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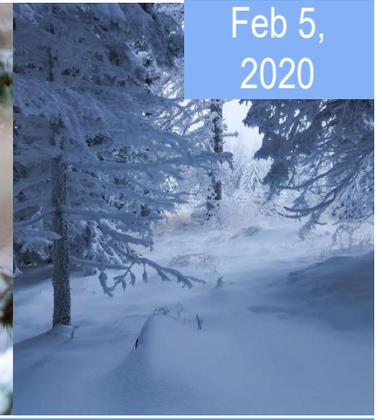
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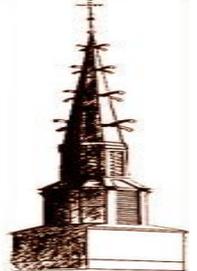
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# The Steeple



## *A Word from Father Steve*

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### **Annual Meeting Roundup**

The Annual Meeting is over and the new vestry and other officers have been elected. Governance of the church is an important responsibility, and I appreciate the work of the nominating committee and its chairperson, Jo Baughman, for presenting the parish with a strong slate of nominees to lead us into the future. I'm always a little anxious that members will be reluctant to serve, yet, once again, the members stepped up and agreed to serve when asked.

I think its important to recognize our vestry members whose terms have expired. Miriam Petrovich, Scott Peterson, and Kelli Bradshaw have been exceptional parish leaders during their terms on the vestry. All have been active and engaged in vestry activities and each have offered their own special gifts and insights to the work of the vestry. I hope members of the parish will offer prayers of thanksgiving for the dedicated service and leadership of Miriam, Scott, and Kelli.

During the Annual Meeting Dan Droege and Doug McIver were confirmed to serve another term as parish wardens. Penny Williams, Katherine Powell, and Steve Van Aken were elected to a three year term on the vestry. Finally, Dan Droege, Doug McIver, Jeff Birch, and Kris Bonner were elected to serve as delegates to diocesan convention.

If you need a copy of the annual report or have questions about the financial statement or budget, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

I concluded my annual report with the following adaption of the *Prayer for the Parish* found in *The Book of Common Prayer* on page 817. I encourage you to pray this prayer in the weeks and months ahead:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family we call St. Luke's. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life; give us a spirit of openness, patience, and creativity as we prepare for your future; and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## CONCERN 2019 Meeting Minutes and Summary

Many changes happened in 2019 at CONCERN most notably the sale of the Child Learning Center and bringing on a new Executive Director. What has not changed is continuing to provide much needed food and urgent financial support, distributing over 120,000 pounds of food and over \$12,000 in cash to people in desperate need. We also helped 45 people manage their Social Security benefits through the Payee Program. None of this would be possible without the 2,500 hours worked by our volunteers. We ended the year in the black for the first time in many years which is a good feeling, but we are not resting. We will always rely solely on the generous donations of money, food and time from many of you as well as St. Luke's, and I extend my heartfelt thanks for that. As always, please let me know if you have any questions. – Amy Borg

### Daughters of Lot Breakfast Fundraiser for Samaritan Counseling Center

The annual Daughters of Lot fundraiser is Saturday Feb. 22, at the Adams Boulevard Church of Christ beginning at 9 am. We have two tables and still need to fill **three** seats. Eleven seats are already taken and five are waiting and ready for you!

This important fundraiser raises money to ensure abuse victims will be able to receive counseling regardless of their financial ability to pay. All proceeds from this fundraising event goes to help with the cost of counseling for victims of abuse.

The event includes a delightful breakfast served by area clergy and volunteers. Dr. Sonya Torbert is the keynote speaker this year. But what makes Daughters of Lot so unique and special are the beautiful tables individually decorated by local supporters who donated their time year and year. The theme this year is, "**Faith is a Beacon of Hope.**"

St. Luke's has supported this fundraiser for a long time as our very own Thelma Blackburn was on the committee that inspired it all.

Tickets are \$25 each. Please make checks payable to St. Luke's and please put "Daughters of Lot" in the memo. Susie Clark will give the office a list of everyone going. So, as the checks come in, she can check your name off as paid. The deadline to submit a check is Feb. 12. Please email or call Susie Clark to let her know you are coming! Blessings, Susie Clark, [susstecla@gmail.com](mailto:susstecla@gmail.com) or 918-519-7580.

### Retreat for High School Youth

The Oklahoma Episcopal Diocese will hold the "Created in the Image" Retreat for high school students on March 27 as part of a series of four separate retreats, held once a year, at which difficult topics our youth experience at school and in society and how our faith frames these experiences will be discussed. The retreats are facilitated by youth ministers from around the Diocese under the direction of the Director of Youth/Young Adults. The cost is \$125 each. Register at [epiok.org](http://epiok.org) or call the Diocese to learn more at 405-232-4820. Details of each year's retreat are on the website. Four-year participants will be recognized by the Diocese at their home congregations.

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Sunday, February 16  
7 p.m.

