Dear St. Luke’s Friends,

One of the reasons that I so appreciate The Episcopal Church is how we govern ourselves. We understand that the Holy Spirit is active in everyone, not just certain people such as the clergy. And so we share governance at every level of our Church: Vestries are made up of both wardens, clergy, and members. Each Diocese has an annual convention, also made of the clergy of the diocese and the Bishop, but also lay delegates from each parish, including ours. And every three years, all the Bishops of the Church, plus clergy and laypeople from each Diocese, gather for a General Convention. We just had one of those in Austin, Texas, last summer, and, of course by the time you read this, we'll perhaps have had our own Annual Meeting. Our Diocesan Convention is coming up just the week after, too. You can learn more about each of these online – just search for St. Luke’s/Haworth or the Episcopal Diocese of Newark or The Episcopal Church. You'll be amazed about what's available. I always am.

On January 20 we heard following at the Second Reading: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.... All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses."

And so, we should never think that whatever we do for the Church – even if it is simply worshiping – is unworthy or unneeded. God – and all of us – need you! So if you have or are serving in any capacity at St. Luke’s or in the Diocese, thank you for your ministry. You are a vital and worthy member of the Body of Christ and of St. Luke’s and the Diocese of Newark and The Episcopal Church!

Epiphanytide blessings continue!

Fr. Bob
SOUL FOOD:
Epiphany at the New Bridge

Janet Beddoe and I witnessed the end of the old Tappan Zee Bridge on a cold, cold Tuesday in January in my home town of Piermont. Beside stands the new shining marvel, the wonderful way we 21st century Americans can cross the River: the amazing New Bridge!

At Bible study that same night I asked the question: “What is the difference between Epiphany and Revelation?” Edith Biondi gave us a wonderfully clear answer. Ask her and she will tell you.

(Editor’s Note: I researched this and found several definitions, one being that a revelation is an idea or concept revealed by an outside source whereas an epiphany comes from within, a realization based on a thought process originating from self. Edith’s explanation went much deeper.)

If Jesus came to make all things new, then I have to let go of that old “Tappan Zee Soul” and embrace the new “child,” just as the Wise Men did, traveling home by a different route to the East. The debris from the old bridge is still floating in the River, and I need a lot of help to carry it off and dispose of it. I suppose that is the journey of Lent, but, meanwhile, I only have today to enjoy the journey home: for this I am thankful, Epiphany Edith.

— Roberta Nobleman

If you look carefully at the photo above, you can just make out the smoke from the detonation — and the new bridge.

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Bishop Carlye’s Epiphany Message

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As we move from Christmastide into Epiphany, and into a new year with its hopes and challenges, Bishop Carlye suggests that we can nurture our spiritual lives by following Mary’s example, when she “treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.”

Watch her full message (time: 4:46).

The 97th Annual Meeting of St. Luke’s Church — RECAP

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Sunday, January 27 with a potluck luncheon. Following remarks and a prayer by our Guest Celebrant and Preacher, the Rev. Robert F. Solon, Jr., the meeting was called to order and the slated presented from the Nominating Committee.

Next, Frank Brescia presented his Treasurer’s report. Although 2018 was a good year with total expenses coming in under budget and continued support from the Trust and Endowment funds, 2019 promises to be more a challenging budget year because of a decline in pledgers.

The SLATE for the Election of Parish Officers was voted upon and passed unanimously, as follows:

Warden 2 yr.  Tammy Lynch
Vestry 3 yr.  Amy Hernandez
One term open
NOTE: Paul Nobleman was nominated from the floor and elected with the rest of the slate

2020 Diocesan Convention delegates
Tammy Lynch, Paul Nobleman,
Sue Gonci

Alternate 2020 delegates
Rich Gonci, Roberta Nobleman,
Claudia Smith

District 9 Delegate & Alternate
Claudia Smith
Paul Nobleman

The Vestry appointed Junius Stephenson and Frank Brescia to two-year terms as Trustees for both the Trust Fund and the Endowment Fund.

At its regular meeting on Dec. 11, 2018, the Vestry voted unanimously to use $10,000 of the 2018 Trust fund proceeds for operating expenses. The motion was voted upon and carried by the required 2/3 of the congregation duly present.

Following a brief period of discussion, the meeting was closed with a prayer by Roberta Nobleman.

See photos on Page 4.
The 97th Annual Meeting of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church
REGULAR EVENTS

Sunday School

Available Every Sunday
Our Christian Education classes are held following our 10:30 Service in the Parish Hall. Thanks to Karen Moylan for her faithfulness in taking on responsibility for this crucial part of a child’s development.

Bible Study

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 P.M.

The Bible Study Group continues its twice-a-month meetings in the Parish Hall. Many thanks again to Karen Moylan for leading this group!

Next: Feb. 5 & 19

Healing Service

3rd Sundays, in the Chapel right after the 10:30 service

Next: Feb. 17

Parish Fun Night

3rd Sundays, 6:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to attend Parish Fun Night. Bring a potluck dish to share and be prepared to have fun in spite of yourself. Board games are played and silliness abounds. If you’ve never tried it, check it out!

Next: Feb. 17

The annual Parish Wine and Cheese was held at the Rectory on Jan. 6, Epiphany Sunday. A lovely spread made for a lovely event!

