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The Steeple



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The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church



Christ the King Sunday

Beloved this coming Sunday, if you can believe it or not, is the last Sunday after Pentecost. Often referred to as Christ the King Sunday or the Feast of Christ the King, this weekend brings with it the chance for us as a community to celebrate not only the reign of Christ but a strong conclusion to the Church's year of Grace.

“The feast of Christ the King was promulgated by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in celebration of the 1600th anniversary of Nicaea.” Early in the life of the Episcopal Prayer Book, however, no such feast existed. Over time the incorporation of the feast

became more and more accepted in the Episcopal Church and to date, it seems that it is a rare parish indeed who has not adopted the final Sunday after Pentecost as that of Christ the King.

St. Luke's has embraced this feast as one that is central to its identity – most notably as it is found in our altar windows. The windows themselves focus on Christ the King, surrounded by two figures of the faith: St. Luke our patron and St. Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers.

There, “Christ is shown in both royal and priestly garb. His right hand is held in the traditional Trinitarian blessing, while in his left hand is the cross and orb, representing his triumph over sin and the world and His reign over His Kingdom.”

In this season of Thanksgiving, I am profoundly grateful for the ways that Christ



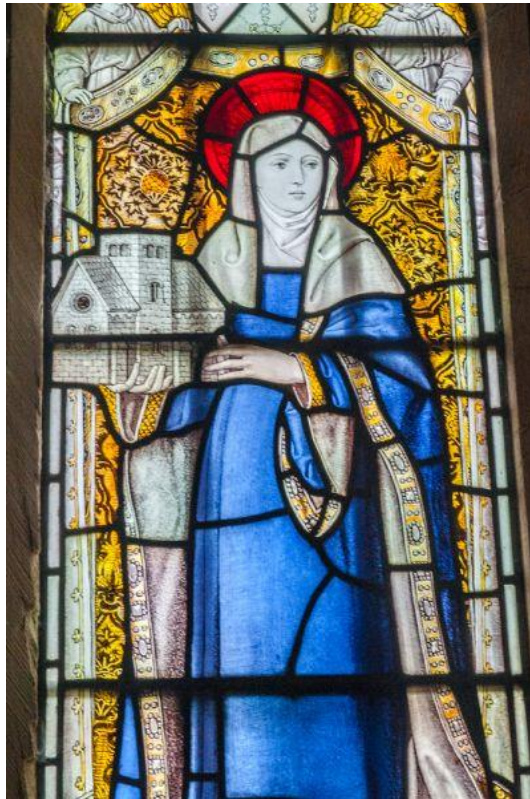
the King continues to lead us here at St. Luke's. I am grateful too for you, my friends. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

Together we pray, Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Every Blessing,

Nick+

Theologians Corner:



Hilda, Abbess of Whitby 680

“Hilda’s career falls into two equal parts,” says the Venerable Bede, “for she spent thirty-three years nobly in secular habit, while she dedicated an equal number of years still more nobly to the Lord, in the monastic life.”

Hilda, born in 614, was the grandniece of King Edwin. She was instructed by Paulinus (one of the companions of Augustine of Canterbury) in the doctrines of Christianity in preparation for her baptism at the age of thirteen. She lived, chaste and respected, at the King’s court for twenty years and then decided to enter the monastic life. She had hoped to join the convent of Chelles in Gaul, but Bishop Aidan was so impressed by her holiness of life that he recalled her to her home country, in East Anglia, to live in a small monastic settlement.

One year after her return, Aidan appointed her Abbess of Hartlepool. There, Hilda established the rule of life that she had been taught by Paulinus and Aidan. She became renowned for her wisdom, eagerness for learning, and devotion to God’s service.

Some years later, she founded the abbey at Whitby, where both nuns and monks lived in strict obedience to Hilda's rule of justice, devotion, chastity, peace, and charity. Known for her prudence and good sense, Hilda was sought out by kings and other public men for advice and counsel. Those living under her rule devoted so much time to the study of Scripture and to works of righteousness that many were found qualified for ordination. Several of her monks became bishops; at least one pursued further studies in Rome. She encouraged the poet Caedmon, a servant at Whitby, to become a monk and to continue his inspired writing. All who were her subjects or knew her, Bede remarks, called her "mother."

In 663, Whitby was the site of the famous synod convened to decide divisive questions involved in the differing traditions of Celtic Christians and the followers of Roman order. Hilda favored the Celtic position, but, when the Roman position prevailed, she was obedient to the synod's decision. Hilda died on November 17, 680, surrounded by her monastics, whom, in her last hour, she urged to preserve the gospel of peace.

