

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

November, 2016

**“To Know Christ and
Make Christ Known”**

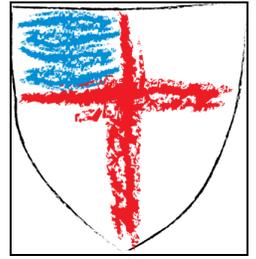
2016 Parish Theme:

**“Witness Wamego
Go Beyond!”**

Our Vestry Mem-
bers:

Jay Hildreth
(Senior Warden),
Doug Elcock
(Junior Warden
and Treasurer),
Cinnie Hill (Clerk),
Claudia McKinsey.
Levi Hannan, Ed
Dillinger, Thomas
Brown

St Luke's Newsletter



Senior Warden's Report:

By this time you all should have received the Stewardship Survey. I do not have a report back as of yet on the results as I have been out of town for 10 days. More on that next month.

Soon the Vestry will be meeting with the Canon to the Ordinary to discuss our search for a Rector. So that is an ongoing project.

Two weeks ago I visited the Hoefer Stained Glass in Hutchinson. I was quite impressed in his operation. He has given us a bid of \$13,000 to repair the center section of the West Stained Glass Window of the Sanctuary. Alternatively he has a bid of \$27,000 to completely refurbish the window. This includes the two side sections plus a replacement of the storm window. He (I also agree) feels the white storm window clashes with the maroons in the actual stained glass and has weathered considerably. He is to give us a bid on the two sides separately. In that manner we can decide as a parish if we want to engage Scott Hoefer to proceed with this project. I will say that if any of you want to make a road trip to see what is involved with a project of this scope, it will be well worth your time. You will need to make an appointment as he is not in the shop often as he travels all over the state.

Yours in Christ,
Jay Hildreth

Junior Warden:

By now, we should have a new roof and gutters. I have a repairman coming to work on the stove as one oven does not heat. In early November we will be dismantling the garden and seeding grass. The City Council approved our request for a handicap parking space on Lincoln but it is at our expense, plus they have special rules that apply. I will be meeting with a city employee to discuss the requirements.

Doug Elcock

PS. The oven is repaired.

St. Luke's Feast Day Report

October 18th was St. Luke's Feast Day. We honored him on Sunday, October 16th. At Morning Prayer, Claudia McKinsey had 16 interesting facts about St. Luke which she talked to us about. We had blank paper onto which we could answer the questions she posed to us before she gave us the answers. I think we all learned something.

For the coffee time, the front table was covered with a lace tablecloth, because St. Luke is the patron saint of lace makers. Various pictures of St. Luke and facts about him were on the tables for people to enjoy as they partook of the delicious apple cake Cinnie Hill prepared for us.

Claudia McKinsey

Vestry:

The Vestry approved to proceed on repairing the center section of the large stained glass window on the west side of the church for \$13,000, as we will have money available until a new priest has been called.

Approval was given to obtain a handicapped slot for Jerry Pitney in front of the church. The work will be completed in Nov November.

Vestry agreed to support John Desper in prayer while he pursues classes at the Kansas School of Ministry.

Jay Hildreth stressed the importance of having everyone complete a time and talent stewardship form even if they do not want to commit to a pledge.

Cinnie Hill will proceed with the search process planning with the diocese.

At annual meeting, we will need nominations for:

- Three Vestry members – two for three years for Jay and Doug, and one year for Levi;
- Two Council of Churches Reps.– 4 noon meetings a year. Assist in the activities of the council. Ask Ed or Joyce/
- NW convocation reps– Meetings with all the other churches of the convocation and attend the Diocesan Annual Meeting. Ask Myrline or Laura.

The outside lights are still left on at times. A sign will be placed over the switch to remind everyone to be sure to turn off the lights when they leave the building. It detracts from the stain glass windows that are lit internally.

Cinnie Hill, clerk

Junior Warden:

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the financing the additional roof and gutter expenses. We have met our goal. These additions will provide safety and stability for our church building. I do not have a starting date but hope that within the next two weeks replacement of the roof and gutters will begin.

The Vestry would like the exterior lights on the west side of the church off when not in use. If you need them on please use them but turn off when done. We have the sign out front and the west window lights on with a timer and feel that is enough light for the exterior during the evenings.

*Doug Elcock,
Junior Warder*

Prayers:

We pray for: Anna Lea, Cele, Cinnie, David, Doreen, Jerry, Katherine, Martha and family, Sherry & family; Alice, Angela, Barb, Bernie, Dana & family, Kay, Lynn, Bill N., Courtney, Dick, KoKo, Jake C. Mickey I. & family.

We pray for our Military personnel: Luke, Mike, Molly Lynn, and Scott

We pray for our ministries: Community Health Ministry/Wamego.

Wednesday Evening Potluck and Ministry:

October 5th was the all-church cookout, so we attended that activity. We met at Ed and Susan Dillinger's barn to eat. They furnished delicious buffalo burgers and the rest of us brought side dishes that were also delicious. After stuffing ourselves, we took a ride on a flatbed with sides and bales of hay to sit on out to see the buffalo. It was interesting to learn about them from Ed and to feed them pellets. They certainly have long tongues and big nostrils. It was amazing to be so close to them.

Since the Wamego community thanksgiving dinner will be held at our church this year, we have been making placemats. Our goal is to have 6 at each of the 10 round tables. When not doing that we adults talk and the kids play and have a fun time together. The food is always good too.

Remember that all are welcome to attend. You can come to eat or arrive later for a great feeling of community with the folks who are there.

