

# THE SHEPHERD

JUNE 2018



## RECTOR'S CORNER

### Listening for the Voice of God

I begin this Spring and Summer realizing that, as a parish community, we should expect to hear from God. We need to assume the spiritual position of leaning forward in expectation. As you have heard me say often, I believe there is a fine line between heaven and earth and that God breaks into this realm often as he did in the incarnation of Jesus in human history.

So, as we move into a new season, I urge you to seek a deeper relationship with the God who knows us each by name. In your relationship with yourself, with friends and family members, at work, and at St. Luke's, we need to expect God to show up, to communicate with us, to give us guidance and direction, and perhaps forgiveness and a new lease on life. Let us approach each day with this expectation. My friends, God is knocking on the door of our lives! I am excited about our journey together in the coming months. God bless you and your search for a new rector.

Faithfully,  
*Charlie*

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Tuesday—Friday 10 am to 2 pm

#### Sunday Worship Schedule:

8 am	Holy Eucharist Rt. II
10 am	Choral Eucharist Rt. II
10 am	Sunday School
10 am	Nursery & Child Care

#### Parish Staff:

##### Interim Rector

The Rev. Dr. Charles R. Colwell

##### Organist & Choir Director

Ms. Victoria Iannacchino

##### Office Manager & Bookkeeper

Ms. Debra Thoet

##### Facilities Manager

Mr. Jack Pierce

#### Vestry:

**Wardens:** Lanie Ganzenmuller  
Nancy H. Rose

**Treasurer:** Janette Heurtley

#### Members:

Bryan Anthony	Andrew Baltz
Robert Franco	Kristine Janusas
Linda Parsons	Bruce Treiber
Vivienne Smith	Beth Wiesmann

## VESTRY NEWS

**Vestry Committee Structure** – As we all know, our parish is in a transition period. The Vestry has created a new structure for the management of our church facility, office, worship, and ministry (which were previously managed by Father McDonald).

The six committees and their applicable Vestry member chairs are:

Fundraising	Bryan Anthony (jba19@aol.com)
Buildings and Grounds	Bruce Treiber (brucetreib@aol.com) Andy Baltz (aabaltz@gmail.com)
Communications	Vivienne Smith (vsmith5953@yahoo.com)
Community	Robert Franco (robertfranco5@gmail.com) Linda Parsons (lparsons3@optonline.net)
Ministry and Worship	Beth Wiesmann (eetrimm@aol.com) Kristine Janusas (357cosmo@gmail.com)

If you have any questions or would like to participate, please contact the chair of said committee.

**St. Luke's Website Upgrade** – Your Vestry has embarked on an upgrade of our parish website. As part of our new Rector search process, the Diocese indicated that our website needed work. Please try to visit our website in the coming weeks and watch it come “alive.” If you have any questions or comments regarding the website you can contact Vivienne Smith at

## Join us for Coffee Hour this Summer!



**School may be on vacation but things are still happening here at St. Luke's!** We hope you'll join us for our Sunday Service and coffee hour this summer. Coffee hour is a great way to get together, catch up, and welcome newcomers. We could use some help to keep it going - all it takes is a few snacks and some time to make the coffee and heat up the hot water. Please sign up on the signup sheet in the Parish Hall. If you want to help but aren't sure what to do, please talk to Holly Schuessler.

## SEARCH COMMITTEE NEWS

We continue to push forward with our search for the next rector of St. Luke's.

Kristine Janusas, serving as our search committee to vestry liaison, continues to update and involve the vestry in our search activities. Canon Clair Woodley, our diocesan search liaison, has encouraged us to update and expand St. Luke's website to inform and attract candidates for our open clergy position. In response to the Canon's guidance, our vestry has engaged a consultant to update our website and we look forward embedding our search committee generated parish profile, recent parish survey results, financial information and church community news on our new and improved website as part of our search activities.

Canon Woodley has also commented on and made suggestions for improving the first draft of our updated Parish Profile. I have incorporated the Canon's suggestions into our Parish Profile and submitted an updated draft to Father Colwell, Kristine and our search committee for review, suggestions and approval. We hope to submit this next draft of the Parish Profile to the Canon the first week of June.

As mentioned, we have also completed a parish survey as part of our search activities. Many thanks to the 60 parishioners who took the time to complete our check-box survey and offer extensive written advice to guide our search. We will share the survey results on our soon-to-be launched new website. In the meantime, here are a couple of quotes from the narrative section of the survey offered by several parishioners.

*"I think that our priest has to be able to grab people's attention by saying something nice to them. They have to get kids involved"*

- a 13 year-old parishioner

*"Our rector should be open and affirming to people of all races, ages, sexual orientations and genders"*

- a somewhat new parishioner

*"I attend the 8:00 am service, and although our numbers are relatively small, I feel a tremendous sense of spiritual peace during this time"*

- a long-time parishioner

Our search committee will be meeting on Sunday June 17th at 10:00 am —immediately following the 9:00 am St. Luke's Summer Service. Father Colwell and I will be updating the larger committee on our activities and sharing suggestions we have received from the diocese during this upcoming meeting.

