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## ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2006 Church of the Year

### SEPTEMBER 2009 HOUSE CALL

#### FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN

"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:24-35

We have listened and learned for most of August, stories of Jesus as the bread of life. One of the most important ways we come to Jesus is by coming together to share each other's troubles and to share our gifts.

St. Luke's has had such opportunities this summer and, from my point of view, we have come together in both of these ways during the past several weeks.

I am especially grateful that a variety of attendees of our church have offered to share their gifts. We have a new chair of Christian Formation and three new teachers for adults. We had a volunteer for summer picnics and the gatherings enabled all of us to know each other in a more meaningful way than before. We have a new stewardship chair who will make stewardship present and in our midst all year. We have a new outreach chair and a new parish life chair. We have a 'Green Team' at the ready to do what is needed on our grounds.

We have a land stewardship committee that perseveres; an altar guild that is faithful; a choir that is committed and joyful; LEM's and ushers caring for us; and a food bank that meets more needs than we can imagine.

New beginnings; long practiced ministries and many more than I have mentioned. Those known and unknown

How blessed are we at this particular time to have among us Christians who answer Jesus' call to come to Him!

Pray for our church that we will hear and follow God's will.

*Sue Riley, Senior Warden*

#### FINANCIAL REPORT/LETTER

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

We have been blessed recently by receiving grants from St. Margaret's and the State of Maryland for \$8,750 and \$1,200, respectively. We are taking these funds and serving the less fortunate of our community. We are distributing basic food stuffs and other necessities to our neighbors through the use of these funds and the services of several of our members who are unselfishly donating their time and resources. We are **pleased** to report that St. Luke's is making a difference and that we are receiving goodwill from our fellow citizens.

Unfortunately, goodwill does not pay our bills. Through August our revenues are down some 16% from last year or \$17,000 and earlier in the year we had to draw down our reserves to have sufficient funds on hand to pay operating expenses. We understand that we are living in difficult times and the economic downturn has not been kind. However, the Vestry believes that it has cut expenses as far as they can without affecting services, but to continue to provide the basic necessities, it is imperative that we **increase** our giving to the Church.

For those of you **who** have pledged amounts for the whole year, it would be helpful to our cash position if you could increase the pace of your generosity by giving amounts earlier in the year. More importantly, for those who can increase their pledges to help us out of this difficult period your benevolence would be greatly appreciated. We must quickly raise

additional funds to pay for the day-to-day expenses of the Church. Your Vestry made a difficult decision to not pay the Diocesan assessment for the past three months in order to help the cash flow, but this situation cannot continue.

By working together at St. Luke's, we can pull through this rough period together and to continue its good works in the community to those who have greater needs than us.

*The Vestry of St. Luke's*

## **AUGUST VESTRY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

Tricia Herban presented the Fall Stewardship Program, which has already been approved by the Rector. The program will begin with a Fall Celebration Breakfast on Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 am. Following the 10 am Service during the Adult Forum, Kim Coble will address "Environmental Stewardship from a Faith Perspective." In October, one of the Adult Forums will focus on Estate Planning for all ages with questions and answers with attorneys.

The Vestry approved paying the \$1,012.50 bill for elevator service (labor and parts). A service agreement would cost \$1,650, which includes two service calls. It was discussed that estimates for replacing the present elevator should be obtained

Do we continue to hold the Diocesan assessment in escrow? The consensus was to send \$500 with an explanation of extraordinary expenses. Also, we should notify the Diocese that we are preparing an appeal for the assessment and to ask for help to apply for a grant for the elevator, or we will be unable to continue outreach.

The Rector reported on the new plan for Christian Formation.

We still need a new Treasurer.

The Food Pantry reported 120 people are being served with 15 volunteers. The Food Pantry

Committee (Mat Herban, Chuck Suhr and Ed Stofko) meet once a month. Mat Herban meets with Ed Stofko two times a month to discuss any issues. The Rector again reinforced his recommendation that people from the church be present on Tuesdays and Thursdays during food distribution. We must have St. Luke's members involved. Ed needs to know that there is lots of support and people willing to help.

(Full Vestry report available in the office.)

