



THE VIEW
from
ST. LUKE'S ON THE LAKE
January 2012

Mission Statement: God calls us to be a community in Christ and to be Christ to the world.

“With Glad and Generous Hearts”

The above phrase is one of my favorite scriptures, and is found in the Book of Acts (2:44-47). It is also an accurate portrayal of stewardship abundance at St. Luke's on the Lake. Here, I wish to follow up on a few remarks offered in this space from last month. If you recall, I mentioned that Barbara Frazell had prepared an overview of the various outreach and mission activities of the past year. The number of hours of time, the amazing amount of talent, and the generosity of dollars were inspiring. St. Luke's on the Lake brought itself to a new level. Barbara believes this work, which was all above and beyond the budget, represented just under \$100,000, and thousands of donated hours. When you total the fundraising, as well as the unsolicited and solicited donations, it was approximately three times greater than any year previous year. Our missionaries, the refugees from fire and tornadoes, and the ongoing ministries such as Habitat for Humanity, are all beneficiaries of your generosity. Such a response can only come from the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the lives of so many “St. Lukans.”

In addition to this, the parish was blessed with the funding of four much needed projects: a columbarium to receive the cremations of the faithful departed (construction to begin in 2012), a new sound system in the church nave, library renovations, and kitchen renovations. These four major projects, along with others, were made by a smaller number of parishioners, who also went “above and beyond” their annual pledge. The financial amount is well over \$100,000, which is again a record number for giving that is not associated with a capital campaign.

As I have stated before, both of these examples occur when parishioners believe in and have committed themselves to the mission of St. Luke's. We are all receivers of this faith commitment, and so we join with a glad and generous heart. At this time, I also wish to ask for the stewardship generosity to be extended to the annual parish budget through the pledge card commitment. Specifically, the Vestry and I need for everyone to make a pledge. For those who have returned a pledge card, we are thankful. Nevertheless, we have approximately 40% of those who call St. Luke's their spiritual home who have not pledged. This is a somewhat higher number than it should be, and so, I ask once again for everyone to participate. This is not a financial plea as much as it is spiritual issue. Giving a portion of our treasure to God is a discipline similar to prayer, service,

worship and the other ways we are obedient to our Lord. Please call the office if you need for us to send you a pledge card.

“And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they partook food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.”

Annual Parish Meeting, January 15th

The Annual Parish Meeting has been set for Sunday, January 15, at 10:15 AM in the Parish Hall. In addition to the usual agenda items such as election of new Vestry members and presentation of the budget, there will be some important things to share about our church campus. I hope you will plan to attend this gathering.

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CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES



**Father Abraham, had many sons
(and daughters);
I am one of them and so are you!**

You will see these words in our BLAST Island hallways, as it reminds us of a fun and active song we learned with our last set of rotation workshops. The song itself has motions and laughs and is very repetitive. If you did not shudder at these words, you obviously do not have children under the age of 12. ☺

Our last rotation of the year on BLAST Island was the study of Abraham and Sarah. As the father of the great nation of Israel, Abraham established a nation whose trust and belief in God to always keep His promises gave us a Savior and a hope of everlasting life with Him in heaven. He followed God's call and served us as Christians. As Christians, we are brothers and sisters in Christ and children of God. We share in the promise. Hence, we are descendents of Abraham. We are each represented by one of the countless stars in the sky, who God promised would represent Abraham's children. So, that makes us each a star!

So what does that mean? A star is defined at dictionary.com as "any of the heavenly bodies, except the moon, appearing as fixed luminous points in the sky at night {read 'night' as 'dark'}". Stars are lights in the darkness. Our sun is a star, by scientific definition. It is always there no matter what position the earth is in. In other words, even when the earth plunges into darkness (as it rotates to night time), the sun is still there, shining brightly upon those who are in the light.

Jesus is the Son of God and is defined in John 1 as the Light. So Jesus is also the Sun, which is a star, and we are also stars. So we are Sons (and daughters) of God. We are Brothers and Sisters to Jesus.

Wow! Is it not amazing how all of this works out? As Christians, we truly are STARS in the night or LIGHT in the darkness to the world around us. We are lighted with the same glow that shines through Jesus, because we are stars with Him in the heavenly kingdom.

That makes me feel blessed. And as we move into 2012, let us all allow our light to shine in the darkness. Let us, each and every one, be a son (or daughter) of God. Be a star!

Calendar Updates and Important Info:

January 1, 2012:

- **No Sunday School, Rite K or Little Liturgy.** Two services only, at 7:45am and 10:00am.

January 8th: (a big day!)

