



BRINGING YOU GOOD NEWS Luke 2:10

SEPTEMBER 2023

Reflections with Your Rector

Greetings, everyone! What a joy and blessing it has been to me, to be completing five years with you as your vicar and rector.

Here we come toward the end of summer, and the beginning of the school year. I hope we have all enjoyed rest, refreshment and renewal of energy this summer. I love hearing about your adventures and seeing your Facebook postings.

We say, "Thank you, God!" for the cooler summer weather and the rain that has begun to return, and for an end in sight to the fires across the Inland Northwest. Let us give thanks for all firefighters, forest workers, and agencies helping people and animals displaced by the fires here and everywhere – and let us pray for those who have lost their homes, and for all who have died or lost loved ones.

God bless our schools. All of you who are students and teachers, we are cheering for you and holding you in prayer for a good school year. Let's all pray with deep thanks and deep care for all teachers and school leaders, librarians and coaches, cafeteria and grounds workers, at all schools in our area, pre-school through college. We especially hold North Idaho College in our prayers. St. Luke's is joining with the Cd'A Chamber of Commerce in contributing to "goody bags" for our Cd'A teachers – a travel mug that reminds teachers of their most important gifts to children, with our church's name on the mug as well.

Welcome to the Rev. Mary Ayers! Many of you have already had the chance to meet and talk with Rev. Mary. She joins us part-time as Associate Priest for Christian Formation and Discipleship. She is already working with our folks to bring fresh energy and enrichment to our Children's Chapel. We look forward to our families returning from summer activities to join together in making Children's Chapel a joyful time of meeting Jesus, learning together, and exploring our faith in God together. Rev. Mary will also work with me and with others on strengthening our formation and discipleship for adults – but her first important work is with our families with children. Read more about Rev. Mary on p. 9.

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COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER'S REVERSE OFFERING WILL GO TO SPIRIT VALLEY FOOD BANK

- September 3—Church in the Park, Riverside Harbor Gazebo, 10 a.m.
- September 5—Women's Guild, 1 p.m.; Men's Group, 6 p.m. at Elmer's
- September 12—Men's Study Group, 6-7 p.m.
- September 17—Welcome Back Sunday gathering, 8:45-9:45 a.m.
- September 21—Daughters of the King, 11 a.m. in the Alison Library; Vestry meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- September 23—Housing Resource Fair, McEuen Park, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Beloved Community Working Group, 10-11 a.m. on Zoom
- September 26—Beloved Community Working Group, 7-8 p.m. on Zoom
- September 30—Diocesan NE Regional Gathering Day, St. Luke's
- October 3—Women's Guild, 1 p.m., Men's Group, 6 p.m. at Elmer's
- October 8—Blessing of the Animals
- October 14—St. Lukangelo's Italian Dinner, 4:30-6 p.m.
- October 15—Feast of St. Luke
- October 19—Daughters of the King, 11 a.m. in the Alison Library; Vestry meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- October 20-22—59th Annual Diocesan Convention, Wenatchee Convention Center

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Growing in Christ. As we look ahead to this year, we seek to continue growing in our prayer and worship, our learning together, our creating a loving community together, and our service and witness to Christ in our towns and cities where we live. A vibrant Christian community shares in all these things – and all these things shape and form each one of us as followers of Christ Jesus.

What are your next steps in nurturing and strengthening your faith? How will you stretch in new ways this year? Dive in to life more with St. Luke's! Here are just a few of the ways you can nurture your life in Christ—

Worship – Come regularly to pray, sing, learn, and receive. Become a reader. Serve as an usher, greeter, acolyte, or altar guild helper. Join the choir or bring your instrument.

Learn – Join a book group, bible study, or faith-and-life discussion group. Form a group of your own. Come together to watch “Great Courses” videos on Christian faith and history. Practice ways to share your faith in prayer, service, and courageous conversations with others here.

Share Life – Come to coffee hour. Be a greeter. Help people connect with each other. Get to know others you haven't yet spent time with. Host a coffee hour. Invite some folks to share a lunch or dinner. Bless and pray for each other, by name. Give a call, or send a card, email, or text to someone in the church.

