

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Bellringer

March 2010

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Lenten season poses challenges to many. I have noticed over 30+ years that people tend to respond in one of four ways. Because Lent can be a difficult time in the Church year, there are those who try to ignore it altogether. That's one approach. While there may be no "correct" reaction to Lent, it can be helpful to understand the other three responses.

During Lent we encounter many of the uncomfortable aspects of our faith. From our own mortality to Jesus' Crucifixion, the lessons and subject matter for Lent have intense content. Some people simply "get through" this time on the path to Easter and the Resurrection. They count the days until we can move on. For the rest of us, our observance of Lent involves some combination of three elements; Feeling, acting and thinking with one of these three being primary.

Those who experience Lent on a **feeling level** find this to be an emotional time. Grief naturally associates with the events surrounding the Lord's Passion. These 40 days can prove difficult as we move from Jesus' conflict with the authorities to betrayal, trial, suffering and death. These remembrances often test our sense of Life's goodness or fairness... For a feeling person, the journey to the Cross often provides a profoundly personal experience.

Others approach Lent as a time to **act**. Whether that means giving up something or taking on a special Lenten project, celebrating Lent provides a time to change our behavior. Those approaching Lent in these ways commit both body and soul. Lent becomes a time for self-initiated change; and that requires discipline.

For many, Lent intensifies **personal reflection and discovery**. During this reflection, we often intensify our thoughts about; God, our experience of life; what is most important to us as human beings and children of God. Once in awhile, we need to take time to contemplate the BIG aspects of comprise the human condition, including our understanding and experience of them. To think about God, examine my life, and periodically evaluate existence itself--these are both luxuries and necessities for spiritual well being and growth.

It is this reflection and the mysteries of Lent that motivate me to ponder the limitless love and grace of God in new and different ways. And for that I am immensely grateful and spiritually moved.

Fr. Bob



St. Luke's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting – January 14, 2010

Members Present – Chuck Ayer, Virginia Reker, Peter Loeb, Debby Kubly, Klaus Hintermayr, Jim Boone, Roger Uhden, Tracy Williams. **Others Present** – Father Bob, Diane Bergsland (Office Administrator) **Absent** – Jim Aldrich, Bill Yandell (Treasurer)

Minutes of Previous Meeting – Roger Uhden moved that the minutes of December 10, 2009 be approved. Passed unanimously.

Finance Report - The church is doing ok so far. Passed unanimously.

Junior Warden - Virginia Reker reported that the removal of all the ducting and putting in thermostats downstairs will cost about \$1600. Fireside room and classrooms will have to have wall heaters and thermostats install. Money for these improvements will come from the asset replacement fund. Chuck Ayer motioned that we go ahead with these repairs. Passed unanimously.

Committee Reports –

- A. Administration** - we are still review the personal policies. Changes need to be emailed to Jim Aldrich by Dec. 12. Long discussions on employees contracts etc. Yearly contracts are what we are considering.
- B. Membership Development** (named was changed from Marketing) – Peter Loeb said that in a month there will be a new-comer's gathering at the church. More people are wearing name tags. Peter suggested that we remind our "Pew Mates" to wear name tags.
- C. Community Building** - It was being considered if we will have a BBQ at our Annual Meeting on Feb. 14. Roger Uhden reported that 80 people attended the Christmas Dinner that was held at Sunland. There were also about 240 people that attended the Lessons and Carols.
- D. Stewardship** – Klaus Hintermayr had nothing new to report.
- E. Christian Education and Worship** - the Executive Committee discussed the format of the Lenten Series service. Soup supper will be first, followed by a series of talks on different forms of prayers (Holy Habits). We may have a Wednesday afternoon service. Monday mornings and Wednesday evening continue to study Christianity for the rest of us. We discussed that the next Vestry Day meeting may be held on 2 different days, one day to discuss the finances of the church and how to read the monthly reports and one day to discuss the personnel policies of the church. Days to be decided later after we have the new Vestry members.
- F. Outreach** – Debby Kubly had nothing new to report. It was discussed what the congregation could do to help with the victims of the Haiti earthquake. Father Bob sent an email to the congregation as to how we can help.
- G. Personnel** - We still need more help for Sunday School. Tracy Williams discussed that we need to get more parents involved with Sunday School. It was discussed that maybe we have a dinner with the Sunday school kids and their parents and other concerned adults as to how we can all be more involved with the kids. Bob will talk to MaryBel to have her help in Sunday school if there are no kids in the nursery.

