



BRINGING YOU GOOD NEWS Luke 2:10

MAY 2023

Reflections with Your Rector



Happy Easter! May God's blessings joy and wonder and surprise be with each of you, and may "Alleluia" be in every heart, mind and voice in this joyful season. Christ is risen!!

Many thanks to all who made for a wonderful Holy Week and Easter. The power of God is shown in the path of

Jesus emptying himself even to death at the hands of people he came to love and save, in Christ Jesus breaking the power of death and hell by entering them, in God-with-us arising in new life. How much God loves the world! So, of course we raise our voices in songs and prayers of joyful thanks. And I am grateful for all who sang and played music, adorned the altars and worship spaces, welcomed people and helped them feel at home, provided food and coffee, prayed for our church and communities, led rich discussions, and visited people. Each gift, offered and received with open and loving hearts, is a moment when we glimpse Jesus Christ among us.

This is Easter Season. Like Christmas, for us Easter is more than one day. We celebrate the Great 50 Days of Easter. Fifty days passed from that first Easter morning when Christ Jesus arose from the dead until the Day of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon the followers of Jesus with invigorating power. Jesus appeared in different times and places to his followers and friends after his resurrection. Some appearances were incredibly personal. Others were with groups small and large. All along the way, the disciples encountered their own fears and anxieties, doubts and false certainties, and shame about themselves. Jesus met each of them right where they were, and touched their hearts and minds where they most needed. Here are a few thoughts from my first Easter Vigil sermon with you a few years ago.

God has always been present, stirring and working, since the very beginning. So, **Mark Your Life.** Mark the moments, small and big, when God has met you with life and love and grace.

Jesus Christ, God-with-us, who was killed publicly on a

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COMING EVENTS

MAY'S REVERSE OFFERING WILL GO TO
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- May 2— Contemplative Prayer on Zoom, 5:30 p.m.; Men's Group, 6 p.m. at Elmer's
- May 9—Ladies' Night Out, 5 p.m. social time; 6 p.m. movie
- May 16—Contemplative Prayer on Zoom, 5:30 p.m.
- May 18—Daughters of the King, 11 a.m. in the Alison Library; Food for Friends, noon; Vestry Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- May 20—Jeff Brooks Memorial Steak Dinner, 5-6:30 p.m.
- May 28—Pentecost Sunday

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EDITORIAL POLICY

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cross of shame and torment, who was laid to rest in a tomb, arose in the body. By God's power of undefeatable love, a New Reality enters the world. **Let the Wonder of New Life Open** for you.

Like Christ, we too shall be raised, in the body. **We too shall rise.** In God's good time. We **Wait in Hope and Trust.**

But this resurrection is not just future. It is also NOW. Now new life begins. We are remade by Christ Jesus, who meets us each. **Let Christ Free and Release Your New Self.** Each day, **Breathe in New Life.**

Signs and stories of God's resurrecting power and love are all around us. God is at work in each of us and in every person. Dismiss no one's story. **Listen with Wonder and Holy Curiosity.**

Our own experiences of resurrection may start like the first Easter morning with something out of place that changes our expectations. Our experiences of God's nudges toward resurrection are always instructive. So, **Be Startled. Be Perplexed. Be Amazed.** And, **Let Joy Sink In.**

The coming month is busy with activity. We have a new group that has formed to reach out to North Idaho College, seeking and nurturing connections that will allow St. Luke's to offer a ministry of care and spiritual support for students, faculty, and staff. We have begun conversations with organizations in the region that provide food and spiritual care for folks without homes, resettlement for refugees, and instructional counseling and guidance in parenting for families. We are preparing for participation in some of the civic events in the summer. There is interest in having St. Luke's find a way to be present consistently at the relocated farmer's market. These are forms of our witness to Christ through purposeful partnerships and authentic action in our surrounding communities. These are ways we meet Jesus and help others see Jesus.

