



# St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Where all are welcome at the Lord's table

weekly

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Greetings!

*"The willingness to show up changes us."*

- Brene Brown in Daring Greatly

This past Tuesday, Anne Mackie, a long-time parishioner of St. Luke's and devoted member of our Pastoral Care Committee, passed away, just weeks after her diagnosis with Stage 4 lung cancer. On that same day, Jennifer Larkin, the 52-year-old sister of parishioner and usher Dan Larkin, also died, this after her months-long journey with an inoperable brain tumor.

As you can imagine, both Anne and Jennifer's families are awash in grief-please keep them in your prayers.

Although there are no words to lessen their sadness, I was so relieved that I could offer, for the first time in over a year, our auditorium as a place to gather following the respective Celebrations of Life. Both families quickly and gratefully accepted.

Then came the task of recruiting volunteers to provide hospitality and attention at these collations. Emails were sent and almost immediately what followed were your replies. "I'll be there." "I can do it." "I'll be happy to help." With each such response, I could feel my own emotions rise closer to the surface.

One of the things I love most about St. Luke's is that you all show up. You show up to share in joys and sorrows, you show up to work or play, you show up to sing joyfully or pray quietly. Even during the height of the pandemic, you continued to show up. Showing up on Zoom for Adult Faith Formation classes, social hours, and annual meetings. Showing up to tend to our gardens or support our golf tournament. Showing up to feed the hungry outside our doors and to care for the hurting within our parish family. You all show up-and it makes my heart full.

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I have to believe it makes your hearts full as well. I think author Brene Brown right when she says, "*The willingness to show up changes us.*" Do you not find yourself, after showing up at one St. Luke's thing or another in a different "place" of sorts-possessing a different perspective, feeling a different mood? Sometimes I walk away with my thoughts clarified; sometimes I walk away with my spirits lifted; sometimes I walk away with my body energized. But always I walk away a bit changed after being with you.

So let me say, thank you. Thank you, those of you who showed up early this past Thursday morning to plan the resumption of our Loaves and Fishes Ministry. Thank you, those of you who show up Sundays, as we break bread together. Thank you, those of you who will show up for these two upcoming collations.

Thank you, all who have showed up for one thing or another. And to those who haven't been around in a while, I hope you will show up soon!

Brown's thoughts on showing up come from her book entitled *Daring Greatly*. Now, while it might not take much "daring" to show up at St. Luke's, I do know it takes time and commitment. But if you are able to find that time and willing to make that commitment, I promise, you will discover your lives "greatly" changed.

Peace,  
*Tim*

P.S. - Speaking of "showing up," I hope you'll all show up at the Goddard Park Carousel on July 11 for our annual parish service and picnic! See the details in the following note.

**Church Picnic**

**SAVE THE DATE! - Church Picnic**

**Sunday, July 11th**

**Goddard Park Carousel**

**10:15 - Worship Service**

**Followed by a Church BBQ and Picnic**

Please save the date and join us for a wonderful day!

St. Luke's will be providing the hamburgers & hot dogs. Remaining cautious, we are asking each family to bring your own side dish and dessert. St. Luke's will also provide Lemonade and Water as beverage.

**[Click Here](#)** to sign up through Sign-up Genius, sign-up on the sheet in the atrium, call the church at 884-4116, or email at [cimondi@stlukeseg.org](mailto:cimondi@stlukeseg.org) by Wednesday, July 7th. We want to make sure there will be enough hot dogs and hamburgers for everyone.

We also need a few volunteers to arrange and clean the tables and chairs at the Carousel at 8:15am before the church service. This year, we need a few helpers to serve Hamburgers and Hot dogs and a few helpers to clean up after the picnic.

Thank you to the men of Theology on Tap for transporting the grill, tables, and other equipment to the park, and prepping the burgs and dogs and cooking them.

Please contact Lois McLoughlin at 401-885-3104 or Christina in church office at 884-4116 if you have any questions.

