

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

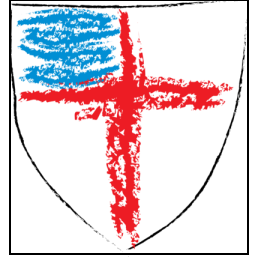
June, 2017

“To Know Christ and Make Christ Known”

Our Vestry Mem-
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St Luke's Newsletter



Spiritual Reflection: *(This is a very long article and I have shortened it to the first of several headings. It is located at <https://www.tomorrowworld.org/magazines/2010/may-june/the-spirit-of-pentecost> so you may read the entire article.*

“God gave the Holy Spirit to His Church on the Day of Pentecost, but few understand the meaning of this Holy Day. God's Holy Spirit is vital for true Christian living, but many are unaware of what it is, what Pentecost is, and what it means to Christians today!”

Do you feel the Spirit of God moving in your life? Can you be filled with the same Spirit of Pentecost as Christ's first disciples? Yes, you can!

It had been an unforgettable 50 days for Christ's disciples. Their Teacher had come back from the dead after a brutal execution, and had taught them for 40 days. More than 500 at one time had seen Him ([1 Corinthians 15:6](#)). The disciples ate with Him, talked with Him and even touched the wounds where His body had been pierced.

But that was not all. After 40 dramatic days of instruction, the Savior ascended into the clouds, while His disciples watched with wonder and amazement. But He did not leave them alone—He promised to give them something that would empower them with spiritual vitality they had never before experienced ([Luke 24:49](#)).

The disciple Luke describes Christ's encouraging words. "And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, 'which,' He said, 'you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now'" ([Acts 1:4–5](#)).

What event was the risen Christ speaking of? What was this "promise" to come? Most Bible students know the basic story, but many are not fully aware of the profound impact this momentous 50th day would have on the Church of God from that point forward. It was the day of Pentecost—the day of miracles—the day the New Testament Church began!

The rest of the reflection talks about: The Day the Church Began; Why they kept Pentecost; How to keep Pentecost; What we must do:

(Final paragraph) This Pentecost, ask yourself if you are truly obeying God in everything you do. Ask yourself if you are submitting to your Lord and Master in thought, word and deed! And ask yourself if you are being obedient in *keeping holy the Holy Days that God ordained*. True Christians *can* obey God from the heart, more deeply than they

Senior Warden's Report:

We have had a very busy May for everyone. The schools went through their final State testing and final grades. The last day of school was last week. This made children happy and parents say "oh my".

In our church, the search committee has put us up on the diocese website. "<http://www.stlukeswamego.org/about-us.html>" They put in many long hours on this project and we should thank them for their work. They still have a lot more to do and I for one pray for them to reach their goal.

Our window committee is now the window/foundation committee. They are waiting on us, at the vestry, to come up with some good numbers of how much it will cost to do the work on the foundation. Mind you, this project will also give us the opportunity to replace the carpet in the chapel if we want to add this in.

This is also the time of year the Junior Warden will need some help with upkeep for the outside of the church to look its best. Please see Linda if you can help with anything outside or even inside. She will be happy for all assistance provided.

Your Humble Servant in Christ, *Thomas*

Vestry:

- Alleluia Grant – We have until August 31st to apply and we must be able to match the funds given up to a total of \$3000. The Vestry will revisit this through the August meeting.
- Claudia McKinsey asked about the Diocesan Building Fund for our construction project and she will investigate for the procedure to see if we are eligible.
- Vestry moved that we obtain the required core samples needed for a true picture of the construction project that allows us to move forward.

Cinnie

Rector Search Committee Updates:

The Search Committee has finalized the parish profile necessary for "advertising" our open rector position. It's been sent to the Office of Transition Ministry as well as posted on our website. Check it out at the following link:

<http://www.stlukeswamego.org/about-us.html>

Questions? Feedback? Please contact one of us!
Emily, Doug, Larry, Kally and Myrline

Emily

Guild: Next meeting will be June 4th after the service.

