

Steeple

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
210 SE Ninth St., Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003
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June 6, 2018



St. Luke's Twice Blessed Sale

Friday, June 8th and Saturday, June 9th

The sale days will be June 8th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm and June 9th from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. If you are interested in volunteering, there are signup sheets on the bulletin board or you can contact either

Becky Liehr at 918-327-5987 or Kris Bonner at 918-914-9228.

Come join the fun as we work to raise money for St. Luke's Outreach projects!!



Silas Charles Grillot
Sunday, June 10, 2018 at the 10:30 am service
St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Silas is the son of Joel & Kyla Grillot of Edmond, OK
and the grandson of Jim & Ada Grillot

We would like to congratulate Maxwell Stuart who received his God and Me Award as part of his Cub Scouting program.

GOD AND ME



Words Spoken at Hugh Harrison's Funeral Service

The first day of Chemo was about to begin as Hugh walked slowly to my car with his head down and very serious look on his face. Sitting in the car, Hugh turned to me and said: Promise me you will write my story and read it at my service! He went on to say with a little smile on his face, be sure to give me a copy of it soon...I want to be able to be the first to read it!

What better place to start than with a letter from Mother Stephanie about the beginning of Hugh and Virginia's journey to Bartlesville and St. Luke's.

I met Hugh at Camp Gruber. Having fled from the floodwaters of Hurricane Katrina, he and Virginia began the long, tedious, and frightening journey of relocation. The busses were full and the safe havens in scarce supply, so on they rode, hour after hour, day and night until the bus they were on stopped at Camp Gruber. Confusion and anxiety were common among the hundreds of displaced individuals and families in the camp. I had come to Camp Gruber to offer six families the opportunity to accept the kindness of strangers; to trust me to take them to a welcoming and caring community where the chance to begin again would be facilitated by the generosity of the members of Saint Luke's Episcopal Church in Bartlesville. It was not an easy choice. People who had lost everything might count on the government to assist them, knowing that the government was bound by policies and procedures. But I was asking them to trust me; to trust a congregation of white Episcopalians with no formal contract in hand; trust enough to leave the security of that government facility and drive miles away to the unknown.

Hugh was obviously a man of faith, and a man who trusted his own ability to judge character. He was quick to hear what I was offering and quick to accept. His confidence gave others the courage to take a leap of faith and travel with me to the unknown.

Hugh always looked for opportunities and took them. He never failed to express his thanks and delight for even the smallest effort made by others on his behalf. He never let skin color - his own or others - define his interactions with the community of St. Luke's or others in the greater community. And Hugh was content. Trusting that all things would work together for good, Hugh continued to be an encouragement to the other families trying to negotiate restoration in a foreign place. Hugh's continuing gratitude and loyalty to the congregation of Saint Luke's is a testament to his character. I am so very privileged to have known Hugh at such a pivotal period in his life and the life of Saint Luke's. Those were times of great transformation for us all. (Hugh, you will be forever a part of who I am. May God be with you always.)

Written by Mother Stephanie-October of 2017.

Susie Clark continues...

As Hugh and others left Camp Gruber that day in October, 12 years ago, Hugh recalls referring to Father Lee as Moses who brought them out of a desolate land to a land **of hope and love.**

Hugh even bought Father Lee a Moses robe, staff, and Ten Commandments...the beginning of what we would come to know as Hugh's amazing gratefulness and his generosity of giving back! We all were witness to Hugh's fortitude, strength, courage, and amazing Faith that carried him through Katrina's grip that took over New Orleans. Hugh shared the heart wrenching story of his and Virginia's experience escaping the floods and ending up in the Superdome with thousands of others...not enough food or water and the brutal truth and actions of what just happened to all.

A light in the darkness....

Hugh not only moved to Bartlesville, he made it his HOME! Remembering the early days, Hugh embraced life with such energy and willingness to be a part of St. Luke's, we all became family so fast. **He was there...**whether it was inside the church...in the kitchen, setting up tables, helping with the rummage sale, being an Usher, working on projects inside the church and in the rent homes... painting, fixing, building And outside the church, in keeping the beauty of the courtyard and surrounding grounds...**Hugh's handprint is on it all!**

We all learned very early what a huge HEART Hugh had! Hugh jumped with both feet and hands into all that Christ laid on his heart. Working for United Linen, St. Luke's, or Concern driving the van to the food bank to pick up supply to help those in need, his work ethic sprinkled with his Love for all, opened wonderful opportunities for Hugh to express who he was in Christ Jesus. He always said YES! Wherever he could lend a strong arm, he was there. Hugh would always say, "What can I do for you today?"