Unfinished Business – Personnel policy was discussed again. We have 4 people interested in being on the Vestry (we need 4 people).

New Business - Next Vestry meeting will be on Feb. 18 to include the new Vestry members. We discussed a Ministry Day that would include all of the people who do the different ministries at St. Luke's and discuss who is doing what and the Vestry needs to be there so that there can be a connection between the ministries and the Vestry. March 9 from 10 to 12 is the date for the Ministry Day. We discussed what groups to open our Parish Hall too and was decided that no political action groups should use the church. "What is St. Luke's responsibility for what groups use the Parish Hall?" If a new group wants to use the Parish Hall then they can come and talk to the Vestry first and we will make the final decision. February 14 will be the Annual meeting – we will vote on the new Vestry members and vote on candidates for the Annual Convention. Action item list needs to be revised.

Rector's Report - covered mostly under Christian Education and Worship.

Meeting was adjourned around 6:15pm

Respectfully submitted by Debby Kubly

Mission Statement

St. Luke's Parish is an inclusive
Christian Community
dedicated to spiritual growth,
healing and compassion
through our worship,
hospitality and ministry to the
larger community

January 31 figures

TOTAL INCOME & EXPENSES re St. Luke's yearly budget

Budget income year end	26,807
Budget expenses year end	34,924
Surplus/Deficit year end	(8,117)

PLEDGES FOR 2009

pledged income year end	23,239
Actual pledged income year end	23,614
Pledges received vs pledged amount	375

Services

Sunday - 8 & 10 am
(Nursery care every Sunday at 10 am service)
Sunday School at 10 am service

Weekdays

Tues - 8 am Eucharist
Wed- 8 am—sermon & Breakfast

Education

Jesus & the Gospels 10:00 am Wednesday
Bible Study 8:30 am Thursday
Bible Study 10:30 am Thursday

Office Hours

8 am till 4 pm Monday thru Thursday
Friday 9 until noon

(lunch, post office, bank, doctors visits
will be done from approximately
11 am till 1 pm when possible)

If you want to be sure someone will be there
please call before you come.

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525 NORTH FIFTH AVENUE
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



**Pancake
Breakfast
March 7**

Next Taize' service

Wednesday, March 24th at 4 pm

Non-Profit Organization
U.S. Postage Paid
Sequim, Washington
PERMIT NO 42



Happy Birthday in March to:

- 2—Sherrie Raber
- 3—Steven Zipser
- 5—Naomi Hutchison
- 6—Nancy Carrere
- 7—Carol Francone
- 12—Colleen Philliber
- 13—Pat Oden
- 14—Dick Welch
- 14—Don Mandella
- 15—Hardyn Soule
- 17—Sherry Meythaler
- 18—Petie McCrudden
- 18—Mary Jo Lesage
- 19—Marie Mandella
- 20—Betty Ederer
- 20—Rich Olmer
- 21—Lyn Michalski
- 21—Larry Gossett
- 21—Sandy Sell-Lee
- 22—Chris Andrews
- 22—Pam Bedford
- 25—Tom Santos
- 25—Lorri Gilchrist
- 26—Jean Brown
- 28—Dianne Howerton
- 29—Jim Selby
- 30—Richard Godsey
- 31—Pam Godsey

If we have missed your birthday or have the wrong one, please contact Diane in the office so we can correct the information.

