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The Steeple

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The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church



Hyacinth is Here



hyacinth.

'Tis the season of Billboard redesign here in Bartlesville. All along Adams, Easter signs are going up. I've often wondered what a St. Luke's sign would look like or if we should even spend the money for something like that. Nevertheless, some of my favorite yard signs are those that say, "Bartlesville has great area churches. Pick one this Easter!" But of all signs of spring – and with-it Easter, my favorite is the emergence of

The genus itself, is native to the area of the eastern Mediterranean - from the south of Turkey to Israel. Although it has been naturalized more widely, it's kind of cool to think that this flower would have been in bloom in the region where Christ walked. As such, the flower has quite a bit of history surrounding it.

For instance, hyacinth was often used as a table setting for the Persian New Year. According to Greek mythology, the flower was created by Apollo in commemoration of his lover Hyacinthus. And, in the Roman Catholic tradition Hyacinth represents prudence, constancy, desire of heaven, and peace of mind. And to think, I first fell in love with it because of the way it smelled!

What remains true is that the slow work of winter is beginning to give way to the new life of Spring – which is a reminder of God's natural order. Perhaps you can see in this awakening the cycle of death and rebirth too? I know a story that we are in the midst of that is leading us right there.

Holy Week at St. Luke's April

Saturday: Stations of the Cross followed by Palm Crosses at 9:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday: RI at 8:00 a.m. RII with Procession of Palms at 10:30.

Monday: Holy Monday Service in OKC, Clergy Renewal of Vows.

Tuesday: Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m. (*Written by Fr. Lee Stephens*)

Wednesday: Stations of the Cross at 6:00 p.m. (*Set to the music of Tenebrae*)

Thursday: Maundy Thursday Service at 6:00 p.m. Soup supper before at 5:00 p.m.
Night Watch beginning at 9:00 p.m.
Friday: Stations of the Cross at 9:00 a.m. (*Mary's Way of the Cross*)
Good Friday Service at 12:00 p.m. Communion from the reserve.
Holy Saturday: Holy Saturday Service at 9:00 a.m. in the Chapel
Easter Vigil at 6:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday: RI at 8:00 a.m. with Choir
RII at 10:30 a.m. with Choir

Every Blessing,
Nick+



Theologians Corner:

Cyril of Jerusalem

Liturgist, Catechist, and Bishop, 386

Born in Jerusalem about 315, Cyril became bishop of that city probably in 349. In the course of political and ecclesiastical disputes, he was banished and restored three times. Cyril is the one we have most to thank for the development of catechetical instruction and liturgical observances during Lent and Holy Week. His Catechetical Lectures on the Christian Faith, given before Easter to candidates for baptism, were probably written by him sometime between 348 and 350.

The work consists of an introductory lecture, or Procatechesis, and eighteen Catecheses based upon the articles of the creed of the Church at Jerusalem. All these lectures (the earliest catechetical materials surviving today) may have been used many times over by Cyril and his successors, and considerably revised in the process. They were probably part of the pre-baptismal instruction that Egeria, a pilgrim nun from western Europe, witnessed at Jerusalem in the fourth century and described with great enthusiasm in the account of her pilgrimage. Many of the faithful would also attend these instructions.

Cyril's five Mystagogical Catecheses on the Sacraments, intended for the newly baptized after Easter, are now thought to have been composed, or at least revised, by John, Cyril's successor as Bishop of Jerusalem from 386 to 417.

It is likely that it was Cyril who instituted the observances of Palm Sunday and Holy Week during the latter years of his episcopate in Jerusalem. In doing so, he was taking practical steps

to organize devotions for countless pilgrims and local inhabitants around the sacred sites. In time, as pilgrims returned to their homes from Palestine, these services were to influence the development of Holy Week observances throughout the entire Church. Cyril attended the Second Ecumenical Council at Constantinople, in 381, and died at Jerusalem on March 18, 386.

Cyril's thought has greatly enriched the observance of Holy Week in the 1979 Book of Common Prayer.

Together we pray: Strengthen, O God, thy Church in the sacraments of thy grace, that we, in union with the teaching and prayers of thy servant Cyril of Jerusalem, may enter more fully into thy Paschal mystery; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FAITH FORUM
Sundays 9:15am-
10:15am, Metcalf
Hall
A Reordered
Church
(1965-90)

Bible Study, Thursdays
at 9:15am, Metcalf Hall
Studying the Book of
Acts
This week: Chapters 27-
28



THIS COMING WEEKEND starts.....



Volunteers are needed!

Anyone interested in volunteering for the Bookstore, please meet Cathy Perrier in Metcalf Hall after the 10:30am services on March 19th or March 26th. New merchandise is arriving weekly and we need help at the counter for Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays around the noon hour.



call the office.

Easter Lilies- Very soon you will be receiving a letter requesting an Easter offering and a flower fund donation to decorate the high altar with the beautiful Easter lilies. Please have your memorials and 'in honor of' envelopes into the church by April 2nd, Palm Sunday so these may be included in the Easter service bulletins. If you do not receive the Easter request, please



St. Luke's Treasure Sale 7th Edition April 28th & 29th

It's time to unlock all those cabinets, closets, boxes, barrels;
it's time to search thru attics, basements, under the beds,
in the hidey-holes; it's time to begin uncovering
all those can't-do-without-don't-know-what-to-do-with-them things
you've been hanging on too much too long.

