Here Comes the Son

This newsletter reaches you in the beginning of Advent and carries you through the Christmas season. Advent is a curious time, adapted from the ancients who experienced darker days and wondered if the sun would return. There is that primitive nature in us that continues to wonder, to wonder if in the dark and cold there will be light and warmth. We wonder if the perplexities of life will lift or if there’s a chance those same perplexities could actually have the power to bring us to new life and a new, wiser understanding of all that is. We wonder if the Son will return.

We wait for Jesus as we wait for the sun.

One of my favorite writers, Fred Buechner, says this about Jesus:

There is the Jesus Who Was, and there is the Jesus Who is. The Jesus Who was is that fathomless, elusive, unpredictable, haunting and finally unknowable figure who moves through the homely landscapes of the gospels like an old newsreel. The film is scratched and faded. The sound track crackles. The editing erratic. Yet for just that reason we treasure each flickering glimpse of him...

The Jesus Who Is is the one whom we search for even when we do not know that we are searching and hide from even when we do not know we are hiding. “Come, Lord Jesus” is the way the Bible ends, and it is as The One Who Comes that we know him most truly. Perhaps no one has described it more movingly than Albert Schweitzer:

“He come to us as one unknown, without a name, as of old, by the lakeside, He Came to those who knew him not. He speaks to us the same words: ‘Follow me!’ and sets us to the tasks which he has to fulfill for our time. He commands. And to those who obey, whether they be wise or simple, he will reveal himself in the toils, conflicts, the sufferings which they shall pass through in his fellowship, and as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience Who He Is.”

(The Quest of the Historical Jesus)

As you go through this Advent and the New Year approaches may you know the sun is there and the Son is there. Now and forever is Emmanuel.

Stephanie Nagley
The parish prayer list is now printed in the Sunday bulletin.

If you do not see your birthday listed during the year, then please contact Cynthia in the church office. 301-530-1800 or admin@stlukesbethesda.org.

December Birthdays
Larry Legates  2rd
Movita Hercules  3rd
Anna Votaw  7th
Maggie Pearson  9th
Bill Casson  10th
Vonda O’Sullivan  15th
John Elsbree  18th
Oliver Stewart  24th
Jim Marks  26th
Dan Eberly  27th
Daphne Legates  27th
Sarah Stonesifer  28th
Erica James  30th

Community Engagement: ERD - Holy Cow

December Special Dates
3 December  Blue Christmas
10 December  All-Parish Christmas party
18 December  Loaves & Fishes
21 December  Solstice
24 December  Christmas Eve

5 pm Pageant with Eucharist
9 pm Festival Eucharist
Hanukkah begins

25 December  Christmas Day
No services

26 December  MCPS no school until January 3

January Birthdays
Cliff Johnson  3rd
Jane Reaves  5th
Sharon Murphy  11th
Jacqueline Shipp  11th
Griffin Matuszek  22nd
Bill Nellist  23rd
Becca Orrick  23rd
Don Park  25th
Alix Park  26th
Mira Ray  28th
Stephanie Nagley  29th

Community Engagement: Bethesda Cares

January Special Dates
1 January  New Year’s Day
10 am service only
2 January  Office closed
MCPS no school
15 January  Loaves & Fishes
16 January  Martin Luther King, Jr day
Office closed
MCPS no school
20 January  Election Day
MCPS no school
27 January  MCPS no school
28 January  Chinese New Year
A short time ago, a new U.S. President was elected according to the laws of our country. The shock of that unexpected outcome was so great that most of us are still trying to process what happened. I obsessively check the newspaper each day for clues about what the new administration might be like—will it really try to ram through the many hateful and ill-considered measures the candidate promised? I’ve realized, with a sinking heart, that a conservative majority in Congress, combined with a conservative White House, could succeed in rolling back some of the advances many of us have worked and prayed so hard for over the years. Will we need to continue fighting for things we thought were secure?

Although my first reaction to the election was shock and dismay, a second quickly joined it—I found myself looking for opportunities to be with my community of St. Luke’s. Just as we turn to St. Luke’s for help in meeting our personal difficulties—illness or disability, the death of loved ones, life transitions—we also come together to support each other in times of national difficulties—an unimaginable election. I knew our clergy would find words of wisdom to help guide us, and I knew that together all of us would help each other find ways to mourn, cope, learn, and move ahead.

I hasten to add that I know there may be those among us for whom the election was not an occasion for dismay—and I’m glad they are also part of our community. We know that in the long run we are all united by our desire to live the truth of the Gospel in our time, and there can be no safer place than St. Luke’s for us to discuss together our various paths for doing that.

