

# Song of Simeon

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Simeon  
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*We are a Spirit-filled community of simple grace and acceptance.... Come As You Are!*

August 9, 2018

## Calendar of Events

Date	Event/Activity	Location	POC
Aug 12 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Aug 19 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Aug 26 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Sep 2 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	
Sep 9 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	
Sep 14 3:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal	St. Luke's	Rev. Halley Wilcox
Sep 15 3:00 pm	Wedding	St. Luke's	Rev. Halley Wilcox
<i>Vestry Meeting</i> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday each month at 6:00 PM (New date & time)		<i>"Bad Girls of the Bible"</i> Every Thursday at 12:00 in the Parish Hall (Summer recess to September)	
Bible Study will resume in the fall sometime after Labor Day		Pot Luck – 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday each month	

*The Song of Simeon will not be published on 6 and 13 September. I will be able to send out announcements to the congregation via email, so please feel free to send any updates that you require.*

## St. Luke's Prayer List

Pat Hanly, Scott Anderson, Sue Cairo, Kathleen Buckley, Chris and family, Ashley and the Gonzalez family, John Staton, Gavin Duffy and family, Johonna, Nancy McCue, Mary Wisz, Michelle Quantock, Stephen Quantock, Hal, Jolene, Donna Edwards, Ruth and Don Speed, Josephine, Skye Taylor, Ashley, Cody, Jim Brookeman, Don Cook and family, Rochelle Hill, and Amanda Duong, Shirley Anderson, Mary True, Toby Friman, Bill Emerson, Richard Bernard Thanksgivings for Gavin Duffy and family and Shirley Anderson, Madalen.

## Readings for August 12, 2018:

<http://www.lectionarypage.net>

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

## CPR and AED Training:

Sudden cardiac arrest can strike anytime – during work, at a sporting event or while at church. In a typical community setting, victims of sudden cardiac arrest rarely survive because they do not have immediate access to life-saving treatment, but studies show that more than half would survive if an AED and CPR had been used within 5 minutes of cardiac arrest. A few months ago, the Vestry decided to purchase an Automatic Electronic Defibrillator (AED). We will offer AED training, along with CPR, for anyone in the parish this fall. An instructor, certified by the American Heart Association, has offered to do a day of training for \$30 per person. Stay tuned for the date and if you have any questions, ask *Lou Lamb*.



## Education for Ministry (EfM)

Education for Ministry (EfM) is a unique four-year distance learning certificate program in theological education based upon small-group study and practice. This a joint University of the South (Sewanee) and Episcopal Church of the U.S. program. Since its founding in 1975, this international program has assisted more than 80,000 participants in discovering and nurturing their call to Christian service. EfM helps the faithful encounter the breadth and depth of the Christian tradition and bring it into conversation with their experiences of the world as they study, worship, and engage in theological reflection together.

In the Charlottesville area, an EfM group meets weekly on Tuesday mornings from September through May at St. Paul's, Ivy. If you are interested in joining this group, please ask Tom Torrance how to enroll.

Friday, Aug. 10th at 7:00 PM,  
**THE SOUND MACHINE** presents a musical  
 "JAM SESSION"  
 along with  
 "THE COOL LANE BAND"  
 and other musical Artists  
 C'ville Coffee, 1301 Harris St, Charlottesville  
 Va.

Tickets are \$7.00 and will be available at the door  
 All Proceeds will be donated to PACEM

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

It gives me a warm feeling when I see parishioners gathering to exchange thoughts, weekly /daily events, laughter, etc. We need hosts for the coffee hour this Sunday, the 12th and the following Sunday August 19th. If you have never hosted and would like to, it is very simple. Just provide something simple to eat. All drinks and paper products are provided. Don and I set up everything for the social and are always there to assist you. If you can provide something such as fruit, cheese & crackers, etc., PLEASE contact Babs 981-0699 or sign-up online.

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)
Aug 5	Marta Engdahl	Marta Engdahl	Lynne Sprouse	Don Fickes	Marta Engdahl	Lynne Sprouse	Lil Salley	Pot Luck	St. Luke's garden
Aug 12		Tom Goss	Marta Engdahl	Bob Bill	Judy Bill	Lynne Sprouse	Judy & Bob		
Aug 19	Tom Torrance	Tom Torrance		Marta Engdahl	Joan Clark	Lynne Sprouse	Lou Lamb		
Aug 26		Judy Crosby	Debbie King	Rick Miller	Bob Bill	Lynne Sprouse	Judy & Bob	Judy and Lil	
Sep 2		Bob Bill		Don Fickes	Marta Engdahl		Judy & Bob	Pot Luck	
Sep 9	Marta Engdahl	Marta Engdahl	Janyce Caulkins				Debbie King		
Sept 15	Wedding			Marta Engdahl	Bob Bill				
Sep 16	Debbie King	Debbie King	Marta Engdahl						
Sep 23				Marta Engdahl	Judy Bill				
Sep 30	Janyce Caulkins				Marta Engdahl				

**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)**



August 7, 2018

Dear Leadership, Clergy, and People of the Diocese of Virginia,

Over the course of the past few months, I have walked with Bishop Shannon and his spouse, Ellen, as they have been in a time of real spiritual discernment about their future and that of the Diocese of Virginia that has led to his decision to resign this autumn as the XIII Bishop of Virginia. While this decision will come as a surprise to many of you, I can assure you that much prayer and many restless days and nights have

accompanied his and Ellen's deep discernment. They have done so as people of faith truly seeking to live as God guides and leads them.

Let me join with you in recalling and celebrating the many and varied accomplishments that you and +Shannon have enjoyed during his tenure as Bishop of Virginia. As Presiding Bishop and Primate, I have been aware and deeply appreciative of the leadership of the Diocese of Virginia in strengthening and expanding companion relationships throughout the Anglican Communion. The "Triangle of Hope" fellowship linking Virginia with the dioceses of Liverpool in England and Kumasi in Ghana is but one example of how such companion relationships work to define new understandings of communion and collaboration. Closer to home, +Shannon shared with me his excitement over your new model for episcopal visitations, a model that is creating a more deeply knowing and meaningfully connected relationship between your congregations and the ministries of your bishops. This holds encouraging promises for years to come.

Also, I have spoken to Bishop Shannon on a couple of occasions of my particular awareness and deep respect for the work you and he together have done following the way of love that Jesus teaches - by working together for racial justice and healing in church and society, by genuinely opening your arms as a diocese, like the outstretched arms of Jesus on the cross, to welcome and embrace all, and by renewing the spiritual life and vitality of the church in Virginia after the resolution of the property disputes. And I would be remiss if I did not mention that +Shannon's voice in the House of Bishops is one that is listened to and respected for his spiritual insight, deeply formed wisdom, and subtle nuanced humor.

All of this, and much more, when you stop and reflect, is simply a stunning set of accomplishments! You together have indeed borne faithful witness to the way of our Lord Jesus Christ. To God be the glory!

Lastly, I would add on a more personal note, that I shall never forget and always be grateful to Bishop Shannon for his pastoral care for me and my family when I had emergency surgery a few years ago in Virginia Commonwealth Medical Center. He did so quietly and without fanfare even though he was actually on his sabbatical at the time.

I hope you will join with me in celebrating the years of shared ministry that you have enjoyed with Bishop Shannon and Ellen Johnston and wish them the fullness of God's gracious blessings as they embark upon the next phase of their life and ministry. I remain grateful for their ministry among you and for your faithful engagement in God's call through Jesus upon your own lives and ministry.

In the name of our loving, liberating and life-giving God, I remain your faithful servant,

*+Michael*