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The Steeple



Oct 26, 2022

The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church

What November Holds and Beyond



Dear friends,

As you'll recall Bishop Reed will make his annual visit to St. Luke's on November 13th. November 13th is also Consecration Sunday and the beginning of our stewardship drive for the upcoming year. As you are making plans for after church that day, please consider that as part of our celebration of Consecration Sunday we will be having a catered lunch after the second service for all to enjoy. Last year we enjoyed a sumptuous

feast from our friends at Casa Hispana and I have high hopes that this year will be just as good if not better!

In the nearer future, however, we will be celebrating All Saints Sunday this year on November 6th. As mentioned in the announcements last Sunday, part of our service that day will include the reading of 2022 necrology – a list of our beloved departed. Including the names of those dear ones at rest, I encourage you to call the office and list the names we might not know about or the names that you have been carrying with you in prayer. Let us give witness to them on one of the most hallowed days of the Church's year of Grace. By the way, daylight savings begins on All Saints so make sure you set your clocks accordingly! Remember, we are “falling” back!

This Sunday includes our Trunk or Treat event. Last year was our first attempt at this and by every measure it was a success. As a matter of fact, after the event several folks mentioned that they would be looking forward to this year. Well, that time is upon us and I hope you all are as excited as I am. I encourage all the kiddos to sport their costumes this Sunday and prepare themselves for an addition to our time together – a tour of the dreaded and haunted garage behind 801! Prepare yourselves my friends! For my adult friends, I plan on making sure you have something warm to enjoy while the kiddos make their rounds.

November will be a month of wonderful celebration followed by the joyful season of Advent – a time of expectant waiting and preparation preceding the Feast of the Incarnation (Christmas). This Advent, I hope that you will make time in your schedules on Wednesday nights for a series of mini-manna's. Next week's Steeple will feature our upcoming Advent programming, as well as our menu for season.

Being together is one of the great joys of living together in community. I hope that all of you will make every effort to be present at as many events as you can in the life of our parish – some of which will never come around again! The future holds bountiful blessings for us all in Christ. Thanks be to God.

Peace,
Nick+

FAITH FORUM

Sundays 9:15am-10:15am, Metcalf Hall



Pantry needs for October: Tuna, Flour, Sugar, SPAM

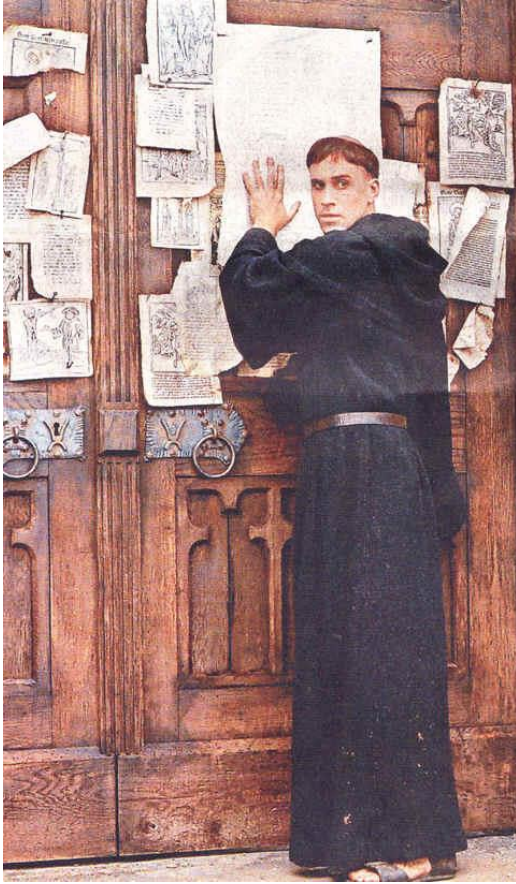
Homeless Needs: Dry milk, Gloves

Concern is also an Amazon Smile Charity Sign up on the link below and when you buy from Amazon, Concern benefits! Look for **Churches United for Community Concern**

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Theologians Corner:



Reformation Sunday and All Hallowtide

Reformation Day, is the anniversary of the day Martin Luther is said to have posted his Ninety-five Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany (October 31, 1517), later identified by Protestants as the beginning of the Reformation.

The European Lutheran territorial churches at first commemorated the Reformation on various days, among them the anniversary of Luther's birth (November 10), his death (February 18), and presentation of the Augsburg Confession (June 25). The centennial celebrations of 1617 focused attention on October 31. In the sesquicentennial year (1667), Elector of Saxony John George II decreed this date as annual Reformation Day in

Saxony. German Lutheran and Union territorial churches have gradually come to follow this example and specify October 31 or the Sunday following (or preceding).

Among English-speaking Lutherans, the churches that use the Lutheran Liturgy (1948) keep October 31 as Reformation Day. Those using the Service Book and Hymnal (1958) observe October 31 as Reformation Day and may keep the preceding Sunday as Reformation Sunday. The liturgical color is red. Many churches in the Reformed and the Evangelical traditions also mark the day, often with special services focused on the Reformation and its effects.