Act and Give – Put yourself out into the wider world. Join a project that serves and helps others. Go to public gatherings and meetings, as a follower of Christ. Help build purposeful partnerships with other churches and organizations. Invest yourself – time, talents, and treasure – in this church and in ways of serving the world around us.

I am so grateful for the energy, creativity, and spiritual desire that motivates so many of you to lead, participate in, and help shape our life together at St. Luke's. I look forward to seeing what we create together through this year – entering my sixth year with you. And I encourage each of you to find ways to increase your involvement and enrich your faith as we continue to engage together in deliberate discipleship, courageous conversations, purposeful partnerships, and authentic action here and in our towns and cities, to share the boundless love of Jesus.

Mark your calendars. Mark your calendars for some special services this Fall!

September 3 — annual **Church in the Park in the Riverside Harbor neighborhood** of Post Falls, celebrating the ending of the summer season this Labor Day Weekend. Children and adults – students and workers alike – bring your backpacks and briefcases and work satchels for a blessing!

September 10 — at the beginning of the service, we will remember those who died on 9/11 and sing a national hymn.

September 17 — “**Welcome Back Sunday,**” with a shared coffee hour buffet and fellowship time between services, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m.

September 23 (Saturday) — St. Luke's will have a booth at the **Housing Resource Fair** in McEuen Park from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. I welcome helpers!

September 30 (Saturday) — St. Luke's will host the diocesan **Regional Gathering Day** for northeast congregations. We need helpers to provide lunch, snacks, and hospitality.

October 8 — annual **Blessing of the Animals and Celebration of Creation**, at Henry and Debbie Lane's home. Bring your pets for blessing, and goodies to share.

October 15 — celebration of the **Feast of St. Luke**, with prayers for healing and for all who work in healthcare and mental health.

October 20-22 — **Diocesan Convention**, so worship that Sunday will be led by those who are not attending the Convention in Wenatchee.

Christ Jesus be with you all and guide your steps!

Fr. David

Prayer & Worship

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Clark Richman	13 Ward King
2 Brian Kilmer	15 Madeline Hennig
2 Barbara Webb	16 Henry Lane
5 Jim Curtis	18 Dave Palmer
5 Marty Gustafson	25 Barbara D. Lee
10 David Pratt	26 Eleanor McAlpine
12 Jo Clifford	29 Janet Anderson



ANNIVERSARIES

1 Karen & Bill Skelton
5 Farley & Tom Green
7 Melinda & Jeff Hennig
30 Cathy & Art Boysen

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 — Barbara Webb, Chris and Robbyn Thomas, Sean Whelan, Daniel Brooks, Walt Siring, Dan Dolan, Andre Smith, Claudia, Jo, Julian Wheeler, John McTear, Michael Fain, John Albee, David Brooks, Jane Brooks, Lynn Curry, Eric Paavola, Ruth Ann Jones, Beverly Jordan, Mary Kay Hanson, Martha Vilandr , Hal Worth, Bill Watt, Kenneth Smith, Carl Vanslyke, Christine Benson, Mike Magura, Catalina Rose, Marilyn Otto, Carol Owren, Weston Nishimura, Lois Harbaugh, Karen Gillenwater, Richard Doney, Jamie Ziegler, Jane Jackson

Memorial Service — Robert Hoffman, John McCurry

Repose of the Soul — Dennis Guldin

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

September 3: **Church of the Redeemer**, Republic

We pray for the mission and ministry of Redeemer, Republic. We also give thanks for the birthday of The Rev. Jerome Bonneville (9/9).

September 10: **West Central Abbey**, Spokane

We pray for the mission and ministry of West Central Abbey, Spokane. We also give thanks for the birthday of The Revs. Katy Shedlock (9/14) and David Hacker (9/16).

September 17: **St. Matthew's**, Prosser

We pray for the mission and ministry of St. Matthew's, Prosser.

September 24: **Regional Gathering Days**

We give thanks and pray for all attending the fall gathering day in each of the four regions and pray for effective communication and sharing of ideas. We also give thanks for the birthday of The Rev. Mary Ayers (10/1).

