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## Rector's Corner: Giving - The Hallmark of Discipleship

Dear Friends in Christ,



Hallmarks - a series of marks on precious metals - have been used in western civilization since the 1300s. The word itself is from the 15th century when craftsmen went to Goldsmiths Hall in London to have their products analyzed and marked, a practice that continues today. There are three elements in a hallmark, two of which are of particular interest for our consideration: the maker's mark and the purity mark which declares the quality of the metal. For disciples, giving is a "maker's mark," because, when we give a part of what God has entrusted to us, we acknowledge that God is the ultimate owner of all we have. Secondly, our giving is the "purity mark," since it can reveal the quality of our financial discipleship.

Giving begins with receiving – the experience of grace. In his extended teaching on giving in his second letter to the Corinthians, Paul

never once uses the normal Greek word for money. Instead, he uses at least fifteen different Greek expressions, the most common being *charis*, the word for grace. For example, Paul speaks about 'the grace of giving' in 2 Cor 8:7 when he challenges the Corinthians to match the generosity of the churches of Macedonia. For Paul, their poverty, their joyful, sacrificial generosity, and obedience to the apostles are signs of God's grace at work. Interestingly, he does not talk about the *amount* they gave but of the nature of *the grace that was given to* 



them (2 Cor 8:1–3). Thus, giving becomes the hallmark of discipleship since it bears the maker's mark of grace – our recognition of God first giving to us.

But how much are we to give? Because giving acknowledges God's ultimate ownership of all we have, our giving must be a life-style priority. To be truly biblical it must be from our "first fruits." This kind of giving can help release us from the chains of materialism and consumerism. When Jesus said, for where you treasure is there your heart will be also (Matt 6:21) he was teaching that money not only reveals our hearts but also shapes them. The discipline of giving draws us closer to Jesus and releases us spiritually in many areas. When we give freely and generously, we can sense that we are co-operating with God in God's mission and enter more deeply into "the joy of the Master" (Matt 25:21).

Casual, low-level, un-prioritized and unplanned giving fails to do this and can have little lasting meaning. Such giving lacks the character of the manifold grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who gave all things for us (2 Cor 8:9). To quote Henry Drucker:

Trivial giving ...does not diminish our pool of self-regard embodied in our material wealth. The only way to do that is to give in a way which is calculated to have a major effect. This must be, for each of us, a large gift. Such giving is difficult. In this act we disenthrall ourselves by overcoming our slavery to possessions. We demonstrate that there are values in the world more important to us than our own selfish aggrandizement. True giving is an act of self-liberation. It becomes one of the major achievements of our life.

Our gifts, then, must be in proportion to all God has given to us (Deut 16:17; 2 Cor 8:12). Some call this "sacrificial giving." Others call it "sacramental giving." But whatever we call it, it must be something that genuinely makes a difference in our lives. If at the end of the week or month, someone returned to us what we have given in this way, cash in hand, would it make a material difference to us? That measure tells us if we are giving of ourselves – or merely from our excess.

The heartbeat of our *Annual Membership Campaign* is a vision of the kind of transforming generosity that forms an integral part of our discipleship as we resource our role in God's mission within our community. Our reflection starts with what Dan Hardy calls 'the generative generosity of God.' There is no contradiction between the needs of the poor and the concerns of worship. The generosity of God's people can readily accommodate both, since the two go hand in hand. Genuine experiences of grace that we have in worship can lead us to genuine love and care for others (Deut 14:28-29).

God desires us to be more greatly conformed to the image of Jesus daily. While humans are often selfish or self-seeking, giving sacrificially is a significant way in which we can be transformed into the image of Jesus, who gave everything for us. In this way, we fulfill our duty as Christ's disciples by reflecting his life – his total, self-giving love – to the world.

With you as a pilgrim on The Way, I remain faithfully

David +

## Stewardship: And of thine own have we given thee



So here's the thing. If we see stewardship as simply getting in the money, then giving is about methods, novel and familiar, of parting reluctant givers from their money. Mercifully, leadership and discipleship in the body of Christ is richer than that. Giving is not a tip

we offer to God for spiritual services rendered. It is not a tax on church life: pay as you pray. It is not even about "the tithe." To give generously is to be caught up in the overflow of God's grace since, when we give, we reflect the nature of God in God's self. The goal of stewardship is not simply to Fiscal Year 2023 to Present Some Unique obtain the gift but to nurture the giver.