St. Luke's 7th Edition Treasure Sale
is coming soon!

Bring your treasures to Metcalf Hall

**Monday, March 20th through Thursday, March 23rd
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

YOU hold the KEY

that will help us raise much needed funds for
St. Luke's Outreach projects.

Questions: Is this another name for a Rummage Sale?
Are there certain items not to bring?

Answers: This is truly a sale of collectible, desirable items.
Please do not bring clothing, electronic devices, books,
(collectible books are acceptable) large furniture.

More information? Contact

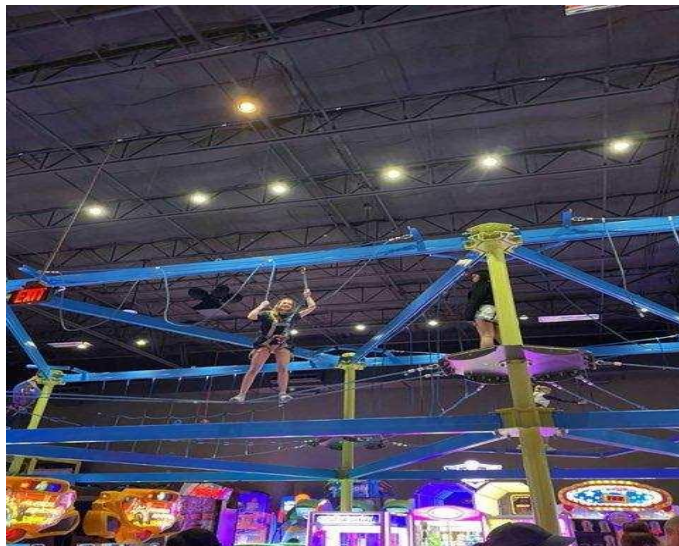
Becky Liehr, Kris Bonner, Dolores McCreary

Contact Josie for orders! 918-214-6680. Must be in by Friday, 3/17/23



Pick up Saturday afternoon (3/18) or Sunday morning (3/19)

The Young Disciples kicked off Spring Break with a road trip to Tulsa in the newly repaired St. Luke's van. After eating dinner together, they played laser tag, bowling, shuffleboard and braved the ropes course. The fun night was to celebrate a great year so far, including raising a record amount of food for Concern. See you after Spring Break!





presents:

BINGO NIGHT



When: March 25th, 2023

Time: Admissions 5:30 pm / Game starts 6pm

Where: St. Luke Episcopal Church

Tickets \$12 - include admission price and 10 cards

For tickets call: 918-907- 1584

**Join us for an evening of Bingo, Raffles, Family
Fun and Hispanic food!**

Our Mission: To positively integrate Hispanics by networking
information, capabilities and services, creating opportunities for full
participation and contribution in our community.

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 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, Tanis Reyburn, Corky Bowerman, Skip Birkner, Connie Freebern, and Don Doty.

Luke's Place Mar 16th – Mar 22nd, 2023

- Mar 16th Men's Breakfast, 7am, Metcalf
 - Bible Study, 9:15am, Metcalf
 - Green Country Eucharist, Rite I, 1pm, GCV
- Mar 17th Bake goods orders to Josie
- Mar 19th Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:00am, chapel
 - Faith Forum, 9:15am, Metcalf
 - Children's Programming, 9:15am, upstairs
 - Holy Eucharist Rite II, 10:30am
- Mar 20th Feast Day of St Joseph Eucharist, 12:15pm, chapel
 - Treasure Sale Collection, 10am-1pm, Metcalf
- Mar 21st Spiritual Discovery Group, 10am, Library
 - Treasure Sale Collection, 10am-1pm, Metcalf
- Mar 22nd Treasure Sale Collection, 10am-1pm, Metcalf
 - Choir, 5pm, Choir Room
 - MidWeek Manna , 6-8pm, Metcalf
 - YD, 6pm, Rodgers
- Mar 23rd Treasure Collection, 10am-1pm, Metcalf





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

Birthdays and Anniversaries, Mar 19th – Mar 25th, 2023

Birthdays



Nick Bonham 3/20
Cheryl Bridendolph 3/20
Cindy Gasior 3/21
Blair Ellis 3/25

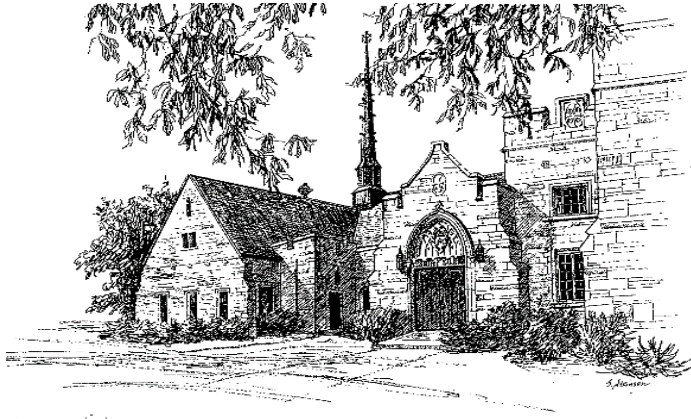
Anniversaries



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!

St. Luke's Vestry Members

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