

# St. Luke's Times

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

September 2018

## A Word from the Rector



I don't know about you, but this summer flew by. It may have had something to do with having a trip to look forward to or just that time flies as you get older. And here it is September and time to get back to the normal schedule of activity here at St. Luke's.

We will begin the program year with blessing of back packs/book bags for teachers and students the weekend of September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> at all three services. On Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> we will have an end of summer church bbq following the 10 am service, so if you are in town come and join us!

The choirs will start up again on Thursday September 6. The

Schola Cantorum is open to children from second grade through high school see Julia's article for more information. The Adult choir rehearses Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm and new members are always welcome!

Sunday School will begin on Sunday September 16, we currently have two classes going. Also I'd love to get an adult forum going this year. St. Luke's will also be participating in the Convocation wide Youth Group. The first meeting is on Sunday September 16 at 4:30 pm at Holy Trinity South River. Youth Group is open to folks in grades 6-12, please let me know of your interest in this, and perhaps there may be an adult or two who would like to help out!

Nails in the Wall Gallery, a ministry of St. Luke's will have its next Exhibition opening on Saturday September 22, the Exhibit is Animals, Winsome and Wild. Please come and join us for this opening and

invite friends! The Gallery plays an important role in our outreach, education and evangelism efforts.

On Saturday September 29 the Pumpkins arrive in the morning. We will need help unloading and placing the pumpkins that day and will begin our sales in the afternoon. This is not only a fundraiser, but again a part of our evangelism.

That afternoon at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton the Service honoring Senior Adults will be held. Past recipients from St. Luke's have been Betty Waters, Mary Jones, Richard Quaintance, Sylvia Taylor, Pearl Gatling and Dick and Helen Klawunn. This year we will be honoring Doris Williams and Helen Stapley. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

I look forward to seeing many of you returning from your summer vacations.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Ed+

Edmund W. Zelley,  
Rector

Karl Watson,  
Organist & Choirmaster

Julia Jenson,  
Director,  
Schola Cantorum

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## Saint Luke's goes to The Country Fair!

The Metuchen Country Fair will be held on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 10AM till 4PM. The theme of this year's Fair is "Let There be Art". Sounds fun, right? We will make it fun. I have agreed to chair a committee for our St. Luke's booth at

the Fair. This isn't a one man's job. Please reach out to me so we can meet to create something special. If you are thinking I don't have anything special to add to something like this, wipe it from your mind. Your talent is YOU and you are a

MEMBER of St. Luke's. I look forward to hearing from you soon. We only have four weeks but we can do it.

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## St. Mark's Center for Community Renewal

**"Jesus took the five loaves and two fish ... to distribute to the 5000 people"**

St. Mark's Center for Community Renewal sends their sincere thanks to St. Luke's for the gift that is making possible their much and long needed Walk-In Refrigerator and Freezer. St. Luke's gift will pay for more than half of this portion of the overall

renovation project. Deacon Rose held a blessing service on August 15 to officially kick off the project. Lukens have provided pro bono engineering and construction services, including design, permits, inspections and on-site coordination. The FEMA flood compliant refrigerator platform will be complete by

the time the walk-in equipment is delivered in September. St. Luke's made this happen and many food insecure residents of Keansburg, NJ, will be thankful.

# News from the Schola Cantorum (St. Luke's Youth Choir)

The *Schola Cantorum* (The School of Singing) is open to children and teens in grades three through twelve. Second graders are taken upon consideration. We ask all children and teens of the parish to consider singing this year, and to invite their friends, also. Each chorister and potential chorister is invited to a very casual audition at the beginning of each program year. The primary purpose of this "hearing" is to give me an idea of the sound and register of their voice. This is done in the presence of a parent, and if the child is shy and/or desires the support, in the presence of a friend. Please see me at the picnic on September 9<sup>th</sup>, or call me at (848) 482-9631, to arrange an appointment.

St. Luke's is an affiliate of The Royal School of Church

Music, and the *Schola* follows the RSCM Voice *for Life* training program. The *Schola* sings at the 10:00 AM service on the first Sunday of each month (Youth Sunday) in addition to other liturgically significant services, including Christmas Eve, Palm Sunday, and Easter. We also sing at various venues and events around Metuchen.

For each of the last three years we have produced a CD recording. While we have decided not to do so this year, we still have a few of last year's CDs of Christmas Lessons and Carols available for sale. Please consider purchasing them for yourself or for friends as we approach Advent and Christmas.

We are currently looking for a rehearsal pianist for the *Schola*. Ideally, this person

would be able to play for both rehearsals (Thursdays 4:30 PM-5:30 PM and Sundays 12:00 PM-1:00 PM), but I will consider someone available for only one. Please let me know of anyone you think might be interested. It is a good opportunity for a high school or college student to gain experience, or for someone older who might feel called in this direction. If desired, a stipend will be provided.

**As we begin the program year, and until I find a pianist, the Schola will rehearse on Sundays only.**

Last Spring, Father Ed asked that the younger children be encouraged to sing with the *Schola* from time to time. With the support of Kasi and Eletia LeGrand, we were able to prepare their young Sunday school students to

sing two pieces at the final Youth Sunday in June. We expect to include them more often this year, beginning with the offertory anthem on the first Youth Sunday of this program year, All Saints Sunday.