Obviously, the bible is filled with important ideas about giving. Here are a few of the more notable examples. In Deuteronomy 26:1-15, a farmer brings the first fruits of his crops to the priest to set before the altar. The land that produces his crops and feeds his herds is given by God (vv. 1, 4, 9 and 11). It is owned by God (Psalm 24:1; Lev. 25:23, Hag. 2:8) but promised and given to God's people. It is a rich land, flowing with milk and honey, and the farmer is to "rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given..." (Deut. 26:11; Psalm 104). That is why Paul tells us that God has given stuff for us to enjoy (1 Tim. 6:17). This is why each Sunday, at the offertory, we say, "All things come of thee, O God and of thine own have we given thee" (1 Chron. 29:14).

Giving is one way in which we remember that what we possess belongs to God and is entrusted to our care. A French proverb says, "gratitude is the heart's memory." So each time we give, we remember that what we keep and all we have is a gift from God. The point of giving of the first fruits and of the Old Testament practice of tithing is to remind us of who is the true owner and giver of all things. But if giving is to help us remember the Giver, then what we give must be serious, generous, and meaningful, - we cannot give to God that which costs us nothing (2 Sam. 24:24). So, there is no

place for casual, thoughtless, giving. Giving that expresses gratitude and reminds us that what we have is a gift from God must, the bible says, be a priority for us and a gift in proportion to what God has given to us (Deut. 16:17; 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 8:7).

The gift of God creates an obligation for us to act justly with our wealth. Scarcity and poverty can be offensive to a God whose hallmark is abundance (Prov. 14:31,17:5; Amos 2:6-8; Mal. 3:4-5). So, for Israel, the law commanded that every

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fifty years, a "Year of Jubilee" should be proclaimed when debts were cancelled, economic slaves were released, the taking of inter- capacity to raise the revenue needed to sustain our mission and to thrive in est was forbidden, and limits were placed on security taken for our ministries. loans. Similarly, every three years, the annual tithe was to be shared with the priest and the refugee, the poor and the defenseless. For their part, the prophets continually thunder against injustice to the poor because these laws were intended to redeem and restore God's gift of land to all God's people, not just the wealthy

Returning to Deuteronomy 26, the farmer makes his gift in the place of worship speaking aloud what God has done for him and for Israel. Here, giving is more than a personal commitment – it is a shared act of worship since we travel together as God's people. Moreover, giving is fundamentally an element of our Christian witness: what we give speaks about what has been Giving is more than a personal commitment – it is a shared act of worship since we travel together as God's people. given to us – individually and as a people - in the grace and the gift of God. It is no accident that, each Sunday, directly on the plate or indirectly through the bank, we make our gifts together in worship as we celebrate the saving grace of God.

It has been said that Martin Luther believed we needed three

conversions: of the heart, of the head, and of the wallet - and that the last was the test of the sincerity of the first two. The rich, biblical word "steward" means that we own nothing but enjoy all; that we give generously but also save and spend, budget and borrow responsibly; that we have a passion for social justice and concern and care for God's creation. More than merely meeting specific needs, generous giving is the hallmark – the test – of the faithfulness and accountability to which each of us as stewards is called (2 Cor. 4:2; Luke 16:1-15).

# Challenges



The next year will present us with some unique challenges. Take for instance, the need to provide clergy services for the parish when Father Zwifka takes sabbatical leave this spring (mid-April to mid-July). You may not realize it, but our rector has been with us

for over seven years (September 1, 2015)! In our diocese, clergy are encouraged to take a sabbatical leave (3 months) after five years of service. Sabbaticals are not rewards for a job well done or an extended vacation. Rather, they are designed to be a time apart to study, reflect, pray, rest, and recharge so that upon return, clergy can find the inspiration they need to lead us to a deeper commitment to the mission of God in our community. At the same time, clergy sabbaticals are also "parish sabbaticals" that allow for a time of deeper prayer, reflection, and re-tooling concerning our own commitments to that same mission.

Vestry recently approved Father Zwifka's sabbatical leave and decided to provide a subsidy to assist in the expenses involved. Over and above that, however, the parish needs to provide for the services of clergy leadership in his absence. Negotiations are underway now to determine just how we will configure our work over those three months. All of this will have an impact on our parish budget for 2023.