Garden Update:

Despite the warm weather, it is now fall and officially time to put the St. Luke's garden to bed. The end-of-season flowers and tomatoes have been very enjoyable, a great note to end on. As we get ready to disassemble the beds (during the first week of November, watch for details!) I have a few things to ask. First, if you would like to recover any donated items (flower pots, wood edging, etc.), please let me know as soon as possible, preferably by Nov 4. If there are no owners, proper, they will be given away. Second, there are some perennials that could use a new home. So if you have room and desire for thyme or sage in particular, please contact me to arrange a transplant. Lastly, I would like to thank everyone, known and unknown, who has helped with materials, maintenance and prayers for the garden and the gardeners: Thank you!

Emily Benson

Sharing Table Breakfast: November 3 & 17; and December 1 & 15th 7:30 -9:00 am.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

St. Luke's will host the Community Thanksgiving Dinner, noon to 2:00 Thanksgiving Day. We have several people who are willing to help but since we expect to serve 200 + people we can use more help. All of the churches in the Council of Churches donate food each year and the host rotates so one church is asked to host once every 6-7 years. The turkeys are donated by Gene's and we have volunteers to roast them. St. Luke's will provide the potatoes, drinks, gravy and run the show this year. The other churches will provide the desserts, salads, rolls, dressing fixings, green beans, Etc. We need 3 more people who volunteer to donate 10# of peeled potatoes that will be cooked Thanksgiving morning in the church kitchen. I have been assured that if the peel potatoes are kept in salt water over night they will not turn dark.

Someone will need to be at the church to receive donated food on Wed. afternoon and evening. Volunteers? The Thursday crew will begin to gather at 8:00a.m. Thursday morning to cook and set-up. There will be an after church meeting on a coming Sunday to flesh out more details.

Help is appreciated. Ask me: Joyce Elcock, reluctant coordinator.

BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER:

November 30 - Katherine Settle

ANNIVERSARIES:

November 5 - Ed & Susan Dillinger

The following summary reflects the results of the operating fund, income and expense for the month of October 2016, with a budget comparison. (The Year-to-date includes the beginning balance on January 1st)

	Current month	Year-to-date	Budget
Income	\$ 4,789.19	\$ 63,084.39	\$ 62,870.65
Expense	\$ <u>7,880.18</u>	\$ <u>59,423.80</u>	\$ <u>65,270.65</u>
Difference	\$ 4,406.24	\$ 4,406.24	\$ (2,400.00)

NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 6 – Father David Hodges will officiate.

 Guild Meeting after the service

 Vestry meets with the Canon Torey Lightcap & Debbie

 Kremers after coffee hour.

 5:00 pm – Ultreya at St. Paul's, Manhattan

Thursday, November 3 – 6:30 till done: Sharing Table Breakfast

Sunday, November 13: 9:30 am, Morning Prayer led by with Larry Hannan as Lector

 8:15 am – Vestry meeting

Thursday, November 17: – 6:30 till done: Sharing Table Breakfast

Sunday, November 20: Father David Hodges officiates

Thursday, November 24: Noon – Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 27 – Morning Prayer led by : Larry Hannan as Lector

Sunday, December 4 – Morning Prayer led by Larry Hannan as officiant with

 Eric Benson as Lector.

Cookies by the Pound, December 3rd, 9-12am Proceeds for camp scholarships. Please start making your holiday cookies or dough, which you can freeze and bake the week before the sale. We need to fill at least seven round tables with cookies. For centerpieces we use tiered plates or something a little taller to display some cookies.

Please bring the name for each of your cookies and the total number of dozen you baked as that is how we split the profits with the First Baptist Church. Cover the cookies with plastic wrap if you place them on pretty trays and plates that we will uncover at 9. We have plates/trays at church for those of you who rather not bring them on fancy plates.

Thank you to one and all of you for your participation in building up our Guild treasury.

Please volunteer to help at each of these events and ask friends/neighbors to come and enjoy the event.

Cinnie

Sunday School:

Joyce will teach the older students and Eric will be teaching the Younger students. Myrline

**Community Health Ministry/
First Methodist Church Food Pantries:**

Please contribute to the collection box in Guild Hall once or twice a month with a couple cans/boxes of food. Thank you. I need a volunteer to take these items to the pantry.

Bishop Kemper School for Ministry:

I have attended six classes at BKSM and want to encourage others to do so. Since I am not pursuing ordination or a license, I am auditing the classes. It costs \$180 for credit and \$100 to audit. Those prices include two nights, Friday and Saturday, at Upton Hall and meals besides the classes themselves. Classes start at 1:00 p.m. on the second Saturday of the months and finish at noon on Sunday. Not only have I gained incredible knowledge about a variety of topics, but I have met some wonderful people and had great conversations with them and the teachers. There is a website where one can get information about what classes are offered each month. Also, feel free to talk to me about them.

Claudia McKinsey

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Editor Comments:

Father Matt will be returning the week of December 4th.

Bishop Wolfe will be officiating at the December 18th service. Anyone desiring to be confirmed, baptized, received, or reaffirmed, please let Cinnie know as soon as possible so we can prepare you for this.

The fish fry was a huge success. We even ran out of fish. The building and grounds line item got a tremendous boost with this event.

November 2016, Service Duty List

	Nov 6	Nov 13	Nov 20	Nov27	Dec 4
Altar Guild	Myrline Winkler, Pat Frey	Cinnie Hill, Linda Chmiel	Joyce Elcock, Emily Benson	Laura Hannan, Myrline Winkler	Pat Frey, Cinnie Hill
Lay Reader	Ed Dillinger	Larry Hannan	Pat Frey	Judy Hildreth	Eric Benson
Chalice Bearer	Myrline Winkler	Larry Hannan	Joyce Elcock	Ed Dillinger	Myrline Winkler
Greeter/ Usher	Judy Hildreth	John Chmiel	Doug Elcock	Larry Hannan	Judy Hildreth
Coffee Host	Hannans	Winklers	Mc Conkey	Hildreths	Chmiels