- **Epiphany:** The Wise Men cometh. As is our tradition, we will have three 4th or 5th graders, representing the Magi (read as Wise Men OR Women), bringing gifts to Jesus at the beginning of the 9am service and incorporated as a part of the 11:30am service. We will process with our Kings and Mary, Joseph and an older Jesus-child on the 2nd.

- **Rite K & Little Liturgy** will resume (we took a break for the last 2 weeks) at both services.

- **Sunday School resumes at 10:15am** for toddlers through High School. All youth classes will meet as usual in their usual rooms. The Kinder through 5th graders will gather in Big Room Riker before heading to designated rooms for combined classes. Again, as is our custom, we will be doing a special Epiphany activity. You won't want to miss it!

January 15th: Annual meeting at 10:30am. Kinder – 5th grade gather for Epiphany activities, a movie and popcorn. Preschool stays in nursery (yes, they get a movie too) and 9th-12th grades are invited to join the Annual Meeting or come and assist on BLAST Island with Elementary and Preschool kids. JHigh and Confirmation Classes will meet as usual.

January 21st: Saturday, from 10am-1pm, Darryl Mobley's "Teen Life Coaching" Workshop. For a nominal fee, your teen (and you too!) can benefit from this brief program hosted by St. Luke's. See full write-up on page 3 and sign up today!

January 22nd & 29th: Regular classes resume for all ages.

January 27-28th: Youth Discovery for Confirmation Class. We were very pleased last year, with the response of having YD at the mid-point of the Sunday School year. Having this amazing time of interaction between our confirmed youth and to-be-confirmed youth allowed for establishing relationships that continue to develop throughout the rest of the school year. Even if you do not have a child in this process, we humbly request your prayers for all the youth involved.

Vacation Bible School – June 11-15th! It is time to do some long range planning: mark your calendars now, because it is closer than you think! Our theme for 2012 is Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity. Daniel was way more than the guy who survived a den of hungry lions! Plan to come and be a part of the exotic sites and sounds of ancient Babylon. You might be amazed to learn how alike we are to those captive Israelites who fought to keep their faith in a faithless culture.

What can you do now, in January? Pray. Pray for leaders and other volunteers to step forward early (that might include you, you know ☺). Pray for good weather. Pray for discernment as to what role you can play as we travel back into the Old Testament and into Babylon!

Be looking for more information in newsletters and the All-Parish, weekly email blasts. Our list for donations or 'borrowings' of items will go up next month and registration for volunteers (and kids of volunteers) begins in February, as well. In the meantime, please contact Robin Miner (in her role as VBS Director) at rminer@sbcglobal.net or 512-266-2455 if you have any questions or to find out how you can help.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Thank You

The Children's Ministries would like to express our thanks to those of you who were able to contribute time, talent and treasure to the many programs we support throughout the fall. Without you, the lessons would not be taught and our Parish Family would be the one to suffer. So many lives are blessed from your involvement. We are honored to officially recognize those teachers and leaders who have served so faithfully.

Teachers and leaders who volunteered the first half of the year:

Robyn Stanley
Tara Waddle
Pat Eitel
Dana Thompson
Nycki Voyce
Elizabeth Dobbs
Karen Saunders
Rachelle and Todd Honohan
Melanie Cravey (& the Cravey Family Team, including Mike and Michael)
JoJo Wong
Ann Thompson
Steve Dzurenko
Laura Perkins
Jill Brasuell
Thomas Voyce
Gayle Hamilton
Susan Grant
Sharon Leal
Ashley Lewis
Lyndsey Crawford
David Woodham
Matt Korte
Emily Woodham
Andy/Joyce Keith
Lindsey Thompson
Peggy Point
Donna Roughton
Heather Affleck
Mary Burgess
Barbara Frazell
Nancy Phillips
Betsy McAdams
Kelle Sosa
Sonja Talbot
Amy Cussimano
Annie Bullock

We'll see you and your kids on Sunday! Peace to you,
LoriAnn & Robin

Attention Parents, Teachers, Guardians And All Those Who Care

You and your teenager are invited to join us for a powerful workshop at St. Luke's on the Lake Episcopal Church with Darryl Mobley - - America's Number 1 Life & Executive Coach and the most popular life coach for teenagers - - on Saturday, January 21, 2012 from 10:00am to 1:00pm. One Workshop Only! You must pre-register at www.stlukesonthelake.org.

Darryl Mobley's "Teen Life Coaching" Workshop Will Help Your Teenager!

Imagine Your Teen...