The church's canons also require that cost of living adjustments be made to the salaries of church personnel. In the Diocese of Bethlehem, this is tied to the consumer price index (rate of inflation). This means that there will be an increase in personnel costs in 2023 that we have not faced in quite some time. It goes without saying that other costs associated with our mission will likewise increase.

Our finance committee helps vestry monitor our spending carefully. Rest assured that the parish strives to use every dollar given to St. Luke's efficiently and in support of the mission of the Church. However, as is true for all of us, the only element that is totally in our control is the

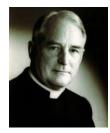


# History Notes: St. Luke's Sixth **Rector: Arlington Aice** McCallum Part III

by Terry Heisey

McCallum was happy at St. Luke's. It

was just the kind of "high church" parish that fed his soul. But on Sept. 29, 1923, his mentor James Edward Freeman, under whom he began his ministry in Minneapolis, was elected Bishop of Washington [DC], and he began soliciting McCallum to come to the signature high church parish of his diocese and one of the most celebrated Anglo-Catholic parishes of the country, St. Paul's at Washington Circle. McCallum tendered his resignation to St. Luke's Vestry on Dec. 11, 1923, effective Mar. 1, 1924. In his farewell sermon on Feb. 24, 1924, "he did not devote much time to saying good-bye, but used the best part of his sermon in talking of the importance of building up the church membership at St. Luke's. He referred to the national conservatism of the Episcopal church, its glorious traditional history, and the attitude In the church of my youth, at St. Luke's of past years, and most taken by its members today, using these conditions to stress the importance of doing real local missionary work in the parish. In a few well chosen words at the close of the sermon he expressed his appreciation of the splendid treatment he received in Lebanon, not only at the hands of church members but from individuals and organization throughout the city." He left Lebanon immediately and assumed his duties at St. Paul's on Mar. 1, but as his wife had recently given birth the rest of the family stayed in Lebanon for several months.



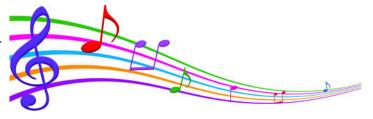
McCallum served as rector of St. Paul's for 25 years until his retirement in 1949. Among of private confessions (1932), first Vestry (1935), Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in place of Devotions (1935), first sung Lita-

ny by choir in procession before Eucharist (1937), and first Midnight Easter Mass (1945). But his greatest accomplishment was the erection of the present church building on K Street in 1945-1948. The parish was forced to move when its original building was condemned by the Federal Government for the construction of George Washington University Hospital in 1944. The new building was dedicated on July 18, 1948, and McCallum felt free to retire, taking the position of Rector Emeritus, in 1949.

Soon afterward, an active member of St. Vincent's (Acolytes) Guild at St. Luke's named Lowell Miller began service in the US Army in Washington DC. He was drawn to the liturgy at St. Paul's K Street and began acolyte ministry there under the tutelage of someone with hometown ties, Fr. Arlington McCallum. Miller served for 35 years as Master of Acolytes at St. Paul's and 22 years on the Vestry as Chairman of the Building Committee before retiring to Cornwall Manor and bringing his St. Paul's training back to St. Luke's as Master of Acolytes here in 1998. Thus, 80 years after leaving St. Luke's McCallum once again shaped our parish liturgy through Lowell Miller as we entered a new century.

Arlington McCallum died on Feb. 4, 1958, at the US Soldiers' Home in Washington DC of heart failure during a bout of pneumonia. He was buried with military honors at Arlington National Cemetery. His widow died in 1978. People at St. Paul's remember McCallum as stern, a "heavy-handed" administrator, a clear counselor, a wise confessor, and a distinctive preacher bringing the pulpit but stood at the center of the chancel to deliver his fined to one day a year.

sermons. He had a love of liturgy and ministry to the inner city. The pulpit and high altar of St. Paul's, as well as a window portraying St. Michael the Archangel, are dedicated in his



#### **Music Notes: Now Thank We All Our God**

by Terry Heisey

probably in the churches of your youth this hymn was an invariable part of Thanksgiving services. Although of German origin, it has become the classic hymn of thanks that transcends all national, language, and denominational boundaries. In fact, it had become so familiar in the English-speaking world that no one in 1944-1945 ever questioned the protocol using it to celebrate victory over Hitler's Germany. It originated in the havoc and ruin of the Thirty Years War and was sung to celebrate the Peace of Westphalia in 1648 that brought that war to the end. The hymn, however, originated as a hymn for family table grace.