Ministries & Ministers of St. Luke's

Priest		Robert Rhoads
Senior Warden		Virginia Reker
Junior Warden		Carl Baker
Clerk		Debby Kubly
Treasurer		William Yandell
		Jim Reker
Vestry	Debby Kubly	Klaus Hintermayr
	Virginia Reker	Tracy Williams
	Peter Loeb III	Ardyth Schaumburg
	Candy Olmer	Carol Francone
	Virginia Reker	
Acolytes	Candy Olmer	683-6861
Adult Education	Bob Rhoads	683-4938
Altar Guild	Nancy Drew	683-8616
Bazaar Workshop	Roberta Griset	681-0962
	Kay Schiller	683-0972
Bell Choir	Valarie Lape	
Boar's Head	Valarie Lape	
Bread Ministry	Jean Brown	683-7358
Building Committee	Dick Neal	681-7996
Choir	Lorraine Martin	417-6898
Columbarium	Dean Kennedy	681-3943
Cursillo	Christine Hill	582-0989
	Roger Uhden	681-7450
	Rich Olmer	683-6861
Daughters of the King	Janet McColl	683-3009
Environmental Concerns	Linda Aldrich	582-3038
Flower Ministry	Lyn Michalski	681-3556
Garden Project	Rich Olmer	683-6861
Helping Hands	Lyn Michalski	681-3556
Light Lunch	Kara Selby	683-2895
Library	Judy Kenyon	683-8768
Little Sisters of St. Clare	Sister Mary Agnes	683-7048
Military Quilts	Barbara McCauley	797-2106
Men's Club	Roger Uhden	681-7450
Men's Spiritual Group	Bill Yandell	681-2569
Music Live with Lunch	Carolyn Braun	452-0495
Newcomers	Peter Loeb & Laura Lanka	504-2247
Organist	Lorraine Martin	417-6898
Outreach	Debby Kubly	681-3020
Prayer Chain	Dottie Nicassio	681-8048
Publicity	Candy Olmer	683-6861
Quilt Ministry	Tracy Williams	461-1483
Sunday School	Ted Bedford	683-6376
Stewardship	Klaus Hintermayr	797-7173
Taize	Pam Bedford	683-6376
Ushers	8 am Jim Grau	683-3931
	10 am Rich Olmer	683-6861
Women's Spiritual Group	Sue Clary	683-3552
Worship	Sally Sue Barry	683-6151

St. Luke's Parishioners who need out prayers:

William Yandell
 Maxwell Anderson
 George & Elsa McBride
 Don Newberg
 Hardyn Soule
 Virginia Woolf
 Tom Santos
 Len & Sally Britton
 Petie McCrudden

Cathy Sneath
 Glen Terrell
 Noreen Kennedy
 Frank & Jean Greenwell
 Sheila Cope
 Jim Boone
 Tatiana Trailov

Little Sisters of St. Clare meet the first Thursday of each month at 3 pm.

Tom Carr Passed away Thursday, Feb. 18

Being on the prayer chain helped bring me back to my old self since my recent stay in the hospital. My prayer quilt was with me the whole time. It was a comfort knowing you were praying for me.

Love & Peace Oda

Prayer Concerns for family and friends of St. Luke's

Mary Marzke (Braun)
 Bea Jackson, Al Rector, Nancye, (Round)
 Josh, Leslie, Erin, Rebekah (Schmidt)
 Paul Pederson, Mary H Bogart, Dan & Jan Heming, Anne Kernott (MacDonald)
 Kave & Joyce Sauers
 Bob (Jane)
 Loraine LeGlaire
 Kevin Neilson
 Harry & Mary Jo Goldsmith
 Kyla Burt
 Colin, Pat Gamwell, Phillip (McCrudden)
 Pam Sekaros & Bill Hoxsie, Jay and family (Sell-Lee)
 Kit Moore
 Brigitte Buckley
 Arlene Brewer
 Lorna, Carole (Sally Sue)
 Shirley Kitpatrick
 Vicki Rynd & family

Melinda Nobe
 Charla Sowden
 Mary Waite
 Holly Pierce
 Phyllis Bailey
 Edith & Susan (Godsey)
 Larry Watters
 Penny Tremlin (J Shell)
 Sue Petrie
 Judy Easley
 Deven (Chisham)
 Bob MacDonald, Faye Moynier, Suzanne Simmons (Greenwell)
 Helyn Brewer (Jones)
 Pari Gill
 Dotti Haidal
 Joe Nicassio (Dottie's son)
 Elizabeth Cisneros
 Phil Howell
 Ann Strate (Salmon)
 Ray & Jane Apple
 Michael Mullins
 Sasha Kelly (Bridget Moore)
 Malcolm & Priscilla Dunn
 Nelson Davis
 Jenny Steelquist (M Platt)
 Carl Pearson ,Kathy Sands

(Evans)

Barbara Crandell
 Jennis & John Thomas (Klaus)
 Dick Coleman (Neal)
 Robert Sherrod
 Katrina Howell (Slyh)
 Barbara Crandell
 Pam Godfrey
 Victoria Martin Moran & Wayne Hamilton Martin (Martin)

Mark Ledbetter and the 55th Rescue Squadron

If there are names that can be taken off this list, please let Diane know. Thank you. We would like to keep this as up to date as possible.