Together we pray: O God of peace, by whose grace the abbess Hilda was endowed with gifts of justice, prudence, and strength to rule as a wise mother over the nuns and monks of her household and to become a trusted and reconciling friend to leaders of the Church: Raise up these gifts in us, that we, following her example and prayers, might build up one another in love to the benefit of thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



Christmas Wish Tree

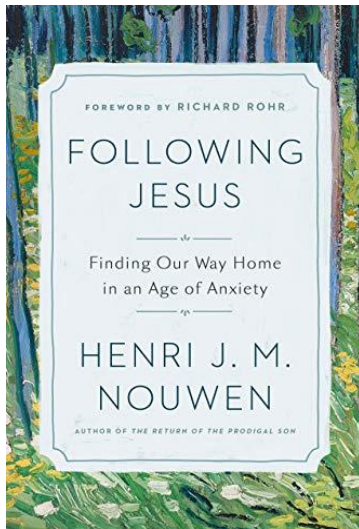
After some miscommunication, we learned that DHS requests we purchase gift cards for the teens in foster care that live in the Bartlesville area. Gifts for the younger children have already been provided. We will still put up the Star Tree with stars that say Visa Gift Card as a reminder of our outreach. Take a star and then sign your name on the sign up sheet so we know how many intend to purchase the gift cards. We would

like to get 50 \$20 Visa Gifts Cards to be given to the teens at the DHS Christmas party which is on December 9th. So our purchase time is shortened to have them back at the church by **Sunday December 4th**. Please call Steve or Cheryl Van Aken at 918-914-9041 with any questions. We apologize for any confusion.

Take note: Concern's November food items need are: canned tomato sauce, complete pancake mix (just add water), and peanut butter.



Kindly RSVP by DEC. 4th to Nancy Woods text/call 918-914-3263 or nancywoods120@gmail.com



Spiritual Discovery Group is starting a new study with Henri Nouwen's book 'Following Jesus- Finding Our Way Home in an Age of Anxiety'. We meet on Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Beard Library, second floor. The new study will start November 29th. Join us! (no group study on Nov 22nd). Order the book through the bookstore or on Amazon.

Update on Deacon Kay Boman

Kaybo is leaving Landmark Hospital in the morning (Wed). She will be going to an acute inpatient rehabilitation hospital in Rogers, AR to continue her physical therapy. There are only 2 facilities in the area that provide this level of care and this is the highest rated one. Everest Rehabilitation Hospital 4313 S Pleasant Crossing Blvd. Rogers, AR 72758

She would love to hear from everyone so drop her a line or card and definitely keep her in your prayers.



Luke's Place Nov 17th – Nov 26th, 2022

Nov 17th Men's Breakfast, 7-8:30am, Metcalf
Bible Study, 9:15am, Metcalf
Green Country Eucharist, 1pm, GCV
Women's Fellowship, 5:30pm, Metcalf
Nov 20th Eucharist Rite I, 8:00am, chapel
Faith Forum, 9:15am, Metcalf
Children's Programming, 10:20am, upstairs
Eucharist Rite II, 10:30am, Nave
House Blessing & Special Presentation, 3pm 801 S Osage Ave
Nov 24 & 25- Office and church closed for Thanksgiving Holiday



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FAITH FORUM

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



Pub Theology will be the 17th of November due to the last Thursday of the month being Thanksgiving. We will meet at Tumbleweed's, 6:30pm.

Birthdays and Anniversaries, Nov 20th – Nov 26th , 2022

Birthdays

Anniversaries

Debbie & Dennis Mueggenborg 11/22

Bob & Jo Baughman 11/24

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!

Request from the Bookstore!

Everyone who has purchased one of the Hope and Joy teeshirts and have received them is requested to wear them this Sunday to church! The very last order is going in on Monday and those of you who are on the fence about these teeshirts will see them being worn. So lets dress casual on Sunday and wear our St Luke's swag!



St Luke's Bookstore will be open in November:
Every Sunday after the 10:30 service and...

Nov 22 11:45am- 1:45pm

Nov 29 11:45am- 1:45pm

Dec 1 10:30am- 12:00noon

Come in and shop for Christmas!

Advent items arriving soon!



Keep your Wednesday evenings open during the Season of Advent. We will be having a light supper and programming much like we had during last Lent. Time: 6pm in Metcalf Hall. We will begin on November 30th.

