

The Nugget

For Aug 2010

A monthly newsletter from St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Auburn, California

August Message from Reverend Susan

Reverend Susan has been on vacation during July and is not submitting a message for July.

Selection Of Reverend Susan's Replacement

The following announcement is made by the Vestry.

- 1) First of all, let us give our thanks and blessings to Rev. Susan for the six years of wonderful service she has provided to our Church and to the Community.
- 2) The Vestry is working with Bishop Beisner and Canon Britt in the selection process for a new Rector.
- 3) This process will take time; there will be an interim Rector selected by the Vestry while the search is ongoing. However, the Vestry thinks that this selection process will not take as long as the last time, and the final selection most likely will be made in 2011.
- 4) The Vestry will work with volunteers from within the congregation to go through the process of selection. The process is well documented by the Diocese and will be overseen by Bishop Beisner and Canon Britt.
- 5) The Vestry will be creating a Profile Committee and a Selection Committee to help them with this selection process. Anyone interested in volunteering for either of these committees should contact a Vestry member (see list below).
- 6) The Vestry will provide regular updates on the progress of the selection. The medium used will be during Sunday Services, the St Luke's web site, The Nugget as well as Church Bulletins. The web site will be the most frequently updated medium during this process.
- 7) If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Vestry members.

With prayer, attention to the Spirit speaking to us, and mutual respect for each other, I believe we can complete this process very successfully and in a reasonable time.

Vestry Members:

- John Leininger, Senior Warden

- Jim Webb, Junior Warden
- John Barnsdale
- Bruce Choate
- Meredith Guy
- Marge Hier
- B.V. Rao
- Carol Roy
- Chuck Stephens

St. Luke's Vestry Meeting Minutes 7/13/10

Attending: John Leininger, John Barnsdale, Carol Roy, Jack Buffington, Chuck Stephen, Meredith Guy, Marge Hier.

Absent: B.V. Rao, Jim Webb, Bruce Choate, Rev. Susan Plucker

Meeting opened with prayer by Carol Roy at 6:30

Minutes from last meeting MSP

Treasurer's report given. MSP

Jack went over the financial report and explained several items He cautioned the Vestry about the many items we need to consider with the changing picture at St. Luke's. At this time, we are current with all bills and have funds available to fund the upcoming search for a new rector. A financial profile is needed to be sent to the Bishop so that his office may begin work on finding an interim priest for St. Luke's. John Barnsdale, Jim Webb and Jack Buffington will work together on this task.

PPOFT report: More information needed before the Vestry can commit to actively and financially support this project.

The Sr. Warden will speak with Deacon Bill Hefti to make sure that he is willing to accept being the St. Luke's representative to this group. The Vestry will reconsider the support of PPOFT at the next Vestry meeting when we know if Deacon Bill's will accept or decline serving as our representative.

Gold Country PreSchool:

The Treasurer has spoken with Mei Ling and is assured that the PreSchool will be up and running in Sept. and that the necessary Yard maintenance will be done. A discussion about the financial agreement with the Schummer's and the income from Facility Use Fees on the PreSchool satisfied the Vestry.

Security concerns about the Exterior doors lock were discussed. John B. has temporarily secured the doors using a bike lock. A locksmith will be contacted and the locking mechanism on the doors repaired.

Security Concerns about the property.

There have been several problems arise with doors left unlocked. We need to be certain that whoever is last to leave the Church and Parish Hall checks ALL DOORS. The master key in the lock box in the Office is missing...

PLEASE RETURN THE MASTER KEY TO THE CHURCH.

WE MUST HAVE ALL KEYS THAT ARE TAKEN FROM THE OFFICE RETURNED AFTER THEY ARE USED.

PARISHIONER'S WHO HAVE KEYS TO THE CHURCH, OFFICE, PARISH HALL ARE ASKED TO PLEASE LET THE CLERK KNOW WHO YOU ARE. THE MASTER LIST SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN MISPLACED AND WE NEED TO KEEP AN ACCURATE RECORD.

If we do not have a current and up to date record of key holders, it may be necessary to rekey all locks at an additional expense.

Jack Buffington volunteered to support that expense should it be needed.

NO REPORTS FROM REV. SUSAN, BLDGS AND GROUNDS, JR. WARDEN, STEWARDSHIP, WORSHIP, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, EVANGELISM, OUTREACH.

HOSPITALITY:

Meredith and Marge will work on planning a farewell party for Rev. Susan. Meredith will check with Rev. Susan as soon as she returns from her vacation and find out what she would like, and what date would be best for her schedule.

The date for the Parish Camp Out is unknown. Bruce C. in charge of this activity. North's have agreed to host the Parish Picnic and date will be sometime in Sept.

PLEASE SEND ALL UPDATES TO THE PLANNING CALENDAR TO JIM WEBB.