Our activity has also turned toward deeper discipleship, as different groups seek ways to strengthen our spiritual lives. Our book studies have opened us in new ways to scripture, prayer, meditation, and meaningful action in times of social distress. More adults are stepping forward to shape and guide our Children's Chapel. Men in the church are beginning an additional evening gathering at the church for men to share a simple dinner and to discuss and explore topics of spiritual life. Our midweek prayer services continue to bring people together to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit and to lift up the people in this church and the world around us.

What does it mean for us to share Jesus Christ's overflowing unconditional love across North Idaho? These small steps (and big steps) are important examples. We find places and ways to proclaim God's good news in our words and actions. We embark in our lives in the world ready to seek and serve Christ in each person we meet. We practice sharing and embodying Christ's boundless love by being deliberate disciples together, continuing to seek to know Christ more clearly, love Christ more dearly, and follow Christ more nearly every day. We let the love of Jesus flow freely when we invite courageous conversations with people who have different perspectives than our own, in a spirit that calls for respect in both directions. We offer and discover Christ's boundless love when we enter the world around us with openness, offering ourselves in purposeful partnership and authentic action in the world around us.

During this Easter Season, take a step. Talk to Jesus each day – and listen. Speak of God to someone around you. Share a story from your own life with someone, and invite that person to share a story. Write or call someone who needs encouragement and support in our communities. Show up to a group that is trying to make a difference in people's lives. Be a witness. Christ is alive – and lives in you, and goes before you into all places. Let the love of Jesus show and flow!

Fr. David

COVID Protocols for In-Person Worship and Outside Groups

At all services, please use your judgment regarding masking or not, in keeping with your own health and concern for others. Please practice COVID etiquette, respecting those exercising caution. If you have symptoms or have tested positive, please wait until you are healthy again to come to church – join us online. Zoom links are shared in the weekly Friday memo email.

Prayer & Worship

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Rod Kalberg | 15 Steve Flory | 23 Fred Meier |
| 5 Deborah Douglas | 16 David Brooks | 26 Gayne Clifford |
| 7 Kelly Campbell | 16 Gerrity King | 27 Milli Larsen |
| 10 Terri Radford | 17 Barbara Campbell | 29 Tom Green |
| 12 Jean Imperatrice | 17 Holladay Sanderson | 29 Bill Skelton |
| 12 Michelle Johnson | 18 Tony Longinotti | 31 Howard Keller |
| 12 Ella Wickham | 20 Pat House | 31 Betsy McTear |
| 14 Joan Day | 23 Debbie Kerns | 31 Anne Sedgwick |



ANNIVERSARIES

5 Debbie & Henry Lane
6 Glenda & John Empsall
30 Terri & Gordon Radford

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or does not appear, please notify the office so it can be corrected or added to the parish records.

PRAYERS

Healing, Strength and Peace — Hilary Caisley, Claudia, Jo, Sean Whelan, Daniel Brooks, Ward Stewart, Dan Dolan, Andre Smith, Julian Wheeler, John McTear, Michael Fain, John Albee, David Brooks, Jane Brooks, Lynn Curry, Jim Miller, Eric Paavola, Ruth Ann Jones, Beverly Jordan, Mary Kay Hanson, Martha Vilandr , Janet Crane, Hal Worth, Erin Moore, Bill Watt, Debbie Lane, Kenneth Smith, Barbara Webb, Sarah Specht. Bailey

Rest of the Soul — Robert McCroskey

Memorial Service — Robert Imperatrice

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

May 7: **Camp Cross**

Camp Cross: We give thanks for the ministry of Camp Cross, our outdoor Cathedral and center for formation in our diocese. May the coming summer raise up disciples and renew us all together on our sacred journey. We also give thanks for the birthdays of The Revs. Adam Bartholomew (5/11), and Christine Wysock (5/12).



May 14: **Camp Cross Staff and Volunteers**

We give thanks for Camp Cross staff and volunteers who help to shape and support the ministry at Camp Cross. We also give thanks for the birthdays of The Revs. Kathy Kelly (5/15), Holladay Sanderson (5/17), and Martha Hurlburt (5/20).