*Helen Leitch*

## **CHRISTIAN FORMATION – AN OVERVIEW**

Christian Formation is the process and the result of living in Christian community. It is broader than traditional Christian education. Being a Christian formally begins with being baptized. We grow in faith during our whole lives with the positive and negative aspects of our daily lives.

A coordinator can help with the process in the parish, working with what we have. We have people, time, space, talents, materials, the Gospel message and much more. We have what we need! Our intentional program includes the plans, evaluations and revisions based on the experiences and conversations of all of us. It is "custom made." Our relationships teach even more than the program.

Just as a schooling experience includes the classroom, recess, lunchtime, bus ride or walk, family attitudes and customs, so Christian formation (growth) reflects the whole experience in Christian community wherever we may be.

Will our children have faith? Will our adults grow in faith? Will our elderly be comforted in faith? Will we enjoy Church in our lives? We will if we are nurtured and feel we TRULY belong. We have a responsibility to each other as we declare at each baptism "to do all in your (our) power to support these persons in their life in Christ."

How do we do this? Simply talk together and listen and pray.

*Helen Wheeler, Coordinator*

(Note: Beginning on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, everyone will attend the Family Service at 10 am. The Children's class will meet downstairs during the sermon. Respite space and a toy box will be available in the office; parents are asked to attend their own children.)

## **DONATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL FLEA MARKET ARE GREATLY NEEDED!**

Our annual Flea Market will be Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 8 am - 1 pm. In past years, many of our items were collected through our Thrift Shop. Now, more than ever, it is important for our members and friends to provide us with any unwanted items for our sale. We accept furniture (large and small), electronics, clothing, household goods, and any other items you may feel would be of value. We will also need donations for the bake table or cash to purchase food for the breakfast and lunch sales.

It is also important to donate your time. We will need volunteers to distribute flyers, sort, and for the day of the sale. Flyers are available via the office, through the website or email (upon request).

Please contact Jeanette Delgado after September 1<sup>st</sup> at 410-808-6342 or [jdelgado@shrassociatesinc.com](mailto:jdelgado@shrassociatesinc.com) if you have any questions or comments.

*Jeanette Delgado*

## **THE "HALLS" SET A STEWARDSHIP EXAMPLE FOR OTHERS**

All of us may be aware that Ned Hall was honored this summer for the preservation of his and Alice's 70 wooded acres in Gambrills. Ned is the first recipient of the Chesapeake Bay String of Pearls Project.

Most of us know Ned's property by the title conferred upon it by Alice. . . "Ned's Woods."

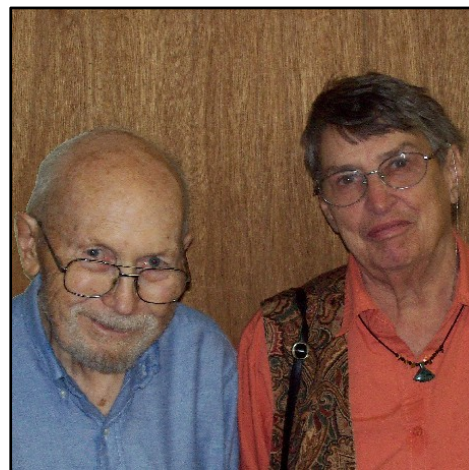
Many of us have profited from the solace and beauty of these woods especially on a Sunday afternoon with Ned. Each Sunday afternoon Ned would drive to his woods to refresh and renew. . . and it worked!

Alice and Ned generously provided greens to St. Luke's and St. Anne's for Advent Wreaths. Families would gather in our undercroft the Saturday night before the first Sunday in Advent. We would have pot luck suppers and make our wreaths together to take to our individual homes.

Another tradition from which we profited was the Halls Greening Party. A Saturday in December would be appointed for family and friends to head to the woods to enjoy fellowship; God's creation; and to select greens to decorate our homes for Christmas. There was always holly; running cedar; pine; and Ned's favorite, crow's feet.

Pleasantly tired, and often frozen, we would head back to the house where Alice would have prepared sandwiches and snacks to accompany Ned's soups. What a great beginning to the celebration and joys of Christmas as the fellowship and glad tidings continued.