But now, between the great national events of the election and the inauguration, we can turn our focus to another kind of community observance—the season of Christmas. Together we give thanks for our many blessings as individuals and as a church community. Together we anticipate the coming of Jesus with hymns and decorations and parties, and with gifts for those who are less fortunate. Together we console those for whom the holidays bring sadness; together we again fall under the spell of a perfectly imperfect Christmas pageant; together we rejoice in the glory of the Christmas message; and together we salute the New Year and its chance for new beginnings. Of course, we could celebrate almost all of these things at home alone, but sharing them with a community seems to multiply the celebration infinitely.

I hope this season of light and joy will give us reserves to call on as we face the challenges of the coming year. I know that whatever the challenges prove to be, meeting them will be easier because we’ll do it together. Thanks be to God!
**St. Luke’s Christmas Party!**

If you have not already circled **December 10th** on your calendars, then quickly do so now! Initially, it seems like a far-off date, and then suddenly, it’s here!

Folks from “1 to 92” are all invited. Please choose something to bring and/or do from the sign-up sheets in Ludlum Hall. You may rest assured, however, that the Christmas Party Elves are well into their planning, and some very important arrangements are already in the works (did someone say turkey and wine?).

Thanks to our coordinator, **Catherine Nellist**, who may be contacted with questions, suggestions and **offers of help**.

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**Community Engagement**

THANK YOU to all those who attended the All-Parish Community Engagement Meeting on November 13. We appreciate your input! Please stay tuned for next steps and more information.

**Elliott Milhollin, Chair**

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**Charles Dickens and St. Luke’s**

Why do we read selections from Dickens’s *A Christmas Carol* as the second reading during Advent each year? What is some of the profound theology hidden in this well-known story? Is it still relevant today?

Come participate in a lively discussion led by Victorian specialist Dr. Linda Freeman at **9:15 am on Sunday, December 11**. Linda promises to open up new ways of looking at this old Christmas chestnut—and that’s no Humbug!

**Linda Freeman**

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**Gifts Toward Christmas Greens**

The Flower Guild will be decorating the sanctuary and foyer of the church in time for Christmas. Please consider making a gift in celebration, thanksgiving or memory of loved ones. Look for envelopes in the pews (for the offering plate). Thank you.

**Flower Guild**

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**Women of St. Luke’s**

The Women of St. Luke’s will not be meeting in December due to all the other activities during this month. We will be meeting as usual on **January 17, 2017** at 11:30 am. Please bring a brown bag lunch and your good spirits.

**Leslie Roberts**
**FELLOWSHIP**

**Book Lovers**

BOOK LOVERS chorus in unison, “Please, sir, I want some more.” More gruel? No! Solid food, like *Oliver Twist*, by the one, the only, *Charles Dickens*. Yes, it’s classic literature time again when we’re fortunate enough to have Dr. Linda Freeman of the University of Maryland with us. We may think we know the exciting story of the poor orphan who makes his way to London, is rescued, lost, then rescued again; it was popular on stage and screen and is revived often. Linda, however, will give us what we’ve been missing: the history, politics, and social conditions of the era, the author’s intentions and process, and all those details and plot twists that amaze and enrich.

You’ll find this classic novel in the Reading List section of most libraries as well as in bookstores and at Amazon, new and used.

So, at **7:30 on Tuesday night, January 17** (snow date: Jan 24) get ready to visit with Mr. Bumble and the artful dodger at the home of Gayle Countryman-Mills. She lives near Faith Methodist Church on Montrose Road. For planning purposes, please contact Gayle to say that you’re coming.

Give yourself the gift of a great story by a brilliant author and enjoy this noteworthy novel over the holidays. Questions? Ride? Contact Treva Miller.

_Treva Miller_

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Dear **SUPPER GROUP**,

In a time of challenge and change, it’s our Christian Duty to Keep Hope Alive. That’s why one of your New Year’s resolutions should be to **celebrate** the beginning of a new year on **Sunday, January 1, 2017** and to wish others a **Happy** New Year. You could begin by attending the 10 am service (no 8 am that day) which promises to be far from formal; partiers, take note. Then, take a breather to count your blessings.