The Golf Tournament date is October 16th at Black Oak.

John L. will continue to work on this fund raising event. More information as we move closer to the date. John hopes that we can double the participation from last year's first tournament.

Search/Discernment Progress.

The Diocese has guidelines available at their Website that will be used along with Canon Britt's assistance. The process is one of prayerful consideration and willingness to discuss any concerns of the congregation. PLEASE do not hesitate to contact any Vestry member if you have questions. No Committee's have been set to date. There will be articles in the Nugget and Bulletin. The Vestry wants the congregation to be a part of the process. If you might be interested in serving on one of the Committees, please give your name to a Vestry Member. We will discuss and give prayerful consideration to every congregant. The selection will be based upon our best judgment of who will work together and in the best interests of St. Luke's. It would assist these committees if parishioners speak or write to Vestry members, and tell us what they looking for in a rector and what direction should St. Luke's take in the future. There will be 2 members of the Vestry on the Profile and Search Committees and 6-8 people who represent the diversity of our congregation.

Vestry Members.... Please keep in touch through emails so that all Vestry members are aware of progress, potential Committee members and concerns of the congregation.

NUGGET ARTICLES DUE.... Opening Prayer assignment for next month...None

Closing Prayer at 8:45

Marge Hier, Clerk

EfM – Education for Ministry – EfM

EfM, Education for Ministry, is a four year college level course which will help you understand The Scriptures, Church History, Theology, and Theological Reflection. It is an extension course of the University of the South - Sewanee, TN. It is designed to help you develop a deeper understanding of your faith and to help you articulate it to others. This course will be available, this fall, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Auburn. We have openings for you this year. Registration is from July 15th to August 15th with classes starting in September. If you would like more information, please contact: the office at St. Luke's, (530) 885-2316 – stluke@pacbell.net; or Phil & Patty Park, (916) 652-6576 -phildpark@hotmail.com. The final schedule of the 2010-2011 classes will be decided at a formation meeting in August and will be based on participant's availability. Sample study guides, course structure, cost and other information about EfM can be found at their website: sewanee.edu/EFM/index.htm.

Incarnation

"For the past year, a new congregation has been birthed with the blessing of St. Luke's called **Incarnation**. We are a church plant of the **Reformed Church in America**, with a specific mission to serve the artists, musicians, and more eccentric "de-churched" population of the Foothills.

Beginning August 29th, we are thrilled to announce that Incarnation will begin having weekly services at St. Luke's every Sunday at 4PM. Members of St. Luke's are welcome to come and attend the "kick-off" service on August 29th, and stick around for the food and festivities that will follow.

And if you know of anyone that might fit our target demographic, feel free to pass the word along to them as well. If you have any questions, please visit our website, Www.IncarnationAuburn.Org, or contact our pastor, Joshua Lickter, at Joshua@IncarnationAuburn.Org or 530-559-1864. We would like to also take this time to express our extreme gratitude to Rev. Susan and all at St. Luke's who have helped to make Incarnation feel at home within your walls!"

Joshua Lickter

Pastor, Church Planter

Incarnation

"...A Community that Enjoys God, Loves Others, and Engages Culture..."

News From The Victorian Attic

At a recent "gathering of angels" (our volunteers) brunch, we all agreed what a joy it is to serve in this outreach ministry of St. Luke's Church and how thankful we are for the support we are receiving from the parish. Thank you all so much for your donations. If you haven't had a chance to stop by, do come in and enjoy shopping for all the wonderful things that you have given to us and take pleasure in the hospitality of our "angels." It is truly a blessing to be involved with all of the women (several of whom are not parish members) who go through bags and boxes of goodies, steam the clothes, dust and decorate the shelves, "wo-man" the cash register, evaluate the special items and bring fun to the job!

The magnitude of life is overwhelming. Angels are here to help us take it peace by peace. ~ Lavende Waters.

Phil Beukema and Carol Roy

St Luke's - Lay Server Schedule

<u>AUG.</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>USHER</u>	<u>ACOLYTE</u>	<u>CHALICE</u>
<u>8/01</u>				
8:00	Todd W		Jim W	Jim W
10:00	John B	Susan B Kristina B	Patty P	Dianna M
<u>8/08</u>	Morning Prayer			LEADER
8:00	John L		Bob H	Bob H
10:00	Jean D	Linda K Fiona T	Spencer T	Bruce A
<u>8/15</u>				CHALICE
8:00	Bob H		Linda H	
10:00	Marge H	Bruce A Debbie A	Janey C	Ginny P
<u>8/22</u>				
8:00	Liz R		Jim W	Jim W
10:00	Toney G	Susan G Shirley J	Tabitha R Erica R	Patty P
<u>8/29</u>				
8:00	Todd W		Bob H	Bob H
10:00	Molly H	Bruce C Jeanette C	Dianna M	Janey C