

# Weekly News

St. Luke's Episcopal Church  
210 SE Ninth St., Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003  
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## **Fall Christian Formation for Children and Youth**

The Fall Kick-off for Christian Formation at St. Luke's will begin on Sunday, September 8, with a breakfast hosted by the Men's Club from 9:15-10-15am. The fall children's rotation schedule will begin September 8th at 10:15am. Details on the structure of our formation offerings of Godly Play and Music will be announced in the next few weeks. If anyone is interested in volunteering as part of our Christian formation team, please contact Rachel Gurule at 918.213.5730 or [rachelsgurule@gmail.com](mailto:rachelsgurule@gmail.com).

## **Adult Formation Announcement**

For those interested in adult formation, an organizational meeting will be held with Father Steve on Sunday, August 18, in the Vestry Room on the second floor of building above the kitchen.

## **Confirmation**

Bishop Ed will be at St. Luke's on December 8 at the 10:30am service. Confirmation classes for youth and adults will be held in October and November for those ready to explore what it means to make a mature affirmation of faith during the Bishop's visit either through the Sacrament of Confirmation. Adults from other Christian traditions that want to be received into the Christian faith can also attend Confirmation (Inquirer) classes and make a choice to be received into the Episcopal Church. Others can attend the adult classes and make a choice to reaffirm their baptismal promises.

Both adults and youth (parents) need to contact Father Steve at [fathersdhood@gmail.com](mailto:fathersdhood@gmail.com) and let him know if you are interested in Confirmation, Reception, or Inquirers classes. The class schedule will be determined once it is known who is planning to participate.

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## **Sunday, August 11: Blessing of the Backpacks and Worship for All Ages**



On August 11 at the 10:30am service, we will celebrate the upcoming school year by blessing backpacks and praying special prayers for our students and educators. Also, the worship service will be more child friendly (children are always welcome in worship), so I encourage parents to keep their younger children in church. The children will be invited to stand around the altar during communion. This will be a special opportunity for the kids to experience up close what is happening during the Eucharistic prayer. Please bring a school backpack or lunch bag or something school related for the blessing. I encourage all of our educators

to attend the service as well.

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## **BINGO NIGHT!**

Questions or for Tickets contact  
Jeff Birk 918-327-1101



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## **FAMILY PROMISE – COMING SOON!**

### **Family Promise - coming soon**

Calling all volunteers! St. Luke's will be hosting Family Promise for our 3rd quarter commitment from August 18-25. **Stop by Metcalf Hall this Sunday after the 10:30 service to sign up.** If you know where and when you would like to serve, don't wait! Feel free to contact Jen Peterson directly with your preferred role and time slot.

### **As usual, we will need volunteers in each of these main areas:**

- 1) prepare and share a meal with families
- 2) spend 2 hours in the evening after dinner visiting with families and planning some activities or games for kids
- 3) bring your sleeping bag and pillow and sleep overnight at the church.
- 4) supply donations - bring supplies and groceries for families to use throughout the week at Anchor House.

New to St. Luke's? Interested in learning more about how you can make a significant and lasting difference in the lives of homeless families in Bartlesville? Attend a training session, and come volunteer for Family Promise at St. Luke's! Contact Jen Peterson for more info. [918-397-7779](tel:918-397-7779) [jenrpet1971@gmail.com](mailto:jenrpet1971@gmail.com)

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## **Christmas Music in August Facts!**



### **Joy to the World!**

Although not yet a "tradition", (we began setting aside one Sunday in August for "Christmas Music" in 2010), Christmas carols in August have always prompted smiles and enthusiastic singing! Want to have a voice in carols we will sing Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>? Don't make Dolores guess. Give her your list of favorites. If she doesn't hear from you, she will choose all her own favorite Christmas carols and we will sing for at least 90 minutes! And, what is a celebration of Christmas, no matter which day of the year, without gifts? Who better to celebrate with special gifts than our teachers? So, as an added benefit to singing Christmas music in August, you are also being given the special opportunity to bring gifts for our teachers to help them in their classrooms. Watch the newsletter and posted information on bulletin board in main hallway for ways you can "gift" our teachers!

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Dear St. Luke's family,

We have arrived in Eugene and are in our new home. "In" is a term I use loosely here. The moving van with everything is scheduled to arrive this weekend, so we are enjoying our air mattress and camp chairs. We do have a coffee pot! My, there's so much to do when you're starting over in a place! Today we will buy a bed (!), contact a garbage company, and decide on an internet carrier.

Thank you so much for an absolutely perfect send off. The meaningful liturgy in the morning was enriched by the wonderful "picnic" in the afternoon. If we didn't get a chance to see each of you personally, it wasn't for lack of trying. The food and the company were equally excellent.

If you weren't there, we missed you. Please know that a big piece of our hearts stays at St. Luke's. Our experiences there have been transformative, to say the least. Thank you for loving us and nurturing us as our 20 years passed by. We've said it before, St. Luke's is a wonderful place to be an Episcopalian.

We will miss each of you. We will miss every corner of St Luke's. We will miss our nest there. But we feel strengthened by your love and support as we begin this new and exciting adventure.

Blessings to all of you. Stay loving and open. Support your priest and your community in every possible way.

Until we meet again,  
Lauri and Mike

New address:  
3643 Kevington Ave  
Eugene, OR 97405

Phone and email are the same, so far.

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

*Elizabeth, Jenny, Thelma, Georgia, Diana, Millie, Bryson, Sydney, Ed, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, Joyce, Joseph, Lyndee, Alan, Pris, Bill, Karen, Ethan, Elaine, Marjean, Helen, Mark, Cynthia, Steve, Don, Barbara, Brent, Katie, Ruth, Lu, Suzanne, Glenn, Marsha, Jerry, D.J. 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.)

**Layreaders:**

August 11:

8:00am: Scott Williams, Jeff Birk

10:30am: Lauren Green, Penny Williams

August 18:

8:00am: Jim Grillot, Darian Kedy

10:30am: Lauren Green

August 25:

8:00am: Jeff Birk, Scott Williams

10:30am: Kyle Peterson

**Greeters:**

August 11:

8:00am: Don Doty

10:30am: Debbie & Dennis Mueggenborg

August 18:

8:00am: Monica Martin

10:30am: Carol Murphy

August 25:

8:00am: Sally Canfield

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

**Agape Mission**

**Thursday, August 8:**

9-11am: Jeanne Julstrom, Becky Liehr

10:45am – 1pm: Kris Bonner, Rita Childers, Becky Liehr, Kathy Zervas, Dolores McCreary

1:00 – 2:45pm: Peter Julstrom, Miriam Petrovich, Wendy Hall

**Thursday, August 22:**

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, Becky Olsen

**Ushers:**

August 11:

8:00am: Don Davidson

10:30am: Brian Ferguson, Mark Fregin

August 18:

8:00am: Dean Zervas

10:30am: Glenn Bonner, Jim Warring

August 25:

8:00am: Dean Zervas

10:30am: Jim Grillot, Nancy Megee

**Nursery Volunteers:**

August 11: Heather Boyle

August 18: Joshua Wolfe

August 25: Blair Ellis

**Bereavement**

**Committee**

**Team 2:**

Laura Birk, Thelma

Blackburn, Sally

Canfield, Rita

Childers, Debbie

Mueggenborg

**Scriptures Sunday, August**

**11:**

Isaiah (1:1, 10-20)

Hebrews (11:1-2, 8-16)

Psalms 50:1-8, 23-24)

Luke (12:32-40)

**Sunday Plate**

**Counter:**

August 11: Steve

Clark

August 18: Glenn

Bonner

August 25: Jim

Grillot

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

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