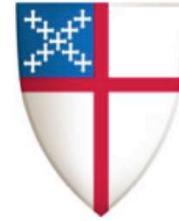




## Song of Simeon

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September 7, 2017

### Calendar of Events

Date	Event/Activity	Location	POC
10 Sep 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Ann
17 Sep 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Ann
24 Sep 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Ann
1 Oct 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Ann
8 Oct 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Ann
15 Oct 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Ann
<i>Vestry Meeting</i> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month at 6:30 PM		<i>"Bad Girls of the Bible"</i> Every Thursday at 12:00 in the Parish Hall <b>Currently on Summer Recess</b>	
<i>Bible Challenge Discussion Group</i> Every Tuesday at 10:30 in the Parish Hall <b>Currently on Summer Recess until September</b>		<i>Pot Luck – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month</i>	

### St. Luke's Prayer List

Laura Stotz, Charlie Bull, Pat Hanly, Bruce Friman, Andy Decker, Scott & James Anderson, Elizabeth Reeves, Gerda Heidel, Sue Cairo, Kathleen Buckley, Snowden, Chris and family, Ashley and the Gonzalez family, Stewart MoneyMaker, Timothy, Mary Beth, John Staton, Gavin Duffy and family, Mimi Crosby, Johonna, Madalen, Karl Brust, Bill Henson, Flo Torrance, Brian, Bob Vismer, Dan and the victims of Hurricane Harvey.

### Readings for Sunday, Sept 10

<http://www.lectionarypage.net>

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 149

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

### Presiding Bishop Michael Curry to preach at 5:30 today at St. Paul's Memorial Church

Today, **Thursday September 7 at 5:30**, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church will preach at a 5:30 p.m. service at St. Paul's Memorial Church in Charlottesville. The public is invited.

Following the tragic events this summer in Charlottesville, the service comes on a day when Bishop Curry will be making a pastoral visit to clergy in the Charlottesville area and meeting with the governance bodies of the Diocese.

For further details, check the St. Paul's Memorial website at [www.spmcuva.org](http://www.spmcuva.org).

NOTE from Rev. Ann: for those unfamiliar with Bp. Curry, he is our "Presiding Bishop" - spiritual leader and pastor-in-chief of the entire Episcopal Church, both domestic and international. Yes, the Episcopal Church is not just a "national church." The Episcopal Church has members in the United States and the

territory of Puerto Rico; and also in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Venezuela, Curacao, Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Haiti, Honduras, Micronesia, Taiwan, and the Virgin Islands!

If you have never heard Bp. Curry preach, I heartily recommend that you come and hear him. He is a dynamic, thoughtful, and inspiring preacher and leader.

“We are simply the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement, seeking every day to love God with our whole heart, mind and soul, and to love our neighbors as ourselves (Matthew 22:36-40). Just like Jesus.” -  
-Bishop Michael Curry

## **CATEC Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Hurricane Harvey Relief – TODAY Sept 7, 5-8pm**

Come one, come all! Join St. Luke’s parishioner Tom Goss and his CATEC Culinary Arts class students as they offer a spaghetti supper to the community. ALL net proceeds will benefit the Red Cross Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund.

(YES – you can hear Bishop Curry and still make the dinner!)

Family of 4 - \$20

Adult - \$7

Children under 10 - \$4

Dinner includes spaghetti (meat or meatless sauce), salad, dinner rolls, assorted desserts, water, coffee and tea. Cash or check only.

Dine in or to go. RSVPs preferred – call 973-4461. WALK INS WELCOME

## **Welcome Rite for New Members this Sunday, September 10**

We’d like to invite those who are “new” to St. Luke’s to participate in a special Welcome ceremony on Sunday September 10 during the 9:15 am service of Holy Eucharist. If you’ve been coming for a while – say within the past year – and would like to be formally recognized as a member, please let Rev. Ann know. We will also be contacting people directly. Thank you!

## **Statement from the Bishops of Virginia in Support of DACA Recipients and Their Families**

We write to you today to pledge our action - and to invite yours - on behalf of 800,000 DREAMers across the country, including the DREAMers in our own Diocese. These young men and women were brought to this country as children; America is the only home they have ever known. As a result of yesterday's decision to phase out Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), they are now threatened with punishment for decisions they did not make.

We your bishops meet DREAMers and their families as we visit congregations. We hear their stories. We learn of the hopes of young people who grew up in the United States, who go to school and play sports and work to help support their families. We hear the dreams for college and safe futures for young people who are as American as any others who grew up on this soil. We ache with them as they speak of their fear of being separated from their families, of being sent to foreign lands that they don't remember, whose culture and, in some cases, whose language they do not know. DREAMers and their families are here in our Diocese, especially but not exclusively in our congregations that worship in Spanish. Some of those congregations are the fastest growing in the Diocese of Virginia. Our DREAMers are a part of vibrant growth and life that the Spirit is revealing to us.