The memories. . . the wreath making dinner when everyone brought green beans; the dismay when the holly in the woods bore no berries; the picnics in the woods to celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup> or a special birthday.



Ned's Woods sits in the headwaters of the South River Watershed. To preserve the forest

and the Chesapeake Bay, Alice and Ned placed the land under a conservation easement that prohibits development on the property.

Ned and Alice, not only are you are stewards of this earth, you are stewards of each other; your family; and your friends. Thank you for teaching us about stewardship and thank you for sharing with us at St. Luke's and with so many others, what you have preserved.

*Sue Riley*

### **TIPS from DIANNE...H1N1 Influenza (Swine Flu)**

Is all this talk about H1N1 virus (Swine Flu) just 'hype'? **Absolutely not!**

State of Maryland health officials are predicting we may see cases of this flu as early as September. Larger numbers will be present as fall and winter approach. Children and pregnant women are most vulnerable, but anyone with an immune suppressing disease or the elderly with chronic illnesses need to be aware.

Clinical trials are starting now to test vaccines to reduce the effects of this virus. The University of Maryland is a testing site. Doctors there are hopeful a vaccine will be ready for this flu season. Does this mean we will need our annual seasonal flu injection as well? **Absolutely yes!**

More than ever, we will want to prevent getting sick this flu season. Getting ill from the seasonal flu may make us all the more susceptible to the H1N1 virus.

Check with your physician or the Department of Health for the availability of both vaccines. Call [Flu Information Line - 410-222-7343](tel:410-222-7343) - or go to [www.aahealth.org](http://www.aahealth.org) for more information. Don't wait! Do it early this year!

#### **Prevention Tips**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and throw the tissue in the trash immediately after you use it. You can also cough or sneeze into your sleeve, but never into your hands.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
- If you get sick, stay at home for 7 days after your symptoms begin or until you have been symptom-free for 24 hours, whichever is longer.
- Be prepared if there is illness in the family, at work or at school. Have a plan in case of a disease outbreak.

*Dianne Crews*

### **BSA PACK SUMMER**

The Cub Scout Pack chartered by St. Luke's has had a very busy summer! The approximately 25 boys and their adult leaders have been striving to earn the Summer Time Pack Award and to that end have participated in two or three activities each of the summer months.

In June we hosted a picnic called "New Scout Round-up", where invitations were sent to children in surrounding schools to come, have a cook out at St. Luke's and perhaps join. Three new scouts have joined as a result of that activity. Also in June the Wolf/Tiger Den and the Webelos Den each visited our nation's capital where we met our representative in Congress and toured the US Capitol building.

An Ice Cream Social topped off the awards at the June Pack Meeting. Then to celebrate the end of school, a Pack Movie Night was held where each boy came in pj's with a pillow and sleeping bag to stretch out on the floor of the undercroft to watch a movie and share popcorn.

July brought the Camp Tomahawk experience at the Fair Grounds where Pack 153 supplied key leadership for 390 boys in a week long day camp experience! Our Cubmaster, Liz Ferris, was the chair person for that event! Congratulations, Liz!

August 13<sup>th</sup> was Rocket Launch day at St. Luke's. The boys made rockets from old 2 liter bottles and shot them off over the lawn. A messy event, but lots of fun! The end of summer and back to school party was a Pack Pool Party at Hillsmere where all the boys and their families came together for a last hooray!

**Remember that the Cub Scouts will be selling popcorn and taking orders for popcorn during September. Most of the profit from this fundraiser stays with our unit and helps to pay for events like these.**

Thanks, too, to the Pack for letting St. Luke's finish out the hot dogs and hamburgers (from the new Scout Round-up – about a \$45 value!

*Mary Beth Dent*

## POEMS FROM OUR JULY PICNIC

Helen Wheeler provided an opportunity for the picnic attendees to creatively express their interpretation of the reading from Ezekiel (37:1-14). "The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the midst of the valley; it was full of bones..." "Son of man, can these bones live?" Pencils, paper, clay and paper bags were distributed. The following are three of the many beautiful expressions.

