



# Light in the Shadows

SEPTEMBER 2018

*"Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." Matt. 5: 16*

## Jesus Challenges Us To Reach Beyond Ourselves

*"[Jesus said] there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." [Mark 7:15]*



Perhaps it is no coincidence that the church will be reading these words from Mark's Gospel the first Sunday in September. This Sunday falls on the weekend of our country's Labor Day celebrations. Remembering back on this holiday growing up, dad would stoke up the grill and fill it with fat juicy steaks he had purchased in bulk from the military commissary.

I certainly ate my share of dad's grilled steaks and, boy, did they taste delicious! Problem was that, as a child and young teenager, I had a sensitive stomach. Dad's rich-tasting meat combined with all the condiments and all washed down with a large coca-cola made my stomach upset afterwards. But it didn't stop me from looking forward to our next holiday or celebration with dad at the grill.

What Jesus is getting at in this passage in Mark 7 from where this verse comes is the Pharisees' rigid stance regarding their worship and religion. As religious leaders, these

Pharisees required from every Jewish member a strict and unbending adherence to every word and tenet written down in their sacred scrolls. Mark's Gospel is Jesus' challenge to this uncompromising practice of the Pharisees. Their stubborn obedience to the letter of the law resulted in less love and more judgment towards God and their neighbor.

As with the rich tradition our Jewish community enjoys, our own church tradition

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*—Rev. Heidi L. Edson*

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Guests at St. Luke's 80th August Supper enjoy an array of food offerings at the buffet table. (Photo courtesy of Gurion Lake.)

## St. Luke's 80th August Supper Faired In Both Rain & Shine!

Rain, rain rain! We thought it would never end and even had to delay setting up the tents from Friday afternoon until early Saturday morning. Even then a light drizzle continued to fall on the indomitable crew of Lew Watters, Doug Edson, Nina & Don Huffer, David Carey and Gurion Lake—who made it all come together. While this task was being completed and the tables and chairs put into place, another small team of ladies were busy cutting up fruits and wrapping the silverware in Willard Hall. Thanks be to God the sun finally broke through in the early afternoon just in time to welcome guests arriving for the 5:00 o'clock seating. Then (perhaps to test our fortitude) a sudden late afternoon thunderstorm sent a brief but significant amount of rain down on our parade! Thankfully the tents did their job of protecting the dinner guests and the food tables. It didn't dampen the spirit for sure of the 80 persons served, who were thrilled with the food and hospitality.

Again, this year, the tents, paper products and printing were all donated. The best gift was the Watters' grandson Gurion who did many jobs with grace. Doug picked up and returned the two tents to Keene, clean and dry, jammed in

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## From the Senior Warden

## "God With Me"



I'm thinking about Heidi's sermon of this morning where she talked about the importance of experiencing the love of God, the love of Jesus, if our faith is to be meaningful. She didn't say this, but I think it was implied, that one reason church attendance has declined may be that people have not had an experience of "God with me." So why get up early to

go to church to hear theology and dogma? When there is no cultural or social expectation to do so. Indeed! I surely would not. My "alone time" and mornings when I can sleep until I wake up naturally with no alarm are too precious to me.

How does God or Jesus come to us across the centuries? And across the galaxies? To my understanding it is via the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the One who reveals the truth, the true essence of God. As we are able to understand it more completely, the nature of God's Love is revealed to us. As we are able to open ourselves to it, we may experience God's Love. This on-going revelation may come like the soft wings of a dove or the heat of tongues of flames. Or like a light bulb "going off" in one's head.

We're in the month of August, as I write. In Plymouth, Massachusetts, where I grew up, August was the month of the Holy Spirit Festival. As a Unitarian, my family didn't participate in this Portuguese and Italian Catholic festival at all. I was intensely curious, however, and would question my Catholic friends. So, the Holy Spirit is usually in my awareness in the month of August.

About twenty Augusts ago, I was visiting a Mennonite historical museum in Ohio. I was captivated by how their faith was enacted in their communities and in the wider world, and I was seriously considering joining the Mennonites. As I walked into the community's library I was aware that I was hoping for some communication from God. Here is where the miracle happened. A book literally called to me. It almost seemed that it moved towards me off the bookshelf. I pulled the book from the shelf and saw that it was a history of the Anabaptists. The book opened itself to a page that described their theology which says

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also enjoys a rich liturgical tradition that worshippers follow most every Sunday in worship. Our own church tradition dating back in history several centuries, comes with the temptation to hide ourselves inside and feast on the rich food and drink we find at Christ's Table among ourselves. From what I read in Mark's Gospel, Jesus does not want us to remain inside. Jesus' challenge for the church today is to follow Him outside where we have to reach beyond ourselves and embrace the neighbor who is standing on the outside. Less judgment and more love! How's that for a church tradition?