**The 7:45 service will be held at St. Luke's as usual.**



### **This Sunday at St. Luke's**

#### **The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Click above for the lessons

**7:45am** Holy Eucharist with Sermon

**10:15am** Holy Eucharist with Sermon

We are glad to offer a Facebook livestream for our 10:15 am Sunday services. To access the livestream, please follow the instructions below:

1. Our Facebook page can be accessed by **[Clicking Here](#)**.
2. You do not need a Facebook account to access this page. If you do have an account, 'liking' our page ahead of the service will allow Facebook to send you a notification when the livestream begins. If you do not have an account, Facebook will ask if you would like to set one up. Simply click the 'x' at the top right corner to close that box or click 'not now'.
3. The livestream will be accessible from St. Luke's Facebook page near the time the prelude begins. If you have liked our page, simply click on the notification you will receive from Facebook when it starts to view the video.
4. If you have not liked our page, you may have to scroll down the page to find the livestream while it is happening due to the way Facebook works. Once the livestream concludes, the video of the service will be available at the top of our page, (so you will not have to scroll to find it).

Please contact our Assistant Rector, Mother Tanya, with any questions. She can be reached at [tanya@stlukeseg.org](mailto:tanya@stlukeseg.org).

[Click Here](#) to download a copy of the parish prayer list.

The Rev. Timothy T. Rich, rector, preaching

## **St. Luke's Social Hour**

### **Virtual Sunday Social Hour**

**Please join us for a virtual Sunday Social Hour at 5:00 pm this Sunday!  
We look forward to seeing our St. Luke's Family!**

Zoom Meeting Information is below:

[Click Here](#) to join meeting! See below for Meeting ID and Password that will be needed to join.

Meeting ID: 889 7757 6106

Passcode: 860459

This information will also be posted on our Weekend Invitation to Worship!

## **Reopening Announcement**

### **St. Luke's is Reopening!**

We are so excited to welcome everyone back to St. Luke's!

[Click Here](#) to view Father Tim's Reopening Letter!

### **SignUpGenius is no longer necessary!**

**When not totally shut down for in-person worship this past year, the SignUpGenius helped us remain compliant and safe upon our return to in-person worship.**

**Beginning June 20, parishioners will no longer be required to "sign-up" to attend either the 7:45am or 10:15am services.**

**Hallelujah!**

We are using a QR Code for our Sunday Bulletin which can be scanned by using a SmartPhone! This will give worshipers the option to view our bulletin on their phone during Sunday Service or to print the bulletin and bring it to the church.

We will provide hard copies as well.

**Here Is The Sunday Bulletin QR Code:**



OR

[Click Here](#) to view our Sunday Bulletin!

## Celebrating Our Graduates

### Congratulations To Our St. Luke's Graduates!

Reid Bentsen  
Perseus Borgia  
Genevieve Cava  
Alex Cerullo  
Benjamin Cerullo  
Zoe Hagenburg  
Haley Heeks  
Nora Jenkins  
Kevin Jordan  
Luke Muoio  
Laurel Ann Pilkington  
Micaela Rich  
Matthew Tibbitts  
Kai Yates



## Summer Office Hours

### CHRISTINA'S SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

July through Labor Day, Christina will be in the office from 8 am - 4 pm, Monday - Thursday.  
The office will be closed on Fridays.

## Treasurer's Note

### From the Treasurer

We continue to beat the budget and last year's numbers.

	2021 YTD	Budget	%	2020 YTD	Var.
Pledge Income	\$235,664	\$216,000	109.10%	\$208,756	\$26,908
Loose Plate	\$10,237	\$9,200	111.27%	\$10,008	\$229
Other Personal Inc.	\$38,561	\$26,117	147.65%	\$30,218	\$8,343
Total Personal Inc.	\$284,462	\$251,317	113.19%	\$248,982	\$35,480
Total Other Inc.	\$85,190	\$90,493	94.14%	\$68,789	\$16,401
Total Income	\$369,652	\$341,810	108.15%	\$317,771	\$51,881
Staff Expenses	\$182,775	\$186,256	98.13%	\$173,904	\$8,871
Facilities Expenses	\$36,186	\$49,716	72.79%	\$51,974	(\$15,788)
Program Expenses	\$9,998	\$15,625	63.99%	\$10,662	(\$664)
Outreach Expenses	\$4,970	\$5,000	99.40%	\$4,721	\$249
Total Expenses	\$272,489	\$292,597	93.13%	\$280,588	(\$8,099)
Net Income	\$97,163	\$49,214	197.43%	\$37,183	\$59,980

## Adult Faith Formation

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#### Wednesdays at 7 pm via Zoom

