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The Steeple



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The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church



Midweek Manna Returns

Back by popular demand, manna returns to St. Luke's on Wednesdays in Lent. At a recent Vestry meeting, our youth delegate Josie McIver said, "I'm glad manna is returning, it's nice to spend time with everyone at church on Wednesday nights." The flow of the evening is as follows:

1. Dinner: 6:00 – 6:45.
2. Bus tables and Transition 6:45 – 7:00.
3. Program: 7:00 – 7:45.
 - Adults remain in Metcalf Hall. Facilitated by Outreach Organizations.
 - Y.D. meets in Roger's Hall. Facilitated by Jennifer McIver and Tom Droege.
 - Children meet upstairs in the Godly Play rooms Facilitated by Fr. Nick and Teresa.
4. Transition and Clean-up: 7:45 – 8:00.

This week's menu includes Chicken Pot Pie, Salad, and Cake for dessert. Our adult program will feature a presentation by CONCERN. This year the children will begin working with a new series featured by GROW. All in all, it should be a wonderful evening spent together.

As you are planning your weeks, please reserve the following dates for Manna:

Lent

1. March 1st Chicken Pot Pie.

2. March 8th Shepherd's Pie.
3. March 15th Lasagna.
4. March 22nd Meatloaf.
5. March 29th Fish Fry.

Holy Week

6. April 5th Soup and Salad, Tenebrae Service.
7. April 6th Soup and Salad, Maundy Thursday.
8. April 7th Good Friday Service at noon.

Together we pray: O God, in the course of this busy life, give us times of refreshment and peace; and grant that we may so use our leisure to rebuild our bodies and renew our minds, that our spirits may be opened to the goodness of your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Faithfully,
Nick+



Midweek Manna is every Wednesday in Lent at 6pm. A meal will be served and then program for both adults and kids.



Theologian's Corner William W. Mayo and Charles Menninger Pioneers in Medicine

William W. Mayo, with his two sons, William J. Mayo and Charles H. Mayo, built St. Mary's, the first general hospital in Minnesota. When a devastating tornado struck Rochester, Minnesota, in August 1883, the Mayos joined with the Sisters of St. Francis to respond to the disaster. This partnership between the Episcopalian Mayos and the Roman Catholic Sisters raised a few eyebrows, but became well known for a new type of patient care that emphasized the whole person, spiritually as well as physically.

Building on a vision of doctors working as a team with other medical professionals, not as solo diagnosticians, the Mayos aggressively opened their doors to other doctors and medical researchers. St. Mary's Hospital and what would become The Mayo Clinic became a model for integrating

person-centered medical care with the best in cutting-edge scientific and medical research. The Mayo Clinics continue today as outstanding centers for patient care and medical research.

Charles F. Menninger, together with his sons, Karl and William, were pioneers in establishing a new kind of psychiatric treatment facility in Topeka, Kansas, founded in 1925. They played a major role in transforming the care of the mentally ill in ways that were not only more medically effective, but were also more humane. Among the notable accomplishments of the Menninger Clinic has been its advocacy for better treatment and a more informed public policy in support of the needs of the mentally ill.

In 1973, Dr. Karl Menninger wrote the influential book, *Whatever Became of Sin?* The work looks at sin—personal, corporate, and systemic—and insists that recognizing sin, within us and among us, is a key component in personal and relational health. He believed strongly that naming sin and dealing with its consequences contributes positively to good health in persons and in communities. The book was a standard textbook in theological seminaries for a generation or more.

The work of the Mayos and Menningers was transformative because of their commitment to treating the whole person—physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

Together we pray: Divine Physician, your Name is blessed for the work and witness of the Mayos and the Menningers, and the revolutionary developments that they brought to the practice of medicine. As Jesus went about healing the sick as a sign of the reign of God come near, bless and guide all those inspired to the work of healing by thy Holy Spirit, that they may follow his example for the sake of thy kingdom and the health of thy people; through the same Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FAITH FORUM
Sundays 9:15am-
10:15am, Metcalf
Hall
The Twenties,
Depression, and
War (1920-1945)

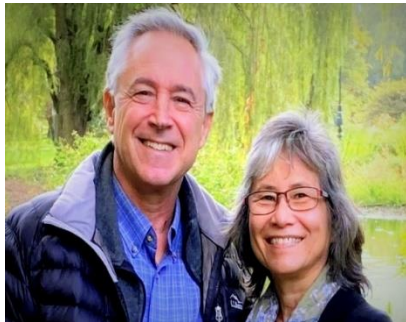
Bible Study, Thursdays at
9:15am, Metcalf Hall
Studying the Book of
Acts
This week: Chapter 23
Paul Before the Council

*New Time for
Godly Play!!!*

**Starting March 19, Godly Play will start at
our new time of 9:15 am!**

**Everyone is invited to come and hear a story
and wonder together! We will go to church
after Godly Play.**

****Parents may choose to join their children, or go to
Father Nick's Faith Forum in Metcalf Hall.***



News from Roger and Joanne Green In Thailand

The border opened last week. Our team has been making plans for people to come to the training center. For awhile now, Roger has been planning a training trip in a city in the nearby country. He hopes to leave mid-March. Please ask God to help Roger to successfully train three men who will begin to coordinate Scripture engagement training in their country.

Roger recently showed me an app he had created for a language group that is about to receive the New Testament translated into their language. The first app Roger created with the Scripture App Builder was for the Northern Thai New Testament. Since then Roger has created several more apps for other language groups. Christians in those groups enthusiastically receive these apps of the Bible in their own language. Please ask God to speed the process for the printing of this newest New Testament and to help the Christians to access their New Testament in both print and digital forms. Here is the response from one of the main translators after he received the app of the New Testament in his own language:

I am so happy to be able to see our Bible on my phone. I told all my brothers in Christ, and they are so happy to hear about this that we are going to be able to read our Bible on the phone easily.

