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The Steeple



The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Looking Into August

Hello everyone,

Well, we've made it through our first full month coping with the double-whammy of COVID-19 restrictions and no rector on site. Although there's been a few glitches along the way, we've done pretty well. Certainly having Rev. Noel Doherty officiate at a couple of Sunday services has been much appreciated, plus the Sunday Worship Team and other members have done well in handling our lay-led services. Thanks to everyone, with a special tip-of-the-hat to Roseanne McKee, our office manager, who is capably handling a variety of normal as well as unexpected tasks.

Fr. Noel will be back with us on Sundays, August 9 and 23, and we'll be benefiting from a second supply priest on Sundays, Aug. 16 and 30. That's when Rev. Justin Boyd of Tulsa will be officiating. I recently asked Fr. Justin to tell us a little about himself, and this is his response...

Fr. Justin Boyd is a native of Wisconsin, who has lived in Tulsa since 1988. He is married to Carmen, and their son Aidan is an active 9-year-old. Justin attended the University of Tulsa, and received a BA in Musical Theatre. He received his Master of Divinity at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in 2016, with a concentration in Hispanic Church Studies. Justin loves spending time with family and friends, hunting, fishing and coaching baseball. He is extremely excited about serving at St. Luke's as a supply priest, beginning Aug. 16.



If you plan to attend any August services in person, please remember to call or email Roseanne by no later than the prior Thursday, when she finalizes the nave seating arrangement. As always, face coverings are mandatory but waves and fist-bumps are encouraged. The arms wide open gesture works too!

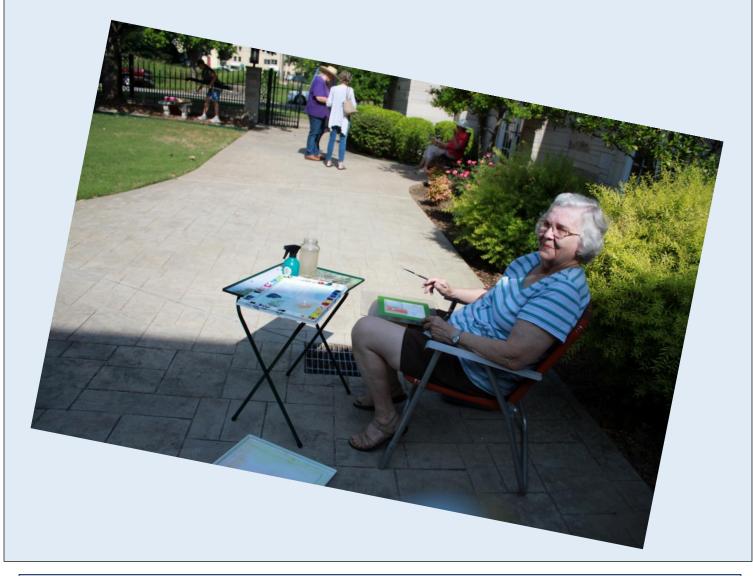
The big news in the Oklahoma Diocese is the seating of the new bishop, Rt. Rev. Poulson Reed, on Saturday, August 8 at St. Paul's Cathedral in Oklahoma City. Bishop Poulson will celebrate and preach. All limited seating for this 11 am event has been reserved, but we all can watch it live-streamed on the Diocesan YouTube channel at:

<u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB8G45GJK0ESaP_xvgEa20A?view_as=subscriber</u> Watch and help celebrate this inspiring event.

Dan Droege, Sr. Warden On behalf of the Vestry

Plein Air artists visit St. Luke's

Plein Air Artists from the Bartlesville Art Association painted in the St. Luke's courtyard on the morning of July 15. Some of the subjects of the art were the fountain, sculptures, a red door and a tree. Look for an article about their visit in an upcoming Steeple. Below, one of the artists, Joyce Lindsey, paints the courtyard's red door using watercolor.



Office Hours & Information: Roseanne is in the office Monday – Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The north doors will be locked, but if you need anything, please ring the doorbell or call the office at 918-336-1212. Roseanne's cell phone is 918-287-8784.

Chapel Schedule: Closed until the new lock has been installed.

The Chapel lock is worn out. A new one has been ordered but it has not yet arrived.

Until the new lock is installed, call the office at 918-336-1212 to be admitted or ring the bell at the north doors during office hours Mondy – Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Hymns this Sunday are the favorites of the following parishoners:

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" – Juanita Green and Barbara Todd

"Jesu, Jesu" - Georgia Gates and Ada Grillot

"I Am the Bread of Life" – Keeli Droege, Ada Grillot, Debbie Mueggenborg

> If you need technical assistance, please call Roseanne at the church office at 918-336-1212 and she will get someone to call you with some helpful advice.

Agape Mission Volunteer Schedule

Thursday, August 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, August 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: Jenny, Georgia, Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, 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, Milt, Belinda, Wendy, David, Linda, Terry, Leaona, Connie, Tracy, Mark, Diana, Jim, Lisa, Helen, Michelle, Patricia, Elizabeth, Thelma, Sydney and Ed, 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.