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



A Prayer for St. Luke's Students and Teachers

O Eternal God, bless all schools, colleges, and universities, that they may be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom; and grant that those who teach and those who learn, especially St. Luke's teachers and professors Karen Adams, Melinda Hennig, Melissa Kilmer & Rachel Karns, and college students Julia, Alex & Andrew Karns, Cassie Gortner, Charlotte Hennig, Clare Dolan & Matthew Vilandr , may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Based on "Prayer for Schools and Colleges," from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer

Prayer & Worship

Church in the Park in Post Falls on September 3 at 10 a.m.



We will have a Church in the Park service on Sunday, September 3, at 10 a.m. in Post Falls at the Riverside Harbor neighborhood's little gazebo park. We have had wonderful services the past several years in this neighborhood where some of our members live (including the Albees), and we look forward to a lively and meaningful worship experience together for this Labor Day Weekend.

The 8 a.m. service will be held in the nave as usual on this date.

Please bring your own chairs to the service. St. Luke's Men's Group has arranged for a porta-potty to be available at the park during the service. Refreshments will be served after the service.

For directions to the park, see p. 8 of this newsletter, or click [here](#).

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.

Praise Dance



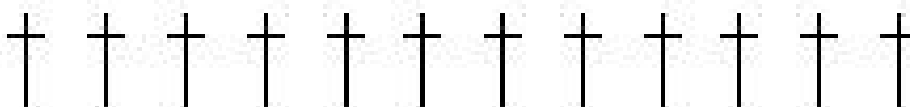
Praise Dance, taught by Lyndi Phifer, is offered at church on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. You can direct questions to Lyndi at lyndiphifer@icloud.com. All ages are welcome.

Learning Opportunities

Tending the Vine Monthly Zoom Series Resumes Thursday, September 7

All are invited to attend this free series, which takes place on the first Thursday evening of each month from 7 -8 p.m. The next session will be on Thursday, September 7, and the topic will be "Being Surprised by Jesus."

If you need the Zoom link, call the diocesan office at 509-624-3191 or email Administrative Assistant Jeremy Armstrong at jeremya@spokanediocese.org.



Learning Opportunities

Who Is This Jesus?

Biblical Windows for Followers and Seekers of Christ

Please read the passage below, 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.

Mark 10:35-52 – Jesus asks a question twice

In this passage from the Gospel of Mark, we find different people approaching Jesus with a desire. Jesus asks the same question, twice. Pay attention to what Jesus asks each time, and how he responds differently to each request.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

- ◆ How do you come to Jesus? What is the desire of your heart that you bring?
- ◆ What is different between how James and John approach Jesus, and how Bartimaeus approaches Jesus?
- ◆ Jesus asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" Can you speak aloud what you want of Jesus? Enter the conversation with Jesus.
- ◆ In your community of faith, how do you approach Jesus and each other?

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.

Learning Opportunities

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



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.

Sacred Ground Series Concludes in September



Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. The remaining sessions will take place on Zoom on September 2 & 16. Register online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqdeCvpjMoHNIq6nMPv33P7wk3BNP2eQ5y>.

Beloved Community Working Group Offers Open Space for Stories and Feedback

Join a listening session during which members of the diocese share how they have and are responding to racism. The goal is to learn from each other by hearing what has worked well and what has not. The Beloved Community Working Group will gather participants' good advice, as well as offer suggestions and provide resources, as it learns how to better support racial equity work.

Join in Saturday, September 23, from 10-11 a.m., or Tuesday, September 26, from 7-8 p.m., using the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84738213492?pwd=UOp4NERtQ3ZUc2M3bDhmeFBpVHkxZz09>.

Meeting ID: 847 3821 3492 and Passcode: 3865

Learn more about the Beloved Community Working Group at <https://www.spokanediocese.org/Ministries/beloved-community.html#qsc.tab=0>.

Book Studies at St. Luke's

- ***Picturing God***, by Ann Belford Ulanov, demonstrates the importance of confronting our unconscious selves and allowing our images of God — both positive and negative — to surface. Contact Jill Kalberg (jill.kalberg@gmail.com or 805-551-4048) for more information. **Wednesday afternoons at 1 p.m.**



- ***Preparing for War; The Extremist History of White Christian Nationalism – and What Comes Next***, by Bradley Onishi. Onishi is a respected podcaster, author and scholar whose teen years were spent in an evangelical movement that became cult-like. His book analyzes the origins of White Christian Nationalism, and especially its impact here in North Idaho. Contact Ian Hicks (ianhicks@icloud.com or 714-742-3412) for more information. **Wednesday afternoons at 4 p.m.**

If you are interested in being part of these book studies, sign up on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Watch the Friday Memo emails for more information on schedules and new book selections. Fr. David also encourages everyone to read from the diocese's scriptural meditations, "Who Is This Jesus?" (see p. 5).

