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St. Luke's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Wednesday's Weekly Memo From Father Ken

OUTDOOR SERVICES FUNCTIONING NICELY



I want to give a shout out to all whose work goes into our outdoor services. What appears as a relaxed and seamless event takes a great deal of preparation and zeal behind the scenes. I would like to thank the altar guild in their flexibility of making sure all is as it should be for worship, from the candles to the books and the altar chalice and paten. We also shout out to Gary whose knowledge of sound and amplification leaves us sounding pretty darn good. We also thank Alex and her musical talents on the keyboard and all who read, pray, and greet one another with the joy that God shares with us. What a pleasant summer this is becoming. Thanks to you all.



Reflections on Gun Violence:

As we know gun violence has not lessened despite the horrendous events in schools, houses of worship, supermarkets, etc. Some of you might be aware that the day the General Convention was about to start, a man was shot and killed right outside of the hotel. The bishops and deputies during the convention marched together through the area where the shooting occurred, calling for an end to gun violence. Some members of our own parish during the month of June held silent prayer vigils outside of the library here in the village of Fairport. Many of us are tired of seeing our children shot or killed in the city streets and innocent lives shattered. It is easy to feel overwhelmed and become numbed by it all. Help us to find new ways to have our voices and those voices of the countless victims of gun violence be heard.

Transitions:

Just a gentle note that whenever someone leaves us as an employee, or is hired anew, there is a dynamic called "transition" which is endemic to our life as a parish. Things change. Positions change. People change. Inevitably, we seek to have things remain the same. Yet, by the very nature of change they cannot. The same dynamic applies to vestries and any other ministry that leadership cycles in and out. It is important for us to celebrate the gifts of the person who has contributed to our life and to the new person who is coming on. At times, there is a very healthy gap between the one leaving and the one beginning anew. This vacuum is not a time to panic, but rather a good time to experience gratitude. For ourselves we have transition happening in our church office, as a diocese we are in the process of transition with the position of our bishop. May we find ourselves immersed in gratitude for what has been and openness for what will be.



Monthly Meals Presents...

CHILL ON THE HILL

Keeping it cool at St. Luke's!



This month will feature a meal requiring no heat, followed by ICE CREAM of course!! Please pull a tab below and sign up for an item to bring. Plan for about 8-10 servings. We look forward to seeing you, your family and friends on the last Sunday of the month!

When: July 31 at 5pm

Where: St. Luke's

College of Congregational Development

Susan Palomaki and Rachel Hucko are attending the College of Congregational Development on behalf of our parish next week. Susan should be completing this two-year adventure and graduating, if she passes the final test. Rachel will be working on her first year. Let us surround them both with our prayers. Their efforts will surely be an asset to us as we explore the questions of our identity and mission as a parish later this Fall.



South African philosophy

Giving: Summertime is always a time when other things are on our mind. Like beaches, barbecues, and best buds. It is rather normal that other things like our stewardship to our church family might take a back seat. Every treasurer I have known over the years, bristles for the summer time as collections tend to slump. Perhaps we can keep our treasurer from any ulcer-related medication by keeping to our pledge

especially during the summer months. Thank you for all you are and all you do for us.

“I am what I am because of who we all are”. UMBUTU



ROMEOs reunites at RIKI's on Thursday August 4th, 2022 at noon. All men of retirement age, or if you feel like you should be retired, are invited. Contact Chris Veronda for more information.

Are you ready... to be Church?

Enroll today

St. Luke's is offering a course on being CHURCH. It offers a broad stroked adult catechesis for anyone interested in the Episcopal Church or for Confirmation classes. It can be done at your own time and speed. I recommend it for everyone!

Go to: stlukesfairport.thinkific.com to sign up. Scroll down to the bottom of the page to see the button that says "Enroll Today"

It's free... no payment information should be requested or required. After you enroll, you'll get an email with the course link etc. If you ever forget or lose the link from the email, you can use the original link above, as this is the only course at St. Luke's for now.



Driveway Sealing & Painting

No church access Thursday August 4 – Saturday August 6. All good for church on Sunday August 7!

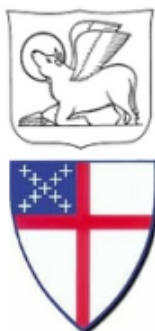
RUMMAGE SALE COMMITTEE

Rummage Sale Committee is planning to meet after church on Sundays July 24th and August 7th. They will meet in the Great Hall while Lemonade on the Lawn is outdoors.



Pre-sale Dinner Ticket Link is LIVE – use <https://bit.ly/chickenbbq2022> to order presale dinners now. Feel free to share social media posts to friends and neighbors and Gail has small postcards to hand out, plus hard-copy order forms if you'd prefer that

Blessings, Ken+



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SUNDAY, JULY 24TH: THE 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 12

9:00am Holy Eucharist, with Music OUTDOORS

weather permitting... bring your own lawn chair!

*Join us for Lemonade on the Lawn
following the service!*

Our YouTube channel for Sunday Worship Services:

<https://bit.ly/StLukesSundayWorship>