Next/Instead—and especially if you prefer New Year’s **Day** celebrations to **Eve** parties—make your way over a few blocks from church to the home of Wyman and Tine Stone. Join old friends and new in mutual support—all adult St. Lukers, their friends, and the merely curious are invited—as we toast 2017 and wonder our way _forward._

The hours are **2 – 5 pm.** (Hand-wrangling will be permitted between 3 and 4, only.) Arrival time and duration of stay are up to you. **Please contact the Stones** to say that you’re coming. **Please bring finger-food to share:** an hors **d’oeuvre or a dessert.** Share your resolve to be a New Year’s Day reveler and bring someone—if only for this one occasion—who needs or wants to celebrate. Christian fellowship: it’s for what ails—and delights—you. Questions? Ride? Contact Treva Miller.

_Treva Miller_
**Bethesda Help**

The youth of St. Luke’s have been preparing the Healthy Snack bags that go out with bags of groceries to clients of Bethesda Help. They have been doing this on the first Sunday of every month for the last year. We asked the parishioners of St Luke’s to donate $1,600 to fund this snack program for a full year. In September, we went way over the top, and raised $2,730 for Bethesda Help and brought in 27 bags of groceries, to boot! They will use the extra funds to buy groceries and/or to support their rent, utility, and medical emergency programs. Thank you for your generosity.

*Clay Miller*

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**The Annual Convention is Coming: Make Your Voice Heard**

We’re all more aware than ever of the importance of just and representative governance. Those who were disappointed in the outcome of the presidential election might take heart to know that they can take part in the governance of the Episcopal Church, St. Luke’s included. Did you know that the Episcopal Church is structured like the U.S. Congress? Its deliberations—every three years at the General Convention—are made by a bicameral legislature with representatives of every diocese in the nation. Locally, the Diocese of Washington is our governing body; it, too, is representative. Here, once a year, “legislation is enacted, church policy and programs are approved, and a budget for the next year is adopted.” ([episcopalchurch.org](http://episcopalchurch.org))

The Annual Diocesan Convention will be held at Washington National Cathedral on Saturday, January 28, 2017.

**How can you be part of this governing process?** How can you ask a question, spread an idea, propose a resolution, speak truth to power? By making your concerns known to your [lay delegates to Convention](http://episcopalchurch.org) who are elected along with members of the vestry every spring. We, in turn, represent your voice in the newly restructured regions of the Diocese of Washington (ours is Central Montgomery County, or CenMoCo) and at the Annual Convention. Are there clergy/leaders whose talents you feel are needed in positions of power? Tell us who they are so that we may nominate and elect them. Are there policies of the local or national church which should be put in place, discarded, or changed? Are there ways that we, the Episcopal Church, should make a difference in national and global matters? Allow us to present your resolution at Convention. Are there matters of church doctrine which you’d like to be addressed? **Let us know!**

And who are we? This year, we are **Andi Pringle**, who attends both the Saturday and the Sunday 8 am service and **Treva Miller** who is a Sunday 10 am attendee. We will be called on to vote in elections and on resolutions at the Annual Convention in January, and we want input from YOU. Corner us after a service or send a message with your opinions and suggestions, general and specific. Halleluiah! You have been given a voice in the governance of your church; make it count.

*Treva Miller*
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Engagement Concern—December 2016

Holy Cow, Almost a Decade!

What is it? An alternative Christmas giving program of compassion and caring for our neighbors around the world. Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) is the international relief and development agency of The Episcopal Church—and our Community Engagement Concern of the Month for December. At St. Luke’s we call it “Holy Cow” and over the past eight Advent seasons, parishioners have generously given over $118,000 to help fight poverty, hunger, and disease; cultivate nutrition and environmental sustainability; and provide economic opportunities and training. These are gifts that truly have a lasting impact and are in line with our Baptismal promises.

In the Middle East, one of ERD’s partners is the Diocese of Jerusalem’s Holy Land Institute for the Deaf. Both organizations serve in the Za’atari Camp in Jordan, where 130,000 Syrian refugees currently live. ERD support for the Institute has helped provide diagnosis, counseling, and rehabilitation services to many refugees with hearing, vision, physical or cognitive disabilities. For 2016, all undesignated donations from St. Luke’s will be allocated towards ERD’s Syrian Crisis Response Fund, which not only sustains the Za’atari program but also provides food, water, and emergency supplies to the region.

When? And we’ll have a table in Ludlum, with Holy Cow balloons and signs, and a jug for spare change each Sunday during Advent—after both the 8 am and 10 am services on December 4th, 11th, and 18th. So, if you dread the thought of circling the mall parking lot looking for a space, or don’t know what to get for the sister who has everything, think about donating to Holy Cow/ERD.