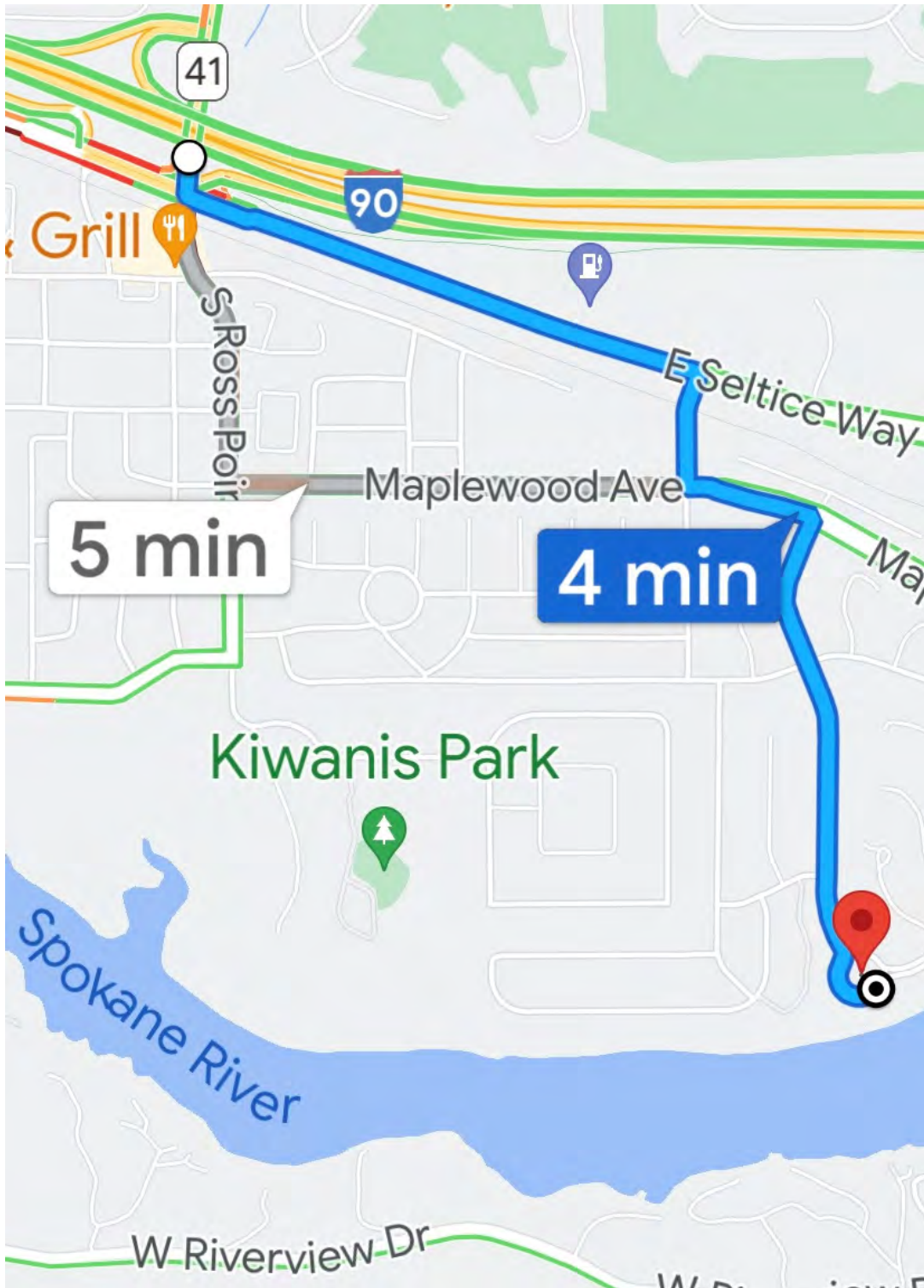
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Directions to Riverside Harbor Gazebo Park

- From offramp from I-90 westbound and Highway 41, turn right to head south on ID-41 toward E Seltice Way. Then turn left onto E Seltice Way.
- In 0.7 miles, turn right onto N Cedar St .
- In 0.1 miles, turn left onto Maplewood Ave.
- In 0.1 miles, turn right onto Riverside Harbor Dr. The park will be on your left in 0.6 miles.