May 21: **Retired Clergy**

We give thanks for the ways their lives witness to God's love and enrich the faith and mission of our Diocese. We also give thanks for the birthday of The Rev. "Duane" Allen Crosier (5/27).

May 28: **Holy Spirit, Dover/Sandpoint**

We pray for the mission and ministry of Holy Spirit, Dover/Sandpoint. We also give thanks for the birthdays of The Revs. Brent Tilson (5/29) and Colby Roberts (6/2).

World Council of Churches' ecumenical prayer cycle: <https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/prayer-cycle>

Worldwide Anglican Church prayer cycle: https://www.anglicancommunion.org/media/422641/acp_from-aba-to-zululand-2021-to-2023_web.pdf

Prayer & Worship

Midweek Worship Opportunities

Noonday Intercessory Prayer: The service, found on page 103 of the Book of Common Prayer, is offered weekly on Wednesdays in person in the sanctuary and on Zoom. A brown bag lunch and open conversation follows the service.

Contemplative Prayer Service: This service is offered on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. by Zoom only.

Check the weekly Friday Memo email for Zoom links.



<https://www.funccirmingham.org/midweek-prayer-on-zoom/>

Praise Dance



Praise Dance, taught by Lyndi Phifer, is offered at church on Wednesdays at 2:15 p.m.

You can direct questions to Lyndi at lyndiphifer@icloud.com, but don't need to notify her ahead of time that you are coming. All ages are welcome.

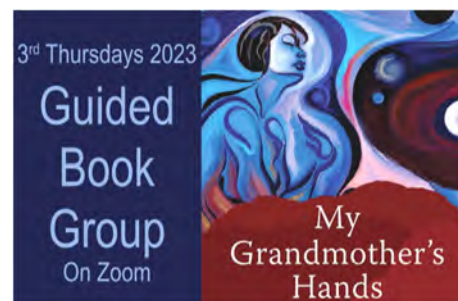
Learning Opportunities

Diocesan Guided Book Group: *My Grandmother's Hands* An In-Depth Exploration of Healing Racialized Trauma

This series is designed to help us love our neighbor and ourselves better by being trauma-informed as part of a group committed to read and inwardly digest the book.

Meetings will take place on Zoom from 7-9 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month throughout 2023, thus allowing plenty of time to process the material between sessions. A donation of \$100 is requested. Space is limited.

For more information and to register, visit https://www.spokanediocese.org/digital_faith/events/3187499.



Tending the Vine Monthly Zoom Series from the Diocese



The Diocese's monthly Zooms focus on its strategic plan and reflect the diocesan theme. Tending the Vine is a 12-part monthly series to grow, strengthen and plant our congregations. All are invited to attend this free series, which will take place on the first Thursday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. The next session will be on Thursday, May 4, and the topic will be "Listening for Jesus in Non-Dominant Voices."

The Zoom link is [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82760253562?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82760253562?pwd=bE5QdFBQWVJ3RGk3VXBnQnZlZ3BxZz09)

[pwd=bE5QdFBQWVJ3RGk3VXBnQnZlZ3BxZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82760253562?pwd=bE5QdFBQWVJ3RGk3VXBnQnZlZ3BxZz09). Use the same link each month, or obtain the link by calling the diocesan office (509-624-3191) or emailing Administrative Assistant Jeremy Armstrong (jeremya@spokanediocese.org).

Learning Opportunities

Who Is This Jesus?

Biblical Windows for Followers and Seekers of Christ

During these days of Easter Season, we turn our hearts and minds to the amazing joy of Christ's resurrection. Please read the passage below, and join with the travelers on the road. Then prayerfully consider the questions at the end. To prepare yourself, set some time aside, quiet yourself, and pray this prayer:

Lord Jesus, as I read and listen to these beloved sacred texts, open my mind and heart to see you more clearly and come to know you more deeply, that I may love and adore you more and more, and follow where you lead me and walk with me each day. AMEN.