Beginning also on the evening of the 31st is the short season of Allhallowtide, encompassing the triduum of All Saints' Eve (Halloween), All Saints' Day (All Hallows') and All Souls' Day, as well as the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (observed on the first Sunday of November) and Remembrance Sunday (observed on the second Sunday in November) in some traditions.

Allhallowtide is a "time to remember the dead, including martyrs, saints, and all faithful departed Christians." The present date of Hallowmas (All Saints' Day) and thus also of its vigil (Hallowe'en) was established for Rome perhaps by Pope Gregory III (731–741) and was made of obligation throughout the Frankish Empire by Louis the Pious in 835. Elsewhere, other dates were observed even later, with the date in Ireland being 20 April. In the early 11th century, the modern date of All Souls' Day was popularized, after

Abbot Odilo established it as a day for the monks of Cluny and associated monasteries to pray for the dead.

Together we pray: Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*



Trunk or Treat is back! Oct 30th, right after the 10:30am service (around 11:45am) We will simply repeat what we did last year, however there may be a few 'haunted' corners around. Park your car in the lot, open your trunk with treats to hand out and enjoy from your lawn chair! Parents

and grandparents, bring your kids to church dressed in their Halloween costumes and have them bring their friends as well! Lets have a great turn out! All ages can 'trick or treat'! We'll have hot chocolate, apple cider, and coffee available if weather permits (if not, we'll move into Metcalf with bowls and lawn chairs). Fr Nick has promised something special in the courtyard for the adults.

Just a heads up! Its coming 1st weekend in November!

**Daylight
Saving Time
Ends**
2022
**6th
November**





Oct 27th, 6:30pm at Tumbleweed's. Join us!



Luke's Place Oct 26th – Nov 2nd, 2022

Oct 27th - Men's Breakfast, 7-8:30am, Metcalf

Green Country Eucharist, 1pm, GCV

Oct 30th – Eucharist Rite I, 8:00am, chapel

Faith Forum, 9:15am, Metcalf

Children's Programming, 10:20am, upstairs

Eucharist Rite II, 10:30am, nave

Trunk or Treat, parking lot, 11:45am

Nov 1st - Spiritual Discovery Forum, 10am, Library

All Saints' Day Eucharist, 12:15pm, Chapel

Nov 2nd - All Souls' Day Eucharist, 12:15pm, Chapel

YD, 6pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:00pm, Choir Room



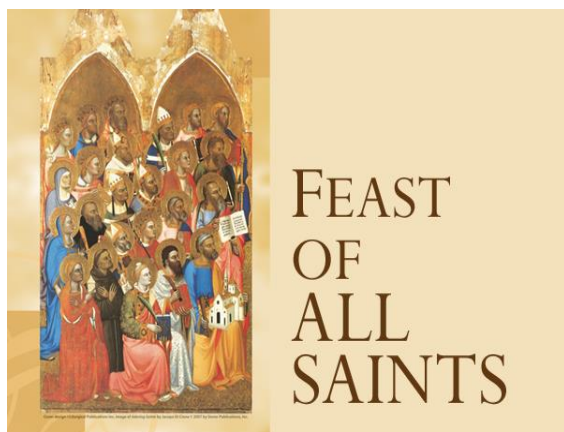
Celebrating
**ALL SAINTS' DAY
& ALL SOULS' DAY**

We will have the Eucharist on both feast days, November 1 & 2, 2022 at 12:15pm in the Chapel.



Books for Family Promise House

Got any children's books lying around that the kids or grandkids have outgrown? How about 'gifting' them to our Family Promise House? There are bare bookshelves we need to fill! Just drop them off in the church office and we will make sure they find their way to Family Promise.



All Saints' Day

Commemorates all saints, known and unknown, on Nov. 1. All Saints' Day is one of the seven principal feasts of the church year, and one of the four days recommended for the administration of baptism. All Saints' Day may also be celebrated on the Sunday following Nov. 1.

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We will be celebrating All Saints' Day on November 6th during our services. If you have a saint (loved one) you would like remembered on All Saints' Day, please call or email the office by November 2nd with the name(s) and those loved ones' names will be read aloud during the worship service.



St Luke's Bookstore- Tee shirt orders are going in **Nov 14th**, so be sure to get your tee shirt order in NOW!

The Bookstore will be open on Sundays from 11:30am-12:30pm. Pay upon delivery. Don't MISS OUT! Get some Luke's Place swag!

Josie McIver will be baking again on Oct 29th and will have your orders ready on the 30th to pick up or she will deliver. The orders need to be into her by Oct 28th and you can text or call her at 918-214-6680. 20% of the proceeds go toward Ryan's Eagle project of providing an AED for the church.



Birthdays and Anniversaries, Oct 30th – Nov 6th, 2022

Birthdays

Elaine Ryan	10/30
Lisa Beeman	10/31
Janet Holland	11/2
Jeff Birk	11/3
Mark Fregin	11/5

Anniversaries

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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