Learning Opportunities

Diocesan Northeast Regional Gathering Day, Saturday, September 30, at St. Luke's

The Diocesan Northeast Regional Gathering Day will be held on Saturday, September 30, here at St. Luke's, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Regional gathering days are open to all members of the Episcopal Diocese of Spokane. Gatherings are focused on coming together as a learning community, for fellowship, inspiration and conversation about the work of the church. Those in leadership positions are specially encouraged to participate. Convention delegates and alternates are required to attend. Watch for more information to come from the Diocese and in the weekly Friday email.

Life Together

St. Luke's Welcomes The Rev. Mary Ayers, Associate Priest for Christian Formation & Discipleship

St. Luke's is delighted to welcome The Rev. Mary Ayers as Associate Priest for Christian Formation & Discipleship. Rev. Mary will act as a catalyst, convener, energizer, collaborative direction-setter, and "empowerer"/ trainer for formation and discipleship for all ages, with initial primary focus on children and families.



Rev. Mary obtained her theological education at Gonzaga University as well as through local formation. She was ordained a priest in 2016 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Spokane, where she previously served for five years as the Sunday School Superintendent. Rev. Mary served as Rector of The Episcopal Church of the Nativity in Lewiston from June 2018 to January 2019. Rev. Mary also has extensive experience as an administrative professional. For the last four years, she has served primarily as a supply priest, preaching and presiding at Eucharist in many congregations throughout the Northeast Region.

In addition to her priestly work, Rev. Mary has a full-time secular position, working as an administrative professional with the Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families in the Spokane Child Care Licensing office.

Baking is one of Rev. Mary's favorite hobbies and she especially enjoys baking "old fashioned" recipes from vintage cookbooks. She also loves her role as Auntie to her two nephews, Eamon (aged 12) and Henry (aged 14). With their Aunt Mary, they have enjoyed visiting antique and vintage shops, watching Lon Chaney movies, indulging in tea parties and candy making.

Rev. Mary is an animal lover and shares her home with her beloved Ragdoll cat, Thomas.

You can reach Rev. Mary at associate@stlukesca.org or 509-413-6597.

Vestry Highlights

MEETING OF AUGUST 17, 2023

St. Luke's will host the Diocesan NE Regional Gathering Day on September 30.

Good Stewards: Women's Guild, Men's Group and the Lane Family for their assistance with landscaping and sprinklers; Gordon Radford, Jeff Hennig, Lumarie Lovey & Chris Thomas for conducting the financial audit of the church.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 21, at 5:30 p.m. in the Alison Library. All are welcome to attend.

Life Together

Women's Guild Monthly Meetings Resume Tuesday, September 5, at 1 p.m.

Women's Guild will meet on Tuesday, September 5, at 1 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We want as many of you as possible to join us.

It is important to know that this meeting time for future meetings will not necessarily be the same. That is one of the key things we will be discussing! We want future gatherings to be relevant for *ALL* of our current and future members! Bring your ideas, your hopes, and your dreams for a Women's Guild that is *YOUR* guild, not anyone else's!

Questions? Call Marcia Siring at 208-712-3326.

Men's Group Meets on Tuesday, September 5, at 6 p.m. at Elmer's

St. Luke's Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, September 5, at 6 p.m. at Elmer's Restaurant. All are welcome.

The annual favorite St. Lukangelo's Italian Dinner will take place on Saturday, October 14, from 4:30-6 p.m. The cost will be \$10 for adults, and kids 12 and under free. Donations accepted. Stay tuned for more details!

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

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

Men's Study Group, Tuesday, September 12, 6 p.m.



Join us for a light meal and refreshments in the hall at 6 p.m. on September 12 for camaraderie and discussion. As our Diocese is focusing on how we can better address the needs of our communities, this month we would like to continue highlighting St. Luke's men and how their faith journey impacts them in support of our community. We are asking participants to discuss their life journey and how their faith and integrity has benefitted them; helped them in their community service; and challenges they faced.