- Becoming More Focused
- Living with a Better Attitude
- Setting Life Goals
- Living with More Self-Discipline
- Overcoming Peer Pressure
- Turning their Dreams into Reality
- Performing Better Academically
- Solving Problems; not Causing Problems
- Staying Away from Dream-Stealers
- Choosing Wisely



All of this is possible if your teenager (and you!) attend a very important workshop hosted by Darryl Mobley and sponsored by St. Luke's on the Lake Episcopal Church.

Come and hear Darryl Mobley (www.CoachMobley.com) deliver his straight-speaking, high-energy message that will help your teen shake off weaknesses, negative thinking, procrastination, and limiting beliefs & behaviors.

Parents will learn 'The Parenting Success Formula' to survive current challenges. It's time to realize your parenting purpose, vision, hopes, goals, and dreams.

A neighbor to many of us here in Austin, Darryl has held this workshop to sold-out venues across the country and around the world.

Invest in your teen, your teen's future, and yourself. Make 2012 your family's best year ever! Registration is open NOW, so ACT now.

SEATING IS LIMITED!

Registration Fee: \$20 per person [includes box lunch, nominal speaker's honorarium, and materials]

SPECIAL: \$100 for family of five or more

Early Birds- receive 5\$ off Registration Fee

(offer good until December 31, 2011)

Childcare will be available for children ages 0-5th grade.

Register on-line at www.stlukesonthelake.org or contact Nancy Phillips at nphillips@stlukesonthelake.org or 266-2455.

**And please tell your friends and neighbors
about this fantastic opportunity!!**

ST. LUKE'S MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

Our Missionaries Around the World



Dear St. Luke's on the Lake Friends and Family,

Heaven rejoices again! A young man who has been a Christian for a little while was baptized on Sunday. He had brought along with him another friend of ours who had declared that she wanted to be a Christian. While at the service on Sunday she gave her life to Christ! We are blessed to have this young woman in our home twice a week and look forward to helping in the discipleship process. She is getting involved in the local church and is already connected with numerous Christians. As I was walking down the street with the twins yesterday I saw another young man who is a Believer and he stopped me to ask me if I had heard. He is so excited and since he lives next to her and they grew up in the same orphanage, he is reading the Bible to her each night because she cannot read. This is what we are here for!

God is so good and so faithful! As Christmas drew near we saw so many opportunities to share why we do the things we do at this season. There is no Christmas celebration here, no evidence that it is even a holiday season except for a few decorations sold at the large supermarkets. It is easy to make sure that Christ is the focus, without all the materialism. Even making Christmas cookies and sharing them with neighbors opens the door for the Gospel to be shared. Christ came for the people of this nation and we want them to know it! Thank you for being a part of sharing this glorious news here in this country.

Blessings,
K,K and Twins

Home Fellowship Group Makes Donation To Heifer International

Instead of exchanging small gifts with one another in December, as had been a custom, one St. Luke's on the Lake Home Fellowship group chose to bring anonymous gifts for Heifer International project which works to bring hope to impoverished families around the world. The program gives gifts to families to assist them in being able to produce and provide their own food products as well as products to sell to others. This group, with a first-time, last-minute idea, [thank you Holy Spirit!] at only one meeting, raised enough to buy a water buffalo and a "Gardener's Basket."

Heifer explains that giving a water buffalo enables a family to at least quadruple their production of rice and potatoes and provides milk as well. The Gardener's Basket includes tree seedlings [which may produce edible fruit], rabbits to produce manure for the seedlings as well as other food benefits, chickens, and bees.

It was a Christmas thrill to see what together, a small group, in the name of Jesus Christ, was able to do. Thanks be to God!



Have you noticed folks wearing "Ask Me" badges around church? Parishioners volunteering with St. Luke's Welcoming Ministries (Ushers, Greeters, Visitor/Guest Coffee) wear "Ask Me" badges to better assist and answer questions for visitors and guests. "Ask Me" badges are part of the Diocesan Welcoming project improvements.

"Ask Me" is a wonderful icebreaker, whether or not someone has a question. "Ask Me" identifies and welcomes visitors and guests. "Ask Me" is a great conversation starter and invites people to greet one another. "Ask Me" lets people know that St. Luke's is a friendly, safe church where it is okay to ask questions. "Ask Me" helps build a sense of community in a church of our size with multiple services. "Ask Me" demonstrates our acceptance that we are large enough to need new tools to help welcome visitors.

If you would like to wear an "Ask Me" badge or have questions about St. Luke's new strategic Welcoming initiatives, contact Barbara Frazell, 266-2455 or barbarafrances@sbcglobal.net.

HONDURAS Good works Health - Education - Spirit

Dear Father Michael, Vestry and Outreach Committee,

Thank you so much for your \$250. donation to our Education Program. This ensures one of our students will go to school next year and get us closer to our goal of funding 137 students in secondary school next year.