Our book study is on **Henri Nouwen's *Following Jesus: Finding Our Way Home in an Age of Anxiety***. One reviewer notes: "...this book will not only soothe your soul, but also reinvigorate your faith." Please read Chapter 4. In the Introduction, you'll find the following beautiful prayer:

*Dear Lord,*

*Be with me today. Listen to my confusion and help me know how to live it. I don't know the words. I don't know the way. Show me the way. You are a quiet God. Help me to listen to your voice in a noisy world. I want to be with you. I know you are peace. I know you are joy. Help me to be a peaceful and joyful person. These are the fruits of living close to you. Bring me close to you, dear Lord. Amen.*

You may purchase the book at your local bookstore or online. Expense should be no obstacle to participation -- if you need assistance in acquiring the book, please let Tim or Tanya know. We look forward to seeing you then!

[Click Here](#) to join the meeting! Zoom information is below:

Meeting ID: 867 3899 9469

Passcode: 427552

## Pledge Envelopes

If you have requested pledge envelopes,  
they are located in the atrium.

## Coffee Hour

### Coffee Hour Volunteers

People don't come to coffee hour just for a cup of joe; they want a human connection, something we all have missed during the pandemic! Here's a place where we build community one cup at a time.

We need your help! Father Tim would like to resume Coffee Hour. For now, we are only offering coffee and juice- no food.

As usual, our sexton, Tim, will set up the coffee urn in the morning. The Coffee Hour host simply needs to set up the coffee "station" with cups, sugars, creamer and napkins. These supplies (except the creamer) are all kept in the armoire in the Blackburn Room. There will be a table set up in the narthex near the stairs where you can set up a juice "station" with small juice cups and napkins. Tablecloths can be found in the armoire also.

So, the host would bring half and half as well as some type of juice. Everything else is provided. After the 10:15am service's coffee hour, the urns would need to be cleaned out and stored in the Blackburn Room and you would need to ensure that coffee grounds go in the trash.

Please consider signing up for an upcoming Sunday so we can properly extend our hospitality and reconnect. Christina put the sign-up sheet on the wall across from the office. You can sign up at church or call Christina in the office at 401-884-4116 and she'll add you to the list.

We look forward to seeing you all soon,

Tracy  
401-447-0472

Marcia  
401-241-1821

## Seeking Lay Eucharistic Ministers

### Seeking Lay Eucharistic Ministers!

Reopening the church has been such a joy! As we continue to move closer to our normal pattern of worship, we look forward to returning to the communion rail during the Eucharist. Part of that move will include welcoming Lay Eucharistic Ministers back to the altar to help in the distribution of communion. Serving as a LEM is a simple but gratifying way of participating in feeding the gathered Body of Christ during our worship services. If you have any questions about this ministry, please talk with Fr. Tim or Mtr. Tanya. If you're interested in joining our list of volunteers, please let Christina know! ([cimondi@stlukeseg.org](mailto:cimondi@stlukeseg.org)).

## Loaves and Fishes

### Return of Loaves & Fishes!

After two months of making and delivering lunches (Bags for Buddies) to Safe Haven Warming Center in Woonsocket, we will be redirecting our energies toward a soft relaunch of Loaves & Fishes on Saturday, July 24. More info to come!

This will be our triumphant return to this cherished ministry, which made its last run in February 2020.



Thank you to everyone who made bag lunches and provided clothing for the past two months!

Be on the lookout for more details about our July 24 run!



## Pastoral Care

### Pastoral Care Ministry

Prayer is a powerful way for us to support each other and build community. If you would like to add someone to our parish prayer list, please use the online Prayer List Request Form. It is available on our website under our Parish Life tab and here in our Weekly Newsletter. The prayer list is updated weekly. The Pastoral Care Ministry continues to pray for all on the prayer list and send cards to the homebound and those in the hospital. By filling out the information on this form, you will help us to keep in touch. [Click Here](#) for our Prayer List Request Form.

Thank you and stay well.

The Pastoral Care Ministry

## Main Street Strolls



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## St. Luke's Takes to Main Street!

### It's official !!

East Greenwich will once again host its highly popular  
**Main Street Strolls** each month from June to September!