The author of the hymn, Martin Rinckart (1586-1649), was a his accomplishments there were: organization Lutheran archdeacon in Eilenberg in Saxony. The son of a poor of the first parish council (1928), introduction coppersmith, he sang as a boy in the choir of St. Thomas Church in Leipzig later made most famous by J. S. Bach and worked his election by parish vote (1934), granting of way through the University of Leipzig before returning to his women the right to vote in parish elections hometown as a pastor just before the breakout of the great war. For 30 years the city endured repeated invasion by all sides in the war, repeated waves of plague, and continual famine. Yet, amazingly Rinckart found time to write 7 different dramatic productions on the events of the Reformation and 66 hymns

> Evidence indicates that Rinckart wrote this hymn in 1630 for his children. The first two stanzas are based on Ecclesiasticus 50:22-24; the third is doxological. It was first published in the first edition of Rinckart's Jesu Herz-Büchlein [Jesus heart booklet] in 1636. Its popularity was launched when it was included by Johann Crüger (1598-1662) in the first edition of his hymnbook Praxis Pietatis Melica (1647) set to a tune Crüger wrote for it. Crüger was the longtime (1622-1662) Kantor at the St. Nicholas Church in Berlin. He published his first hymnal in 1640. The 1647 collection of 383 texts and 170 melodies included both new and traditional Lutheran hymns. Its title was derived from the title of a book by Lewis Bayley, The Practice of Piety, which had been translated to German in 1631. The hymnal was the most successful and widely-known Lutheran hymnal of the 17th century. It went through 45 editions from 1647 to 1737 and gave its name to the Pietism movement that fostered Methodism.

The translation we sing is one of many by Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), whose work brought the hymns of the German Reformation to English-speaking countries. It first appeared in her Lyra Germanica, Second Series (1858). The hymn has been in Episcopal hymnals since 1871. It appears in our hymnal with both the original rhythm (396) and in a smoothed-out rhythm based on a harmonization by Felix Mendelssohn (397). As we sing the Mendelssohn version call to mind Thanksgivings past understanding and love of the Gospel. He never preached from but also realize that giving thanks to God is not something con-

#### CHRISTIAN FORMATION

by Mother Mary Kisner

# Real People:

St. James of Jerusalem

October 23

In the Gospel according to Matthew and in the Epistle to the Galatians, the James whom we commemorate today is called the Lord's brother. Other writers, following Mark's tradition, believe him to have been a cousin of Jesus. Certain apocryphal writings speak of him as a son of Joseph's first wife. Whatever



his relationship to Jesus—brother, half-brother, or cousin—James was converted after the resurrection. Eventually, he became Bishop of Jerusalem.

In the first letter to the Corinthians (15:7), Paul says that James was favored with a special appearance of the Lord before the ascension. Later, James dealt cordially with Paul at Jerusalem, when the latter came there to meet Peter and the other apostles. During the Council of Jerusalem, when there was disagreement about whether Gentile converts should be circumcised, James summed up the momentous decision with these words: "My judgment is that we should impose no irksome restrictions on those Gentiles who are turning to God" (Acts 15:19).

Eusebius, quoting from an earlier church history by Hegesippus, declares that James was surnamed "the Just." He was holy, abstemious, did not cut his hair nor oil his body, and was continually on his knees in prayer, interceding for his people. "As many as came to believe did so through James," says Hegesippus.

James' success in converting many to Christ greatly perturbed some factions in Jerusalem. According to Hegesippus, they begged him to "restrain the people, for they have gone astray to Jesus, thinking him to be the Messiah ... we bear you witness that you are just ... Persuade the people that they do not go astray ... we put our trust in you." They then set James on the pinnacle of the temple, bidding him to preach to the multitude and turn them from Jesus. James, however, testified for the Lord. Thereupon, they hurled him from the roof to the pavement, and cudgeled him to death. © 2010, The Church Pension Fund



#### **Church School Continues**

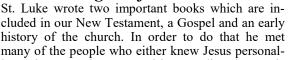
**Four** regular Sunday sessions in October - 2, 9, 23, 30 - *9:15 AM* - *10:15 AM* 

Children in grades pre-K through Middle School are welcome to attend.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) will need to register their students on the day they start attending. Mother Mary will be in the auditorium to help you out.