Bereavement Team 1

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

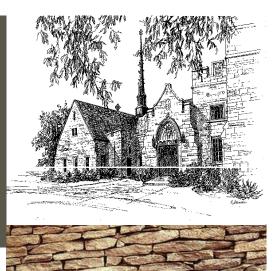
Online & Mobile Giving Available

Online giving application is now available to St. Luke's members through the Tithe.ly mobile application or directly online from your home device. You can utilize either method of giving by going to this <u>Tithe.ly web page</u> (https://get.tithe.ly/download-tithely-app). Complete instructions for using this convenience are provided on the home page of the <u>St. Luke's website</u>

(http://episcopalbartlesville.org) or by picking Online Giving in the right-side menu. Regardless of whether you can manage all or some of your normal giving, please continue to support our community of faith. And if you're not comfortable with virtual giving, you can always mail a check to the church office: St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 210 E 9th St, Bartlesville, OK 74003 *or* drop a check into our locked mail slot near north entrance.

Other thoughts...

• Be aware – No one from St. Luke's will request gift cards or other monetary support through email. If you receive such a message in your email, it is spam. 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.



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Birthdays

Birthdays and Anniversaries July 29 – August 9

Max Legatski, July 29 Diana Farris, July 30 Randy Heald, July 31 Donna Allison, August 4 Bill Bridendolph, August 4 Dax Wolfe, August 7 Sally Canfield, August 9

Anniversaries Thomas & Judy Chamberlain, August 5 Jim & Kate Carroll, August 6 Steve & Susie Clark, August 9

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Connecting with St. Luke's

To learn various ways to connect at St. Luke's, visit our website at: http://episcopalbartlesville.org/

A Church Family Needs Our Help

Tim and Julie Middleton, a young family who began attending St. Luke's regularly last year, are in desperate need of helping hands after they discovered last month that their home has serious mold contamination. The condition is so serious, in fact, that they are having to dispose of nearly all of their belongings including clothing, furniture, books, photo albums and most of the toys belonging to their two children Fiona (age 4) and Riley (nearly 2.) Tim and Julie hope to sell their home and rent or purchase a smaller place. However, they cannot do this without first addressing the costly mold issue, only a fraction of which is covered by insurance.

Friends and family have set up a GoFundMe page for the Middletons, which describes their plight in more details. You are encouraged to read it. Then look into your heart for how you can reach out to a member family who needs our prayers and our support at this challenging time. Nancy Woods of the Vestry has visited with the Middletons and can provide additional information.

The Middleton's GoFundMe page is: <u>Help the Middletons Rebuild after Toxic Mold</u> (<u>https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-the-middletons-rebuild-after-toxic-</u> mold?utm_medium=email&utm_source=product&utm_campaign=p_email_m_pd-5332-donationreceipt-adyen&utm_content=internal)



The Middletons ...Julie, Fiona, Tim and Riley

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St. Luke's has been a vital part of the Pack the Backpacks program since its inception in 2003, with nearly 2,500 students benefiting every year. The COVID-19 situation has curtailed the normal distribution event held at the church facilities. Instead, this year school supplies are being delivered directly to schools, where teachers will provide them to students. School deliveries are already underway, but the Washington County School Supply Drive is still short of some items.

The needed items listed here can be dropped off at bins located at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center, 405 S Cherokee Ave, or in the foyer of the Elks Lodge (behind Walmart).

- College Spiral Notebooks
- Pink erasers
- Watercolors
- Both wide and college notebook paper
- Pencils
- Small glue sticks
- Folders with brads
- Scientific calculators (about \$10)

Staples has many of these items for 25 cents apiece, but there are limits on how many can be purchased at one time. If you would rather have someone shop for you, please make a donation at the Pack the Backpacks website, <u>http://www.packthebackpacks.org</u>, and click on Donate Now in the upper right corner.

For more information visit http:www.packthebackpacks.org

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 13

Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two (Layled)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

Opening Hymn 686

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

See page 8

- Please stand when the bell rings
- Opening hymn will be played during procession
- Opening Hymn

The Officiant begins the service with one or more of these sentences of Scripture beginning on page 77 of **The Book of Common Prayer (BCP)**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Phillipians 1:2*

Remain standing

The Invitatory and Psalter BCP 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips. *People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Venite Psalm 95:1-7 BCP 82

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Sit for the reading of the Psalm and Lessons (including Gospel text), stand for the reading or singing of the Canticle(s)

Psalm 17:1-7, 16 Exaudi, Domine

1 Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice. 3 Weigh my heart, summon me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me. 4 I give no offense with my mouth as others do; I have heeded the words of your lips. 5 My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; in your paths my feet shall not stumble. 6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words. 7 Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them. 16 But at my vindication I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

The Lessons

Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise

everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Reader says: Here ends the Lesson.

