

# Weekly Updates

St. Luke's Episcopal Church  
210 SE Ninth St., Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003  
[www.episcopalbartlesville.org](http://www.episcopalbartlesville.org)  
November 21, 2018

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**Pledge Sunday** has been extended through this Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Please be prepared to place your financial promise on the altar on

If you cannot be present, please mail or drop off your card at the church office.

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**No Sunday School or Children's Chapel this Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>!**

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## **Happy New (Church) Year! – Advent Wreath Making and Crafts**

Sunday, December 2 5:30-8:00 pm (Open House-style)

On the first Sunday of Advent, December 2, bring the whole family to enjoy some light refreshments and your choice of activities:

- Use provided materials to assemble a small or medium-sized Advent wreath
  - Make a Countdown to Christmas paper chain for your hallway or tree
    - Sign the St. Luke's Family parish banner

All materials and instructions will be provided. (LED candles will be provided for those living with a no-flames restriction.) It's a come-and-go evening, so busy families can participate. Children are MOST welcome. Make something for your own family, and if you wish, another for a shut-in friend or neighbor. Please sign up at the parish bulletin board or outside the narthex if you wish to make a wreath, so we will have enough supplies.

Please bring fresh greenery from your garden, yard, etc. to add to your wreath.

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## **ST. LUKE'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS STAR TREE**

Your UNWRAPPED gifts need to be RETURNED by  
Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> to the Church Office.

If you have any questions please contact Steve or Cheryl Van Aken at 918-333-5570, or the church office at [office@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:office@episcopalbartlesville.org)

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Thank you for making this Christmas a bit brighter for a child in need!!

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The Middle School Sunday School Class will be having a bake sale on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> after the second service in Metcalf Hall. Proceeds will go to Heifer International.

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## **Celtic Advent Calendar 2018**

Ideas for Living Joyfully: Forty Days of Celtic Advent & the Twelve Days of Christmas 2018

<http://contemplativecottage.com/celtic-advent-calendar/>

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**ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST** Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

*Elizabeth, Jenny, Thelma, Georgia, Diana, Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Elaine, John, Samantha, Sydney, Ed, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, Alice, Joyce, Joseph, Lyndee, Alan, Virginia, Pris, Bill, Karen, Sue, Lee, Bonnie, Linda, Madelyn, Annette, Ethan, Elaine, Hutch, Marjean, Alice*  
**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](mailto:TPBGEN@aol.com) or the church office at 918-336-1212 or [office@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto: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.)

## LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 21, 2018 – NOVEMBER 25, 2018

*Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions*

### **Scriptures Sunday, November 25:**

2 Samuel (23:1-7); Psalm 93;  
Revelation(1:4b-8); John (18:33-37)

### **Children's Chapel:**

November 25: Karl Franks

### **Nursery Volunteers:**

November 25: Diana Crawford, Dorsie  
Bjornsen

### **Layreaders:**

November 25:  
8:00am: Scott Williams  
10:30am: Penny Williams, Katherine  
Powell

### **Sunday Coffee**

#### **Fellowship Hour:**

November 25:  
Using cookies in MH freezer  
To volunteer see the sign-up sheet  
in the Metcalf Hall kitchen or  
contact Rita Childers, 918-519-8470  
or [puvey45@gmail.com](mailto:puvey45@gmail.com)

#### **Sunday Plate Counter:**

November 25: Jim Grillot

### **Ushers:**

November 25:  
8:00am: Dean Zervas  
10:30am: Jim Grillot, Nancy Megee

### **Bereavement Committee**

#### **Team 2:**

Barbara Martin, Laura Birk, Thelma  
Blackburn, Sally Canfield, Rita  
Childers, Debbie Mueggenborg

### **Greeters:**

November 25:  
8:00am: Sally Canfield  
10:30am: D.J. & Jerry Nezam,  
Jim & Nancy Warring

### **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.*  
[connie.freebern@yahoo.com](mailto:connie.freebern@yahoo.com)  
918-914-1155

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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