What can I do? You can save spare change to put in the jug—money raised will help our youth pick a collective gift on behalf of Sunday School. You can give a goat or a flock of chickens—stable sources of food and income for families worldwide—in the name of your grown-up daughter. Or your children can give their parent(s) bees and bee-keeping equipment and training for a small business.

Where and How? Please check out the visible “Holy Cow” table in Ludlum to find “Gifts for Life” catalogues, acknowledgement cards for you to send to your friends and family, and you will also find friendly folk to answer questions. You can write a check to St. Luke’s with “ERD” in the memo line, and your donation will appear on your end-of-year statement. Or, you can donate on-line at www.episcopalrelief.org; just mark St. Luke’s-Trinity Parish on the donation form. (It would also be great if you would drop a note to Clay Miller to let him know so he can track the online total for St. Luke’s.)

AND all gifts up to $500,000 will be matched by some other very generous donors to ERD through December 31st. LET’S GET A MOOOVE ON YEAR 9!!

Moochas gracias,

Marta Montoro and Betsy Davis
Community Engagement Concern—January 2017

Bethesda Cares Serving Montgomery County

Ending, easing, preventing homelessness are the goals of Bethesda Cares.

On any given day there are 900 - 1,000 homeless persons in Montgomery County. Of those homeless 210 are children, and 59% are adults who work, but can’t afford housing.

Montgomery County achieved the goal of ending Veteran homelessness in December of 2015, but there are many individuals who live in the woods and families who sleep in cars at night or worse. 70% of homeless adults indicate some form of mental, behavioral, or physical health condition and some of them need years to be convinced to come off the streets. Bethesda Cares, founded in 1988 by St. Luke’s and other congregations, serves the homeless and working poor of Montgomery County. Bethesda Cares is a community engagement program for the homeless as well as a safety net for those at risk of eviction or utility shut-off.

Bethesda Cares offers the following services:

1) Easing (through drop-in center), preventing (eviction prevention grants and assistance with utilities for those on the verge of homelessness), and ending homelessness (helping to actually house).
2) A meal program: weekday lunches, Saturday lunch and an early Sunday dinner at four Bethesda churches.
3) Clothing Closet, prescription assistance, medical care, and psychiatric services
4) Weekly shower program, transportation for clients with disabilities
5) Outreach social worker for counseling and referrals
6) Job search center with computers, telephones, fax machine, and copier

At their office on Woodmont Avenue in Bethesda, they offer a drop-in center where clients can get out of bad weather, get coffee and a snack (M-F), receive mail (for those without a fixed address), and sign-up for other services.

We at St. Luke’s can help by donations of seasonal clothing (jackets, coats, scarves, hats, long johns, and socks). Other volunteer opportunities include:

* volunteering at their lunch program
* making bag lunches for the clients
* bringing breakfast-bagels, breakfast sandwiches, coffee
* donating travel-sized toiletries
* helping at the main office for a few hours each week
* teaching or training, helping with newsletters, sorting and hanging clothes in the Clothing Closet, helping with their special projects, or donating canned food.

You will be helping those in need in all of Montgomery County, not just Bethesda. Monetary donations in lieu of (or in addition to) warm clothing, coffee and day shelter, quick meal supplies, cash donations (payable to St. Luke’s and marked clearly for Bethesda Cares) are always appreciated and will help to offset the costs of these services.

Clay Miller
## FINANCE REPORT OCTOBER 2016

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### ENDOWMENT FUND BALANCE

$52,992

* YTD Oct = 83.33 % of the year

Budget Analysis: the budget approved by the Vestry in January continues careful expense authorizations. We started running an operating deficit at the end of September – currently at $15,903. The budget anticipates using approximately $51,371 from the temporary operating fund and Diocese Grants to meet our 2016 expenses. All financial obligations were met and bills paid.

Your continued financial support will allow the growth and energy of St. Luke’s to continue and strengthen.

If you need to be reimbursed for a purchase or need the Treasurer to pay an invoice, please obtain a Payment Request Form from the Office. An authorized person must sign the request. All requests for extra money or donations by committees, individuals or church members, should have prior approval of the Vestry before solicitation.

*Sheryl Prieto, Treasurer*
## CALENDAR

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10:00 AM OASIS  
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7:30 PM Wildwood Manor Citizens Association | **6**  
10:30 AM Staff Meeting  
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7:00 PM Beer & Bible | **7**  
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December 24

St. Luke’s Christmas Worship Schedule

5 pm Holy Eucharist with Pageant

9 pm Holy Eucharist with Music