"Dem Bones"

- I. Breathe,  
O breath  
On these slain  
So that they may live again  
And serve thy servant Israel.
  
- II. Bones are brittle  
Bones are dry –  
They cannot pray,  
They cannot cry.  
But God can conquer  
Even death  
And give these bones  
His living breath.

- III. Source of  
Primal  
Birth  
Breath  
Breathe on me  
Calling  
Calling  
Calling me.

*Helen Wheeler*

## ON OUR MIDST... Jean and George Paterson

Jean and George met at Moody Bible College in Chicago and came from similar, "fundamentalist" families. Jean notes that her youth was filled with church-related activities and that from as far back as she can remember, she always had three personal goals for her life – to be involved in: Christian service, business and counseling. As one of four boys, George was equally committed to the church, attending a "marvelous" Sunday school which gave him great training in the Bible.

George has many wonderful memories of childhood. He was born on February 11, 1929, when Calvin Coolidge was president. Eight



months later, in October, the financial collapse on Wall Street ushered in the Great Depression. This had a great impact on his family because his father was unemployed for two years, providing little support for his wife and four sons. Nevertheless, his parents did a wonderful

job of raising them, and they always had clothes, food and a home – he never felt that they were poor or lacked anything! Even though the family moved to smaller homes several times due to his Dad’s unemployment, he has only happy recollections of good times and summer vacations at his grandfather’s vacation cottage in Northern Michigan. “I thought every child had summer vacations at the lake!”

His family lived in the Ferndale suburb of Detroit where movies were 10 cents – that was two features and a newsreel! They each received an allowance – one penny a week for each year of their age – a ten-year-old got ten cents. Also, they could earn additional money because his Dad paid them 5 cents per bushel for removing ashes from the basement furnace and 10 cents for mowing the lawn. As a child, George was taught to tithe, so 10% of that allowance and other income went to the church.

Jean had an equally happy and fulfilled childhood and adolescence – riding on the back of a motorcycle, ice skating in the middle of a northern Indiana lake, partying with her church youth group, walking in the deep Chicago snow in open sandals with no boots, and falling in love with George!

George went to Moody Bible Institute in September of 1948. The school only required payment for room and board – tuition was free. He took the Pastors’ Course, which included three years of Greek. And it was there that he first encountered the Hebrew language, a life-long enthusiasm.

Jean and George became engaged while at Moody. In fact, the savings from George’s high school paper route went to buy Jean’s engagement ring! Jean’s graduation certificate was in Christian Education and she went on to work with women and children at a city rescue mission as a summer residential camp counselor and year-round program leader. After George completed Moody, he went to Upland, Indiana to Taylor University where he majored in history.

Jean and George were married on Thanksgiving of 1951 and Jean was hired as a secretary at RCA in January, 1952. She was the first student wife the company ever hired (they were afraid that married women would leave either from pregnancy or because their husbands needed to relocate for career reasons). After finding the students wives were good workers, RCA started hiring students themselves. Beginning in September of that year, George worked in the factory on the afternoon shift (3:00-11:00 p.m.).

Money was tight and both incomes were essential as George went on to continue his education at Wheaton College in Illinois. He received an MA in Biblical Literature from Wheaton, resuming his study of Hebrew. George fondly remembers reading the book of Genesis in Hebrew over one summer! During those years, the couple had three children and Jean continued her full time secretarial work to support the family.

They moved to Maryland in 1957, when George was given the opportunity to study at the Oriental Seminary of Johns Hopkins. He was assistant to Dr. W.F. Albright, a world-renowned Biblical archaeologist, linguist, and scholar. This was a very exciting time as Albright was the first person to accept the authenticity of the Dead Sea Scrolls. George reads 13 languages including Egyptian and Cuneiform.

Unfortunately George’s pursuit of a doctorate was cut short by financial necessity. While studying, he had always worked part time and through an acquaintance in the floor sanding business that employed him, he moved into the world of computers. This led to employment at NASA at Goddard Space Center and, ultimately, to a forty year career in the Office of the Comptroller for the state of Maryland. George retired just a year ago and he recalls his working years fondly, “Every place I worked was different and that’s what made each job fun.”