Luke 24:13-35 — Jesus meets us on the road, opening minds & hearts

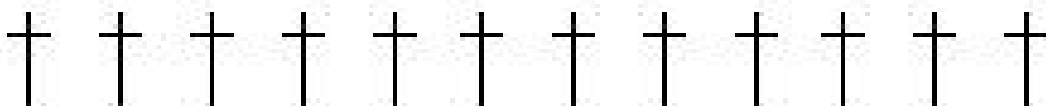
We join followers and friends of Jesus after he has been killed and his body laid to rest. We have lost Jesus, and are wandering the roads away from the city, trying to understand what we have experienced and what we now have heard that unsettles us. The risen Jesus comes near, walks with us, listens and responds. Watch and listen to how Jesus enters the scene with us.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Take a few minutes to let this text sink into your heart and mind. Then consider one or more of these questions:

- ◆ How does Jesus meet us in our wandering?
- ◆ How does Jesus help us recover our senses?
- ◆ How do we see Jesus now? How do we help each other see Jesus now?



Learning Opportunities

Sacred Ground Series Continues

Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. The 11-part series is built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories.

Sessions will take place on Zoom on the following Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon: May 6 & 20, June 3 & 24, July 8 & 22, August 5 & 19, September 2 & 16. Register online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/tZAqdeCvpjMoHNIg6nMPv33P7wk3BNP2eQ5y>

If you would like general information about the Sacred Ground program, find information and video summaries at <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/>.



Book Studies at St. Luke's – Spring 2023

Without Buddha I Could Not Be a Christian, by Paul F. Knitter (2013), Wednesdays at 1 p.m. “*Without Buddha* narrates how esteemed theologian, Paul F. Knitter overcame a crisis of faith by looking to Buddhism for inspiration. From prayer to how Christianity views life after death, Knitter argues that a Buddhist standpoint can encourage a more person-centered conception of Christianity.”



Reading the Book of Revelation: Five Principles for Interpretation, by Alexander Stewart (2021), Tuesdays at 3:45 p.m. “In *Reading the Book of Revelation*, Alexander Stewart offers five simple keys that unlock this difficult book...and will help you see that Revelation is not primarily about the future, but about how the future makes a difference for us today.”

A book study group on the book ***Hate Is My Neighbor***, by Tom Alibrandi with Bill Wassmuth (1999), will begin soon Easter. This book tells the story of the courage of Father Bill Wassmuth and other civil rights leaders in North Idaho who banded together to shine light on the hateful and malicious acts of Aryan Nations members. This chilling story is a reminder that “if you want peace, work for justice.” Sign ups are going on now.

Fr. David also encourages everyone to read from the diocese's scriptural meditations, “Who Is This Jesus?” (see p. 5).

If you are interested in being part of a book study, sign up at church or contact Fr. David (priest@stlukesca.org).

Life Together

Vestry Highlights

MEETING OF APRIL 20, 2023

- A vacancy on the vestry has occurred and there is now a search for someone to be appointed to serve the remainder of the term, which will end in January 2026.

Good Stewards: David Brooks, Mike Maksimowicz and Tim Lane for yard work; Rod Kalberg for consistently resetting the room after coffee hour.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 18, at 5:30 p.m. in the Alison Library. All are welcome to attend.

St. Lukes CDA

May 2023 (Pacific Time - Los Angeles)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>8am - HEI @ St. Luke's</p> <p>10am - HEI service @ St.</p> <p>9pm - Serious about</p> | <p>Office Closed</p> <p>9:30am - Pr Shawl</p> <p>6pm - AA Meeting - 12</p> <p>9pm - Serious about</p> | <p>1pm - Book club @ Alison</p> <p>1pm - St. Luke's Women's</p> <p>3:45pm - Girl Scout 2158</p> <p>6pm - Men's Group @</p> <p>9pm - Serious about</p> | <p>10am - Prayer Chain</p> <p>11am - Jill Kalberg @</p> <p>12pm - Noonday</p> <p>1pm - Book Study @ St.</p> <p>2:15pm - Praise Dance @</p> <p>4:30pm - FPNI @ Alison</p> | <p>10am - CDA Art Assoc</p> <p>9pm - Serious about</p> | <p>6:30pm - SA 12 step</p> <p>9pm - Serious about</p> | <p>6:45am - St Luke's</p> <p>9am - SA 12 Step group</p> <p>9pm - Serious about</p> |
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Life Together