We really needed this, and we appreciate your support.

Sincerely, Jo Ann Swahn

ST. LUKE'S



Are You Experiencing a “Winter” in Your Life? Our Stephen Ministers Can Help!

The winter weather we've had recently can be symbolic of what can sometimes happen in life. A crisis hits and we feel like we're buried beneath a drift of snow. Relationships can become “icy,” or we can feel “frozen” by life circumstances. Little difficulties build up like “slush,” making us slip and slide, causing every decision to seem treacherous. Life seems dreary, and we begin to doubt if spring will ever come. We can wonder, “Is God even there?”

Stephen Ministers are trained to provide confidential Christian care, giving you the emotional and spiritual support you need to make it through a “winter” in your life. To learn more about how a Stephen Minister can help you or someone you know, contact one of St. Luke's Stephen Ministry Leaders: Shirley Siler (423-3026), Scott Beachy (470-5245), or Sharon Leal (401-9122). Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you.

Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King will kick off 2012 with a regular meeting on Saturday, 1/21/12. We will gather in the Library at 9:15 a.m. and the meeting will run from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. In addition to reviewing chapter business, Fr. Roland Timberlake will enrich us with his presence and provide a program. Any women interested in DOK are welcome to join us!



Behind the Scenes

It's a new year at St. Luke's on the Lake, and time for a new look at a venerable tradition in the Episcopal Church: Altar Guild. What do we do? Essentially, we set the table for the Eucharistic Feast. And we care for the silver, pottery, and linens with love and prayer.

As I write, there are four teams, and each team serves for one week. This means that the team sets up and takes down the Sunday services, as well as the midweek 10 AM Eucharist. If there are baptisms, weddings, funerals, or any other additional services within a week, the team responsible for the week sets those services up as well.

During the great feast times of the year, Easter and Christmas, the teams work together to be sure all services are covered. We have substitutes who cannot commit to a regular schedule, but are very willing to fill in when needed.

We have an Altar Guild manual to guide us in the traditions of the Episcopal Church, and of St. Luke's. We welcome new people and work with them so that they will serve with confidence and joy.

I have served on Altar Guild in various churches since I was 12, and am grateful for the sense of the sacred that I was taught then, and that stays with me now. Marilyn Zwicker mnzwick@aol.com

St. Luke's Study Guild

St. Luke's Study Guild will meet on Tuesday, January, 3 at 9:45 am. Our hostess is Carol Butler, and her address is 12500 Cedar St. We will continue our discussion of the book *Amazing Grace A Vocabulary Of Faith* by Kathleen Norris. Guests and new members are always welcome, and we hope you will join us for fellowship and a lively discussion of a wonderful book. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Taylor at 608-9303.

Martha Guild

Martha Guild is currently studying the *Alpha* curriculum.

The January meeting will be on the 14th at 9:30 at the home of Chris Byron at 5801 Tom Wooten Dr., Austin, Texas 78631, phone number 502-0607.


St. Margaret/St. Ann Guild

St. Margaret/St. Ann Guild will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 12, location to be determined. Our study is Henri Nouwen's *The Only Necessary Thing: Living a Prayerful Life*. Visitors and new members are always welcome! For further information, please call Robbie Jurek, 266-1416.

Young at Heart

Young at Heart will meet on Wednesday, January 18th, at 11:30 at Rocco's Italian Grill at 900 Ranch Road 620 South in Lakeway.

