Ferguson, Hugh Harrison

September 17

8:00am

Dean Zervas

10:30am

Glenn Bonner, Jim Warring

Children's Chapel

September 10

Nicki Ingram, Jeanne Julstrom

September 17

Blair and Chad Ellis

September 24

Erin and Travis Perry

Agape Mission

Thursday, September 14

9-11am

Jeanne Julstrom, John McCollum

10:45am-1pm

Kris Bonner, Rita Childers, Becky

Liehr, Kathy Zervas, Marcia

Zervas

1:00-2:45pm

Melinda Droege, Miriam

Petrovich

Bereavement Committee

Team January 2

Wendy Hall, Connie Freebern,

Glenda Garrison, Gretchen Hoyt,

Becky Liehr, Carol Murphy