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# The Steeple



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## The Weekly Newsletter of St. Luke's Episcopal Church



Dear St Luke's

I hope this message finds you in good spirits. As most of you may already know, a pipe break in the air conditioning loop caused some disruption on our campus this week beginning on Sunday. While we are diligently working to clean up and restore the affected areas, I want to take this moment to reflect on the blessings that surround us, even amidst challenges.

Firstly, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to Margaret Holden, Tom Droege, Nancy Woods, Dan Droege, Penny Williams, and Courtney Leach who have worked so selflessly this week to address the situation. Their commitment has made all the difference. Thank-you.

As we prepare for services this weekend, I ask for your patience and understanding. There may be some inconveniences, such as certain areas being closed off and temporary adjustments to our usual routines.

In moments like these, it is important to keep our focus on the many blessings we have. The temporary inconvenience of a broken pipe is far outweighed by the abundant grace and love we experience as a community here. Incidents like these remind us, I think, to appreciate the space that we do have, the people who make it vibrant, and the faith that binds us together even more.

As people visit us this weekend, know that your resilience in the face of challenges is a reflection of our faith. Just as we overcome this minor setback, we are reminded of God's presence and provision in all aspects of our lives. Each obstacle we face is an opportunity to grow stronger in our faith and closer as a community.

I look forward to seeing you all this weekend as we come together to worship, give thanks, and support one another. Approach this time with a spirit of gratitude and an unwavering trust in God's enduring blessings.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support. May God's peace be with you all.

Nick+



## Theologian's Corner

### Adelaide Teague Case

#### Teacher, 1948

Adelaide Teague Case was born in St. Louis, Missouri, on January 10, 1887, but her family soon moved to New York City. She received her undergraduate education at Bryn Mawr and her graduate degrees from Columbia University. By the time she had completed her doctorate, a position had been created for her on the faculty of the Teachers' College at Columbia, where she rose to the status of full professor and head of the department of religious education. She is remembered for advocating a child-centered rather than teacher-centered approach to education.

In 1941, when her professional accomplishments were at their height, the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, was able to convince her to leave her distinguished and comfortable position at Columbia, and she was appointed Professor of Christian Education. Although other women had taught occasional courses in the seminaries of the church, Case was the first to take her place as a full-time faculty member at the rank of Professor.

Case identified with the liberal Catholic tradition in Anglicanism. This is reflected in her first book, *Liberal Christianity and Religious Education*, in which she emphasized teaching children to engage in reasonable inquiry into their faith. Case was also active in the Religious Education Association, the Episcopal Pacifist Fellowship, and the Woman's Auxiliary of The Episcopal Church. From 1946 to 1948, she served on the National Council of The Episcopal Church. Case was a proponent of women's ordination and a frequent preacher in the chapel at ETS. She continued to teach at ETS until her death on June 19, 1948, in Boston.

Students and faculty colleagues remember her contagious faith in Christ, her deep sense of humanity, and her seemingly boundless compassion. Although she carried herself with style and grace, Case had struggled with health problems her entire life, but those who knew her testify to the fact that in spite of those challenges she was spirited, energetic, and fully devoted to her work. It was often said of her that she was a true believer in Christ, and that one saw Christ living in and through her.



## Birthdays and Anniversaries, June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### Birthdays



Bill Pendley (6/26)  
Sally Sheridan (6/27)  
Fred Whitson (6/29)  
Nancy Bradford (6/29)

### Anniversaries



Jim & Sally Lindsey (6/24)  
Dan & Melinda Droege (6/25)  
Jim & Nancy Warring (6/29)

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!

## June Item for Pack the Backpacks



Only one week left of the month and we definitely need more of these! Right now school supplies are starting to come in and the highlighters are easy to find. They do not need to be the Sharpie brand. Baby wipes are also needed. Thanks!

It isn't very pretty.....but restoration is on the way!



Hello all!

We now have a new *Event Calendar* that will reflect all that is happening at St. Luke's!

You can access this calendar by going to our website: <https://episcopalbartlesville.org/> and by clicking on "Events Calendar" on the right side of the screen. You can also add the direct link to your "favorites" by clicking on this link and adding it to your particular browser. <https://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/74093067?showCalendarHeader=false>. OR... when you are in Realm you can click on Church Info -> website -> Events Calendar.

You can view this calendar by month or weekly and separate events by room or by group. By clicking on a specific event you will be sent to any extra information about that event and have the option to add it to your personal Outlook, Apple or Google calendars. WHAT?

OH MY! The possibilities!!!!

Please understand that our calendar of happenings at St. Luke's changes *daily*. If you need to reserve a room and see that there is an opening, you must call Penny in the office to schedule it. Also...we are just beginning so if you see that we don't have something listed please kindly let us know. :-) Penny has been working hard to get it all set up so give her some love!

If you have any questions please call me or Penny.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Woods



**Don Doty's service will be Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 10:30am, St Luke's, with a reception to follow in Metcalf Hall.**

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