While George studied, Jean developed her administrative skills implementing and supervising new programs including

transportation for the handicapped and the Providence Art Institute for the handicapped. She held responsible positions as office manager, volunteer coordinator, and accountant. College was never far away, however, and Jean continued to pick up classes wherever they lived, finally receiving a B. A. in counseling from Norwich University in Vermont in 1982.

Jean enjoyed ten years of employment at the Workforce Development Corporation, helping “at risk” teens in Maryland. Their program was a combination of morning school and afternoon employment designed to give them work skills and an income as well as a high school degree. For the past 12 years, Jean has worked in the college setting as an Admissions Counselor for Anne Arundel Community College.

While Jean has enjoyed her time working in the business world and her career in counseling, her deepest satisfaction has always come from her life goal of Christian service. She has volunteered actively at her various church homes.

As a couple, Jean and George were state coordinators for Marriage Encounter for three years. Subsequently, as presenting teams, they participated in more than thirty Marriage Encounter weekends over many years. Jean notes that, “We were fortunate to reach so many people and share such enriching experiences.” She figures that they spent almost as much time at home organizing and preparing weekends as they did at work during the day!

Both George and Jean became interested in the Episcopal Church at their first Marriage Encounter Weekend. From the beginning, George fell in love with the Prayer Book and the theology. Jean was also blessed by the theology and was impressed with the genuineness and spirituality of their Episcopal friends. Some of their Marriage Encounter friends were members of St. Luke’s and invited them to attend the morning worship service. They were so blessed by the Eucharist and

friendliness of the members that they soon were received as members of St. Luke’s.

Since 1983, they have been active participants at St. Luke’s. George served as Senior Warden, delivering Sunday sermons, teaching home Bible studies, being a Eucharistic minister and greeting and ushering on Sunday mornings. Jean recalls that some of her commitments have included being: “treasurer, choir member, senior warden and, most especially, serving as a member of the Diocesan Marriage Committee.”

They have two grown children, a son, Michael, who is an emergency room physician and lives in Colorado, and a daughter, Jacqueline, who is a speech pathologist, living in Annapolis. Their oldest son, Rollin, spent three years in the Army and passed away at the age of 21 years.

Currently, George is adjusting to retirement while Jean continues to work at Anne Arundel Community College. St. Luke’s remains a central part of their lives today, and they agree together that, “Our love for the St. Luke’s members continues to grow.”

*Tricia Herban*

## **A WELCOME FOR THE NEWCOMER**

We are glad you have come to St. Luke’s and invite you to join us in prayer and fellowship as often as you wish. Just as there are differences between faiths, there are differences between faith communities, so let us introduce ourselves! St. Luke’s is a small, but vibrant congregation of full and part-time Annapolis residents, with a strong outreach mission.

We offer our members a variety of opportunities for service, but there is no expectation or obligation—for we are each called to serve the Lord in our own ways. A good way to become better acquainted with us is to tell the usher that you’d like to sit with a church member. That informal introduction will provide you with a new acquaintance who will be glad to accompany you to our fellowship time at Coffee Hour. Of course, the rector is always accessible—you may talk with

him after the service or call the office to arrange a confidential opportunity for conversation.

We are located near communities of persons at risk and in need, therefore we offer a food bank twice a week, make sandwich lunches for the Light House Shelter one day a week, provide a meeting place for AA on Monday evenings, host a Cub Scout troop, hold a community Egg Hunt at Easter and a Little Elves Workshop at Christmas. Equally important, we reach out to the sick and homebound, offering a monthly prayer service and hymn sing at Annapolis Nursing and Rehabilitation Center as well as regular visits to Ginger Cove and our own parishioners.

*Tricia Herban*

### **MARY BETH'S NEW "SHIP"**

Mary Beth has enjoyed kayaking for some time – now she has her own “double-seated” Sea Eagle kayak. WHAT FUN!



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Before they met at St. Luke's, Vera McMahon knew little Jay Munnikhuysen in Coronado, CA!