January 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day 7:45am Holy Eucharist, Rite I 10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II	2 OFFICE CLOSED	3 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 9:30am Staff Mtg 9:45am St. Luke's Study Guild 1:30pm Fitness Class 7pm Choir 7pm T.A.E.H.S 7pm Boy Scouts	4 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 10am Midweek Eucharist 10:30am Special Mtg 12:30pm T.A.E.H.S	5 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 1:30pm Fitness Class 6:30pm Stephen Ministry 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Training 7pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal	6 Epiphany 	7 10am "First Saturday" Conversations
8 10:15am Outreach Committee Mtg 10:30am Education Classes 5pm Youth Small Groups	9 9am Special Mtg 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out	10 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 9:30am Staff Mtg 1:30pm Fitness Class 7pm T.A.E.H.S 7pm Boy Scouts	11 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 10am Midweek Eucharist 12:30pm T.A.E.H.S	12 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 10am St. Margaret/St. Ann Guild 10:30am Holy Eucharist at Longhorn Village 1:30pm Fitness Class 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Training 7pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal	13 6:30pm Family Game Night	14 8am Men of St. Luke's 9:30am Martha Guild
15 10:30am Annual Parish Mtg 5pm Youth Small Groups	16 Martin L. King Jr. Day 9am Special Mtg 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 3:45pm KidsActing Classes	17 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 9:30am Staff Mtg 1:30pm Fitness Class 7pm T.A.E.H.S 7pm Boy Scouts	18 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 10am Midweek Eucharist 11:30am Young at Heart 12:30pm T.A.E.H.S	19 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 1:30pm Fitness Class 6:30pm Stephen Ministry 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Training 7pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal	20	21 8am Special Event with Darryl Mobley 9:15am Daughters of the King
22 10:30am Education Classes 1pm Missions Committee Mtg 4pm Worship Service at Longhorn Village 5pm Youth Small Groups	23 9am Special Mtg 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 1 3:45pm KidsActing Classes	24 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 9:30am Staff Mtg 1:30pm Fitness Class 7pm T.A.E.H.S 7pm Boy Scouts	25 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 10am Midweek Eucharist 12:30pm T.A.E.H.S	26 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out - Monthly Chapel 1:30pm Fitness Class 6:30pm Healing Service 6:30pm Stephen Ministry Training 7pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal	27 Youth Discovery Weekend & Lock In	28 Youth Discovery Weekend & Lock In
29 10:30am Education Classes 5pm Youth Small Groups	30 9am Special Mtg 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 3:45pm KidsActing Classes 6:45pm Girl Scout Leader Mtg	31 9am Summit Christian Mother's Day Out 9:30am Staff Mtg 1:30pm Fitness Class 7pm T.A.E.H.S 7pm Boy Scouts	St. Luke's on the Lake Episcopal Church Weekly Service Schedule Sunday 7:45 am Choir practice 7:45 am Holy Eucharist, Without Music 9:00 am Holy Eucharist, Choir & Organ 10:30 am Education Classes 11:30 am Holy Eucharist, Renewal Music Wednesday 10:00 am Midweek Holy Eucharist			



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St. Luke's Youth Group

FOR HIS KIDS

Summer Mission Trips!!!

Yes, it's currently 32 degrees as I write this, and the idea of a summer mission trip seems an eternity away. However, despite all of that, it is indeed already time to talk Summer Mission Trips.

If you read the Bible, God ALWAYS seems to be up for people going out and doing stuff in His name. Not only that, He will keep pestering you when you ignore Him. Just ask Jonah, he tried to ignore God's call to go serve and got swallowed by a fish. That's some pretty severe pestering. Can you imagine what your life would be like if your parents could pull off something like that when you ignored them?

But anyway, it is indeed time to talk about summer mission trips. If you have been before, you know about some of the awesome stuff that we do. On the Middle School Trip we serve the homeless in need of a hot meal. We bring meals to children who would not otherwise have a lunch. We learn about life in a city outside of our own and the challenges that many people face in surviving there and the ways that Christians like you and me are finding ways to help them everyday. On the High School Mission Trip you will work, a lot. You will have fun, a lot. You will learn new skills that you never thought possible as you help give one of the most special gifts to someone, a home. If you have not been on one of our trips before, please join us!!! Ask me or one of the leaders or the other youth who have been before if you have any questions.

In just a few short months we will be heading out and doing exactly what God is always calling us to do, serve others in His name. Please consider going on one of the amazing trips, otherwise I will have to find my own creative ways to pester you.

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Detailed Calendar January

- 6th Deadline for YES applications
- 8th Youth Small Groups
5:00 to 6:30 pm
- 15th Youth Small Groups
5:00 to 6:30 pm
- 20th–22nd YES Weekend
Who: YES: 7th - 9th graders
Anyone who has never been please ask any leader or youth who has already attended for more info.
- 22nd Youth Small Groups
5:00 to 6:30 pm
- 27th -28th Youth Discovery
7:00 pm -11:00 am
St. Luke's EYC Lock-In for The Confirmation Class led by the High School leaders
- 29th Youth Small Groups
5:00 to 6:30 pm

ADULT FORMATION

Guest and Visitor Coffee

Catherine von Merz Library
(Downstairs beyond Parish Hall),
10:30 am

Whether you are a guest or a recently arrived parishioner at St. Luke's on the Lake, this is the best entry point for becoming oriented to how we strive to practice the Christian faith here. The Guest and Visitor Coffee is a safe place to ask any question you like about the Christian faith, the Episcopal Church, and St. Luke's on the Lake and to explore the answers with others. The five classes in the Guest series are non-sequential and are repeated throughout the school year, so that you can join the class on any Sunday without having missed anything.

History introduces you to those elements of the Episcopal Church which are distinctive to the Episcopal Church and those which we share with other Christian churches.

