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EASTER EGG HUNT

The annual St. Luke's Easter Egg Hunt is just about to happen. All children and grandchildren (toddlers up through 5th grade) are welcome to participate.

This **Sunday, March 25, meet in Roger's Hall at 9:20**. You may bring your own basket or use one that is provided. The hunt will be OUTSIDE unless it is too cold or too rainy. If weather is a problem, the hunt will take place inside. Please come and enjoy this delightful time for our children.

After the Easter egg hunt, children will be invited to use an instrument in the Palm Sunday Parade. They should meet in Metcalf about 9:15 to get their palm and musical tool.

Happy Easter from St. Luke's Bookstore!



THOUGHTS FROM FR. STEVE:

The season of Lent is coming to an end as we enter the holiest time of the Christian year. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday and culminates with the Great Vigil of Easter the following Saturday. In between there are multiple opportunities to experience the drama of salvation history unfolding through worship and prayer and contemplation of the mighty acts of God.

Beginning with Palm Sunday at both the 8 and 10:30pm service, the congregation walks in procession around the church waving palm branches and singing Hosanna as we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. The mood shifts quickly as we hear the Passion narrative with all of its pathos and cruelty as Jesus is executed by the Roman authorities. Hope is not lost as we are reminded that Jesus' crucifixion is not the end as we gather once again around God's table and celebrate the Holy Eucharist.

On Monday the clergy of the diocese gather at the Episcopal Cathedral in Oklahoma City to renew our ordination vows and to celebrate our common mission and ministry together. It is also the time when oils for unction and baptism that have been consecrated by the Bishop are distributed for the use in the sacramental life of each faith community.

On Wednesday at 6:00pm the faithful gather and walk the Way of the Cross. This is an ancient liturgy where the gathered community remembers Jesus' passion as we walk and pray together.

At 7:00pm on Thursday, the community gathers in the nave for the Maundy Thursday service. This service begins what is called the Triduum which includes Good Friday and the Great Vigil. At the service we wash each other's feet and celebrate the Holy Eucharist. The service culminates with the stripping of the altar and an allnight vigil in the parish chapel (*ask one of the clergy or the parish secretary about the sign-up rotation*). As for the foot washing, I encourage you to consider participating in this ancient Christian ritual. The liturgy planners have gone to great efforts to make the foot washing sanitary while preserving the richness of this act of servanthood modeled for all disciples of Jesus.

The Good Friday liturgy begins at noon. The Passion narrative is read again, and we pray for forgiveness and healing for our sinful and broken world. Communion will be distributed from the reserved sacrament and the community leaves together in silence on this holy day.

On Saturday at 7:30pm, the community gathers in the courtyard around a fire. The Paschal candle is lit, and we begin our journey towards Easter. Although many people attend services (8:00-10:30am) on Sunday morning, the Easter Vigil is the first service of Easter. The service has many elements that point to God's many acts throughout salvation history which culminates in Jesus' resurrection. We also renew our baptismal covenant and gather for the first Eucharistic of Easter as the Lenten fast is broken.

I hope you will make time for Holy Week this year. If you can't be at St. Luke's, I hope you will find another faith community to worship during this holy time. Lutherans, Roman Catholics, Orthodox Catholics and many other faith communities offer Holy Week services, so make some time this week to contemplate the mighty acts of God.

WEEKLY ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 25, 2018 8:00am Rite I NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:20 Easter Egg Hunt, RH 9:15am Clergy Forum 9:45am Choir Rehearsal 10:30am Rite II Monday, March 26, 2018 5:30pm Evening Prayer Tuesday, March 27, 2018 10:00am Spiritual Discipline Group, Library 5:00pm Give Back America, RH Wednesday, March 28, 2018 6:00pm Young Disciples 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal Thursday, March 29, 2018 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Friday, March 30, 2018 12:00pm Good Friday Service Saturday, March 31, 2018 7:30pm Easter Vigil Service Sunday, April 1, 2018 **Easter Sunday** 8:00am Rite I NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15am Clergy Forum 9:45am Choir Rehearsal 10:30am Rite II Monday, April 2, 2018 5:30pm Holy Eucharist Tuesday, April 3, 2018 10:00am Spiritual Discipline Group, Library 5:00pm Give Back America, RH

ST. LUKE'S PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following persons in your prayers: Elizabeth, Jenny, Sue, Kris, Max, John, Samantha, Hugh, Raymond, Dale, Charles, Isaac, Maida, Joseph, Thelma, Tammy, Sybil, Joseph, Georgia, Diana, Mary, Jim, Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Tracy, Ethan, Brian, Lee, Lisa, Jean, Patty, Sam, Lawrence, Carol Sue, Elaine, John, Charli, Debbie, Kim, Margery, Martha, Todd 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 <u>TPBGEN@aol.com</u> or the church office at 918-336-1212 or

<u>office@episcopalbartlesville.org</u>. (Names on the Prayer List are rotated off every 4 weeks. If there is need for continued prayers, please let us know.)

