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For all things are for your
sakes, that the abundant
grace might through the
thanksgiving of many
redound to the glory of
God.

2 Corinthians 4:15

November



Wardens' Report

Fall is in the air. Leaves are turning. Geese are honking. Frosty mornings abound. Thanksgiving is nearly upon us. This is a great time for personal reflection and review of things for which we are thankful. It is also a time when we, as a congregation, begin planning for next year.

The "Run Sherry Run" fundraiser for The CNY Autism Society was a great success. The parish raised \$1430 which was matched by the generosity of Sherry Brescia and her company, Holistic Blends. This allows St. Luke's to give a donation of \$2860 in support of Autism efforts in our area. This is a wonderful expression of the caring outreach of St. Luke's parishioners.

The church website (www.stlukescamillus.com) has been redesigned and reflects much of the content of the recently completed Parish Profile. Please review it and forward any comments or suggestions to the Wardens and Vestry.

On November 5, there will be a roast pork dinner and Silent Auction which we hope will become an annual event. This will be a fun evening full of friendly banter and shopping. The proceeds will help us to fund many of our ministries. Bring a friend or neighbor and introduce them to the warmth of St. Luke's.

The Search Committee continues to be hard at work. They now have names of interested candidates and will begin the interview process. This is detailed and necessarily confidential work. Please respect their need for confidentiality; but thank them for their service.

The Fall clean-up of the church grounds has been scheduled for November 12. Many hands make light work, so please come out and help.

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The nomination process for the Vestry class of 2017 is beginning, in preparation for the Annual Meeting in January. The Vestry plays an important role in the life of St. Luke's and its work is enjoyable and rewarding. We expect to have an incoming Rector in the first quarter, so having a full Vestry is critical. If you are approached by a nominating committee member, please give your service careful consideration.

The annual Stewardship drive is now underway. So please reflect upon what St. Luke's means to you. How has God blessed you in this place? And what is the Spirit asking you to give of your time, talent, and treasure in 2017?

Blessings throughout this season of Thanksgiving!!

Jeryl Wright
Bambi Carkey
Wardens

All Saints Day

We will celebrate All Saints Day on **Sunday, November 6**. Everyone is invited to bring in a picture(s) of loved ones who have died. The pictures will be placed around the altar and remembered in Prayers of the People.

It's November and I'm thankful!

I'm not sure what you're thankful for this month – but here are a few of the things I'll be mentioning around our Thanksgiving table in a few weeks...

Grandchildren. If I'd known how much fun they are, I'd have had them first!

Election Day. The ugly race will finally be over.

The changing seasons, the beauty of Autumn.

God's provision. No matter what might be needed, it always seems that I have what I need just when I need it. Enough income, enough food (maybe even MORE than enough at times), a warm house, loving friends and family, transportation, meaningful work. I feel blessed.

St. Luke's. Yes, you! It's been a joy to work with you this last year. I know that the rector search is in full swing and my time with you will come to an end some time early next year. You have been a blessing to me and I hope I've helped you along the way as well.

I'm grateful that our bishop search has been completed and I'm looking forward to Bishop-Elect DeDe's ordination next month. I hope you'll set aside the date (December 3rd) to attend the service. It will be a HUGE celebration (no need to let the politicians and car salesmen have all the good words!) with our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry presiding (of course!).

One way of expressing our gratitude for all that God is doing in our lives and at St. Luke's is to turn in a pledge card. Support the work being done here by sharing your resources and your time – your pledges make it easier for the vestry and the search committee to do their work. So many of you support the parish through your time and talent and treasure and I'm thankful for it!



Kathy+





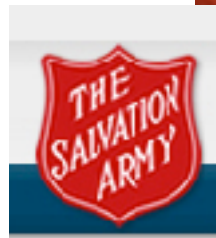
Outreach News

The Thanksgiving food drive is well underway and some items for the mitten tree are showing up on our tree. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please note Thanksgiving Food Drive on the face of your check.

We will again support the Salvation Army Angel Tree holiday gift drive. Hopefully the Angel Tree will be up with 60 tags around the 6th of November.

We will check with Meals on Wheels and make sure that they still have Welcome Kits for new clients.

As always, we encourage anyone with Outreach ideas to contact Eileen Robertson at (315)243-2579.



SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Now that our Bishop-elect is official, we hope to be getting our slate of candidates for our Rector opening. The October 5 meeting of the Search Committee firmed up our slate of questions for the in-depth round of interviews.

We asked Kathy to review the questions and make any comments or suggestions. She gave us some valuable input.

Sam Leiternann showed the committee a product called Zoom that we will use to conduct interviews. This is the same product that the Bishop's Search Committee used in their search process, so we are confident it will fulfill our needs.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

As we have done in the past we give extra to help with the Thanksgiving Food Drive to support the food pantry. Thank you for your generous giving.

November 6
Canned Vegetables and Quick Breads

November 13
Oatmeal and Cereal



Roast Pork Dinner and Silent Auction

THIS, Saturday, November 5 at 6 pm

Delicious Roast Pork Dinner with apple and raisin chutney and a Silent Auction.

Tickets available after church or during the week at the church office.

Open to all.

Bring your neighbors, family and friends.

\$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12 years.

Blessing of the Animals

October 2nd was a good day at St. Luke's for all God's creatures, be they of the two or four legged variety. A sizable group gathered on the church lawn for a very special "blessing of the animals" by Mother Kathy. A variety of dogs and a cat showed up. Blessings were given to them and to any not in attendance (by request of their owners). The well-behaved attendees were rewarded with treats for the occasion.

Even the sun came out to make the day perfect!