Do invite your friends to bring their children for our classes and activities. They are always welcome, and they need not be church members to attend.

# October 16 - St. Luke's Day - His Friends during his life





ly or they were instrumental in spreading the good news of Jesus around the Mediterranean world.

Who were some of those people? What are their stories? How did Luke get to meet them? During our reception after our service, Mother Mary will have some interesting stories and activities to help us to know St. Luke and his friends better.

## Coming in November

All Saints' Day Sunday, November 6 - 9:15 AM between our



Mother Mary will help us take a look at the Church Year and the many celebrations of saints which we celebrate. Discover a saint who shares the same month you were born, or one who lived in the same country as one of your ancestors. Maps, flags, and the Circle of the Church Year combine to make a fascinating presentation for children and adults alike.

#### Advent Wreath Workshop Saturday morning, November 26

Make a space within your heart and home to prepare for the coming of Christ on his Nativity Day, Christmas. Children and adults are invited to come and make an Advent wreath to take home. All that you need to complete a wreath will be provided - wreath form, artificial greens, battery operated candles, and ribbons. We will provide you with a booklet of prayers to be used for each day until Christmas.





# It's time to start working on our Pageant!

We are looking for children *and adults* to help put on our Christmas Pageant. We will need writers, cast

members, and other helpers to make it happen.

Rehearsals will take place each Sunday of Advent, and our performance date will be the Sunday before Christmas. Beth Yocum will be helping to organize this, so talk with her about helping out.

# Class for 7<sup>th</sup> grade through high school - begins in January

Becoming a Disciple will be a preparation for Confirmation, and a continuing class for students already confirmed. It will involve studies and experiences for growing to be more Christ-like. Watch for more information.

#### **Christian Formation Website**

www.journeyinfaith-stlukeslebanon.org

We continue to post new resources and information for our spiritual growth on our website, dedicated to Christian formation. Especially helpful is the page For Children and their Parents. There are also resources For Adults: access links to podcasts weekly bible study and more!

## Bible Study

10 AM Thursdays in our ZOOM room at https://zoom.us/j/190727051

Find the readings for each Sunday at

http://www.journeyinfaith-stlukeslebanon.org/lectionary-texts-for-this-sunday.html

## Smart is Cool Day—October 22, 2022

by Rose Brown

Signe Rogalski created Smart is Cool Day in 2013 to honor Mario Maiero, a Hartford teacher and John Mastroianni, a West Hartford teacher (Source: <a href="https://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/">https://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/</a> October/smart-is-cool-day.htm).



Throughout history, intelligent people have been considered in several ways, they are considered stereotypically absentminded, weird with thick glasses, nerdy, geeks, snobby, or always having their heads in a book. This thinking is far from the truth, intelligent or smart people are generally more understanding, sympathetic, humane, compassionate, open-minded, and funny lending them to having rich, interesting lives and stories worth sharing. Intelligence is not just reserved for book smarts as some would assume, intelligence can come in the form of knowing how to cook, creating a stunning piece of art, music, or anything you are passionate about to the point it is what you fall asleep thinking about and waking up to each and every day.

The idea of being intelligent or smart can be compared to the blade-of-grass paradox. The blade-of-grass paradox is concerned with the probability of bending down and touching a blade of grass in a field filled with grass. This paradox is similar to Einstein's probability argument of "Life is finite. Time is infinite. The probability that I am alive today is zero. In spite of this, I am now alive. Now how is that?" A debate between Einstein and one of his students consisted of Einstein stating that his probability is zero and the counter argument of his student states that the probability of Einstein being alive is one not zero. (Source: <a href="https://www.bayesianspectacles.org/einsteins-riddle/">https://www.bayesianspectacles.org/einsteins-riddle/</a>). The essence of this paradox is that the probability of being alive is one while it is zero that someone can predict your existence in the past. If looking at this probability example in conjunction with being smart than it is a one and not a zero, since your intelligence does not rely on someone else, only your perspective.

Observing this day is a great way to change the perception of being smart and to show others around you that knowledge is fun and learning new things is a great way to embrace all the richness this life has to offer. Smart is Cool Day is a day where you can appreciate and bring motivation to your life and those around you to be the very best version you can be.