ST. MARY'S ALTAR GUILD



We thank everyone who donated to Altar Guild during the Easter season. Due to publishing deadlines, several names were omitted from the Easter bulletin and we would like to take this opportunity to publish a complete list of all donations. Your gifts allowed us to purchase the beautiful Easter flowers and will enable us to provide for the Eucharist and other needs during the coming months. Thank you for your generous gifts.

Jo Clifford & Debbie Lane, Co-Directresses

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| John & Phyllis Albee | In memory of Doris Jones and in thanksgiving for our St. Luke's church family |
| Al & Janet Anderson | In memory of our parents, Edgar & Lillie Anderson, J. R. & Ethel Day and our friends, Diane & Ginny |
| Gayne & Jo Clifford | In memory of our parents, Albert & Jane Clifford and John & Audrey Magura |
| Bill & Laurie Cook | |
| Mike & Kate Dolan | In memory of David, Angela & Sarah Francis and Bob & Joanne Dolan |
| Kevin & Brooke Dunton | In memory of Gail Berry |
| John & Glenda Empsall | In memory of those we love but see no more and in thanksgiving for our family and friends |
| Charlotte Everett | In memory of Richard Everett |
| Jean Imperatrice | In memory of Robert Imperatrice and in thanksgiving for my St. Luke's Choir family |
| Rod & Donna Kalberg | In memory of Bob Kalberg, Doris Russel, Bessy Phillips and Lee Phillips |
| Bill & Kara Kral | In memory of Erma Kral |
| Milli Larsen | In memory of Victor Larsen |
| Barbara Lee | In memory of Bob and Mike |
| Bill & Rita Leinweber | |
| Gwen Letson | In memory of my parents |
| Lumarie Lovey | In memory of Joyce Lovey |
| Clark McKee | In memory of Louise & Gail McKee |
| Cary Miller | In memory of Cheryl, John & Patty and in thanksgiving for Miller's recovery from stroke |
| Elizabeth Minter | In memory of Russ & Scott |
| Marilyn Otto | In memory of Jeff Martin and Linda O'Tyson |
| Dave & Nan Palmer | In memory of Juanita Palmer and Maja Larson |
| Andrea Partington | In memory of Seatz Family, Newsome Family, Low Family and Partington Family |
| Steve & Robin Rutherford | In memory of and thanksgiving for Ed & Ann Ritz |
| Holladay Sanderson | In memory of Hal & Mary Simmons Worth |
| Marc & Nancy Sue Wallace | In memory of Bob & Pat Hufford and George & Jean Wallace |
| Barbara Webb | In thanksgiving for my family and friends |
| Robert & Martha West | In memory of Steve West |

Life Together

Ladies' Night — Social Hour & Movie Tuesday, May 9, 5-8 p.m.



All women of St Luke's and anyone else they would like to bring are invited to the Parish Hall on Tuesday, May 9, from 5-8 p.m., for a social hour and movie.

Bring your favorite beverage (alcoholic or not) and/or an appetizer to share for some fun and friendship. We will watch the movie "A Man Called Otto."

Questions or need a ride? Contact Marcia Siring (360-929-1515).

Jeff Brooks Memorial Steak Dinner, Saturday, May 20, 5-6:30 p.m.

Join your friends for a delicious tri-tip steak dinner including baked beans, salad bar and pie à la mode.

Adults \$15.00 Children 12 & under \$5.00

Seating is limited so get your tickets at any service or at the office.

Wine will be available for a donation.

Brought to you by St. Luke's Men.