Farewell Celebration for Bishop Skip & Bonnie Adams

By Meredith Sanderson Posted October 24, 2016

The people of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York gathered at the OnCenter in Syracuse, New York on Saturday, October 22nd to celebrate fifteen years of ministry with The Right Reverend Gladstone B. "Skip" Adams III, tenth Bishop of Central New York, and with his wife, Ms. Bonnie

Adams. Bishop Adams' last day as Bishop of Central New York is October 31, 2016.

The celebration included a service of Holy Eucharist, with Bishop Adams presiding and The Rev. Bill Redfield preaching. A festive luncheon with presentations followed.



*Lovely ladies in these photos, **The Rev. Dr. Renee Tembeckjian**, our own **Bambi Carkey**, and **Sherry Brescia***



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Thank you Sherry!!



THANKS & PRAYERS

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We Ask Your Thoughts & Prayers for...

Christine, Elizabeth, Peter, Ann

(Note: Call the church office to add anyone to our Sunday prayer list. However, the name will stay on for only one month. You must call each month to have the name put back on the list.)

Also Members of the Armed Forces:

Note: We will continue to pray for our loved ones serving in the military, but only for those who are deployed in harm's way. Please call the church office to submit a name.)

Happy Birthday

- 2 Peter Woodworth
- 3 Milt Stevenson
Jeremiah Hart-Zavoli

- 5 Bob Tackman
- 10 Elisabeth Beebe
- 11 Jim Nightingale
- 14 Megan Conley
- 21 Richard Chrisfield
- 24 Christine LaPage
- 29 Jennifer Latter
- 30 Mary Stevenson

Happy Anniversary

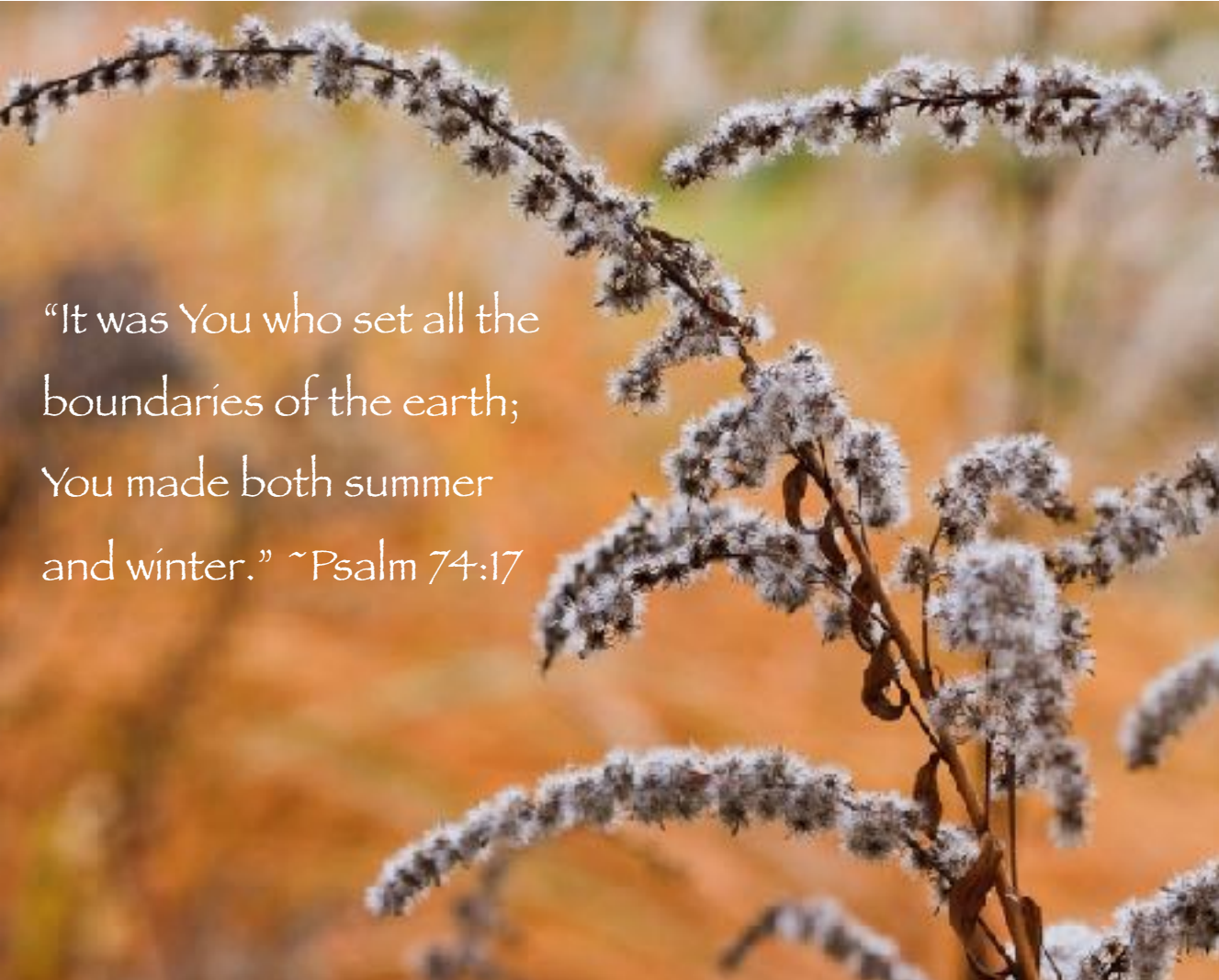
- 11 Peter and Heather Woodworth

Christmas Flowers

It is not too early to begin thinking of Christmas Flower memorials. Please complete a flower form found at both entrances or just call the church office at 487-1771. Christmas flower donation is \$15.00

We have November 13 and 27 and December 4, and 18 open for memorial flowers. Please call the church office to reserve a Sunday.





“It was You who set all the
boundaries of the earth;
You made both summer
and winter.” ~Psalm 74:17



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