

# Weekly News

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

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April 24, 2019

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As we move into the Great Fifty Days of Easter, I want to thank the parish for all of your hard work and faithfulness in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. I am very thankful for the many dedicated people who worked tirelessly to prepare for the worship of Christ during this most Holy time of the church year. It is daunting to look at all of the things that must be done in preparation for the many services and events of Holy Week and Easter, and the leaders of our parish as well as our staff stepped up and made the preparations look easy. Again, thank you, thank you, thank you!

Looking ahead, I want to announce that Senior Recognition and Youth Sunday will be celebrated at the 10:30am service on Sunday, May 19th. The youth are working on some special music as well as preparing to serve as ushers, readers, and the other lay ministry roles on Sunday morning. Please mark your calendars and make a special effort to be at church to show your support for our youth and to congratulate our high school graduates.

The Wednesday evening service returns to its 5:30pm start time this week. We will continue to use a combination of traditional as well as newer liturgies and we will be trying out some different hymns and songs. Since many of you attended one or more of these evening services during Lent, I hope you will continue to come and worship throughout the Great Fifty Days of Easter. One of my goals for the service is to keep it at 30 minutes or less, so if you have trouble sitting for a long time, the evening service may be for you. Also, the service is casual and kid friendly, so bring the little ones if you want.

Finally, the diocese is electing a bishop coadjutor for Oklahoma on December 14, 2019. Our own Becky Liehr is on the search committee, and she has been working diligently with the other members of the search committee on this momentous task. Please keep Becky and the other members of the search committee in your prayers and add the following prayer to your list:

## **A Prayer for a Bishop Election**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace,

Father Steve

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## **Family Promise**

Calling all volunteers! St. Luke's will be hosting Family Promise from May 19-26. Signups will commence this coming Sunday after the [10:30](#) service at Metcalf Hall. 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. [918-397-7779jenrpet1971@gmail.com](mailto:918-397-7779jenrpet1971@gmail.com)

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On behalf of all of us who had the opportunity to experience Easter Week at St. Luke's, I want to express our deep appreciation to everyone who had a part in making it such a meaningful time of reflection and renewal. I found it especially heartening to see so many members of the congregation actively involved, whether assisting behind the scenes or taking more visible roles in each of the services. Thanks to planning and dedication of our fine staff and many committed members we, as a family, were able to share the humanity of Christ in the Upper Room, walk with Him on the painful path to the cross and rejoice with all His creation on Easter morn. Thanks be to God and the family of St. Luke's.

Dan Droege, Sr. Warden

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## **No Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>!**

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## **Church Office Closed**

The Church Office will be closed Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

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### **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, Lee, Linda, Annette, Ethan, Elaine, Marjean, Helen, Mark, Darian, Cynthia, Steve, Don, Barbara, Brent, Katie, Ruth, Lu, Rex, Pat, Suzanne, Lyndsey, Ellie* **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.)

**Scriptures Sunday, April 28:**

- [Acts \(5:27-32\)](#)
- [Revelations \(1:4-8\)](#)
- [Psalm 133](#)
- [John \(20:19-31\)](#)

**Greeters:**

April 28  
8:00am: Sally Canfield  
10:30am: D.J. & Jerry Nezam,  
Jim & Nancy Warring

**Agape Mission**

**Thursday, April 11:**

9-11am: Jeanne Julstrom  
10:45am – 1pm: Kris Bonner, Rita Childers, Becky Liehr,  
Kathy Zervas, Dolores McCreary  
1:00 – 2:45pm: Peter Julstrom, Miriam Petrovich

**Thursday, April 25:**

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

**Nursery Volunteers:**

April 28: Diana  
Crawford & Dorsie  
Bjornsen

**Bereavement Committee**

**Team 2:**

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

**Sunday Plate Counter:**

April 28: Jim Grillot

**Ushers:**

April 28:  
8:00am: Dean Zervas  
10:30am: Jim Grillot, Nancy Megee

**Layreaders:**

April 28:  
8:00am: Jeff Birk, Scott Williams  
10:30am: Jim Warring, Judy Currey

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Holy Eucharist: Sunday 8am & 10:30am; Wednesday 5:30pm, Thursday 12pm

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