*Blessings,  
Heidi+*



## Thank You, Belinda!



Have you noticed the beautifully hooked kneeler cushion in the side chapel at St. Luke's? It was designed and executed by our very talented Senior Warden, Belinda Whipple Worth, and depicts the Holy Spirit on a vivid background of swirls and scroll-like patterns. Belinda also hooked the small mat that sits under the chalice of holy

water at the end of the aisle as you go up to communion. Thank you, Belinda for such lovely gifts!

that the Holy Spirit was given during the early Christian period and then withdrawn. This means that the Holy Spirit ceased to function in the world, ceased to function in our personal lives after the first couple of Christian centuries. I knew from my personal experience that this was not true. I closed that book, returned it to the shelf and remained an Episcopalian.

Why do you get up and come to church on Sunday mornings? Some of you even get there for eight o'clock! Perhaps you remember an experience where God was with you. That experience was real and true, even if never repeated. Small Miracles like these are given to promote our faith. Your experience may not be repeatable, but is profoundly True and Real, nonetheless.

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Belinda,  
Senior Warden*

## 80th August Supper

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Heidi's new car. Black River Produce again donated the cabbages and broccoli, and Inn Victoria loaned us four round tables that seat fewer for better fellowship. All contributors were personally asked what they would do and contribute. The fact is we made \$1,900 and all expenses were covered 100%—for which we are most grateful! The Silent Auction was a bust but we are hopeful the items will do better with St. Luke's upcoming "Sale On The Screen."

The committee of Marjorie, Anita, Janet, Eileen and Bonnie worked the plan beautifully, each taking a role. Special thanks to Rick Hunter for baking and carving the hams; Marcia and Sally for managing the dessert table; Red for selling the tickets; Adelaide for being the hostess with the smile; Anita for taking calls and chores galore; David for managing the setup; Marjorie for being the banquet queen; Belinda, the runner; and the Widgers for the management and tidy up of the kitchen operation. And don't forget the ladies who provided fruit for that splendid salad and all the dessert creators. Awesome support.

The thank-you notes are being written and mailed this week and in the envelope is a survey of eight questions we hope all will complete so we can decide how to move forward. Abundant thanks to all who contributed and participated in this year's supper.

**Looking to the future:** Attendance at the August Supper has been declining in recent years. The number of guests served in 2016 was 125, dropping to 85 in 2017, and to 80 this year. Some of this may be due to weather, but are there other reasons? One fact we do know is that as our church membership has also declined, the number of contributors in food, help and financial support is as big as our active congregation (currently 30.) So, we decided it is time to do a survey of the parish to decide how to move forward to 2019 and August Supper '81'. *[Photos taken by Gurion Lake]*



**Above Photo:** Lew & Bonnie Watters (in center of photo) visit with our annual New Jersey guests.



**At Left:** Hostess Adelaide Johnson greets guests.

**Below:** Susan Ostrowski and Anita Wright wrap silverware for the big event.



## Items Needed! Fifth Annual Sale-On-The-Screen To Start Soon

As I write in this last week of August with temperatures reaching 90 degrees Fall seems further away than the calendar would suggest. Fall will of course come soon enough and with it, among other seasonal events, comes the St. Luke's Sale-On-The-Screen. So in anticipation of the changing seasons, please consider what items you would like to unburden yourself from that might be offered for sale in this annual fundraising event. As always good clean, working items are welcome. Remember the motto "Reduce, Recycle, Reuse"? This is the your chance to do all three in one step!

So once again here is how it works. You contact myself (John DesLauriers) or Lew Watters and let us know what you have. We will need digital photos of the item and a description (which we can do if necessary). We will then list the items on line for sale. So look around and contact us in person, by phone, or email. Sale will run starting mid-September through October. All proceeds go to the church general fund. Many thanks!

