

# 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!*



November 8, 2018

## Calendar of Events

Date	Event/Activity	Location	POC
Nov 10 10:00 am	Fall Cleanup (Alternate Date)	St. Luke's	Ron Ignatz
Nov 11 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Nov 18 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Nov 25 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Dec 2 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist / Pot Luck	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Dec 2 10:15 am	Advent Wreath Making	Berberich Hall	Lil Salley
Dec 9 9:15 am	Holy Eucharist	St. Luke's	Rev. Marian Windel
Dec 9 10:15 am	Annual Meeting	Berberich Hall	Judy Crosby
<i>Vestry Meeting</i> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month at 6:00 PM (New date &amp; time)</i>		<i>"Bad Girls of the Bible"</i> <i>Every Thursday at 12:00 in the Parish Hall</i>	
<i>Bible Study will remain in hiatus; hoping to get more folks interested in joining</i>		<i>Pot Luck – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month</i>	

*The Vestry is seeking nominations for new members. The nomination box is at the back of the church.*

## St. Luke's Prayer List

Pat Hanly, Johonna, Mary Wisz, Hal, Jolene, Richard Bernard, Jim Brookeman, Tom Goss, John Staton, Scott Anderson, Wei-fen Yu, Shirley Anderson, Donna Edwards, Gene Baker, Kathleen Buckley, family and friends of Alex Hagen, Molly.

## Senior Warden Update

Many thanks to everyone who was able to be with us for our Fall Clean up! Everything is looking good. And thanks to everyone who couldn't be there but kept us in your hearts for the day. That always helps, too.

I understand that folks are wondering what is going on with our search process, so below is some information repeated from the Song of Simeon of September 27th.

*"I know we are all looking forward to the day when we can begin the next chapter of St. Luke's with our new rector. Perhaps you are frustrated that we don't have a detailed update. For good reasons, all the details of the search are highly confidential and only know by the Bishops' office and the Search Committee. (For example, after Ann joined us, all documents relating to that search were destroyed.) In the meantime, again, because of you, our church continues to march forward with all the love that is a defining characteristic of St. Luke's."*

I would like to add that the typical search process takes anywhere from a year to two, and we understand that 18 months is pretty standard. So, while it seems we have been searching for a long time, we are within the expected time frame. I ask that we all continue to pray for our Search Committee and their

## Readings for Nov 11, 2018:

<http://www.lectionarypage.net>

[Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17](#)

[Psalm 127](#)

[Hebrews 9:24-28](#)

[Mark 12:38-44](#)

work, firm in our faith that the Holy Spirit will guide all of us as we look to the future with confidence and hope.

*With love- Judy Crosby*

## Semi Annual Outreach Gifting

Parishioners who would like to suggest gifting please contact Joe Gieck, Ashby Kindler, Judy Crosby or Alicia Lenahan for the December cycle.

## 224<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention

The 224th Annual Convention was held in Richmond, VA from November 1st - 3rd. Instead of writing an overall report on the happenings, I decided to write on my major impression - possibly what I most needed to hear. At the end of the Convention, Bishop Suffragan Susan Ellyn Goff, was passed the temporary torch in giving the ending Address. This was in replacement of the resigning Bishop Shannon Johnston who normally would have given it.



What struck me about her Address was how inline it was with what we are experiencing at St. Luke's. As expressions of concern have poured into the Diocese office, along with an undercurrent of varying degrees of worry: she heartily stated, "We are okay and we will be okay." She continued by giving statistics on the amount of time it takes to find a new Bishop

Provisional. It generally takes 18 - 24 months for this process to end in fruition. This is not unlike the statistics of finding a new Rector recorded as 12 - 18 months. This reminded me again that the Search Committee was not selected until May of this year. Although we have had disappointments during our search, we will continue with fervent prayer that the Holy Spirit is guiding us to the Rector best able to lead our beautiful Parish our new path and that you will find confidence that your Search Committee is doing its job of prayerful discernment.



So, among my prayers is the hope that everyone will relax and enjoy this fantastic opportunity of having The Reverend Marian Windel as our Interim Clergy, providing us with excellent spiritual support leading to our continued growth in Jesus Christ. I feel the blessings of her presence. And coining Bishop Susan's line, "We are okay and we will be okay!"

**Save the Date!** The Schoolhouse Thrift Shop's 27th annual *St. Nicholas Toy Sale* is set to take place on Saturday, December 1st from 9:00-4:00. The shop relies on donations of new and like-new toys, games, and children's activity sets to make this low price *toy sale* a success. Please consider making a tax

deductible goods or monetary donation to the shop by November 27th, 2018. You may place goods in the *toy sale* box in the [parish hall, foyer, etc.]. Call Leah at [434-973-2271](tel:434-973-2271) if you have any questions.

You may mail checks to Schoolhouse Thrift Shop, 1147 Rio Rd E, Charlottesville 22901.

Low income or have relatives in need, are welcome to shop the sale.

## [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)
Nov. 11	Stan Dunne	Jo-Anne Brust	marta engdahl	Rick Miller	Judy Bill	Lou Lamb	Lil Salley	Downs & Torrance/Marcus	
Nov. 18	Tom Torrance	Tom Torrance	Janyce C.	marta engdahl	Bob Bill	Lou Lamb		Janyce & Roddy C	
Nov 25					Judy Bill	Lou Lamb		Betty & Larry Goss	
Dec 2				Don Fickes	Marta Engda			Pot Luck	
Dec 9								Caroll, Gail & Judy B	
Dec 16	marta engdahl	marta engdahl							
Dec. 23			marta engdahl					Xmas party on the Giecks	
Dec. 24				Don Fickes	marta engdahl			None	Poinsetta's
Dec. 30									Poinsetta's

**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)**



**CPR and AED Training**

**St. Luke's AED Location**