Before they met at St. Luke's, Fred Sandford met David Fogle in Washington, D.C. through a girlfriend of Sally's!

Before they met at St. Luke's, Margaret Eder's nephew was measured for his USNA uniform in 1981 by David Graham!

Coffee hour chatter has indicated St. Luker's vacationed all over the place this summer! Here are some spots overheard over cake and grapes: Alaska, Bethany Beach, England, New Hampshire, Rehoboth Beach, Russia, Seattle, Williamsburg, and Victoria, B.C.

If yours isn't here, tell us about it!

*Sue Riley*

### **SAVE THE DATES**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH FORUM**

(Sponsored by GAIN)

Thursday, September 10, 2009, 6:45-9 pm  
St. John Neumann Church  
620 N. Bestgate Road, Annapolis

Presenters from Anne Arundel Medical Center, AA County Department of Health, Mental Health Agency of AA County (others TBA) will discuss health concerns in our community – community resources for the uninsured and under insured; H1N1 virus, Lyme Disease, emergency preparedness; teen suicide, mental health treatment resources, etc.

#### **CAREGIVER'S WELLNESS DAY**

Saturday, September 26, 2009

Annapolis Senior Activity Center  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

A **free** event for anyone caring for a family member. Participants will have the opportunity to participate in mini-massages, healing touch and educational sessions. Free in-home and out-of-home respite care available. Breakfast and lunch provided.

Call 410-222-4464, Ext. 3043 for a complete brochure or contact Dianne Crews (410-268-9741) for more information.

#### **POETRY CORNER – Martha Odell**

##### **Rhapsody's Song**

(Plaint of an Inside Cat)

Here in Annap'lis on Chesapeake Bay  
We all want a life of comfort and ease.  
I'm with my "Granddad" while "mommy's"  
away.

He goes outside, 'cause he has the keys,  
 While here behind glass I have to stay.  
 I see the clouds, and I see the trees –  
 It's a beautiful soft and gentle day.  
 I see the leaves dancing there in the breeze.  
 "Open the door for me," I say.  
 I see the birds, and I see the bees.  
 There is a robin, and there's a blue jay –  
 Why do you tempt me, and why do you tease?  
 I see the squirrels that run and play –  
 And I want to join them - Oh please, oh please!  
 Open the door, dear "Granddad," I pray.  
 Open the door, I beg on my knees.  
 I promise, I promise I won't run away!!!  
 Open it, open it, open it, please!!!

### **Light Must Fall**

When insights strike in sudden ways  
 And leave me standing in a daze,  
 I find it useful to recall,  
 "Into each brain some light must fall."

### **Conflicts**

We cannot get along.  
 Which of us is sick?  
 Both, of course, and neither –  
 Our conflicts just conflict!

### **STEWARDSHIP ADULT FORUMS**

We will kick-off the fall Stewardship Campaign with a Stewardship Breakfast at 8:45 am on Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. Donations for the breakfast will go to Membership Outreach. Following the 10 am service, the first of a series of five Adult Forums will begin. The speaker, Kim Coble, will address "Environmental Stewardship from a Faith Perspective. Kim is a member of St. Margaret's Church and Advisor to Bishop Sutton on the Environment.

*Tricia Herban*

### **LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

#### **September 6**

LEM's Dawn Moorehead,  
 Mary Beth Dent  
 Lector Mary Ellen Brooks  
 Intercessor Richard Smith

#### **September 13**

LEM's Sue Riley, Hutch Robbins  
 Lector Mat Herban  
 Intercessor Ed Stofko

#### **September 20**

LEM's Jay and Yvette Munnikhuisen  
 Lector Shannon Talbott  
 Intercessor Mark Talbott

#### **September 27**

LEM's MaryAnn Kushubar,  
 Andy Dowell  
 Lector Sue Riley  
 Intercessor Dianne Crews