Lenten Services

Palm Sunday, March 25th– Holy Communion-8:00am Holy Communion-10:30am

Monday, March 26th– Evening Prayer-5:30pm

Wednesday, March 28th – Stations of the Cross-6:00pm

Thursday, March 29th– Holy Communion-7:00pm

Good Friday, March 30th– Good Friday Liturgy-12:00pm

Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 31st – Holy Communion-7:30pm

Easter, Sunday, April 1st-

Holy Communion-8:00am Holy Communion-10:30am



CONCERN really needs volunteers for the intake desk interacting with clients who come in for assistance. Computer skills are required, and training will be provided.

The time slots that are available are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:00am to 2:00pm. If you can take one of those days for a period of time or for a short time,

it would be a tremendous help. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity and contact Amy Borg, St. Luke's representative to CONCERN (713-206-1179) or Kay Martin, CONCERN Executive Director (918-336-4693) if

you are interested.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

There will be **NO** Sunday School or Children's Chapel on Palm

Sunday or on Easter Sunday (March 25 and April 1). The Easter Egg Hunt is during Sunday School on March 25.



Classes will resume their normal schedule (9:15) on

Sunday, April 8. Sunday School will meet every Sunday through April and May, including May 20 (Pentecost). Please make every effort to have your child in Sunday School on a regular basis. Learning about God and their own faith tradition is so important for kids during difficult times. Being sure that they are surrounded by "a cloud of witnesses" can give them strength and assurance. Bring them and let us love them and feed them.

I wanted you all to know how much I appreciated your attendance at my 80th birthday open house. I enjoyed visiting with you all and having you meet my daughters and their families. I was so pleased to read each and every birthday card you gave me, I have a warm place in my heart and memories that will last me a life time. Your friendship made my celebration that much more special.



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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE March 25, 2018 through April 8, 2018

Volunteers: Please make your own substitutions

Acolytes March 25

Kyle Peterson, Evan Mitchell, Ethan Peterson, Keaton Mitchell <u>April 1</u> Harold Borg, Kimaya Kindred, Emma Boyle <u>April 8</u> Ruth Todd, Emma Perry, Annabelle Droege

Layreaders <u>March 25</u> 8:00am: Judy Currey, Ellen Heald 10:30am: Lauren Green, Jim Warring

Nursery Volunteers <u>March 25</u> Diana Crawford, Dorsie Bjornsen <u>April 1</u> Ruth Todd <u>April 8</u> Stefanie Tedstrom

Bereavement Committee Team 2 Barbara Martin, Laura Birk, Thelma Blackburn, Sally Canfield, Rita Childers, Debbie Mueggenborg

Scripture Lessons for March 25 Isaiah (50:4-9a), Psalm (31:9-6),

Philippians (2:5-11) Mark (14:1-15. End or Mark (15:1-39;40-47)

Music

<u>March 25</u> The Hymnal 1982 #154 – All Glory, Laud and Honor Psalm (31:916) O Sacred Head, Sore Wounded; setting by David Hurd #168vs. 4 – O Sacred Head #439 – What Wondrous Love is This

Sunday Coffee Fellowship Hour <u>March 25</u> Mary Jo Peterson <u>April 1</u> Rita Childers <u>April 8</u> Keeli Droege To volunteer see the sign-up sheet in the Metcalf Hall kitchen

or contact Rita Childers, 918-519-

8470 or puvey45@qmail.com

Ushers <u>March 25</u> 8:00am: Dean Zervas, Robert Babcock 10:30am: Jim Grillot, Nancy Megee <u>April 1</u> 8:00am: Dean Zervas 10:30am: Tim Simmons, Travis Perry <u>April 8</u> 8:00am: Don Davidson 10:30am: Brian Ferguson, Mark Fregin

Sunday Plate Counter <u>March 25</u> Jim Grillot <u>April 1</u> Amy Borg <u>April 8</u> Bruce Ramzel

Children's Chapel March 25 Karl Franks April 1 Erin Perry April 8 Bob Tedstrom

Greeters

March 25 8:00am: Sally Canfield 10:30am: D.J. & Jerry Nezam, Jim & Nancy Warring <u>April 1</u> 8:00am: Don Davidson 10:30am: Glenn & Thelma Blackburn <u>April 8</u> 8:00am: Don Doty 10:30am: Debbie & Dennis Mueggenborg

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 918-914-1155

Agape Mission

Thursday, March 8 9-11am: Jeanne Julstrom, John McCollum 10:45am-1pm: Kris Bonner, Rita Childers, Becky Liehr, Kathy Zervas, Marcia Zervas 1:00-2:45pm: Peter Julstrom, **Miriam Petrovich** Thursday, March 22 9-11am: Jim Leihr 10:45am-1pm: Jeff Birk, Molly Ferguson, Glenda Garrison, Darian Kedy, Jen Peterson 1:00-2:45pm: Carol Murphy, **Radomir Petrovich**