

In this week's Steeple >>>

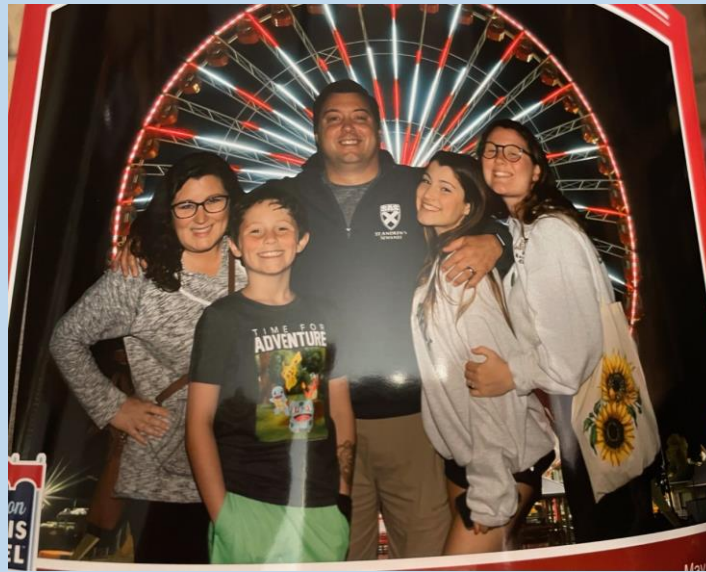
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The Steeple



June 2,
2021

The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church



I love the mountain air after it rains. It is clean and fresh. This morning there is a chill in the air and the sound of rushing water below. The scene is set, so to speak, for coffee with Jesus and while others sleep, I still say that the first light of morning is one of best times to greet the morning star in thanksgiving of you.

There is a wonderful prayer in our tradition that goes like this: “In returning and rest you shall be saved, in quietness and confident trust shall be your strength.” I love that phrase. Most of you will know that that beautiful line comes from the prophet Isaiah. (Isaiah 30:15) And although Isaiah was speaking and writing during Israel’s exile – I know in my bones that there is something restorative about rest when I say that prayer.

Folks say that absence makes the heart grow fonder and there is a deep truth in that. I’ve come to know that truth profoundly in practice of praying in the office in the evenings with you and now while I’m away, I feel it deeply in the morning. That is because there is a little rubric in the office that says, “*Authorized Intercessions and Thanksgivings may follow.*”

When I arrive at this point in my prayers, thoughts of my family remain fixed there, but now Kate is there too, as she recovers from her fall. Ryan is there, working through a bad sprain. Bob+, who just celebrated a birthday without his Georgia, is there too. Lee+ is there, preparing for his trip with Lynda, all as Karole walks eighteen.

In a matter of seconds these and many others come to mind as home comes into focus.

We carry each other, whether it is on vacation or when circumstance has us on the threshold of something new. In the quiet realization of that this morning, with the breeze in from the West, I knew then and now the blessedness of a heart that is full. Thank you for this time away, my friends. It has been a long time since my family has had the chance to do this. And, just as the prayer speaks to my heart of rest and love, time with family, and peace we all long to return home because of you.

Fr. Nick +
Branson, MO



Mark your calendars for Sat., June 26, 9-11 a.m. Let's all meet at the Pathfinder for an easy hike or stroll on one of Bartlesville's gems. Everyone is invited! Let's spend a portion of Saturday morning together out in God's front yard. We'll hike for a bit and meet back at the entrance for refresh-ments and fellowship. Trailhead entry to be announced. Feel free to invite others.



Lifeguard:

- **Department Contact:** Victoria Gammon - Victoriagammon@rkymca.org
- **Applicant Ages:** 15 and older
- **Job Qualifications:** Must be at least 15 years of age and Lifeguard certified. Lifeguard certification class offered the first weekend in May. (If they complete the FULL summer schedule the cost of class will be reimbursed).
- **Work Hour Availability:** YMCA pools are open 7 days a week. Indoor pool work hours 5:30am - 8:30pm. Outdoor Pool work hours: 11am-9pm; **Start Dates:** Immediately

Swim Lessons Instructor:

- **Department Contact:** Victoria Gammon - Victoriagammon@rkymca.org
- **Applicant Ages:** 15 and older
- **Job Qualifications:** Love working with youth and able to teach youth different skills. (We do have training for new swim instructors so no previous knowledge required.)
- **Work Hour Availability:** Tuesday & Thursday 5:15pm -6:15pm, and/or Monday through Thursday 9:45am - 12:15pm & 5:45pm - 8:15pm; **Start Dates:** Immediately

Summer Care Counselor:

- **Department Contact:** Lanette Kramer - lanettekramer@rkymca.org
- **Applicant Ages:** Preferred 18 and older but 16+ allowed in this department
- **Job Qualifications:** Must enjoy working with children in an interactive environment. Must be able to lift 50 lbs.
- **Work Hour Availability:** Monday through Friday 7am - 5:45pm (June 1 through Aug. 6); **Start Dates:** Immediately

Summer Pool Staff: (concessions and gate)

- **Department Contact:** Dalen Qualls - dqualls@rkymca.org
- **Applicant Ages:** 14 and older (14 & 15 year olds must get work permits)
- **Job Qualifications:** Hard worker, Some experience of handling money, Listening & Applying of what is asked.
- **Work Hour Availability:** 11:30am-6:30pm/Other occasions 11:30am-9:00pm; **Start Dates:** Immediately

Summer Jobs at the YMCA



FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our sister Millie Harrison's funeral will be on Thursday, June 10th at 10:00 a.m. We will celebrate the life of our sister Millie using Burial Office, Rite II with Holy Eucharist. There will be a cookie reception to follow.