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Lew at 802-875-2114 or [lewbon@vermontel.net](mailto:lewbon@vermontel.net)

## August Vestry Meeting Highlights

The Foci of the Vestry Meeting on August 15th were Music, Altar Guild, and Worship. • **Music.** Anne Goodreau distributed a written report describing her activities since her tenure as Church Musician began in November 2017. She pointed out the broader music that has been sung and her desire to continue to include more current church music, as well as new prayers for the choir that would be based on Scripture. She requested that the next budget separate the licensing fees from the music allowance so she clearly sees what funds are available. She will let the Vestry know if she has additional needs she would like met.

• **Altar Guild:** Directress Adelaide Johnson wasn't able to attend the meeting, and since she will be moving away, there will be a need for a new Directress of the Altar Guild around Christmas. Other members of the Altar Guild include Anita Wright, Marcia Clinton, Eileen Widger, and Janet Hunter, with help from Rick.

• **Worship:** Heidi says the Mid-Week Study Group is small, but consistent. **Need for Additional Church Volunteers.** Because of limited volunteers for the two Sunday services and for prayers in the side chapel after the 10:00 a.m. service, Rev. Heidi Edson invites people to be acolytes, ushers, readers, and prayer leaders. Interested volunteers should contact Heidi for information and training.

• **Baby Grand Piano:** Lillian Willis has a friend in Chester who is willing to donate her piano to St. Luke's. Lillian will research a piano expert to look at the instrument and assess its needs, if any, so we can see if it would be a good addition to the church. Anne Goodreau is eager for a good piano to replace the electronic keyboard, which would—upon acceptance of a working piano—go down to Willard Hall to replace the upright piano there.

• **Treasurer's Report:** John DesLauriers reported that **Shining Light** prepared the Balance Sheet and that its fee was \$189, much less than the \$400 estimate approved. But the appreciation of the building was not included, so John will ask for a revised Balance Sheet at year end. **HB Fuels.** Last year St. Luke's ordered 1,800 gallons of oil at \$2.22, but ended the season with a credit of \$1,722.74 because of winter services downstairs in Willard Hall. This year the church will pre-buy 1,500 gallons at \$2.899. The credit means that the first full fuel payment will be in December. A **\$500 Bequest from Joyce Tiemann's Estate** was entered into the General Fund. **Vermont Land Trust's request for a donation to Crow Hill Farm on Flamstead Rd.** Consensus was that we cannot donate because we have a deficit budget and need to fulfill donations to those organizations identified on the Outreach Plan. **Checkbook Balance.** Now just under \$10,000, when it gets under \$5,000, John will have to withdraw money from the Vanguard Fund.

• **Audit:** David Cary thanked John for his help and reported that he, David Willis, and Red Johnson had almost gone through the 3-ring binder provided by the Diocese. They will plan to meet

again with John to finish. The Audit Committee will then make a recommendation to the Vestry, which will respond and send its response and forms off with a cover letter to the Diocese. The men hope to present the Audit at the September Vestry meeting and will need to find a replacement for the next audit for Red Johnson, who will be moving.

• **Rector's Report:** Diocesan Council. This is Heidi's second year as a member. Green Mountain Witness Team. A representative gave his presentation on Sunday, August 12 to the whole group at the coffee hour. The object of evangelism is to "tell people about Jesus," not to "get buns on the benches."

• **Old Business: Maintenance.** The Rose Window is leaking, and the door at the handicapped ramp doesn't work well in damp weather. The Junior Warden is working to solve those problems. **150th Anniversary Celebration.** David Carey read a VT Journal report of the 150th celebration at the Londonderry Congregational Church. David will send the release to Heidi to give to St. Luke's 150th Committee.

• **August Supper.** Bonnie Watters reported a potential net of \$1,900, with the \$369 cost of tents having been reimbursed to the Watters. There was some amazement at the potential profit when so few people were present. There followed a frank discussion and brainstorming session about the event's pros (camaraderie, visibility, history) and cons (work and donations required of an older and smaller parish, along with its diminished continued appeal). The August Supper Committee will likely discuss the event.

• **2018 Spring Plant Sale.** Lillian was asked to report on that event, its popularity, and financial success (a bit under \$2,600). The team plans to do the Plant Sale earlier next spring and have sales continue into the next few days by moving leftover plants to a new gravel area to be installed between the side-yard walkway and the church. More volunteers will be necessary to help to take advantage of the event's appeal and fundraising potential.