Offered Jan 8th

Liturgy introduces you to the Sunday worship which is at the heart of our weekly life as Christians. How does this worship service affect us? What are the essential components of the service?

Offered Jan 22nd

Parish Life introduces you to all of the activities and groups which make up St. Luke's on the Lake. What are you looking for?

Offered Jan 29th

Journey is one person's story of their relationship with Jesus Christ and how that relationship shapes their daily living.

Offered Feb 5th

Walking Tour is an introduction to both the history of St. Luke's on the Lake and to the physical plant. If you don't know where the "Dungeon" or the "Tunnel" is, then whether you are a newbie or an old-timer, this class is for you. Tour starts at the Rock rather than in the Library.

Offered Feb 12th

Adult Formation for Fall 2011

10:30a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

The Rector's Bible Study:

Discovering John:

The "I AM" sayings

The Parish Hall

Led by Fr. Mike Wyckoff

Unique to the Gospel of John are the "I am" sayings. We know that the Old Testament version of "I am" is used in the context of God's revelation to Israel. For example, Exodus 3:14 states "I am who I am".

The "I am" sayings of John intend to reveal something about Jesus' power, and thus, connect with the Old Testament formula. Yet, Jesus is not simply using the "I am" statements for himself. John's "I am" statements link Jesus's ministry with his divine power. So, he is bread, water, light, truth and life. Here, Jesus is not simply representing the Father, but is bearing the Father's presence in the world.

This is a remarkable teaching in John's gospel. The "I am" sayings show us that Jesus can work, speak and act in the name of God the Father.

Jan. 8th I am the bread of life (6:35-51)

Jan. 15th **Annual Parish Meeting**

Jan. 22nd I am the light of the world
(8:12 ff; 9:5ff)

Jan. 29th I am the good shepherd
(10:7-16)

Feb. 5th I am the resurrection and the life (11:25-27)

Feb. 12th I am the way, the truth, and the life (14:6-7)

Feb. 19th I am the true vine (15:1-11)

Desert Spirituality

Choir Room

Led by Annie Bullock, PhD

In the third and fourth centuries, Christian men and women moved into the Egyptian and Syrian deserts seeking an intimate relationship with God. Annie Bullock explores the desert spirituality which continues to teach and form us today.

Telling the Story

Riker Conference Room

Beginning on either January 8 or 22, we will offer a class on witnessing. What is it? How to make one? Why is it so important? "Telling the story" will meet in the Riker Hall Conference Room, with a facilitator to be determined. If we are called to be a witness to our Lord, and I believe we are, then we want to first acknowledge our story of faith. Once we enjoy sharing with others what Jesus Christ means in your life, we are on our way! "Telling the story" is the title of a booklet Bishop Benitez has given us. With some adaptation, I wish to offer this at St. Luke's. In addition, this offering is part of our response to the strategic goals, especially "evangelizing" and "forming."

Small Group Bible Studies/ Home Fellowships

Bee Cave/Southwest

Wednesday evenings
Bo & Jack McCool
402-1060

Allandale/Mesa

Wednesday 7:00pm
Daugherty/Teasdale
345-6668

Anderson Mill/Cedar Park

Wednesday 7:30pm
Sternenberg/Duggan
258-5812

Northwest/Men's Breakfast

(is this now a mixed TAEHS group)

IHOP @ 183N & Duval
Thursday 6:30am
Jon Klema
260-0610



LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Altar Guild		Lay Eucharist Visitors		Vestry	
Dec 30-Jan 5	#1 Decherd	Jan 1	No LEV today	Allen Griswold & Tom Wood	
Jan 6-12	#2 Zwicker	Jan 8	Gary Franklin & Shirley Siler	Lyndsey Crawford & Tom Gress	
Jan 13-18	#3 Day	Jan 15	Lorene Fowler & Jan Sternenberg	John Frost & George Bartlett	
Jan 19-25	#4 Wood	Jan 22	Steve Capelle & Gary Cook	Pete Paul & Roy Wheeler	
Jan 26-Feb 1	#1 Decherd	Jan 29	Martha Schleicher & Volunteer		
Daughters of the King		Floral Guild		9AM Prayer Team 11:30AM	
Jan 1	Nan Clayton	Minter & Griswold		Any Team Member	Scott/Pat Beachy
Jan 8	Pat Compton	Hamilton & Crawford		Lynn Cook & Lorene Fowler	Chris Rhoads
Jan 15	Kathy Akin	Griswold		Shirley Siler & Phyllis Day	Bill/Paula Hopkins
Jan 22	Anne Cole-Steichen	Bissett & Danton		Any Team Member	Any Team Member
Jan 29	Phyllis Day	Day & Minter		Any Team Member	Any Team Member

