

Hark! The Herald

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A Welcoming Family...Worshipping Christ...Sharing His love with others.
Serving Jesus Christ since 1879

“St. Luke’s Anglican Church: A welcoming family, worshiping Christ and sharing his love with others.”
Greetings from the Senior Warden

My dear St. Luke’s Family,

WOW!! How quickly time flies, it seems like only last week I was writing to you in our August Herald.

I will give you a brief update on the Vestry’s search for a new rector. We continue to move forward in the interview process but have had a few scheduling conflicts due to vacations. Ideally we hope to have all interviews completed by September 5th.

Our mission at St. Luke’s is to be “A Welcoming Family, Worshipping Christ and Sharing His Love with Others”. We support all of these!!! Now, more than ever, without a permanent pastor tending the flock, we need to share our love with our church family.

I would like to share with you a writing by Edgar Guest titled “Sermons We See”.

“I’d rather see a sermon than hear one any day.

I’d rather one should walk with me than merely tell the way.

The eye’s a better pupil and more willing than the ear,

Fine counsel is confusing, but example’s always clear;

And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creeds,

For to see good put in action is what everybody needs.

I soon can learn to do it if you’ll let me see it done;

I can watch your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run.

And the lecture you deliver may be very wise and true,

But I’d rather get my lessons by observing what you do;

For I might misunderstand you and the high advice you give,

But there’s no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

When I see a deed of kindness, I am eager to be kind.

When a weaker brother stumbles and a strong man stays behind

Just to see if he can help him, then the wish grows strong in me

To become as big and thoughtful as I know that friend to be.

And all travelers can witness that the best of guides today

Is not the one who tells them, but the one who shows the way.

One good man teaches many, men believe what they behold;

One deed of kindness noticed is worth forty that are told.

Who stands with men of honor learns to hold his honor dear,
For right living speaks a language which to every one is clear.
Though an able speaker charms me with his eloquence, I say,
I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one, any day."

Our heavenly Father, we give Thee thanks for the fellowship we share at St. Luke's. Open our eyes and more importantly, open our hearts to the needs of others. Help us be grateful for our joys and blessings, and to have compassion for those suffering adversities. We pray in Thy most holy name, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. AMEN

May God bless you & keep you safe in His loving arms.

Linda Meyer
Senior Warden

Christian Nurture at St. Luke's

Sundays

Children's Church meets in Norvell Hall during the worship service and is for children in the primary grades. They follow a liturgy designed for them that is based on the gospel lesson for that Sunday.

Children's Church will take a hiatus during the summer months.



Nursery Attendant

St. Luke's is currently looking for an attendant for the nursery. The hours are 8:45 – 10:45 a.m. on Sundays. \$30 per service. Please apply in the church office.

Pantry News

Thanks so much for your August donations. We gave away several bags of food to various families sent to us from Love Inc. Here are some suggested items to bring: hamburger or tuna helper, canned meats and fish, cereal, soups and crackers, mac and cheese and spaghetti and sauce. Also, please continue to add your change to the Love Inc. purple bank that you received several Sundays ago.

Blessings to you and yours and those in need,
Monica

Church Growth Commission

St. Luke's Church Growth Commission - will meet again after a Summer break:

WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2015 -- 10:00-11:00am

WHERE: EMMA HUNT ROOM, ST.LUKE'S

PROGRAM: MOVING FORWARD AT ST.LUKE'S - DISCUSSION & BRAINSTORMING.....

PARISHIONERS INVITED...FOR MORE INFORMATION TALK TO SHIRLEY OR MAX....

Blessings,
Shirley



Change a Life Campaign

By simply filling the purple cubes with your spare change, you can help others change their lives. Your support will benefit participants from the Love Plus life skills education and mentoring program, AND help families in need with transitional services. The instructions are inside the cube and you can pick up one of the purple cubes on Sunday in the month of August. Or you may call Love INC at (209) 383-7034. This campaign lasts through the month of September.

Diocese of San Joaquin Defense Fund

Make check payable to St. Luke's Church, earmarked for the Defense Fund.

By representing the Diocese, they are representing us.
Remember them in your prayers during the appeal process.

News from the Diocese may be found at: www.dioceseofsanjoaquin.net

Dear St. Luke's Family,

I have been overwhelmed by the display of love received during my illness. The love consisted of many beautiful cards, lots of emails, visits and phone calls. I am still going to have therapy, until the leg heals, but will be attending St. Luke's and will be with the family I love. Again, my thanks and appreciation to all of my beloved church family members.

Blessings & love,

DOK Sis Jessie

Change of Address

Valerie Victor
Hewitt's Care Home
426 W. 12th Street
Merced, CA 95341

Up-Coming Events

September 4 – First Friday Family Fellowship @ **6:00 p.m.**

Hosted by Loretta Stuart-Edgerton, Cheryl Mayo, and Darlene Clouse
2742 Saratoga Ave., Merced 725-2908

Bring your favorite appetizer and drinks, and our hostesses will provide dinner, salads and dessert.

Please let Loretta know if you are coming.

Call 725-2908

September 7 – Labor Day office closed

September 16 – Holy Cross Day (tr.)

We will celebrate this Holy Day with Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen. The Book of Common Prayer, p. 244

September 23 – Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (tr.)

We will celebrate this Holy Day with Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m.

September 30 – Saint Michael and All Angels (tr.)

We will celebrate this Holy Day with Evening Prayer with Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m.

October 10 – Diocesan Anglican Church Women Honored Women's Luncheon 2015

The Luncheon will be held Saturday, October 10th at 11 a.m. in Fresno. Reservations must be in by October 1st. Please contact Linda Meyer for additional luncheon information.



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Weekly Services

Sundays

9:00 a.m. Holy Communion [Children's Church meets during the Service]

11:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study after Coffee Hour

Wednesdays

10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer/Healing Service

Church Staff

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