#### Facts That Will Make You Feel Instantly Smarter

- 1. Monkeys shouldn't eat bananas. Why you ask? A banana has a lot of calories and contains a lot of sugar, so it is bad for their teeth as well as possibly causing diabetes and gastrointestinal problems.
- 2. There are more card deck combinations than there are atoms on Earth. Mind blowing that the large number of possible arrangements equals a 69 digit number.
- 3. All the water on Earth would form a ball that equals a total of 860 miles wide. While that may be hard to grasp to put it into perspective the Earth itself equals a total of 7,917.5 miles in diameter.
- 4. There are polka-dotted zebras. These polka-dotted zebras are rare and one was spotted in Kenya's Masai Mara National Reserve in 2019 and was named Tira.
- 5. Lungs are the only human organ that can float on water. A human takes around 22,000 breaths everyday and according to the Lung Foundation of Australia, no matter how hard someone tries to expel all of the air out of their lungs they will still retain approximately one liter, which is enough for the lung to be buoyant enough to float. There is no other human organ that can do this or has the ability to do this.
- 6. The first use of "OMG" was in a letter to Winston Churchill in 1917 by British prime minister Lord Fisher.

- 7. There are no words that will rhyme with month, bulb, wolf, walrus, rhythm, husband or woman unless you use old-fashioned words or change a pronunciation or two.
- 8. The word LEGO comes from the Danish word "leg godt" meaning "play well", which is their name and their ideal for the company.
- 9. There is a rock that floats. It is the pumice rock, which is formed when lava erupts from a volcano and cools with a lot of small gas bubbles, making the rock less dense than water.
- 10.Fat is lost when you exhale. What? When fat is burned through exercise it is expelled through our breathing. According to research published in the British Medical Journal in 2014, 84% of fat is converted to carbon dioxide and leaves our bodies through our lungs. The remaining 16% is than converted to water and exits the body as either sweat or urine.
- 11. There has only been one person named Oscar to win an Oscar. This Oscar would be none other than the lyricist Oscar Hammerstein II, who won the Oscar in 1941 for his lyrics for the song "The Last Time I Saw Paris" from Lady Be Good.
- 12.If you have ever watched or heard of Sesame Street then you probable have heard of the beloved character Mr. Snuffleupagus. Did you know that Mr. Snuffleupagus has a first name? That would make him Mr. Aloysius Snuffleupagus.

Source: <a href="https://bestlifeonline.com/smart-facts/">https://bestlifeonline.com/smart-facts/</a>

# SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH DO JUSTICE. LOVE MERCY. HUMBLY WALK WITH GOD.

The Saint Luke's Festival Choir Presents

# CHORAL EVENSONG

for the feast of Saint Luke, with

# ORGAN RECITAL by

# Matthew Steynor,

Organist, Saint Alban's Episcopal Church, Cathedral Close,

Washington DC





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St. Luke ... an Ox - really?

A brief look at who we think

this gospel writer was,

how artists have imagined him,

and maybe a legend or two that

sprang up over time.

Outreach Ministries at St. Luke's Episcopal Church

# Please pray for our Homebound

Barbara Bross and Joe Dowhower

# **Lebanon County Christian Ministries**

Our Mission



Lebanon County Christian Ministries shares the love of Jesus by providing emergency food, clothing, shelter, and guidance toward personal sustainability.

#### LCCM WISH LIST

- Food Needs—canned pineapple, 24-ounce jars/cans of tomato sauce, soup—tomato, cream of chicken, cream of mushroom, broth, gravy, instant au gratin potato mix, instant brown rice instant oatmeal
- Personal Care Item Needs—toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, alcohol-free mouthwash, laundry detergent, men & women's deodorant, shaving cream, feminine hygiene products, body wash, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, combs/brushes, sizes 5 & 6 diapers, etc.
- Specific Needs—Sneakers (men's, women's, boy's, and girls—all sizes); Women's Sweatpants (size small, large, 2X and 3X), Women's Short Sleeve Shirts (size small, medium, and large); Women's T-Shirts (size small, medium, and large); Women's Shorts (size 14); Men's Sweatpants (size small, XL, and 3X); Men's Sweatshirts (size small and 3X); Men's Short Sleeve Shirts (size small, medium, and large); Men's T-Shirts (size small); Girl's T-Shirts (size 3T and up); Girl's Shorts (all sizes); Girl's Pants (size 4); Girl's Summer PJs (all sizes); Boy's Summer PJs (all sizes); Boy's Short Sleeve Shirts (sizes 3 months and up); Boy's Pants (sizes 7/8, 10/12, and 14/16); Men's Jeans (sizes 38, 40, 42, and 44); Blankets (sizes full, queen, and king); Sheets (sizes twin and queen); Men's boxers (size small, medium, large, 2X, and 3X); Men's Briefs (size small and medium); Bras (all sizes); Women's Underwear (size 5, 6, 7, 8, and 12); Women's Socks (size 9—11); Girl's Panties (size 2); Girl's Training Bras; Boy's Boxers (size 6, 8, 10, and 12); Boy's Briefs (size 6, 8, 10, and 12); and Boy's Socks (size 0-12 months and 12-24 months). *Note: All underwear, socks, and bras must be new)*