St. Luke's and The Three Amigos will be there to celebrate this community wide event -- singing, greeting and enjoying our neighbors. You will find us each month at 294 Main Street -- home of Walsh & Associates.

### Mark your calendar and join us!

**Dogs on Parade** Thursday, June 24, 5pm - 8pm

To participate in parade with your pet, meet behind Back to Basics at 5:30pm ...  
parade starts at 6pm and ends at Town Hall

**Arts on Main/Chalk the Block** Thursday, July 15th, 5pm - 8pm

**Music on Main** Thursday, August 19th, 5pm - 8pm

**Taste of EG** Thursday, September 16, 5pm - 8pm

If you would like to volunteer with hosting the St. Luke's booth,  
please contact Deborah Collins at collinstn01@gmail.com

## Casting Call!

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On July 27 St. Luke's will be the filming site for the upcoming indie movie, "Poor Paul", a romantic comedy/musical. They will be filming a wedding scene in and around our sanctuary.

The director is looking for extras to attend the wedding as well as youth for a children's choir to sing a short song. As I said to the director, you have come to the right place!

For the youth, they will need to be at St. Luke's from 3:00-5:00PM. They will need a waiver signed by parent or guardian, per SAG requirements. I will pass that waiver on to any interested parties.

For the wedding guests, they will need to be present from 3:00-6:00, dressed in your most glorious wedding attire (glamorous dresses and fancy hats appreciated for the women; suits, ties, for the men-- no tuxes though).

The more the merrier for the adults. He is hoping for 10 or more for the youth choir. I told him I thought we could accommodate.

Come and participate in this fun day! Maybe this will be the start of a new career for you?!!

If you have any questions, let me know. Please call the office or email Christina, [cimondi@stlukeseg.org](mailto:cimondi@stlukeseg.org), if you are interested in participating.

I'll see you in the film!!

Peace,  
*Tim*

## St. Luke's RaiseRight Program

### More Spring Bonuses for You and St. Luke's!

Get ready for graduation season and raise funds for St. Luke's!

Party planning, gift buying, outfit shopping - there's plenty to do before graduation season begins. Get gift cards to make your prep more impactful.



Add the RaiseRight app to your phone today and help raise additional funds for St. Luke's! Scan the QR code below to get more details on the app. Most importantly, when downloading the app, please enter the following enrollment code to specify St. Luke's as your charitable organization of choice: FEB88LAC73L81



Create opportunities for what matters most to you—right from your phone. Buy gift cards from 750+ brands to earn on your daily purchases. It's simply the right way to fundraise.



Stay tuned for more information on this exciting opportunity to support St. Luke's!

Thank you,  
Mark & Susan Cordle, Deborah Collins & Jeremy Stowe  
Your Faithful RaiseRight Project Team

## St. Luke's Choirs

### St. Luke's Choirs Sing for You!

As a special gift from the Canterbury, St. Cecilia, and Angel Choirs to our St. Luke's family and friends, choir members compiled a special 'arrangement' of "How Can I Keep From Singing". The music is from an American folk song originally composed by Baptist minister Robert Wadworth Lowry in 1868 with the four-part arrangement published by Jeffrey Honoré in 1991. The choirs performed this piece at their 2019 Spring Concert and happily recreated that performance in this video (also available on St. Luke's website and Facebook page).



St. Luke's Choirs Sing For You!

## Big Brothers and Big Sisters

### Big Brothers and Big Sisters Donations

In our continuing efforts to be a good neighbor and serve our local community, we have added a new addition to the St Luke's parking lot! The clothing bin is a result of joining in a new partnership between the Episcopal Diocese and Big Brother Big Sister of Rhode Island. It will serve as a collection point for community donations of clothing, shoes and other cloth items. Please drop off your bagged items at your convenience.



### Especially for Children

To watch Godly Play online please [Click Here!](#)

### Food Cupboard

Greetings from our Food Cupboard!

We are reaching out to update you on some of our needs during this challenging time. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of our families that they are able to stay healthy and safe.

Please consider donating these items:

Kidney beans, cannellini beans, baked beans, pasta sauce, rice/pasta sides, ramen noodles, cooking stock, canned pineapple, hash, chili, yellow cake mix, Italian or ranch dressing, ketchup, juice (64 oz), crackers, cookies and mayonnaise.

Thank you!

EG Interfaith Food Cupboard

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