• **Foyer Dinners.** The Careys haven't heard back from all participants, but the general reports they have received are enthusiastic. They hope to start the dinners up again at the end of October with new teams and will meet to organize at the Careys', Willard Hall, or Fletcher House (the big brown house on the right after NewsBank that is rented for a nominal fee or sometimes gratis to nonprofit groups).

• **New Business: Pancake Breakfast** at Chester Fall Festival on Saturday, September 15, 8-11 a.m. Janet Hunter has sent out pleas for volunteers and donations.

• **Stewardship Planning.** Heidi suggested new ways to discuss giving, perhaps a skit at homily time. In the recent past Doug Edson took the lead by writing the letter; then Doug and John DesLauriers. Who would work with Doug this year? Those interested should give John or Doug a call.

• **Next Regular Vestry Meeting:** (second Wednesday) September 12 in Willard Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lillian Willis, Clerk

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## Acolytes & Worship...How You Can Take An Active Role

**D**id you know that there are four Orders of Ministry in the Episcopal Church? In the past when I have asked the question, “Who is a minister in the church?” the first answer most churchgoers gave was their priest or maybe their bishop or deacon. In other words, what often first comes to mind are the “ordained” members of the church.

Well, that’s true. But you know what? Every baptized member of the church is ordained by God to serve as ministers in God’s church as well as (and even more importantly, perhaps) in God’s world. Our Catechism as given in the Book of Common Prayer under the heading of “The Ministry” (pg. 855-856) says this in response to the question:

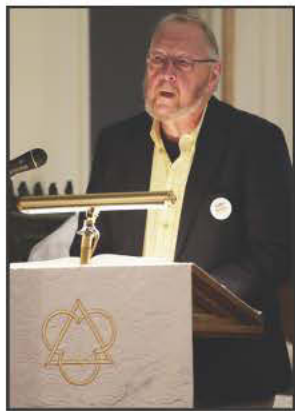
“Who are the ministers of the Church? The ministers of the Church are lay persons, bishops, priests, and deacons.”

I personally like that “lay persons” are the first ones listed in the Episcopal Church’s Order of Ministry according to our Catechism. There is another term you may also be familiar with: “The Laity.” My liturgical professor in seminary unpacked for us the understanding between these two terms—both of which refer to “the people at large.” The Greek word for “laity” is *laos tou Theo* which translates “people of God.” That’s every one of us, priests, bishops, deacons and lay. The term, “lay” coming from the Latin *laicus* refers to the vocation or ministry a person is engaged in. One way to say this then is that we are all the Laity with some of us in the church regularly engaged in Lay Ministry.

Why, you may ask, this article in our LITS? Well, St. Luke’s invites you to considering taking an active role in the life of our church worship. Our desires are for more Acolytes, Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers (chalice-bearers), Prayer Leader, Ushers, and, perhaps, Greeters, as well. If you are interested in any one or more of these areas of ministry please see me and we can set up a training day for new ministers.

For some of these ministries, licenses are required which are obtained annually at the beginning of the Advent Season. So, do let me know. I would enjoy hearing from you.

—Heidi+



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## Israeli Trip Planned For February 2019

**T**he Very Rev. Dr. James Kowalski is leading a trip to Israel and the Holy Lands on February 3-13, 2019. Jim and his wife, The Rev. Anne Brewer, have recently retired to Vermont and are currently attending St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Chester. This trip is a wonderful opportunity and Heidi agreed we should share the information with our LITS readers. Jim’s contact information is below. You can also go to St. Luke’s website (under the “Education” menu) and download the itinerary leaflet to your desktop.

**Jim Kowalski**

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**Footnote:** The Very Rev. Dr. James A. Kowalski served as Dean Emeritus of the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine in New York City, prior to his retirement and is no stranger to transnational hospitality, cross-cultural respect and inter-religious dialogue. He has traveled to various countries for more than 15 years, and seen the good religion facilitates in communities and the chaos religious and political conflict can foster. He writes: “Israel remains one of my favorite destinations—even after more than a dozen trips there. It continues to fascinate me—as an experiment in democracy, as the meeting place of the Abrahamic Faiths, as a safe haven for all Jews from anywhere in the world, as a preserver of some of civilization’s most important antiquities and treasures, and as a young nation of world-class creativity and en-

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is **September 24**. Email all articles, announcements, photos, etc. to: Pat Fromberger: [panjoe@vermontel.net](mailto:panjoe@vermontel.net)

## The Outreach Corner

### Habitat for Humanity... Reaching Out To Others



Habitat for Humanity International was founded in 1976 as a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry. It seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. Habitat

affiliates build in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, and more than 90 countries.