Canticle 17 The Song of Simon Luke 2:29-32

Lord, you now have set your servant free to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, whom you have prepared for all the world to see: A Light to enlighten the nations, and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen*.

Lesson - Romans 9:1-5

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. *Amen*.

The Reader says: Here ends the Lesson.

Canticle 13 A Song of Praise – Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew 14:13-21

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them

to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Reader says: Here ends the Lesson.

Homily

Tom Droege

Stand

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

(Lay Leader)

Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 602

"Jesu, Jesu"

See page 9

Kneel or sit

The Prayers

BCP 97

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Suffrages A

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects

The Collect of the Day

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

Prayer for selection of a new rector

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish 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*.

Then, this prayer for mission is added.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers of intercession and thanksgiving are offered here and silence is observed.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all churches in our diocese, for their mission and ministry, and for their proclamation of the Good News in cities and towns across the state; in our parish, we pray for those requesting prayer including Jenny, Georgia, Millie, Bryson, Suzanne, Evelyn, Toni, Milton, 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, Milt, Belinda, Wendy, David, Linda, Terry, Leaona, Connie, Tracy, Mark, Diana, Jim, Lisa, Michelle, Patricia, Elizabeth, Thelma, Sydney and Ed. We also remember those who have died, especially Charles Martin. Let light perpetual shine upon him and all your Saints who we remember this morning. We pray for Bishop Poulson C. Reed as he begins his ministry as Bishop Coadjutor.

We also pray for doctors, nurses, aides, and all other health care professionals and service employees entrusted with the health and wellness of our community; and for our elected officials and those given the public's trust to make prudent decisions for the care of this city, state, and nation. We also pray for the men and women of the armed services, for those serving in other areas of national service, for those who are traveling or homebound or recovering from illness, surgery, or some other affliction. For all of these and for prayers spoken and for prayers left unspoken, let us pray to the Lord.

The General Thanksgiving BCP 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen*.

Then may be said

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant concludes with the following

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21*

Dismissal Hymn 335

"I Am the Bread of Life" See page 10

Announcements: Dan Droege

The Officiant says, "The peace of the Lord be always with you."

The People respond, "And also with you."

Favorite hymns for this morning include:

686 - "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" – Juanita Green and Barbara Todd

602 - "Jesu, Jesu" – Georgia Gates and Ada Grillot

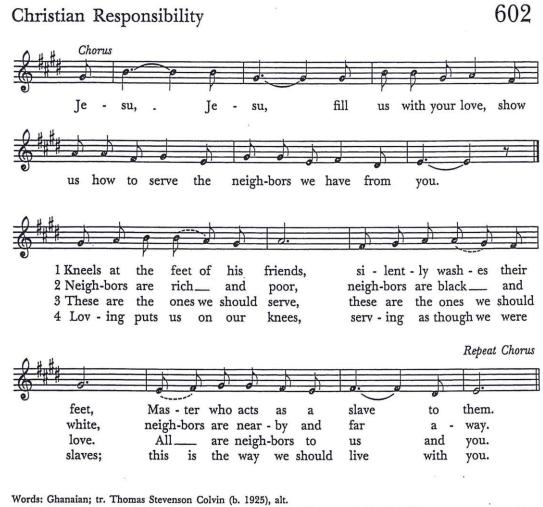
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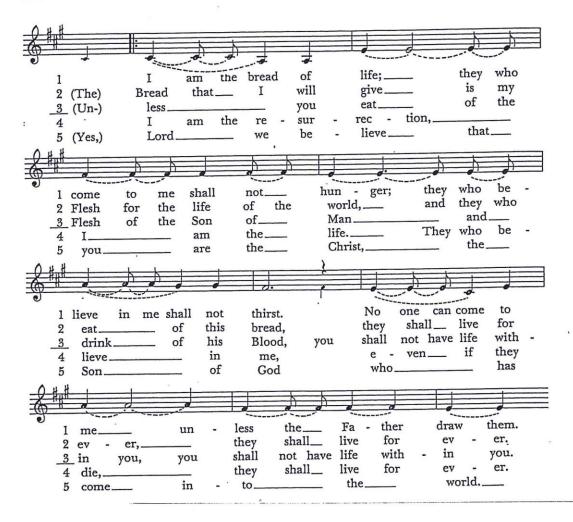
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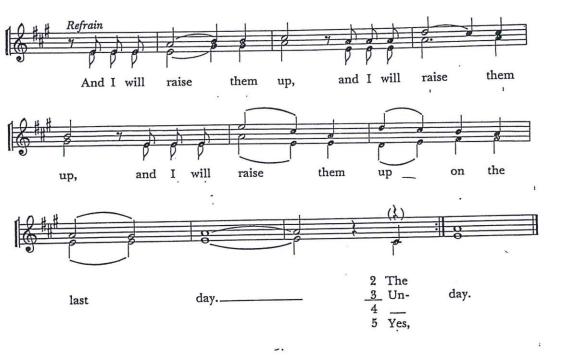
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