Hugh never meets a stranger... his big bear hugs and words of love engulf everyone that the Lord put in his path. **Hugh's eyes and heart always see the inside of the person, never judging or forgetting that we all are Children of God.** Hugh used all his gifts the Lord gave him to help others. His cooking is well known at St. Luke's and in the community! He can set up a room preparing for an event faster than anyone! Hugh knows what is needed to help lift a hurting heart or ease a heavy burden. Hugh would say, "How are you today, my love?" Hugh is a living example of Agape Love.

Hugh was so dedicated in helping Virginia overcome her health issues that he learned as much as he could, so he could help bring her back to good health. Virginia is doing so well today. Together, they always welcomed everyone to their home with arms wide open!

Hugh was early to the church each morning. He would help everyone get a good start by having the coffee made and ready! Hugh was also our night watchman. He made sure the church was all locked up for the night!

Sunday mornings mean so much to Hugh. Whether sitting in the pew or helping as an Usher, being a part of the worship is precious to him. Hugh made Sunday Mornings joyful and spirit filled just by his presence and his light! Hugh knows the power of Prayer! He would save up all his strength to be able to come to church on Sunday...as he did the Sunday before he died. As he said daily through-out this past year, GOD IS ABLE!

Throughout his battle with cancer, his strength, courage from past experiences plus the knowledge that he is loved and cared for by all St. Luke's, the Bartlesville Community, and by God helped Hugh keep a smile on his face and a positive attitude of HOPE. Hugh's amazing Faith is a living testimony on how to face adversity and trust God and God's people.

A brother in Christ wrote to Hugh recently...

You are a prince among men Hugh Harrison and don't
you forget it!!!

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE June 3, 2018, 2018 through June 30, 2018

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions

Sunday Scriptures:

Genesis (3:8-15), Psalm (138), 2 Corinthians (4:13-5:1);
Mark (3:20-35)

Sunday Coffee Fellowship Hour

June 3

Lauren & Juanita Green

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

Children's Chapel

June 3

Erin Perry

June 10

Bob Tedstrom

June 17

Nicki Ingram

June 24

Karl Franks

Ushers

June 3

8:00am: Dean Zervas

10:30am: Jim Liehr, Travis Perry

June 10

8:00am: Don Davidson

10:30am: Brian Ferguson, Mark Fregin

June 17

8:00am: Dean Zervas

10:30am: Glenn Bonner, Jim Warring

June 24

8:00am: Dean Zervas, Robert Babcock

10:30am: Jim Grillot, Nancy Megee

Layreaders

June 3

8:00am: Jim Grillot, Judy Currey

10:30am: Bob Wesneski, Penny Williams

June 10

8:00am: Kate Carroll, Jim Grillot

10:30am: Judy Currey, Kyle Peterson

June 17

8:00am: Jeff Birk, Kate Carroll

10:30am: Juanita Green, Katherine

Powell

June 24

8:00am: Darian Kedy, Jeff Birk

10:30am: Jim Warring, Kate Carroll

Nursery Volunteers

June 3

Ruth Todd

June 10

Stefanie Tedstrom

June 17

Barbara Todd

June 24

Blair Ellis

Bereavement Committee

Team4

Ada Grillot, Jo Baughman, Kris

Bonner, Jen Peterson, Melinda

Wesneski

St. Luke's Bookstore

The Bookstore hours: Tuesday:
10-12: Sunday: 9:30-10:30 &
11:30-12:30. All proceeds from
sales go to St. Luke's Outreach
Projects.

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918-914-1155

Sunday Plate

Counter

June 3

Amy Borg

June 10

Bruce Ramzel

June 17

Steve Clark

June 24

Jim Grillot

Agape Mission

Thursday, June 14

9-11am: Jeanne Julstrom, John
McCullum

10:45am-1pm: Kris Bonner, Rita
Childers, Becky Liehr, Kathy
Zervas, Marcia Zervas

1:00-2:45pm: Peter Julstrom,
Miriam Petrovich

Thursday, June 28

9-11am: Jim Lehr

10:45am-1pm: Jeff Birk, Molly
Ferguson, Glenda Garrison,
Darian Kedy, Jen Peterson

1:00-2:45pm: Carol Murphy,
Radomir Petrovich

Greeters

June 3

8:00am: Don Davidson

10:30am: Glenn & Thelma
Blackburn

June 10

8:00am: Don Doty

10:30am: Debbie & Dennis
Mueggenborg

June 17

8:00am: Monica Martin

10:30am: Carol Murphy

June 24

8:00am: Sally Canfield

10:30am: D.J. & Jerry Nezam, Jim
& Nancy Warring

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