# Time for the Annual Parish Bazaar : Month of September "To Do List"

- Meet on Sunday, October 2 at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall
- Have Amounts, Items, Ingredients, and Prices Ready
- For website (must be in by October 17th)
- Have a block ad for the Merchandiser ready by October 17 to be placed in by the second week of November Edition
- Volunteers Needed to Make Phone Calls Requesting Sweet Shoppe donations (cakes, candy, etc.)
- Hand out brochures for placement at different parishioner



# **Christmas Stockings Project**

by Beth Yocum

ECW will be putting together 130 Christmas Stockings to be distributed to nursing homes in our area. This is a project that we combined with the "Lebanon City and County Church Women". Here are some of the items we will need.

- Toothbrushes (individually wrapped)
- Toothpaste (sample size)
- Chap stick
- Hand crème or body lotion (sample size)
- Unisex deodorant (sample size)

Please help donate some of these items. A box will be placed in the cloister area outside of the elevator. Please put all donations in the box marked...CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS. Thank you for your help with this project.

#### **ECW**

by Laurie Daub

# *OPEN INVITATION TO ALL PARISHONERS*

Please join the women of the ECW for a short, inciteful program about St. Luke,

our patron saint, from an artist's point of view. The presenter for the evening is Judy Wanfried, retired art teacher, and speaker.

- LOCATION...Fellowship Hall
- DATE.. Tuesday, October 11th
- TIME..6:30PM to 7:30PM
- RSVP, to the church office by Friday, October 7th
- light refreshments will be served

\*ECW business meeting will follow the presentation

"A free will offering will be taken for the program speaker."

# St. Luke's Day—October 16

by Eileen Sidelnick



ECW is planning a reception following the service on St. Luke's Day, Sunday, October 16. We need help setting up on Sunday, October 16 at 9:15 AM., servers during the reception and clean up helpers. We also need donations of finger sandwiches; individual snack bags of chips, etc.; finger desserts such as cookies, cupcakes, muffins, brownies and bars); fruit and veggie trays; and meat and cheese trays. Please check the sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the office or contact Eileen Sidelnick,

717-926-4238, esidelnick@comcast.net. Thank you for your help!







# **Spaghetti Dinner**

by Laurie Daub

Ticket Sales for Benefit Italian Dinner hosted by Sandy and Don Stabilito

# Saturday, November 5th

Fellowship Hall

2 seatings..5:00 PM and 6:30 PM

\*Takeout available 4 PM-6 PM (please bring a container for spaghetti and meatballs)

Seated meal tickets, as well as, take-out tickets go on sale on October 16 at stlukesbazaar.org or call the Parish office at 717.272.8251.

Seated meal tickets will be available for purchase as a table of 6 guests for \$100. (treat your family of up to 6 guests, or a fun evening out for 3 couples, etc)!

\* There will only be 5 tables of 6 guests open at each time slot.

#### (5 PM OR 6:30 PM)

\* Take out tickets are \$10. each. Pick-ups will be at the Parish kitchen from **4 PM to 6 PM**—Please bring a container to hold your servings of spaghetti and meatballs.

#### Menus:

#### • Seated Menu

- Don's famous homemade Caesar Salad
- Vermicelli poupettes Sandy's homemade sauce and hand rolled meatballs
- New Jersey Italian bread
- Italian cookie dessert tray
- Complimentary glass of wine
- Non- alcoholic beverages

#### • Take Out Menu

- · Tossed garden salad
- Spaghetti and meatballs
- Italian roll
- Choice of a chocolate or vanilla cupcake

Proceeds from this sale are for the benefit of the Wenger family to defray medical expenses for their baby, Theo.

