

THE GOOD NEWS

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Lindale FEBRUARY 2019



A Note from the Vicar



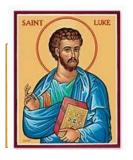
This year, Lent begins on March 6th giving a long period between Epiphany and Ash Wednesday. This can be a time of preparation for Lent and finally Holy Week. This is a great time for us to pause and reflect on who we are, where we are and what we are doing. Plato wrote in his "Apology", that an "unexamined life is not worth living." Put even more bluntly, an unexamined life is an existence, just a period of time before we die. If we take a little time to examine our life by making some intentional time to be alone to look back down the path we have taken in life and assess what we have done well, what we have not done well and what we could have done better, we will find not

only instruction in this assessment but also relief. It is a time when we can pause to celebrate our successes and more importantly ask forgiveness for our failures with an intention of not repeating those mistakes. It can be a time to see who we are, where we are in life and what we are doing to direct our present and future.

In this time of personal reflection the question of calling may come into view. What am I called to do? Does God have a plan for my life? In many places and in many ways we read that God does have a plan for us to discover in our lives. An unexamined life will not discover this calling, this plan until it is too late. The examination of one's life is followed by listening to what God is telling you. This message may come from the words of another person, a literal voice that you hear or perceive, or someone who seeks you out and directs you to your calling. The first thing is being intentional in seeking your calling. The words of Jesus recorded in Matthew 7:7, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." direct us to the promise of Jesus. It is up to us this February to take some time to prayerfully examine our lives. Then we can ask for direction, ask to find our calling, and wait for that door to be opened to us.

In Christ,

John+



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9:00 am— Teen Moment (office)

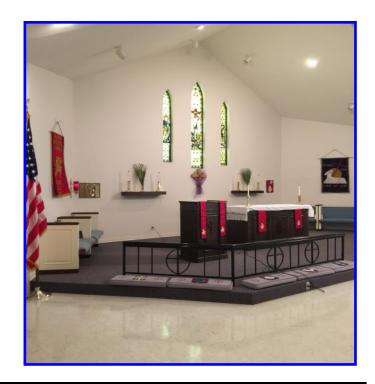
9:00 am— Adult Bible Study (library)

9:00 am— Choir Practice (nave)

10:00 am — Worship and Holy Eucharist

10:00 am— Children's Sunday School

11:00 am — Refreshments and Fellowship



SIT & SEW February 16, 2019

Join us for the next Sit & Sew in the Parish Hall on Saturday the 16th of February. We will meet monthly on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

Our January meet up had very cold, wet weather so not many got out in it. We had 3 people and a good time. Hoping for better weather for February!

Bring a dish for the lunch table and whatever you are working on!
How does 5 uninterrupted hours of sewing or crafting sound?
The Parish Hall will be open from 9 until 3
however this is your day so come and go as you please!

Remember to sign up for Altar Flowers in the Parish Hall



Altar Flowers are not a budgeted item.



ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2019 ANNUAL MEETING January 27, 2019

The Annual Report was provided to those present at the meeting. If you were not in attendance and would like a copy, please contact Alice. The Annual Report covered the Vicar's Report, the Treasurer's Report, Senior Warden and Junior Warden Reports along with reports from the many active ministries and the School. There was a great Potluck and time for fellowship.

The election of a delegate and alternate to send to the 170th Diocesan Council happening February 21—23 in The Woodlands took place. Allen Temple was elected as the delegate and Becky Henderson the alternate.

The election of new members to the Bishop's Committee also took place. Allen Temple and Gary Henderson were elected to three year terms beginning immediately. They will join Committee members Bob Rogers, Mike Rowan, Liz Lunday, Tracy Swope, and Victor Zillmer

It was reported that the Bishop's Committee had voted and delivered checks of \$1000.00 each to the Salvation Army and the Food Bank, The ECW also donated and delivered a check of \$500.00 to Hope Haven.



TO ALL MINISTRY LEADERS

Please send pictures of you activities and members. Please send me a few words about your ministry and the activities. We would like to work up a special surprise with this information! Please send to Becky Henderson — Daystarsc@aol.com or you can give it to me personally at church. Thank you all so very much for your help with this.

Church

Summer camps for Rising 3rd grade through 12th grade at

CAMP ALLEN

Are you ready for a week full of adventure, friendship, and messy fun? You can start counting down the days . . . summer will be here before you know it! The Camp Allen staff work hard to ensure that you have one of the best weeks of your life. Every day is jam-packed with activities, food and good friends. You will be divided into three campsites by grade with eight cabins in each campsite. Each air-conditioned cabin has nine to twelve campers and two counselors. You can also submit a bunkmate request if you plan on bringing a friend from home. We can't wait for you to join us this summer!