### **GREETER SCHEDULE**

#### **September 6**

Jay Munnikhuisen, Bill Jabine

#### **September 13**

Mark and Shannon Talbott

#### **September 20**

Jay Munnikhuisen, MaryAnn Kushubar

#### **September 27**

Mat and Tricia Herban

### **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

1 Dawn Moorehead  
 5 Mary Lou Lindsay  
 8 The Rev. Charlotte Moore  
 13 Fred Sandford  
 14 David Graham  
 15 Bill Jabine  
 16 Ann Keller  
 19 Tricia Herban  
 23 Ed Stofko  
 30 Suzanne Marr

### **SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARY**

25 Mark and Shannon Talbott

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Sept. 20 8:45 am, Fall Stewardship  
 Breakfast  
 11:30 am, Adult Forum

Sept. 26 8 am-1 pm, Annual Flea Market  
 Sept. 27 3:00 p.m., Concert, Heritage  
 Harbour Chorus, Iraida  
 Poberzhnaya and Ildar  
 Khannanov will present a  
 program with Broadway Show  
 Tunes Music for a Choir, and  
 Jazz Standards and Popular  
 Tunes on Harp and Piano.  
 Oct. 4 3 pm, Blessing of the Animals  
 Oct. 18 Bishop Sutton's Official Visit

## PRAYER LIST

**Prayers for Our Parish Family:** **Aiyana** (Paterson's family); **Gordon** and **Billie** Bedford; **Kerry** Hawthorne; **Connie** Harold; **Fr. Tom** Clarke; Hampton Keen (Valerie Robbins' brother-in-law); **Marjorie** Marsh (daughter of Fr. Clarke); **Rosie** Sherman; **Joanna** Winebarger and **Jean** Shelley (friends of the Munnikhuysens); **Shannon** Eastman; **Charles** and **Jane** Blair; **Ned** Hall; **Pug** Victor; **Pat** Fearnow; **Mary** Diane Gossett (friend of Karla Kalstad); **June** Durm (Ethel Bilderback's aunt); **Mike** Sweeney (friend of Mary Beth Dent); **Kathy** Sanders (friend of Jean Paterson); **Philip** Greig (son of Chuck and Phyllis Suhr); **Cheri** Randessi (John Collings' granddaughter); **Cathy** Hill (friend of Bill Jabine); **David** Garland (nephew of Chuck and Phyllis Suhr); **Brandon** McConnell; **Neil** McEachern; **David** Fogle; **Joan** Visconti (Sharon Williams' sister); **Susan** Lanham (Mary Meade's daughter); **Charlene** Huebl; **Jack** Morrow (friend of Ed Stofko); **Ann** Keller; **Beth** Smith and family; **Fr. John**; Jan Anderson (Jay Munnikhuysen's sister); and **Arlan** and Family (friend of Richard Smith).

**For the Faithfully Departed:** Shirley Ritchie (MaryAnn Kushubar's aunt), Laura Smith (Fr. John's mother), and Betty Speicher (Fr. John's cousin).

## THANK YOU FROM CHARLOTTE MOORE

A "thank you" note from Charlotte Moore is posted on the bulletin board downstairs. It reads: *Dear St. Luke's Parishioners, thank you, each and every one, for your wonderful company, companionship and spirit! My time here will follow me and continue to enrich me. You are in my heart and prayers! Love, Charlotte*

## A LITTLE HUMOR

### The Talking Centipede

A single guy decided life would be more fun if he had a pet.

So he went to the pet store and told the owner that he wanted to buy an unusual pet.

After some discussion, he finally bought a talking centipede (100-legged bug), which came in a little white box to use for his house.

He took the box back home, found a good spot for the box, and decided he would start off by taking his new pet to church with him.

So he asked the centipede in the box, "*Would you like to go to church with me today? We will have a good time.*"

But there was no answer from his new pet.

This bothered him a bit, but he waited a few minutes and then asked again, "*How about going to church with me and receive blessings?*"

But again, there was no answer from his new friend and pet. So he waited a few more minutes more, thinking about the situation.

The guy decided to invite the centipede one last time.

This time he put his face up against the centipede's house and shouted, "*Hey, in there! Would you like to go to church with me and learn about God?*" This time a little voice came out of the box, "*I heard you the first time! I'm putting on my shoes!*"

## NEXT ISSUE

The deadline for articles, announcements or photos for the October *House Call* is Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.