## **Tuscan Basket Raffle**

by Laurie Daub

In conjunction with the Saturday, November 5th, benefit Italian dinner, the ECW is sponsoring a Tuscan Basket Raffle.

The basket will be on display, and tickets sold at the St. Luke's Day luncheon, on Sunday, October 16th. Tickets will also be available in the Fellowship Hall, Sundays, October 9th and 23rd.



The winner of the basket will be announced at each church service on Sunday, November 6th

The basket may also be seen, and tickets purchased, Monday thru Friday in the Parish office during regular office hours.

Tickets are \$1. each or 15 for \$10

\*all proceeds from the basket raffle are to benefit the Wenger family to defray medical expenses for their baby, Theo.



#### To Our Parishioners

#### Youth

Kenny Box	October 19
Sam Baker	October 20
Kiana Ortiz	October 24

#### Adults

Priscilla (Pat) Curtier	October 02
Elizabeth Keller	October 02
Linda Sandoe	October 02
Phan Var	October 03
Loretta Ziegler	October 05
Austin Yocum	October 06
Alexander Nazeeri	October 08
Cheryl Green	October 09
Roselyn Sinclair-Urban	October 09
Julie Keller	October 10
Dillion D'Amour	October 13
Bernie Yohn	October 13
Anne Aguilar	October 16
Alison Sheaf	October 16
Michael Weaver	October 17
David Swank	October 18
Brian Hockley	October 19
Pamela Smith	October 22
Kathy Thrapp	October 23
Alfred Nazeeri	October 24
Nicole Hockley	October 25
Dolly Smith	October 27
Kirk Lukens	October 29
Hailey Bowser	October 30
Charles Henry III	October 30

Note from Parish Office: If you do not find the name of a individual listed above in the directory that just means they prefer to keep this information confidential. Out of respect for their wishes, St. Luke's will not divulge their information.



Barry & Kara Wenger	October 07
David Zwifka & Kenneth Suter	October 13
Jacob & Lisa Herzing	October 14
Robert & Laurie Daub	October 23

# **Angel Tree**

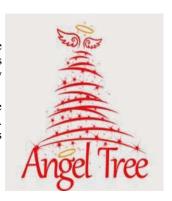
by Sue Kilmoyer

In 2010 I became the coordinator for the St. Luke's Christmas Angel Tree. Sue Lebaron-Tonini originally started the Angel Tree as part of the St. Luke's Outreach Program with Harding Elementary School. The Angel Tree provides Christmas gifts to Harding Elementary School students. Over the years, the St. Luke's Family has always been very generous in supporting this endeavor.

After much thought, I have decided to step down from this position and am seeking a person or persons to continue this project. This is somewhat challenging project but it is also very rewarding as you deliver the gifts to the families. I am very willing to share more information and assist anyone who would consider continuing this special St. Luke's Program.

Thank you to all who so graciously helped to provide gifts to the many, many families over the years.

You can contact Sue Kilmoyer at 717.273.9234 or email at <a href="mailto:skkilmoyer@yahoo.com">skkilmoyer@yahoo.com</a>



Schedule of Responsibilities	es October 2022		
	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Oct. 2			
LECTOR	Beth Yocum	Katherine Hoopes	
CRUCIFER	Bryan Bowser	David Dowhower	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		Ryan Schies	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		William W. Claxton	
Oct. 9			
LECTOR	Sue LeBaron-Tonini	Emily Guilliams	
CRUCIFER	Wiley Parker	Bryan Bowser	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		David Dowhower	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		Ryan Schies	
Oct 16 - St. Lukes Day	10:00 AM (one service)		
LECTOR	RobBox		
CRUCIFER	William W. Claxton		
TORCH/ACOLYTE	David Dowhower		
TORCH/ACOLYTE	Ryan Schies		
VERGER	Bryan Bowser		
Evensong	6:00 PM		
THURIFER	William W. Claxton		
CRUCIFER	Bryan Bowser		
Oct. 23			
LECTOR	Diana Hynson	John Feather, Jr.	
CRUCIFER	Bryan Bowser	David Dowhower	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		Ryan Schies	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		William W. Claxton	
Oct. 30			
LECTOR	Pameal Weaner	John Shott	
CRUCIFER	Wiley Parker	William W. Claxton	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		David Dowhower	
TORCH/ACOLYTE		Ryan Schies	