Ideas for Living Joyfully: Forty Days of Celtic Advent & the Twelve Days of Christmas 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Practice Grace. No need to do them all or every day.</i>  <i>Let the Holy Spirit speak to your heart!</i>                      Nativity journey – Place Mary and Joseph in one corner of the room; the wise men in another, the shepherds, another. Keep Jesus hidden. Set up the stable with animals, and enjoy helping each figure journey to Bethlehem.</p>				<p>November 15                      Breathe and listen.                      How is God preparing you for Christ's birth?</p>	<p>16                      Share an encouraging word with a friend in need</p>	<p>17                      Enjoy your favourite photos, share them with a friend or family member and tell stories</p>
<p>18                      Say Hi to a person standing on the fringes.                      Move Mary &amp; Joseph closer.</p>	<p>19                      Take a loved one on a walk, outside or down memory lane or both</p>	<p>20                      Smile at people you see, whether you know them or not, and enjoy their smile!</p>	<p>21                      List what you are thankful for, tell God, tell each other</p>	<p>22                      CS Lewis Day                      Appreciate an animal companion today                      Asian Lives!!</p>	<p>23                      Make a meal for someone in need or visit someone who is lonely</p>	<p>24                      Give someone you love a long hug</p>
<p>25                      Welcome a new person at church.                      Move Mary &amp; Joseph closer</p>	<p>26                      Read or Tell stories to loved ones</p>	<p>27                      Turn off recorded music and sing some favorite songs with loved ones</p>	<p>28                      Write a gratitude note to a family member or friend, hide it in their pocket or lunch</p>	<p>29                      Call a friend &amp; tell them one thing you appreciate about them</p>	<p>30                      Color a picture for a child in your life</p>	<p>December 1                      Take a break from the internet and look out the window. Just look. What do you see?</p>
<p>2                      Kneel down when you talk to a child                      Four-week Advent begins</p>	<p>3                      Take a friend to tea (or coffee), leave the smartphone in your bag</p>	<p>4                      Play a game from childhood or with a little person in your life</p>	<p>5                      Send a loved one on a treasure hunt Today. Give them clues &amp; giggle a lot</p>	<p>6                      Say Hi to people behind the counters. Wish them a good day.</p>	<p>7                      Notice the eye-color of people close to you and marvel at beauty</p>	<p>8                      Light candles for whatever place or situation breaks your heart</p>
<p>9                      Move the Wise Men closer. What journey are you on?</p>	<p>10                      Take a walk and enjoy the Christmas lights</p>	<p>11                      Listen to and share some favourite music that makes you smile</p>	<p>12                      Enjoy grilled cheese and tomato soup or another favorite comfort dish</p>	<p>13                      Read a story out loud to your friend, child, parent, or spouse</p>	<p>14                      Notice the really small things in life, like bugs or dust bunnies</p>	<p>15                      Take a break from your smartphone and all screens this evening. Rediscover the world.</p>
<p>16                      Gaudete Sunday                      Read Mary's Song                      Luke 1:46-55. Light a pink candle for JOY                      Move Mary &amp; Joseph closer.</p>	<p>17                      The "O" Antiphons:                      Wisdom (Isa. 11:2-3)                      Who is a voice of wisdom in your life? Thank her or him.</p>	<p>18                      Lord (Isa 33:22)                      Ask God how he wants to be the Lord of your life.                      Listen.                      Move the Wise Men closer</p>	<p>19                      Root of Jesse (Isa 11:10)                      Write memories of God's faithfulness in your life on paper ornaments &amp; hang them on the tree.</p>	<p>20                      Key of David (Rev. 3:7)                      What door of your life do you need God to open &amp; bring grace? God has the key to every door.</p>	<p>21                      Morning Star (Isa 9:2)                      Pray for God's light to shine in a situation that is breaking your heart.</p>	<p>22                      King of Nations (Isa 9:6)                      Listen to Handel's Messiah: "For Unto us a Child is Born"                      What does it mean to you for Christ to come again?</p>
<p>23                      Emmanuel (Isa 7:14)                      How is God with you? How are you God's presence to others? Sing "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (all the verses!)</p>	<p>24                      Christmas Eve                      Where have you experienced God's Joy this Advent? Mary &amp; Joseph enter the stable.</p>	<p>25                      Adopt someone who needs a family or be adopted if you need one.                      Put Jesus in the Nativity; add the Shepherds, too</p>	<p>26                      The Twelve Days of Christmas Begins!                      John 1:1-5                      Genesis 1:3                      The Wise Men journey closer each day...</p>	<p>27                      Psalm 139:11-12</p>	<p>28                      The Holy Innocents                      Pray for children around the world                      Matt. 19:14</p>	<p>29                      Isaiah 58:10</p>
<p>30                      Isa 60:19</p>	<p>31                      Ps 43:3</p>	<p>January 1                      Matt 5:14-16</p>	<p>2                      John 8:12</p>	<p>3                      1 Peter 2:9</p>	<p>4                      Romans 8</p>	<p>5                      Epiphany Eve                      Christ's revealing                      Luke 4:1-22                      Move the Wise Men to the stable.</p>

January 6 – Epiphany – Chalk your lintels and the lintels of friends' houses with the Epiphany blessing 20+C+M+B+19. CMB represents the names of the three wise men (Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar), and also the Latin phrase, *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* – Christ Bless this House!

**How we spend our days is how we spend our lives.** *Amie Dillard*

Calendar created with joy by Susan Forshey at [ContemplativeCottage.com](http://ContemplativeCottage.com). Please share freely.

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