Susan

Sunday School teachers for June:

Myrline will teach the younger students and Emily will be teaching the older students.

To receive the Diocesan News twice a month, send an email with the subject "Dialog" to the Diocese Publications. mwoerman@episcopal-ks.org

Sharing Table:

Right off, I want to say thank you to all of you that give to Sharing Table by either food or your time at the breakfast. Without all God's love flowing through you to make Sharing Table happen it would die. We have seen the number drop a little in the past two breakfasts. I would urge everyone just to make a comment to someone about Sharing Table the time/Thursdays it happens on. We never know when someone's friend, family member, or the person may need a meal. The word of mouth goes far and I hope that one day we feed 100 people. This would be a great thing to do in an hour and a half. This past Sunday we had 19 order slips, however two people placed their order on one. This means we served 20 people this past Sunday. I did not hear anyone wanting to hang the cook and that was a very good thing. I hope you all enjoyed the meal. We enjoyed serving you.

Thomas

Sharing Table Breakfast will be June 1 and 15. Please continue to help with this wonderful ministry to the community.

News from the Window Committee:

The window finance committee has met and is planning ways to raise money for the window/foundation restoration. The committee has lots of ideas and enthusiasm.

Look for a lemonade stand in front of the church on the 4th of July!

Look for a Mexican Dinner to celebrate Mexico's Independence Day, in September. Doug and Cele will head this up. We all will help.

At some point, we will apply for grants. Father Art will help with this.

If you have ideas for the fund raising, tell someone on the committee.

Doug has created a building fund as part of our church treasury. You may contribute to this at any time!

Please keep all of this in your prayers.....

With God's Help.....

Myrline

Treasurer's Report: The following summary reflects the results of the operating fund, income and expense for the month of April 2017, with a budget comparison. (The Year-to-date includes the beginning balance on January 1st)

	Current month	Year-to-date	Budget
Income	\$ 12,832.99	\$ 25,734.79	\$ 71,201.00
Expense	\$ <u>4,639.85</u>	\$ <u>17,541.65</u>	\$ <u>51,144.00</u>
Difference	\$ 8,193.14	\$ 8,193.14	\$ 20,057.00

Prayers: (If you have someone needing prayers, please either email or tell Cinnie. Thank you)

We pray for: Anna Lea, David, Doreen, Jerry, Martha and family, Sarah, Alice, Kay, Lynn; Sherry and children: Carla, Dawn, Dick S, Gary, Harley, Jeff, Jillian, John, KoKo, Mary Anna, Mickey and Lisa, Officer Thomas, Pat S, Robin, Sara, Stacey, Sue

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

BIRTHDAYS IN June:

June 2 -James O'Konski June 8 -Cele Benson
 June 5-Jay Hildreth June 16-Susan Dillinger
 June 7-Ellie Baker June 22 - Clementine Pugh
 June 8-Ed Dillinger June 22 – Jacob Pugh
 June 27 – Peggy Smith

ANNIVERSARIES:

June 10-Judy & Jay Hildreth
 June 26-Dick & Myrline Winkler

St. Luke's Weekly Schedule:

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Rite II Holy Eucharist

Mondays: 6:30 a.m. Spiritual Development Book Group – McDonalds

Tuesdays: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Bible Study

Wednesdays: 6 - 7:30 p.m. WE - Potluck Supper and Children's Ministry

Thursdays: 7:30 p.m. Cursillo Reunion Group

JUNE SCHEDULE

Thursday, June 1th – 7:30-9 Sharing Table

Sunday, June 4th– **Pentecost**, Mother Casey Rohleder will officiate.

 Guild meeting after the service

 5 pm - Ultreya at St. Paul's in Manhattan

Tuesday, June 6th – Red Cross Blood Drive at Mount Calvary

Wednesday June 7th – 6 pm Potluck and Children's activity

Saturday, June 10th – 7:30 a.m.-Wamego Walk/Run event for CHM

Sunday, June 11th- **Trinity Sunday**, Mother Kay Dagg will officiate.