THINGS TO DO AT CAMP ALLEN

Low Ropes Course
Parachute Games
Archery
Adventure Summit
Dive-In Movie
Herpetology Class
(reptiles)

(reptiles)
Disc Golf
Sports Pavilion Games
Blobbing
GaGa Ball
Nature Hikes
The Iceberg

(water element)

Giant Swing
Paddle-Boarding
Canoeing
Human Capture the Flag
Daily Swimming
9-Square in the Air
Silly Camp Songs
Bedlam

(messy games)







Do you know of a youth — grandchild, neighbor, friend—who would enjoy going to summer camp at Camp Allen?



go to: https://www.campallen.org/summercamp.html

Click on summer camps and then view the camps availability etc. As of this time, there is room in all ages.

Also, there are scholarships available for those who need them.



Altar Guild

Schedule for February 2019

February 10th—Vickie Martin February 17th—Laurie Pullins February 24th — Kathy Pietsch & Beverly Beezley

Thank you all for your devoted service.

Ann Harkins Altar Guild Directress

SHOEBOXES FOR SEAFARERS

Thank you to all of you who contributed to the ECW sponsored "Shoeboxes for Seafarers". Total of 10 boxes filled with goodies was shipped to the Port Authority in Houston where they were distributed, along with hundreds of others, to seafarers from around the world.

Your support of this important ministry is appreciated.

Ann Harkins, ECW President

Hostess Schedule February

February 10th - Laurie Pullins & Ann Harkins February 17th - Trace Swope & Jane Whorton

February 24th - Elaine Evans & Pam Fisher

Episcopal Church Women

ECW met to make plans for the meeting through May. In March there will be a Quiet Day held. (times and dates to come) On April 13 we will visit Beth Walker's house to see her doll collection. Bring your favorite doll. On May 4th we will visit Roseland Plantation for High Tea. Also we will soon be gathering things to put in an Estate Sale. \$5 minimum please!

All women of St. Luke's Church are automatically members of our Episcopal Church Women's (ECW)



Events at Camp Allen!

Abundant Living | March 4-6 Family Campout | April 26-27 Birds & Blooms | April 26-28

Starry Nights Austin | May 1 Fly Fishing for All | May 17-19

Summer Camp for Moms | July 19-21 Man Camp | August 17-18 Labor Day Family Camp | Aug 30- Sept 1

Gramps Camp | September 20-21 Starry Nights Houston | October 10

Camp Allen Advent Retreat | December 6-8 Holiday Steak Dinner | December 11 Holiday in the Pines | December 13-15

Choir Practice Sunday at 9:00 a.m.



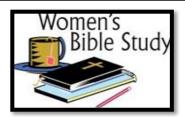
ST. LUKE'S SCHOOL

The school had a wonderful winter break and are back learning about cold, snow, and winter activities. We are looking forward to Valentine's activities in the next month. We have new students beginning in a few classes and have enjoyed getting to know their families.

Candi Turner Head of School







Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study group meets at 10:00 AM in the library.

Our current resource is Celebrating the Saints published by the Forward Movement. So far, we've learned about Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, The Virgin Mary, Mary Magdalene, Peter, Paul, Luke the Evangelist, Perpetua, John Chrysostom, Patrick, Brigid, Augustine of Hippo, and John of Damascus. Like us, you may not recognize all these names, but are very familiar with others.

Come and join us as we learn why we as Episcopalians celebrate the saints with days of commemoration on the church calendar.

If you have questions, please see Judy King: 903-266-0766 or JudyKing2411@att.net



Women's Line Dance Exercise Class

Come join us in the fellowship hall on Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for exercise in the form of a choreographed pattern of steps to music.

On the Thursdays we have an experienced teacher/leader, each person pays \$5. For those times when we do not have the teacher/leader, there is no charge. BUT you will always have fun and get plenty of mind and body exercise.



The mission of St. Luke's Episcopal Church is to

GLORIFY and SERVE the Lord:
GROW His Church
MINISTER to the Community
TEACH the Word and
FOLLOW the Word

as Christ has taught us.

OUR OUTREACH MINISTRY COMMUNITY SENIOR CITIZENS GAME TIME Join us on Monday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Monday Morning Community Games continue to be a success.

There are usually about 15 people attending, with only 3 being St. Luke's members. If you have the time and enjoy playing table games, please come join us on Mondays from

9:30 am to 12:30 pm. in the parish hall.

!!ANNOUNCEMENT!!

If you have any news or announcements for March The Good News newsletter please send your notice (along with pictures, if you like) to Becky Henderson. Email is Daystarsc@aol.com. I been putting together the monthly newsletters and would love to have your information!

Please help me make this an interesting and fun newsletter!!



WHAT DO YOU KNOW OF GOD'S WORD? HOW CAN YOU GROW IN GOD'S WORD?



II Timothy 3:16 - All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness —

There are classes for each and every person at St. Luke's to help us better **know** God's Word and to also better **grow** in God's Word.

<u>Children's Sunday School</u> is on <u>Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m.</u> in the Godly Play room to the right coming into the fellowship hall. Jeanine Tagg and Judy Rogers teach this class.

<u>Teen Moment</u> is on <u>Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.</u> in the church office and is led by Fr. John. Please send or bring your teenager (12 years and up) to this class.

Adult Bible Study is held each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the library with Victor Zillmer.

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