Our sister Evelyn Tibbits' funeral will be on Saturday, July 24th at 11:00 a.m. We will celebrate the life of our sister Evelyn using Burial Office, Rite I with Holy Eucharist. There will be a reception to follow.



Open House at the Rectory



Saturday, June 12th from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Stop by the Phares Family Home to gather with Father Nick, his family, and other church friends! The pool will be open and the refreshments will be flowing. Kids are welcome! Our address is 2649 Regency Road. See you there!
Feel free to invite others.

Missionaries Joanne & Roger Green visiting June 9

Joanne (Garrett) and Roger Green will be in Bartlesville June 9th and would love to see friends from St Luke's. Those of you who know Joanne, remember she was a member here when she worked for Phillips Petroleum. She left Bartlesville and Phillips to become a missionary bible translator for Wycliffe Bible Translators, where she met and married Roger.

They went to work in the Philippines translating the Bible for the villagers there. Roger and Joanne have five grown children now: Nathan, Daniel, Juliet, Katie, and Esther.

St Luke's supported them in their mission work for years.

They will be at St Luke's on June 9th at 10:00 am and would love to see and meet everyone from the parish: old friends and new.

If you have time, drop by and say hello – Penny Williams

Emily update: the next yard sale fundraiser for Emily's legal fees in her custody case has been scheduled for June 12 from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. at 1328 S. Cherokee Avenue – weather permitting.

Funds raised will be used to pay the outstanding attorney's fees of \$752.50 and for the cost of the next hearing June 14, expected to cost \$550.

The \$2,000 retainer needed for a guardian ad litem, which the judge ordered at the last hearing May 26, has been donated by a local business.

Agape Mission Volunteer Schedule

Thursday, June 10

Agape will be closed for the week.

Thursday, June 24

10:45 am – 1 pm: Jeff Birk, Darian Kedy, Becky Olsen, Dan Droege, Jo Baughman

12:45 pm – 2 p.m.: Steve Clark, Steve VanAken, Carol Murphy

FLOWER DONATIONS

Realizing how much everyone enjoys seeing the beautiful flowers on the Altar each Sunday, it is also important to understand that they do cost money.

Please consider choosing a Sunday that is special to you as a memorial tribute or honoring an important event and contribute to the Altar Guild Flower Fund. The suggested amount is \$45 total for both vases, but any extra donation is appreciated.

You may then have the exact wording you wish in the Sunday bulletin for that specific day. Checks may be dropped in the Sunday offering basket or left in the church office or locked mailbox beside the North door of the church.

Many thanks,
Cheryl Fregin and Jo Baughman
Flower Chairmen

St. Luke's Prayer List

The prayer list can be found in the Sunday bulletin and on the St. Luke's website.

Call or email our office with prayer requests at 918-336-1212 or StLukesBartlesville@outlook.com

Pub Theology

Pub Theology is scheduled for the 4th Thursday of each month.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 24 at Painted Horse.

What is 'Pub Theology'? It's a time to gather informally and talk about different subjects around our core values of faith. What feeds your faith? Where did you see Jesus this week?

What literature are you reading that has had some inspiration for you?

A host of topics are brought up and discussed over drinks and appetizers.

(We pay our own tabs). There is usually a facilitator to throw out topics for discussion.

No politics, no gossip, and what is discussed in Pub Theology that is personal stays in the group. Respect the dignity of every person. It's a fun and relaxed time to get to know each other. Call Roseanne in the church office and let her know if you will be joining us so we can have enough tables set up at Painted Horse.

If you have any questions, contact Fr. Nick, Penny Williams, or Nancy Megee.

We will be happy to share. Let's share some theology!



Regular Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Please note that even during office hours, the doors are locked per COVID-19 protocol. If you need to come in, just ring the north entrance bell or call the office at 918-336-1212.

Bereavement Team 1

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

Connecting with St. Luke's

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

Alert on solicitations...

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.



Birthdays and Anniversaries, June 1 – 12

Birthdays

Lou Ann Mitchell – 3rd
Thomas Chamberlain – 5th
Kimaya Kindred, 6th
Audrey Foote, 7th
Danny Clem, 8th

Anniversaries

Jeff & Laura Birk, 4th
Lauren & Juanita Green, 12th
Fred & Pam Pierce, 12th

If your or a loved one’s name doesn’t appear on the list, please email or call the office, and we will add your birthday or anniversary!

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Sunday’s altar flowers are given: In loving memory of Luther Aaron Wright by Mrs. Luther Aaron Wright.