A boys retreat in early May was confirmed. This retreat is being planned by the three Thai moms who were in the mother/daughter retreat that I led. One of the moms is a single mom with a son. She wants to have this event to help prepare him for honoring God in all his relationships. I'm helping the three moms with the details of the retreat and the curriculum. It's coming up soon. We're asking God to provide pastors and young adult men to facilitate the small groups. The topics include God's healing for disappointments about their parents, building a good relationship with parents, God's design for marriage, sons honoring God when the son is a friend, boyfriend, husband or father, and staying away from addictions. Please ask God to provide the men who will be good role models for the boys.

Thank you for praying for the research about supporting families with an alcoholic family member. There are a lot of problems with alcoholism in Thailand. I was able to find one lady who has been teaching the 12 steps to some Thai professionals. She met with Por to share information with her. When I next go to Chiang Mai, I hope to visit the first Thai-speaking Al-Anon group in Northern Thailand. Please ask God to start more Al-Anon groups in Northern Thailand, so that more families can be supported while living with someone who is alcoholic.

My heart was touched Saturday by a young man Phoo who will turn 18 in May. His two feet are turned inward, so he can't walk. He doesn't have the use of one of his arms. He has a slight mental disability, and his words are a bit slurred. He definitely has thoughts and opinions, though. Phoo's grandmother is a member at Aj. Koi's church. Aj. Koi will interpret for me to do a planning session with Phoo and his grandma. We will take time to understand Phoo better according to tools I learned in the person-centered thinking training. After Phoo turns 18, he will no longer receive services from schools. He currently goes to a special ed school on Wednesdays and Fridays. He said he is given coloring projects there and has been learning to massage. It will be good for Aj. Koi and me to talk with Phoo about options for the future. Please ask God to give us good ideas for options for Phoo.

Thank you for praying!

Attached is a photo of a vine's little yellow blooms on a mesh fence. A pollution-filtered sun is in the background. Our air quality is 150 these days because of burning season, but it's encouraging to see the hardiness of nature under trying circumstances.



COMING SOON TO A METCALF HALL NEAR YOU!

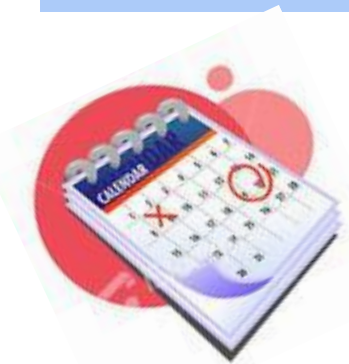
♦ St. Luke's Treasure Sale ♦ 6th Edition
April 28th & 29th, 2023



Curious? Have questions? Want answers?

Read *The Steeple* for more information to come!

Pssst.....we could use some volunteers.... Kris, Becky & Dolores



Young Disciples Boost BHS Swim Team

Seven Young Disciples made a big splash representing Bartlesville High School at the 2023 Class 6A State Swimming Championships recently held in Edmond. Many of these young people swam away with medals. More than a third of the BHS swimmers who qualified to swim at the state championship are members of YD.

The BHS girls team placed 2nd in the state, missing first place by a mere half-point, with a total of 315 points versus Jenks High School's 315.5. The boys team placed third in the competition.

Congratulations to these swimmers who worked so hard all year for their strong statewide performances! And by the way, St. Luke's also has several other younger, up-and-coming competitive swimmers – Daisy and Heidi Droege, Everette, Grayson and Oliver Ellis. They are making great showings as members of the Splash Club.



Annabelle Droege



Cody Lay



Cara Moore



Jarrett Moore



Luke Olsen



Ethan Peterson



Erin Roper

For more about the state swim meet, click on [this article from the Examiner-Enterprise](#).

Please pray for: : Linda & Terry Piper, Liz Green, Michelle Sheffield, Catherine Sheffield, David King, Pris Snow, Ben Baker, Sanawbar, Diana Farris, Cindy Moffitt, Joel Hahn, Stacey & Butch Webster, Steve McCraw, Josh Harris, Katie Rolielard, Debbie French, Jody & George Bracken, Janice Lonski, David Swindell, Norma Perrier, Connie Finch, Dorothy & Elmer Buchanan, Diana Schremmer, Peggy Kauffman, Colleen, Shawn, Ryan Kiesel, Tony Clapper, Merry Lou & Bruce Neiswander, Jack & Karla Stoecker, Joseph, Tim, Beth, Kay Boman Harvey, Shania Smith, Luke Karel, Terry Grogan, Tyler Roberson, Jerry Nezam, Jim Brooks, Harris Moreland, Tom Martin, Carolyn Gorman, Steve Earley, Tanis Reyburn, Corky Bowerman, Skip Birkner, and Don Doty.

Luke's Place Mar 2nd – Mar 8th, 2023

- Mar 2nd Men's Breakfast, 7am, Metcalf
Bible Study, 9:15am, Metcalf
Green Country Eucharist, Rite I, 1pm, GCV
- Mar 5th Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00am, chapel
Faith Forum, 9:15am, Metcalf
Children's Programming, 10:15am, upstairs
Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30am
- Mar 7th Election for State Question
Spiritual Discovery Group, 10am, Library
- Mar 8th Choir, 5pm, Choir Room
MidWeek Manna , 6-8pm, Metcalf

Birthdays and Anniversaries, Mar 5th – Mar 11th, 2023

Birthdays



Jackie Gallery 3/8
Gerladine Wright 3/10
Judy Chamberlain 3/11
Walt Gasior 3/11

Anniversaries



If your or a loved one's name doesn't appear on the list, please email or call

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