Camp Cross Needs YOU This Summer!



Volunteers are a vital part of Camp Cross, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this summer! Volunteers help the Diocese offer the best programming, food and health care to the camp community. They provide invaluable support and energy. Volunteering is also a wonderful way to stay or get connected to Camp Cross and formation through the Diocese.

We would like to put together congregational teams to serve in the kitchen. We have kitchen leads for each session who will help facilitate the planning and preparation of each meal. If you have a group of 3-4 people who would like to spend a week at camp this summer on beautiful Lake Coeur d'Alene, providing delicious food to our camp community, please reach out to me with your preferred dates: **June 23-25** - Leaders in Training; **July 2-7** – Intermediate Camp; **July 9-14** – Arts Camp; **July 23-28** – Mid High Camp; **July 30-August 5** – Senior High Camp.

We are also looking for nurses, nursing students, and/or EMTs to come spend a week at camp offering care to our camp community. Camp nurses see to the health of our community responding to things from homesick campers to scraped knees to headaches to all sorts of maladies that may occur. They also distribute medications at the times noted in campers' registration forms.

Generally, if you have an interest or specific skill that you think would be useful at camp and you'd like to spend a week in this holy place, please let me know. There is lots to do to care for our facilities, to offer programming to our campers, and to support the life of camp. Thank you!

Sara Gunter (509-624-3191 ext. 5 or sarag@spokanediocese.org)
Canon for Youth & Family Ministries
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Life Together

Children's Chapel Is Looking for Helpers



Children's Chapel has been tons of fun! During this Easter season the kids will learn about and share the joy of Jesus's resurrection.

We are looking for helpers to lead the occasional session. Lesson plans are pre-prepared. Parents and kids know the ropes and will be happy to guide new

helpers. If you can help, please contact Kristin Keyes (kkeyes@gmail.com).

The kids celebrated the beginning of the Easter season with an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 16. They really enjoyed finding the dozens of eggs hidden around the church and the community garden down the street, and stayed for a while afterward to trade the goodies they found in the eggs!



Esther Mihara was thrilled with her egg hunt loot!

Front row L-R: Lily Mihara, Cora Mihara, Wesley Van Houten; middle row: Nate Wickham, Wallace Van Houten; back row: Ella Wickham, Reese Johnson, Esther Mihara



Women's Guild on Break until September; Movie Night Tuesday, May 9

NOTE: There will not be a regular monthly Women's Guild meeting in May. We also will not meet during the summer months, but will resume monthly meetings in September.

Instead of a meeting there will be a Ladies' Night Out social hour and movie night on Tuesday, May 9, from 5-8 p.m. All women of the church are welcome to attend and bring friends. Details about this event are on p. 9 of this newsletter.

All women of St. Luke's are always welcome to attend any Guild meeting.

Men's Group Meets Tuesday, May 2, at 6 p.m. at Elmer's

St. Luke's Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, May 2, at 6 p.m. at Elmer's Restaurant. All are welcome to attend. The group will be making plans for the Jeff Brooks Memorial Steak Dinner that will be held on Saturday, May 20. See p. 9 of this newsletter for more information on this annual event.

At the April 4 meeting, Men's Group voted to make a \$100 donation to the church in memory of Bob McCroskey, who served as the group's Treasurer for many years. They also voted to donate up to \$200 for upgrades to the sprinkler system in the beds around the parking lot. Men's Group is contemplating having a crab feed in the fall. If you have any thoughts or suggestions about this idea, please contact any member of Men's Group.

John Albee, Co-Chair (208-755-2296)

Paul Vilandr , Co-Chair (208-651-0990)

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Formal Recognitions and Appointments to Various Committees and Teams, and Their Leadership, as Adopted by the Vestry on March 16, 2023

There are an array of committees, groups and teams making possible the flow of ministry and mission of St. Luke's Episcopal Church. From time to time, the Vestry of St. Luke's will recognize and endorse the membership and leadership of these organized groups. Participation in these groups is fluid, and so it is understood that membership and leadership will change. By diocesan canons, the Rector is a visiting and *de facto* member of every group.