Please RSVP to Dave Phifer (425-387-2881 or n801dp@gmail.com) or Ian Hicks (714-742-3412 or ianhicks@icloud.com) so we can cater correctly. A \$5-\$10 donation is suggested to support the cost of dinner and refreshments.

Welcome Back Sunday: September 17 between Services

Summer is winding down (sigh!) and school and church activities will be warming up. Mark your calendars for St. Luke's *Welcome Back Sunday* on September 17 from 8:45-9:45 a.m. Food will be served and you'll have a chance to chat with your church friends and maybe meet some new ones! Sponsored by the Welcoming Committee. See you there!



Sign Up To Be a Coffee Hour Host! "Many Hands Make Light Work"



I'll be putting the schedule for the upcoming quarter on the bulletin board very soon. I *beg* you to please sign up. Even better if you grab another parishioner to sign up with you and divide the food preparation/purchasing and duties. Food does not have to be anything elaborate. Keep it simple!

Instructions are posted in the kitchen. Any questions please call Marcia Siring (208-712-3326).

Life Together

Thanks for Wearing Your Name Tag



THANKS to everyone for wearing your name tags regularly.

If you have difficulty finding your name tag on a Sunday morning, ask a greeter or usher for assistance. If you need a new name tag, there is a bright pink sign-up sheet on the desk in the reception area.

Camp Cross 2023 Is a Wrap!

St. Luke's had campers — and an entire family — at Camp Cross during late July. Lily Mihara, 12, and her cousin Mallory both attended Mid High Camp from July 23-28. Dan Dolan, 17, attended Senior High Camp from July 30-August 5, and was joined by his parents, Kate & Mike, and his sister Clare, 21, who all volunteered during the session.

St. Luke's had 9 campers (plus three cousins!), one counselor, two resource personnel, and three volunteers attending and serving at Camp Cross this season. A great time was had by all!



Mid High Camp. Lily Mihara is in the third row, fourth from right.



Senior High Camp. Dan Dolan is in the second row, fifth from left.



Dan Dolan, 17, attended Senior High Camp.



Clare Dolan (right) performed in a skit during the Senior High variety show. Clare also worked in the kitchen during the session.



Kate Dolan taking a break from kitchen duty.



Mike & Kate Dolan in the kitchen.

Life Together

A Poem by the late Rev. Marj Denniston, St. Luke's Priest Emerita

Come Holy Spirit come to us
 Come as the wind and cleanse us
 Come as the fire and burn
 Come as the dew and refresh
 Convict, convert and consecrate
 Our hearts and lives
 To our great good
 And your greater glory
 We ask in Christ's name
 and in Christ's love.

Amen

Submitted by parishioner Marty Gustafson

Annual Summer Church in the Park Service Was Enjoyed by All

A wonderful time was had by all at the annual service in Coeur d'Alene City Park on July 30, which was followed by a potluck lunch featuring delicious fried chicken provided by St. Luke's Men's Group.



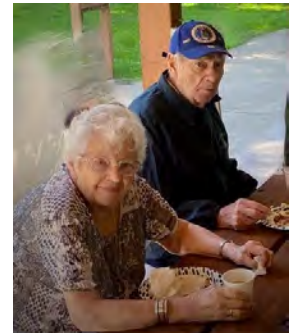
Fr. David & Deacon Glenda celebrate the Eucharist.



Deacon Glenda greets attendees.



Ginger & Ken Wright..



Barbara Campbell & Fred Meier.



The Mihara Family. L-R: Esther, Cora, Lily, Jen & Kinzo.



Lay reader Lisa Nunlist.



Fr. David chats with Matthew Gardner over lunch, as Cary Miller, Farley Green & Jonathan Sedgwick look on.



Jeff Wickham and his kids Ella (11) & Nate (8). Jeff played the keyboard during the service.

Life Together

Madeline Hennig Returns to Rome for Final Six Months of Young Adult Service Corps Placement

Parishioner Madeline Hennig returned to Rome, Italy on August 28 to complete the final six months of her two-year placement with the Episcopal Church's Young Adult Service Corps (YASC) at St. Paul's Within the Walls Church and its mission, the Joel Nafuma Refugee Center (JNRC). Madeline was able to be home in Coeur d'Alene for much of the summer. She has a blog about her YASC service at <https://madelineinrome.wordpress.com/>.