There are 12 Vermont affiliates whose purpose is to help hard-working Vermonters have safe, sufficient and affordable housing, to stimulate interest among more Vermonters in becoming involved as volunteers, and invested through generous contributions of time, donations of services, building materials and financial gifts.

St. Luke's Church allots a portion of their Outreach Budget specifically to the Greater Springfield Habitat affiliate which has no paid staff and about 25 volunteers that help on site building each home along with the family that will receive the home. Local contractors are hired for heating and wiring. A local contractor is retained to oversee construction. Local companies supply concrete and building materials and also donate some materials and installation expertise. This service area includes Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish, Chester, Grafton, Ludlow, Rockingham, Springfield, Weathersfield, and Weston, VT.

The Greater Springfield Habitat purchased a home in June of this year to rehab. It is at 422 Lacross Road, Springfield, and is a 2-bedroom ranch with attached 2-car garage on 1.6 acres. They are accepting applications from eligible families to work on this home and buy it when it is finished. The Springfield office is located at 77 Main St. in Springfield, VT 05156. Phone: (802) 885-6440.

Up to this time the Greater Springfield Habitat has completed 7 homes. The Greater Springfield affiliate at this time is interested in people who would be interested in volunteering for this project.

Visit this website for more general information about the Habitat for Humanity organization and how you might help: <https://www.habitat.org/>

—*Marjorie Carey*, Outreach Committee

## 2018 PINS Backpack Project Another Successful Event

They came from Michigan and Boston on Monday, August 13th to assist the PINS (Partners in Service) committee to sort and stuff the back-to-school backpacks in Willard Hall. With many helping hands 68 backpacks were assembled and tagged for the appropriate school grade. The other side of the tags read: "Filled with love for you from St. Luke's Church Chester, Vermont." The backpacks were gratefully accepted by the staff in the Springfield office of the Department of Child and Family Services later that day. Each year before school starts the staff hold a picnic for foster children in their caseloads and the backpacks are distributed then. Also the social workers will take some backpacks to kids of families in crisis in their caseloads.

To make each backpack complete a shopping trip was necessary. For this \$181.60 was spent from the treasury. Presently there is \$602.27 left in the PINS treasury.

PINS is part of the Outreach program at St. Luke's Church collaborating with the Springfield office of DCF. The actions of PINS convey a message of love, empathy and caring to vulnerable children who are experiencing feelings of loss, fear, isolation and grief. A child's realization that someone in their community cares for them makes an enormous difference to individual well-being.

Thank you to all who participated in making this back-to-school backpack collection successful. Without your generosity of time and donations this project would never get off the ground.—*Marcia Clinton*



PINS Archive Photo: Eileen Widger & Sally Hoover tagging the completed backpacks. (No one thought to take any photos at this year's session because they were so busy filling packs!)

## Fall Festival Pancake Breakfast, Open House Plus The Jennings & McComber Concert



St. Luke's will be offering a **Pancake Breakfast** from **8:00-11:00 a.m.** on the side lawn at St. Luke's Church on Saturday, **September 15** in conjunction with Chester's Fall Festival on the Green. We invite you to get an early start at the Festival with a homemade breakfast outdoors at nearby St. Luke's. Table seating on the side lawn, homemade pancakes, sausage/bacon, blueberries, real maple syrup, and

beverage. Cost: \$6.00 per plate. The church will also be open all day for visitors to view our sanctuary and Timeline Display as we celebrate our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Guides will be on hand from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Lemonade and cookies will be offered to visitors.

On Sunday, **September 16 at 4:00p.m.**, you are invited to come and enjoy another Jennings & McComber free concert (Kara Watters Lake and husband, Andy) will perform their impressive Celtic folk music and original songs under the tent on the side lawn at St. Luke's Church. Not to be missed!



**Footnote:** As of 9/2/18, **Janet Hunter**, coordinator of the Pancake Breakfast on Sept. 15th, was still in need of persons to share their talents whether it be of time, monetary donations, food, card tables, flipping or pancakes and that everyone pray for good weather and a large turn out. Please contact Janet at 886-2304 or [jane-thunter@vermontel.net](mailto:jane-thunter@vermontel.net) to let her know the gifts you have to share. Many thanks.