JAR CAKE BAKES SCHEDULE

We had a very exciting jar cake bake on Friday the 5th. I was so impressed as to how many people showed up to help us bake 100 rum cakes. I wonder if it's the rum cake that brings you out, or just the camaraderie???

FOR MARCH....we are baking the first three Fridays in March. For those who usually like to stand up for about 4 hours and assist in the baking....please show up at 9:00 a.m.

For those of you who like to work at the table and put skirts, ribbons and labels on the jars, please show up around 11:00 a.m. We have enough skirts cut, but we'll have to wait for the jars to come out of the ovens and cool a little bit before working on them.

I am always left speechless when so many show up to give us a hand. You are an amazing group of people at St. Luke's. God Bless You all!

Christine

Certification Classes for Domestic Violence Advocacy Training

Facilitator: **Becca Korby**, Executive Director of **Healthy Families of Clallam County**, local Domestic Violence Crisis Center.

Dates and Times: March 12, Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
March 13, Saturday - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
March 19, Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
March 20, Saturday - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
March 27, Saturday - 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Training includes: 12 hours of home study

Materials: Will be provided

Lunch: Bring a sack lunch.

Place: Healthy Families Agency
1210 E. Front Street, Suite C
Port Angeles

(left hand side/south side of the street - same bldg. complex as Dominoe's Pizza)

Call to register: 452-3811

(24 hour Crisis Line: 452-HELP)

Lent

Soup Suppers begin Wednesday, February 24th and continue till March 24

5:30 Soup Supper

(there is a sign up sheet on the west wall of the parish hall. We need at least 7 people each week to bring a large pot of soup and 7 people to bring bread of some sort.

Please bring your own table service so there is not a lot of clean up to do.)

6:00 pm programs as follow:

Wednesday March 3rd—The Life of prayer and the power of silence:

Lessons from the Monastic Tradition, Fr. Bob Rhoads

Wednesday March 10th—What is Taize?

Karen Williamson and the Taize worship team.

Wednesday March 17th—Contemplation and Meditation Session I

The Rev. Robert Gates and Judy Palumbo-Gates

Wednesday March 24th— Contemplation and Meditation Session II

The Rev. Robert Gates and Judy Palumbo-Gates

Speaker Series

March 9th, join members of St. Luke's Environmental Study and Action Group carpooling to St. Andrews in Port Angeles for a short Prayer Service, then on to the Park Visitor Center in Port Angeles for the Speaker Series: Dam, Salmon , and Nutrients: Freshwater Ecology of the Elwha River Restoration Project, presented by Jeffrey Duda, Research Ecologist, U.S. Geological Survey. We will meet at St. Luke's Parking Lot at 5:30pm to carpool to St. Andrews.

To all my sisters:

I will sing to the Lord - for he has been good to me with friends and family. St. Luke's, Daughters of the King has been my symphony of worship - not enough words can say thank you for all your prayers and concerns.

Aloha,

Tatiana and Family



Music Live with Lunch

Tuesday, March 16th

Program will be: Sequim High School Wind Ensembles

Tickets on sale in the office anytime we are open.

\$9 until the Sunday before the concert \$10 at the door

Sunday Hamburger Barbeque for Haiti

You are all invited to join us for a hamburger Barbeque on Sunday, March 21 after the 10:00 service. St. Luke's will provide all the food and drink for this event. We will have baskets available for you to make donations. Come and enjoy!

Episcopal 101 Class to Start in March

A new Episcopal 101 class will begin on March 24 at 1:00 in the afternoon. The class will run for 6 weeks and will cover our history, the Bible, our worship, the Episcopal Church and several other fascinating subjects.



2010 World Day of Prayer

Let everything that has breath praise God.

March 5, 2010

12 noon

Dungeness Valley Lutheran Church
925 N. Sequim Ave.

Everyone is invited to join in this world wide day of prayer.