Images from Consecration Sunday





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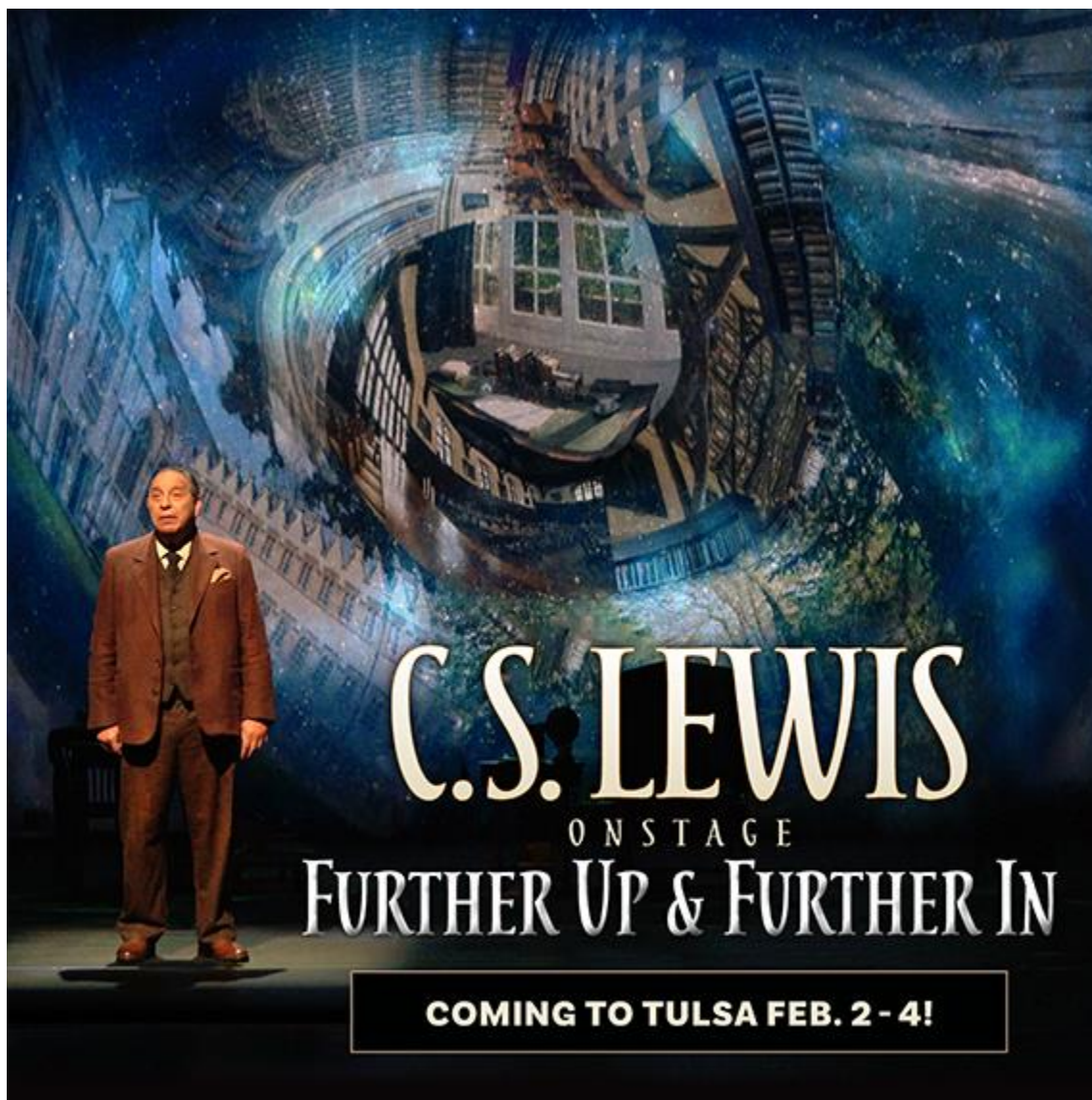
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TAKE A WALK IN THE PARK

FantasyLand On Foot will be held on November 19th from 6:00pm-8:00pm in Johnstone Park. This is your one chance each year to walk through the park and take in the wonderful Christmas lights on display. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$20 for families and children are free with proceeds going to Bartlesville Daybreak Rotary for upkeep of the lights and to fund new displays. Once inside the park, there will be free hotdogs, coffee, and hot

chocolate. In just two years, this event has become incredibly popular. So come out and enjoy the lights and take a walk in the park!

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