Caught in the act? You bet! Pouring a glass of an excellent wine from Australia! St. Luke’s Parishioners brought their own beverages to enjoy along with an excellent array of cheeses, dips and other delectable delicacies. Oh, and did we mention that REALLY GOOD FELLOWSHIP was rampant?
If you or someone you know has been impacted, CFA is here to help

The recent government shutdown has shown that many folks are just a paycheck or two away from being able to feed their families. Whatever the food emergency, advocates are always on hand to help at the following CFA locations:

- **CFA Englewood – Headquarters**: 201.569.1804
- **CFA Hackensack**: 201.883.9375
- **CFA Mahwah (Site & Warehouse)**: 201.529.2029
- **CFA Ringwood**: 201.529.2029
- **CFA Saddle Brook (Site & Warehouse)**: 201.703.9857
- **Bergen Community College (Pitkin Education Center)**: 201.447.7191

**Most Wanted List**

- Supermarket Gift Cards
- Canned Meat (tuna, chicken, etc)
- Canned Hearty Soups
- Canned Vegetables
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Tomato Sauce, Cold Low-sugar Cereal and Oatmeal
- Powdered Milk and/or Boxed Milk such as Parmalat
- Canned Fruits
- Instant Potatoes
- 100% Juice
- Baby Formula & Diapers sizes 4, 5, 6
- Bar or Bottled Soap
- Toothpaste, Toothbrush & Dental Floss

Consider joining the **Snack Pack Assembly Angels** on the 4th Sunday. The packs help less fortunate kids who may not have a decent meal over a weekend when they can’t eat at school. This CFA program ensures that the teachers are able to place snack packs filled with nutritious meals very discreetly into the children’s backpacks.

We anticipate an increase in the number of people seeking emergency food during the upcoming weeks. Please, help us get the word out that CFA is a resource for neighbors needing help to put food on their tables, and, we welcome any support you can give to make sure our neighbors don’t go hungry.

**Support Our Monthly CFA Programs**

Help fill our grocery cart on the second Sunday of every month! Foodstuffs are blessed during the service and taken to the **Center for Food Action in Englewood**. To learn more about the vital work the CFA does to help feed our neighbors, click here: [http://cfanj.org/who-we-are/](http://cfanj.org/who-we-are/)

And, if you or someone you know receives SNAP (the federally enforced food stamps program or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) the benefits are being stretched to the limit for families and seniors who are already struggling.

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Pick up a few extra items to donate and make a less fortunate family’s week!

St. Luke’s angels assemble snack packs after church. **This month: FEBRUARY 24**
February’s Book Selection

The lives and loves of three remarkable women — two in the past, one in the present — and the tragic final voyage of the RMS Lusitania.

From the New York Times bestselling authors of The Forgotten Room comes a captivating historical mystery, infused with romance, that links the lives of three women across a century — two deep in the past, one in the present — to the doomed passenger liner, RMS Lusitania.

Between the Lines Book Club Schedule for 2019

**Book Club Meetings are now held at 7:30 P.M. on Last Thursdays at the Rectory unless otherwise noted.**

- **February 27**  *The Glass Ocean* — Beatriz Williams (appetizers)
- **March 28**  *Up Island* — Anne Rivers Siddons (potluck)
- **April 24**  *The Red Tent* — Anita Diamante (dessert)
- **May 22**  *In The Unlikely Event* — Judy Blume (pizza)
- **June 23**  *Girl Waits With Gun* — Amy Stewart (wine/cheese)
- **July 24**  *Song of the Lion* — Anne Hillerman (appetizers)
- **August 28**  *A Town Like Alice* — Nevil Shute (potluck)
- **September 25**  *Rooster Bar* — John Grisham (dessert)
- **October 23**  *I am Malala* — Malala Yousafzai (pizza)
- **November** — no meeting
- **December 4**  dinner out

Scarf Set for Donation to Seamen’s Church Institute “Christmas at Sea” Program

Book Club members knitted and crocheted more than 30 scarves by hand to benefit the Seamen’s Church Institute’s Christmas at Sea Program. The scarves, which were blessed during the 10:30 service, will be presented to the organization at the Diocesan Convention. To learn more about the program, click here.

“For all that has been. For all that is. For all that is yet to be. We give you thanks, O Lord!”

— Dag Hammarskjöld
February Birthdays & Anniversaries

4  Jack Pallatta
   Junius Stephenson
15  Greg Paller
    Diane Biesel
25  Jeffrey Coleman
27  Sandra Hernandez

If you don’t see your special day in our monthly listings, please e-mail the editors and we’ll gladly add it!

O God of heavenly powers, by the might of your command you drive away from our bodies all sickness and all infirmity: Be present in your goodness with your servants, that their weakness may be banished and their strength restored; and that, their health being renewed, they may bless your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  Amen.

Grace happens.  All the time.  Grace is God’s gift to us.  The signs of God’s grace are abundant.  Some are dramatic.  Many at first glance seem mundane.  All are potentially life transforming.

St. Luke’s symbol is the ox. This may explain that he is also patron of butchers. In art, Luke is represented by a winged ox. The ox represents the sacrificial aspect of Jesus’ ministry and the wings remind us that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is to travel throughout the world.

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God created us, but God was not – and is not, finished with creating.  God keeps showing up.  God is very much at work.  Our job as God’s creatures, is to pay attention to God’s grace.  And to join with God in God’s work.
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**SAVE THE DATES:**

- **Mar. 5** *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper @ IHOP/Englewood*
- **March 6** *Ash Wednesday Service 7:30 PM*
- **Wednesdays in Lent:** *Soup Supper & Lenten Program*
The Annual Meeting of St. Luke’s Church was held on Sun., Jan. 27 following the 10:30 service, accompanied by a delicious-as-usual potluck luncheon.

Check It Out!

Look inside for more on Pages 3 & 4