There are three committees required in St. Luke's By-Laws. These are as follows, with their current members:

- ◆ Formation (Christian formation, education, and discipleship) – Jill Kalberg, Dave and Lyndi Phifer, Kristin Keyes
- ◆ Finance – Dave Phifer, Kristin Keyes, Annette Knapp, Ian Hicks, Lumarie Lovey, John Empsall, Ann Rule
- ◆ Facilities – Ian Hicks, Debbie Lane, David St. Amand, Ern Warner, Michelle Johnson, John Albee

The following are organized groups and teams that are directly involved in the life, ministry and mission of St. Luke's.

- ◆ Altar Guild – Jo Clifford and Debbie Lane, co-directors
- ◆ Ushers – Ann Rule, 8 a.m. organizer; Chris Thomas, 10 a.m. organizer
- ◆ Children's Chapel – Barbara Webb, organizer
- ◆ Readers and Eucharistic Ministers – Lisa Nunlist, organizer
- ◆ Welcoming Team – Cary Miller, acting organizer
- ◆ Music Ministry – David Gortner, director
- ◆ Acolytes – Kate Dolan, organizer
- ◆ Pastoral Care Team – Jill Kalberg, Dave and Lyndi Phifer, Nan Palmer, Kay Lockhart, Ern Warner
- ◆ Daughters of the King – Jill Kalberg, president
- ◆ Women's Guild / Episcopal Church Women – Barbara Webb, acting president
- ◆ Omega Guild (for receptions, especially at funerals) – Robbyn Thomas, Barbara Webb, Brooke Dunton, Kara Kral
- ◆ Men's Group – John Albee, Paul Vilandr , Al Anderson, Ian Hicks, Chris Thomas, Clark Richman
- ◆ Community Engagement & Outreach – Barbara Webb, current organizer
- ◆ Prayer Chain – Jill Kalberg and Marty Gustafson, coordinators
- ◆ Mid-Week Worship/Prayer – Ern Warner, Jill Kalberg and Lyndi Phifer, co-leaders
- ◆ Endowment & Planned Giving – Ann Rule, Marc Wallace, John Empsall, Lumarie Lovey, Dave Phifer
- ◆ Counters – Karen Skelton, organizer
- ◆ Columbarium – Bill Skelton, Gayne Clifford, Jeff Wickham

Leadership in all organized groups of St. Luke's should cycle and shift periodically. No one should end up locked into a "life term" of leadership in any group. It is important for each group to set a standard for term of leadership, and time between terms of any re-appointment or re-election. It is important as well to describe pathways for developing leadership.



Parishioners enjoyed a lovely coffee hour
— and tulips— after the Easter Sunday
service on April 9.

Marty Gustafson



Fred Meier & Barbara Campbell

Life Together

Become a Greeter



The Welcome Committee is still looking for greeters. The goal is to have 2-3 greeters each Sunday, either singles, couples or families.

Job Description:

- * Arrive at church by 9:40-45 a.m. WEAR NAMETAG.
- * Stand outside by the street or on the steps, or inside in the vestibule or in the reception area.
- * Cheerfully welcome people to St. Luke's.
- * Give them a bulletin and a blue pew card (inside greeters).
- * Invite them to coffee hour.
- * Try to greet them during the Peace.

Contact Cary Miller (208-661-6606 or cjmiller19666@gmail.com) with questions or to volunteer.

Sign Up To Be Coffee Hour Hosts!

We LOVE our time together after the 8 and 10 a.m. services to visit and get to know one another, and when we have a few goodies and coffee to enjoy, it's even better! I encourage you to grab a friend to partner with you to fill one of the *many* vacant coffee hour dates in May and June.

All of the information for set up and clean-up is in the kitchen on the bulletin board between the pass-through windows. As far as the "goodies" keep it simple! Sign up for a Sunday in May or June for this important but fun ministry. I think we all want to see this special ministry continue. Questions? Call Marcia Siring (360-929-1515 or 208-712-3326).