On Sunday, August 27, Madeline spoke to the congregation about her time at St. Paul's and the refugee center (excerpt below). Fr. David then blessed Madeline and her continuing mission with YASC and St. Paul's.

St. Paul's recently celebrated its 150th anniversary and is the first non-Catholic church built within the city walls of Rome. I've been serving there for over a year helping with communications, administration, and events. I'm so grateful for the support I have received from members of St. Luke's.

I help organize different ministries for the church, including a weekly prayer service with a shared meal together and the young adult ministry. The weekly prayer and meal is one of my favorite things about St. Paul's. Usually around 8-20 people come and a volunteer makes a meal, sometimes a meal from their home country. Rome has many people coming in and out of the city who may be there for a couple of months or up to a couple of years. It is difficult to say goodbye to so many people that made St. Paul's so special, but I get to meet new people all the time, and it is so exciting to experience the gifts they bring. I'm looking forward to meeting new people who arrive to St. Paul's in the fall when I lead the young adult ministry.

One of the most interesting parts of my placement has been working at the Joel Nafuma Refugee Center, or JNRC. Refugees come from all over the world in search of a better life. Because of Italy's geography, there are many asylum seekers that arrive by boat, and they have to apply for refugee status in Italy unless they have family in another European country. With so many arriving in Italy, it is important that they receive help that the government can't help them with yet. Through word of mouth, refugees and asylum seekers come to the JNRC and receive supplies, language courses, legal and job search help, and many other services. In August 2022, we introduced a women and children's room, which has brought in many more women because they feel more comfortable there.

Within the past couple of months, I have helped implement a refugee grant program for different parishes throughout Europe, including all Episcopal churches throughout Europe as well as the Church of England, Spanish Reformed Church, Church of Sweden, and others. Several churches have been inspired by the refugee center in Rome and want

to start refugee ministries in their own parishes. I plan on working more with the grant program when I return.

I am always there on Sundays, either recording the Sunday services or serving as an acolyte or reader. I encourage you to look up St. Paul's Within the Walls on Facebook and YouTube (<https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsWithintheWalls> and <https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulswithin>). The JNRC Facebook page is at <https://www.facebook.com/JoelNafumaRefugeeCenter>.

If you are interested in donating to St. Paul's or JNRC, you can visit <https://www.stpaulsrome.it/donate/> or <https://www.jnrc.it/donate>.



Fr. David blessed Madeline and commissioned her for the final stretch of her YASC service.

Life Together

Rachel Wickham Joins Acolyte Team — and You Can, Too!



On Sunday, August 6, Rachel Wickham, at right in photo, made her acolyting debut alongside her daughter, Ella. Ella, 11, is a seasoned pro and showed her mom the ropes!

Adults and children ages six and older are welcome to become acolytes, 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 would like to become an acolyte, please contact Kate Dolan (kfd819@gmail.com or 208-640-6522).

“Be present to me, Lord Jesus and grant that I may faithfully and loyally serve you in love and that my service as acolyte today may be offered in your name to God’s glory. Amen.”

Where in the World Is St. Luke?



Clare Dolan outside St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Buffalo, WY.



On the second day of their three-day road trip back to the University of Arkansas in mid-August, Clare and Kate Dolan spotted St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in the small town of Buffalo, Wyoming. Naturally, they stopped to snap some photos of the beautiful building with the classic red doors.

Later that day, Kate discovered that there’s another St. Luke’s in Buffalo — St. Luke’s Lutheran Church! Alas, she didn’t get a photo, but Google provided one.

If you see St. Luke anywhere on your own travels, please send Newsletter Editor Kate Dolan a photo and share your story at kfd819@gmail.com.



St. Luke’s Lutheran Church in Buffalo, WY.

Engaging Community

Reverse Offering

The ABC Food Bank in Athol gratefully accepted the bounty of our offerings made during July. September offerings will go to Spirit Valley Food Bank in Spirit Lake.

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



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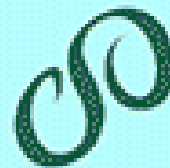
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Sunday Service Times—Holy Eucharist

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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