### St. Luke's Financial Information

	<u>July 2018</u>	<u>YTD 2018</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>YTD % of Budget</u>
<b>Pledge/Plate Income</b>	\$ 6,861	\$ 42,531	\$ 71,290	59.7%
<b>Other Oper. Income</b>	\$ 731	\$ 13,026	\$ 26,900	48.4%
<b>Restricted Income</b>	\$ <u>55</u>	\$ <u>2,544</u>	\$ <u>2,850</u>	98.6%
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$ 7,629	\$ 58,101	\$ 101,040	57.5%
<b>Regular Expense</b>	\$ 9,041	\$ 63,886	\$ 109,314	58.4%
<b>Restricted Expense</b>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>1,883</u>	\$ <u>2,550</u>	73.8%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$ 9,041	\$ 65,769	\$ 111,864	58.8%
<b>Net Ordinary Income/(loss)</b>	\$ (1,412)	\$ (7,668)	\$ (10,824)	70.1%
<b>*Memorial Gifts</b>		\$ 21,000		
<b>NET INCOME</b>		\$ 13,332		

We have completed 7/12 of 2018, so income and expenses to date should be 58.3% of budget which is very close to the actual noted above. The deficit figure should come more into line as we see the income from The August Supper, Sale on the Screen and Christmas Tea fundraisers. —*John DesLauriers, Treasurer*



### WEEKLY

#### • **Lunch Bunch Book Study:**

Mondays, **Noon-1:15PM** in Willard Hall for bag lunch/sharing/discussion/prayer. we are currently reading, "The Shack," by Wm. Paul Young. All are welcomed to join us.

#### • **Mid-Week Morning Prayer and Adult Advent Study:**

**Wednesdays: Morning Prayer: 9:40AM; and Adult Study 10:30AM** in Willard Hall. Our study continues on the book entitled: "Companions on the Episcopal Way: Church's Teachings for a Changing World, Volume 9," written by the Rev'd Canon Stephanie Spellers and the Rev'd Eric H. F. Law. All are welcome to join us.

#### • **St. Luke's Choir Update:**

Weekly rehearsals have resumed on Thursdays from **6:45PM-8:30PM** in Willard Hall. Choir will return to singing at the 10:00AM service on Sunday, September 9th. New members always welcomed! If you want to know more, contact **Anne Goodreau** at [annegoodreau@gmail.com](mailto:annegoodreau@gmail.com), or just show up at the rehearsal.

### LESS THAN WEEKLY

#### • **Monthly Vestry Meeting:**

Wednesday, **September 12th** in Willard Hall. **6:30PM** for Scripture Reflection; Regular Meeting Agenda begins at **7:00PM**. The focus topic will be "Stewardship" All are welcomed to attend these meetings

#### • **Fall Festival Pancake Breakfast On Side Lawn:**

Saturday, **September 15th, 8:00AM-11:00AM** on the side lawn of St. Luke's Church. Open to the community. Read article on this page.

#### • **Jennings & McComber Free Concert On Side Lawn:**

Sunday, **September 16th, 4:00PM** on the side lawn of St. Luke's Church. Open to the community. Come join the fun!

#### • **150th Committee Meeting:**

Thursday, **September 20th, 4:00PM** in Willard Hall to finalize plans for upcoming events. All are welcome to join us.

# SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

## Birthdays:

2	Lynda Farmer	26	Eileen Widger
5	Matthew Stretton	27	Penny Buchanan
7	Thomas Guerra	28	Leona Hensel-Whalen
7	Jim Sullivan	29	Marcia Clinton
11	Jim Kowalski	29	Walter Rich
11	Sean Whalen		
15	Al Haumann		
21	Deb Brown		
23	Beth Salisbury		

## Anniversaries:

4	Jim & Anne Kowalski
18	Gregory & Betsy Adamovich
19	James & Beth Salisbury
21	Andrew & Ellie Pennel

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and  
broadening  
love."

## ✠ WORSHIP SCHEDULE ✠

<b>Sept. 2</b>	<b>XV PENTECOST (PROPER 17)</b>
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sept. 9</b>	<b>XVI PENTECOST (PROPER 18)</b>
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sept. 16</b>	<b>XVII PENTECOST (PROPER 19)</b>
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sept. 23</b>	<b>XVIII PENTECOST (PROPER 20)</b>
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
<b>Sept. 30</b>	<b>XIX PENTECOST (PROPER 21)</b>
8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

## St. Luke's Episcopal Church

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