Finally, I ask that you please consider whether you might be called to assist in some of the clerical tasks related to running the *Schola* program. These mostly include filing music and putting binders together for rehearsals and services. I would very much welcome such help.

Faithfully yours,  
Julia Jenson  
Director, Schola Cantorum

## New Gallery Exhibit

Come out and see the latest exhibit, *Animals: Wild and Winsome*, at *Nails in the Wall<sup>sm</sup> Gallery, a Ministry of St. Luke's*.

All are invited and encouraged to attend the opening reception of *Animals: Wild and Winsome* on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2-5pm.

Throughout time, people and animals have been connected. Animals may be admired for their natural or assigned characteristics, as in totems and spirit animals. They may act as guides for our physical or emotional health. Domestic animals are faithful

companions, and they accept us as we are. Wild animals fascinate, inspire or terrify us.

All animals share our earthly home and are the subjects of this exhibit of twenty-seven works by nineteen artists featuring everything from painting and photography to collage,

textile art, linoleum cut and sculpture, luring us into the world of animals and human-animal interactions.

On Sept. 22, 2-5pm, bring a friend or neighbor to meet the artists, share some refreshments and experience first-hand this vibrant ministry of St. Luke's.



"Seeing Eye to Eye," watercolor, by Sandy Mezinis

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE PARISH PICNIC! See revised date!**

**When: September 9th, 2018\*\*** (\*\*please note the date has changed in order to accommodate parishioners who are on vacation)

**Time: Right after the 10 a.m. Service**

Can you make it? Want to help? Great! There will be an updated signup sheet located in the back of the church starting Sunday, 8/19 after the 10 a.m. service.

Also feel free to contact John and Tammy Figuera if you have any questions or comments at 732-778-8752.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!







2 – Helen Palazza  
 5 – Jaden Weiss  
 5 – Sam Van Chama  
 6 – George Poppe  
 6 – Bill Noble  
 7 – Drew Fuentes  
 7 – Dick Klawunn  
 9 – Pam Shore  
 14 – Olivia George  
 15 – Nino LaStella  
 21 – Elizabeth Dietz  
 23 – Peter Cornell  
 24- Jane Smith  
 24 – Kathleen Young  
 26 – Marilyn Higgins  
 26 – Jeff Repace  
 26 – Makena Tramontin  
 27 – Mary Sinha  
 27 – Doris Williams  
 30 – Sue Molineux

3 – Jim & Pat Iacone  
 5 – Mike & Tina George  
 5 – Joe & Lynn Russo  
 6 – Tom & Lori Wolfe  
 12 – Claude & Margaret Rhodes  
 18 – Jaimmie & Barbara Rivera  
 26 – Tim & Sue Molineux  
 26 – John & Nancy Wilton  
 30 – Brian & Kathi Edwards

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary listed, please let the office know and we will include it in the future.

**~September 2018~**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1          5:30 Holy Eucharist
2 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:00 Early Bird Ed. 10:00 Holy Eucharist 11:15 Coffee Hour	3 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 9:00 Morning Prayer    5:30 Evening Prayer	4 9:00 Morning Prayer    5:30 Evening Prayer	5 9:00 Morning Prayer 10:00 Holy Eucharist Service  5:30 Evening Prayer	6 9:00 Morning Prayer  5:30 Evening Prayer  7:00 Garden State Depression Glass Club  7:30 Choir Rehearsal	7 9:00 Morning Prayer 12:00 Men's Luncheon  5:30 Evening Prayer	8       5:30 Holy Eucharist
9 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:00 Early Bird Ed. 10:00 Holy Eucharist 11:15 Coffee Hour 11:30 Church Picnic	10 9:00 Morning Prayer  1:00 Ladies Who Tie Knots  5:30 Evening Prayer	11 9:00 Morning Prayer    5:30 Evening Prayer	12 9:00 Morning Prayer 10:00 Healing Service 10:30 Bible Study  5:30 Evening Prayer 6:30 St Veronica Guild	13 9:00 Morning Prayer  5:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Garden State Depression Glass Club 7:30 Choir Rehearsal	14 9:00 Morning Prayer  5:30 Evening Prayer	15       5:30 Holy Eucharist
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The following policy was put in place by the Vestry in October 2016;

When you spend your own money on behalf of Saint Luke's with the intent of seeking reimbursement please follow the following protocols;

1. Get a detailed receipt that identifies the item you purchased for Saint Luke's.
2. Make a copy of the receipt and circle the item(s) for which you are seeking reimbursement.

3. On the receipt, print your name and the reason for the purchase.
4. Complete a Request for Reimbursement form. These forms are available in the Parish Office.
5. Staple the receipt to the request form.
6. Give your completed form to the Administrative Assistant.

Some additional information; Any requests for reimbursement must be made within 45 days of

the original purchase. The Treasury has published the check disbursement schedule which you can access through the Administrative Assistant. Prior to checks being written, one of the Wardens will review all disbursement requests for approval. Reimbursement checks will be written as part of the regular disbursement schedule.

For August, reimbursements must be in the office by 4:00 pm on Thursday, September 6 & 20, 2018.

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