Bartlesville Community Center  
Get Your Tickets Today:  
[BartlesvilleCommunityCenter.com](http://BartlesvilleCommunityCenter.com)  
or by calling 918-337-2787.

## **Employment Opportunity>>>**

*Nursery Worker needed on Sundays at 10  
a.m. for 10:30 a.m. Church service  
This is a paid position. Please call the office  
to apply at 918-336-1212.*

### **Elected to the Nominating Committee:**

Jim Liehr, Chair, Amy Borg, Glenda Garrison,  
Scott Williams, Ada Grillot and Chad Ellis.

### **Agape Mission Volunteer Schedule**

#### **Thursday, February 13:**

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, February 27:**

9-11am: Jim Liehr  
10:45am – 1pm: Jeff Birk, Dean Zervas  
Glenda Garrison, Darian Kedy, Jen Peterson,  
1:00 – 2:45pm: Carol Murphy, Radomir Petrovich,  
Becky Olsen



## **St. Luke's Prayer List**

Please keep the following persons  
in your prayers:

*Elizabeth, Jenny, Georgia, Diana,  
Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Sydney,  
Ed, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, Joyce,  
Joseph, Lyndee, Alan, Bill, Karen,  
Ethan, Elaine, Marjean, Helen,  
Mark, Cynthia, Steve, Barbara,  
Brent, Katie, Ruth, Glenn, Marsha,  
Jerry, D.J., Sarah, Mary, Emily,  
Whitney, Lloyd, Melt, Belinda,  
Wendy, David, Tracy, Linda, Terry,  
Leaona, Connie, Tracy, 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.)

## **February 9, 2020 Volunteer schedule >>>**

*Lay readers: Scott Williams 8 a.m.; Katherine Powell 10:30 a.m.*

*Intercessor: Jim Warring 10:30 a.m.*

*Greeter: Debbie & Dennis Mueggenborg 10:30 a.m.*

*Ushers: Dean Zervas 8 a.m.; Brian Ferguson and Mark Fregin 10:30 a.m.*

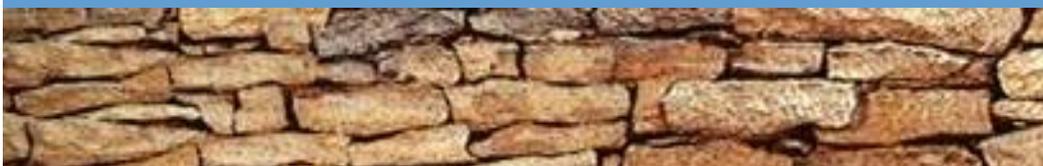
*Sunday Plate Counter: Steve Clark*

## **Sunday School Volunteers Needed:**

Thanks to all who volunteered  
for January! Sunday School  
teachers are needed for February  
and March.

Doorkeepers/assistants too!  
Detailed lesson plan provided &  
video demo for each week's  
lesson. For info call 918-697-  
8509 or sign up online at  
[https://volunteersignup.org/KDE  
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Keeli Droege, Christian  
Education Coordinator



# final thoughts...

- Sunday's 8 a.m. services will continue to be held in the chapel.
- Be aware -- Father Steve will not request gift cards or other monetary support through email. All financial requests/special appeals at St. Luke's go through normal channels and any special requests will be made by phone or in person.
- Sun. verses Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]; Matthew 5:13-20; Psalm 112:1-9, (10)
- Sunday sermons may be accessed at our website: <http://episcopalbartlesville.org/>

**Reminders:** if you have meeting planned in any of the church rooms, let Roseanne McKee know via email or phone so that she can reserve it on the office calendar. Email: [office@episcopalbartlesville.org](mailto:office@episcopalbartlesville.org)  
Phone 918-336-1212

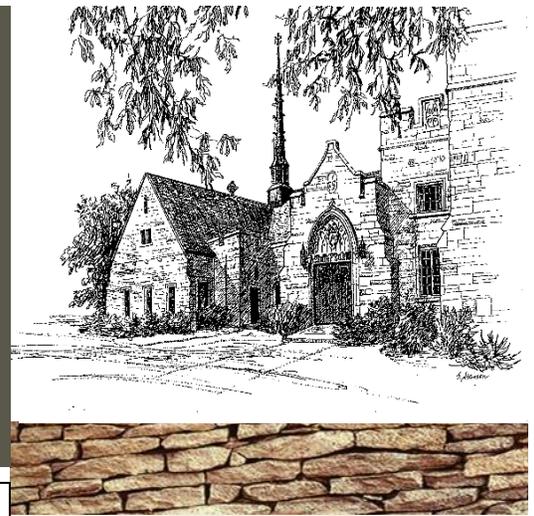
**Also, some doors have been left unlocked after Sunday services.** If you go out into the courtyard during coffee, please check to see that the door is locked. And, please check the right-hand north exterior door, as well as the left one, if you are the last to leave on Sunday.

## **Bereavement Team 1**

Susie Clark, Nancy Woods,  
Georgia Gates, Jeanne  
Julstrom and Sally Lindsey.



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