 Vestry meeting following the service

Wednesday, June 14th – 6pm - Potluck 6 pm Potluck and Children's activity

Thursday, June 15th – 7:30-9: Sharing Table: Sharing Table Breakfast

Sunday, June 18th - **Father's Day**-Mother Casey Rohleder will officiate.

Wednesday June 21th – 6 pm Potluck and Children's Ministry returns

Editor Comments:

To celebrate Pentecost on June 4, please remember to wear something **red** to church.

Please donate blood to the Red Cross Blood Drive for those of us who have received blood transfusions or still are receiving them. It would be wonderful if our church would win the \$600 based on our average congregation of 25-30 on Sundays. Myrlene talked to the Red Cross person today and we both challenge you to donate!!! Please read the email copied below my signature. June 6th at Mount Calvary. Call the Red Cross for an appointment. Thank you

Levi and Laura Hannan, Margaret and Josephine Benson will be at Camp Wood June 4-10th. please correspond with a card or note before this weekend to ensure that they will receive mail during the week. The address is **Camp Wood YMCA**, 1101 Camp Wood Road, Elmdale, KS 66850

Father Art Rathbun is available to provide housebound visitation to those in need

PFC Hannan, Luke, Rm 110; A BTRY 2-130th FA (MoB); 1011 Chafee Road, Fort Bliss TX 79916; USA Luke can have mail; He can't have booze, tobacco or porn. Anything else yes!!

Come and experience Cursillo. June 30-July 2 = The 3 day shortened version.

Ask and we can answer any and all questions. Talk to Larry or Laura.

Farmer's Market, located in WTC parking lot, will be open for every Saturday beginning June 6th until the end of August.

Cursillo Weekend on June 30-July2nd. See the Hannans for details.

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. If you elect to deliver food and paper supplies directly to the food pantries, please give credit for a donation from St. Luke's. Thank you.

Council of Churches is seeking volunteers with one or more hours a week, to assist in the Food Pantry at UMC. Check with Ed or Jay, if interested

An opportunity to do a good thing!

Although Wamego churches have been involved with the fundraiser formerly know as the “Walk for Warmth” for many years, our enthusiasm has a community event seems to have waned. Here is some history that I remember involving the transition of the fund-gathering process to feed the hungry since the Elcock family has lived in Wamego. Wamego held the CROP (Christian Rural Oversea Program) walk each year. After many years and an energy crisis, and the need to help local individuals with rising utility bills, the walk changed to the Walk for Warmth. The Council of Churches was involved in sponsoring this annual event and St. Luke’s has had their turn through the years organizing it. As the need to held people locally grew, the Community Health Ministry (CHM) was started and has grown into the “star” local community service agency in the state. A few years ago the Council of Churches decided to partner with the CHM to sponsor the annual Walk. The name changed to Walk for Warmth and Wellness. The walk organizer rotates from church to church and this year Trinity is in charge but we at St Luke’s are also involved. This “Walk” raises money for CHM that is earmarked for medication and utility and rent assistance in the area served by CHM. This is the only money raised for this vital need.

Support this year is down as noted by decreased registration. Trinity has challenged the churches to have 10 walkers/runners each. Doug and I have pledged to pay \$5.00 of the registration fee for each person who will register to walk or run. Jack Kaine will also add \$5.00 to each registration. This allows the kids to walk nearly free. How about the rest of you?

June 2017 Duty Assignments

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25	July 2
Altar Guild	Laura Hannan, Myrline Winkler,	Pat Frey, Cinnie Hill,	Linda Chmiel, Joyce Elcock,	Emily Benson, Laura Hannan	Myrline Winkler, Pat Frey,
Lay Reader	Pat Frey	Eric Benson	Claudia McKinsey	Doug Benson	Doug Elcock
Chalice Bearer	Larry Hannan	Joyce Elcock	Ed Dillinger	Myrline Winkler	Larry Hannan
Greeter/ Usher	John Chmiel	Sherry Parr	Doug Elcock	Larry Hannan	John Chmiel
Coffee Host	Chmiels	Claudia McKinsey	Elcocks	Pat Frey	Hannans