Happy New Year ♪ *Happy New Year* ♪ *Happy New Year*

Greeters					
Jan 1	7:45 am	Val Hefford	Jan 22	7:45 am	
	10:00 am	Carolyn Boldt & Andrea Horner		9:00 am	Dan/Deborah O'Neil & Kirk Lavallee
				11:30 am	Dennis/Louise Galli
Jan 8	7:45 am	Peg Hein	Jan 29	7:45 am	
	9:00 am	Tom/Nycki Voyce & Ann Marie Sandlin		9:00 am	Terry/Susan Neans & Peggy Point
	11:30 am	Russ/Pat Eitel		11:30 am	Jeff Roberts & Linda Davis
Jan 15	7:45 am	Sharon Woodul			
	9:00 am	Shirley Siler & Jan Sternenberg			
	11:30 am	Chris Rhoads			

Happy New Year ♪ *Happy New Year* ♪ *Happy New Year*

Lay Readers		Lessons	Chalice 1	Chalice 2 & 3	Ushers
Jan 1 New Years Day	7:45 am	Fields	Duggan		Bob Hefford
	10:00 am	Fields	Duggan	Sternenberg & Griswold	#6 Frazell
Jan 8	7:45 am	Markland	Buchanan		Ron Mann
	9:00 am	Markland	Buchanan	Dobbs & Ferguson	#7 Bigelow
	11:30 am	Lambert	Dobbs	Ferguson	#2 Fields
Jan 15	7:45 am	Carlman	Hopkins		Dave Anderson
	9:00 am	Carlman	Hopkins	Davis & Cook	#8 Bundy
	11:30 am	Phillips	Davis	Cook	#3 Traylor
Jan 22	7:45 am	Franklin	Rogers		Bob Roberts
	9:00 am	Franklin	Rogers	Keith & Rollins	#1 Keith
	11:30 am	Collinson	Keith	Rollins	#4 Sabochick
Jan 29	7:45 am	P. Martin	Minter		
	9:00 am	P. Martin	Minter	S. Martin & Melvin	#2 Van de Graaf
	11:30 am	Lambert	S. Martin	Melvin	#5 Roberts

CARE, PRAYER AND SUPPORT

Daughters of the King



The Daughters of the King are members of the oldest order of lay women in the Episcopal Church. Each week the Daughters of the King pray for 15 families in our parish. If you have a special request during your week, or any other time, please contact Marilyn Zwicker at 335-7426 or email her at mnzwick@aol.com.

Jan 1

Decherd, Delius, Delk, J. Dixon, N. Dixon, Dobbs, Drury, Duck, Duggan, Duncan, Durland, Dzurenko, Eaddy, Earp, Eckelkamp

Jan 8

Eitel, Ellenbrook, Elliott, English, Epps, Ethridge, B. Evans, S. Evans, Farris, Fatino, Feazell, Fenech, Ferguson, Fiedler, Fields

Jan 15

Firestone, Fisher, Flynn, Foster, Fowler, Franklin, Frazell, Freebourn, Frost, Fuhro, Funderburg, J. Fuqua, S. Fuqua, Galitski, Galli

Jan 22

Gallop, Gamble, Garrett, Gerlach, Gilfillan, Gillespey, Gillespie, Gilmore, Girardeau, Glassman, Gordon, Goreta, Grant, Grantham, Grassel

Jan 29

Gress, Gribble, Grier, Griswold, Haley, Hall, Hallonquist, B. Hamilton, B&G. Hamilton, S. Hamilton, Hanson, C. Harper, N. Harper, D. Harrison, P. Harrison

Remember in Your Prayers



GROUPS: Stephen Ministers and care receivers; Order of St. Luke the Physician prayer team and prayer receivers; our St. Luke's workers in the field: K & K & children, V.B., Chelsea, Kyle, Caroline, C & A & children, La Palabra, the Diocese of West Buganda and its bishop, Godfrey Makumbi, Hackleburg, AL., Phil Campbell, AL., Smithville, MS.

FOR OUR ARMED FORCES: Michael John Abalos, Zack Albright, Jonathan Alместica, Brian Beachy, John Blankenship, Brandon Budfuloski, Russell Butler, Danny Cecil, Travis Cook, Mark Coplen, Derek Evans, Christine Felice, Christopher Foote, Chris & David Freebourn, Raymond Garcia, Paul Benjamin Grantham, Marshall Harris, Lucas Karnes, Kyle Kieke, Jim Lawson, Joe & Allison Martin, Stephanie Normand, Casey & John Parks, Alex Voyce, Matthew Voyce, Andrew Whitaker, Mark Wilmot.