Become an Acolyte!



Adults and children ages six and older are welcome to become acolytes. Serving as an acolyte is a very visible and important ministry in our parish. An acolyte is a servant who assists the deacon and priest to help celebrate liturgies. We would especially love to add a few more adults to our roster! Training is provided.

If you or your child is interested in becoming an acolyte, please contact Kate Dolan (208-640-6522 or kfd819@gmail.com).

SCAM ALERT!

We have learned of a new scam whereby parishioners receive an email from a scammer asking for a copy of the church directory. Scammers use email addresses that look like they could be real, but will not match up precisely to the true email address of the person they impersonate. They then use that personal information to contact church members for gift cards and money.



Before responding to any such email, please first contact Senior Warden Kristin Keyes (kkeyes@gmail.com or 208-260-2683), Parish Administrator Ann Cotroneo (administrator@stlukesda.org or 208-664-5533), or Fr. David (priest@stlukesda.org) to determine if the email is valid.

Anyone who needs a new directory should contact the parish office. Directories are not to be shared by email.

Engaging Community

Reverse Offering

The staff at Spirit Valley Food Bank thanks us for all the food we donated to them in March as it has been hard to keep their shelves full; they feel truly blessed. Our May offerings will go to St. Vincent de Paul.

Questions? Call Jill Kalberg (805-551-4048).



Food for Friends



St. Luke's puts together high calorie, nutritionally dense meal packets for the homeless consisting of canned chili, pasta or tuna, crackers, canned fruit and vegetables, a drink with vitamin C, and a snack for various food banks and programs.

We meet on the third Thursday of each month at noon. Please join us. Donations (nut-free, please) are always welcome!

Family Promise of North Idaho's Annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta

Family Promise of North Idaho is having a Mexican fiesta dinner fundraiser benefiting homeless families in North Idaho. There will also be silent and live auctions. The event will be at the Coeur d'Alene Inn, 506 W. Appleway Ave., on Friday, May 5, from 5:30-9 p.m.

Tickets are \$75 each. Buy tickets online at www.FamilyPromiseNI.org or call 208-777-4190.



St. Luke's Contributes Again to Kiva Micro Loans

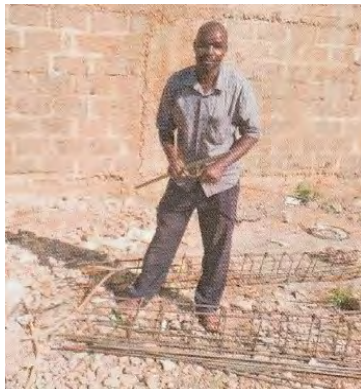


Kiva is an international non-profit organization with a mission to provide loans to people in parts of the world with limited access to banking services. They do this by crowd-funding loans with different organizations contributing small amounts to one larger

loan. Through Kiva's work, students can pay for tuition, women can start businesses, farmers are able to invest in equipment or livestock, and families can afford needed emergency care.



Maribeth with her livestock.



John on a construction site.

St. Luke's recently contributed to two new Kiva loans. The original \$200 we donated to Kiva over 15 years ago, has been loaned out again and again, 53 times in 19 different countries. Our two newest loans are going to Maribeth in the Philippines to buy feed and other supplies to feed her livestock, and to John in Kenya, who is a foreman in the construction industry.

We encourage members of Saint Luke's to participate in the Kiva loan program. You may make a donation to St. Luke's and designate it to Kiva. You may also go to www.kiva.org and make your own loan with as little as \$25. You and your family will enjoy selecting a special person for your donation. If anyone would ever like to make a contribution to our Kiva fund, see Ann in the office.



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Sunday Service Times—Holy Eucharist

Holy Eucharist Rite I 8 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II & Children's Chapel 10 a.m.

10 a.m. services will also be live-streamed online via the Zoom platform and on Facebook Live.

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