As always, thank you all for your support as Father Colwell, our vestry and our search committee continue to move through this important process.

Respectfully,

Douglas O'Dell, Search Committee Chairperson

## Garage Sale Fundraiser — This Saturday



Our annual Garage Sale Fundraiser is this Saturday, June 2 (Sea Cliff Garage Sale Day). All proceeds will benefit St Luke's. If you have something you would like to donate, or if you can help set up or work the sale, please contact Anne Baltz (516 302 3598) or Bruce Treiber (516 659 4113)

## It's time to start thinking about Jams and Jellies!



Hi to all at St. Luke's! Summer has arrived with a bang and thoughts turn to berries and jelly making. Before long, strawberries will be in and the great bazaar work will begin. The date is not sure yet but the 2nd or 3rd Wednesday of June is anticipated. We'd love to have your help, no experience is necessary!

In the mean time, please look around and see if you have any jelly or canning jars that can be reused. They are our largest item of overhead. Please bring any to the kitchen. If you see any sales of canning or jelly jars please let Janette Heurtley know at (516) 671-4696. Stay tuned for further updates!

## ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS



### June Anniversaries

Debra and Lance Thoet  
Arlene and Douglas O'Dell  
Jill and Rich Salditt  
Kristine and Andrew Janusas  
Marilyn and Bryan Anthony

### June Birthdays

Catherine Salditt	Jane McGrady-Sheils
Peter Treiber	Shaun Convey
Alyson Wang	Jesse Thurman
Lanie Ganzenmuller	Bruce Castellano
June Scheu	Sabrina Moussazadeh
Sarah Webb	Maxwell Rieger
Peter Muttee	Richard Siegel
Allison Trotta	Vanessa Hawkins

Are your family's birthdays and anniversaries listed? If not, please let us know by calling the office. We don't want to miss anyone!



## OTHER NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

### Mother's Day Brunch — Thank You!

Thank you so much to Jack Pierce for coordinating our annual Mother's Day Brunch, and thank you to all who cooked, served and cleaned up so we could have such a delicious Brunch and wonderful time. We really appreciate it!

### Summer Music Opportunity



We have an opportunity to include music in our Summer services but we need donations to make it possible. The cost is \$200 per week starting July 22 and potentially lasting for 6 weeks. If you would like to help us add music this Summer, please make a donation and clearly indicate that it is for "Summer Music".

### Community Outreach



In an effort to get the word out to the community about all we do here at St. Luke's, **we will be operating an information table at the Farmer's Market this Summer.** We will be handing out brochures about our parish and offering a free raffle of a plant each week. Please volunteer for a Saturday (June-August 10am-12pm) to sit at our St. Luke's Table. Contact the office or sign up in the Parish Hall.

### Sunday School News



The last day of Sunday School will be Sunday, June 10. We will begin our Summer schedule of one 9:00 am service on Sunday, June 17. We take a break from Sunday School in the Summer, but children of all ages are welcomed at our 9:00 am Sunday service. Sunday School will begin again on September 9, complete with our annual Welcome Back Picnic.

### Attention Graduating Seniors



The Nancy Lyerly fund was established in the name of the late Nancy Lyerly, a St. Luke's Parishioner, by her family to give graduating high school seniors a small stipend (\$250) to send them off to higher education. To apply, send a letter to Father Charlie letting him know that you are graduating and telling him about your plans for the next year.

# ST LUKE'S CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10	8:00 and 10:00 am service Last Day of Sunday School
June 17	Summer Schedule begins – One Service at 9:00 am Vestry Meeting after service Search Committee Meeting after service
June 24	9:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
July 1	9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
July 8	9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
July 15	9:00 am Morning Prayer Service
July 22	9:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist
July 29	9:00 am Service with Holy Eucharist

**Thanks to all who volunteer to keep our Parish running!**

## JUNE SUNDAY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

	June 3	June 10	June 17	June 24
Acolyte	Kristen Ellis-Henderson	Joseph Franco		
Lay Reader	Susan Thurman	Nigel Hawkins	Jack Pierce	Linda Parsons
Usher	Marianne Walters-Webb and Rich Salditt	Pam Mastrotta and Shaun Convey	John Nagy and Jonathan or Nina Waechter	Jimmy and Karen Lieu
Counter	Jonathan Waechter and Vivienne Smith	Robert Franco and Andrew Janusas	Janette Heurtley and Lanie Ganzenmuller	June Locke and Ginnie Treiber
Altar Guild	Joyce Milowski and Lanie Ganzenmuller	Joyce Milowski and Lanie Ganzenmuller	Lanie Ganzenmuller	Lanie Ganzenmuller
Nursery	Cate Salditt			



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