We join with the majority of Americans who support DREAMers and believe they should be offered a just pathway to citizenship. We stand with DREAMers and invite you to stand with them in concrete ways:

**CALL** or **WRITE** to your representatives in Congress urging them to pass the DREAM Act and to protect DACA recipients. Congress has the power to act before any currently protected young people lose their ability to work, study and live without fear in the United States. The congressional switchboard number is (202) 225-3121.

**DONATE** to a DACA recipient who needs financial support to submit a DACA renewal application by the October 5 deadline.

**VOLUNTEER.** Local legal services organizations in Northern Virginia and across the Commonwealth are hosting legal clinics to train volunteers in how best to support timely submissions of DACA renewals by October 5.

**WORSHIP** and **PRAY.** A service will take place this Sunday evening, September 10, 2017, at St. James', Leesburg, at 7 p.m. The service will be in Spanish. All are invited.

"The Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt." - Leviticus 10:17-19

*The Rt. Rev. Shannon S. Johnston*

*The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff*

*The Rt. Rev. Edwin F. Gulick*

## **Hymns Commentary/History**

Some have asked me to continue writing a commentary/history of hymns for the coming Sunday service. This Sunday, Sept. 10, I will be playing 'Ode to Joy' for prelude and the opening hymn, 376, AKA "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee." This is the final movement of Ludwig Von Beethoven 9th symphony, known as the Choral Symphony. "Ode to Joy" has been adopted by the European Union as their anthem with adapted wording and is sung every year on May 9th, in commemoration of the European Union.

### **To the choir to be:**

It is getting closer to the day of our 125th anniversary, St. Luke's Simeon; from a chapel under the administration of Christ Episcopal church to a mission of the diocese to a Parish with a rector. What a celebration! My way of celebrating is through music: praise through song. In planning the music for that day, I need to know how many of you are willing to commit to serving in a choir. In addition to the Sunday service, we need 2-3 rehearsals and a command dress rehearsal on Saturday, Oct. 14th, time to be decided. Several weeks ago I sent out an e-letter invitation to those who have served in some capacity to support St. Luke's ministry of music and an invitation to a few who I know are vocalists. I have received commitments from; Amy H., Bob B., Debbie K., Lynne S., Lou L. and Judy B. I need another tenor and 2 bass's. More sopranos and altos would be welcome. From my position "on the bench," I hear some good voices including some rich male tones but I do not know who they belong to, as I can only hear them.

In a meeting with Rev. Ann today, planning ahead, etc. we choose the hymns and I suggested the offertory anthem "Eternal God, We Give You Thanks for Music" by John Rutter. I also purposed a 15 minute mostly sung prelude: "Thanks Be to Thee" from Handel's "Israel in Egypt," a full unison choir and "The Lord is My Shepherd," 'soprano and alto duet and 1 more to be decided. In addition to singing the offertory anthem, I need the choir to lead the hymn singing and music at the communion.

Rehearsal dates:

Sat. Sept. 30th. Following Fall clean-up, approx. 1:00  
 Sat. Oct. 7th 1:00 or/and Sun. Oct. 8th following social hour  
 Sat. Oct. 14, Time TBD

I will have the music available by Sunday, Sept. 17 to all you respond by Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>  
 email [fickesdb@earthlink.net](mailto:fickesdb@earthlink.net) or 981-0699

*In HIS service, Babs Fickes*

## [St. Luke's Volunteer Sign Up Sheet \(click me\)](#)

Date	Greeter	Reader 1	Reader 2	Eucharistic Minister	Acolyte	Teller Senior Warden	Altar Guild (Bob & Judy Bill)	Coffee Hour 1 Babs Fickes	Altar Flowers (Babs Fickes)
10 Sep	Tom Torrance	Tom Torrance	Jo-Anne Brust	Marta	Judy Bill	Judy Crosby	Lil Salley	Lou Lamb	
17 Sep	Judy Crosby	Anna Askounis	Marta Engdahl	Anna Askounis	Joan Clark	Judy Crosby	Bob & Judy Bill		
24 Sep				Don Fickes	Joan Clark	Judy Crosby		Ruby Parish	
1 Oct	Marta E	Marta E		Don Fickes		Don Fickes		Pot Luck	
8 Oct			Marta E			Don Fickes			Fickes
15 Oct				Marta E		Don Fickes		125th Anniversary	The Bills

***Remember...if all else fails, call or write Bob Lamb at 703-407-2365 or [bob.j.lamb@gmail.com](mailto:bob.j.lamb@gmail.com)***