FOR THOSE WHOSE NEEDS HAVE BEEN MADE KNOWN TO US: Gary S., Lloyd, Mark, Patty Angel, Bill & Marian Atwood, Jim Beakey, Joseph Blackford, Marie Drury, Larry Durland, Emily Eastman, Susan Eschenroeder, Geoff Garner, Suzy Grantham, Joy Hagler, Herbert Hahn, Elizabeth Helms, Cele Hermes, Nancy Ketterer, Missy McGavern, Robin Henderson, Nancy Potter, Harold & Betty Shirley, Emma Steen, Sally Sykes, Calvin Taylor, Mike Thatcher, David Thoresen, Cynthia Timberlake, Christopher Whitty, Betty Zwicker, the Rebel family; the Sweeney family, the Holly Wise family.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Gerry Wood, a long time parishioner of St. Luke's on the Lake; Kenneth Reed, cousin of Parker Jameson.

Call the Church Office, 266-2455 When:

- a member of your family is in the hospital
- you learn of a death in the parish family
- your class or group plans to meet (all meetings & classes must be on the Church calendar)
- your address or phone number is changed
- you learn of someone who may be interested in Parish membership
- you feel we can assist you in any way

Lay Eucharistic Visitors



LEV's serve the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist each Sunday to St. Luke's on the Lake people who are unable to attend the church services, i.e., those who are ill, injured, hospitalized or shut in. Please call the church office at 266-2455 to request this ministry and make us aware of your desire to be served.

PARISH RECORDS

Happy January Birthday to You!!!

2. Lea Melvin, Emily Ridlehuber
3. Frank Bissett, Joshua Voyce
4. Mary Ann Collinson, Shana deFries
5. Nichole Bernard, Mollie Brownfield, Annie Buerk, Colton Crawford, Holly Decherd, McKenzie Gillespey, Eddie Long, Tim Rhoads, Anne Severson
6. Craig Ferguson, Fred Sternenberg
7. Stan Young
8. Carl Brahce, Julia Franklin, Laresa Hubbs, David Ingold, Alice Jean Timberlake, Eric Van Allen
9. Evan Cook, Bill Mueller
10. Jacob Brahce, Zach Miner, Cornelia Teasdale
11. Lindsey Thompson, John Vanisko
12. Belle Gordon, Jake Shoemaker
14. Leslie Benitez, Emily Danner, David Weigers
15. James Dabney, Alice Ledger, Elena Venincasa
16. Courtney Christ, Jonathan Decherd, Peggie Klema, Jeff Roberts
17. Shelby Eckelkamp, Macy Gillespey, Haley Houston, Olivia Maneikis, Ben Murley, Joyce Rabensburg, Ralph Rogers
19. Carol Bernhard, Laura LeMond, Ashley Lewis
20. Mike Cravey, Sam D'Avila, Corine Delius, Ian Grier, Michael Lazarski
21. Caitlyn McDaniel, Kim Weigers
22. Bob Pashby
23. Catherine Ott
24. Fay Blake, Kurt Delius
25. Bennett Brooke, Victoria Dawson, Bleckley Dobbs, Melanie Keith
26. Miles Belknap, Chuck Fatino, Katie McDanald
27. Yi-Ming Harrison
28. Zachary Long, Kaitlin Propes, Dayton Spradling
29. Ken Danton, Doris Gandy, Gayle Hamilton
30. Judeene Blankenship



Memorial Gifts

Given in memory of
Gerry Wood

by Dorothy W. Hungate
by Lorraine E. Loeffler

Welcome to Our Visitors

11/13

Clark Aylsworth, II
Harin & Nirupa Weerasinha

11/20

Rob & Kelly Harris
Valerie Reinley

12/4

Ashley Williams
Brandon & Tanci Souliere
Catherine Gaynor

St. Luke's on the Lake MISSION STATEMENT

"God calls us to be
a community in Christ
and to be
Christ to the world."

LEADERSHIP STATEMENT

Ministry leaders will use their time and talent to serve Jesus Christ and His Body at St. Luke's on the Lake. The purpose of a leader is to teach, mentor, and disciple members of the Body, and then release them for ministry. A ministry leader will serve with love, humility, integrity, and accountability.

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WEEKLY SERVICES

7:45 am Sunday - Holy Eucharist - Without Music
9:00 am Sunday - Holy Eucharist - Choir and Organ
10:30 am Sunday - Christian Education
11:30 am Sunday - Holy Eucharist - Renewal Music
10:00 am Wednesday - Holy Eucharist

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