



Farewell

The Reverend Susan Gerding



Rev. Susan shares PAID Oasis note

On October 7th we celebrated the three years of dedicated service Rev. Susan had shared with us. It was a great delight to present her with a mockup of the Oasis Loan marked 'PAID'. The Oasis debt was the only debt of St. Luke's.

ECW News

**FALL BAZAAR & LUNCH
NOV 3rd - 9 am-3 pm**

Come shop for many beautiful handmade gifts & baked goods!
Join us for lunch - BBQ pulled pork, chips, brownie & drink all for \$6. Tickets available in advance or the day of the bazaar.

ECW Annual Retreat

by Patricia Swaby

The Episcopal Church Women's annual retreat was held at Camp Allen October 19-20th. Eunice, Susie, Marjorie and I attended the retreat and had a wonderful, uplifting time. During the business meeting & dinner I was surprised to learn that I had been named as a 2012 honored

Welcome

*The Reverend Leonard Hullar
(Father Link)*



Father Link

On October 14th St. Luke's welcomed Father Link Hullar as our new Rector. We are blessed that Rev. Susan left one Sunday and Father Link was with us the next. Father Link, also a bi-vocational Priest, comes to us from St. Barnabas in Houston. He is a Professor of History at Lone Star College-Kingwood. His wife, Sharon is a preschool teacher and children's pastor. His first service was a hit, with many indicating they could hear him without their hearing aids. The vestry hosted coffee hour.

Blessing of the Pets



Jared adopts Trixie

Youth Group News

Come see us at the Fall Bazaar! Bag of Books - \$10. We have many books to choose from. Book sale proceeds will benefit the youth group outreach project - S.P.C.A. of Polk County.

Most of the youth group will attend the Nov. 160inh Happening & Y.E.S. This event is similar to Cursillo, but designed for youth. Please remember them in prayer as they participate in this spiritual event at beautiful Camp Allen.

Christmas Elf Ministry

by Paula Huisman

Our Annual "Christmas Elf Ministry" is getting off to an eager start and names from Livingston Empty Stocking Program. Please join in this wonderful Ministry and sponsor a family, or one child or you can donate money to the fund where Elf Sandy Gilbert will do all the necessary shopping so that each child will receive an outfit and a toy from their wish list. This has become a tradition at St. Luke's and last year due to your generosity we were able to take twice the amount of names. Let us always show these children the true meaning of Christmas giving by joining in on this wonderful ministry. Our deadline is always the end of first week of December, so please see either Elf Sandy Gilbert for name(s) or to give her your donation, or see me, Paula Huisman, for more information. These children don't ask to be in this situation, and some of us know what it is like to wake up Christmas morning to find that no one cared, so let's show them the true meaning of "giving" and give these children a St. Luke's Christmas. Thank you all in advance,
Your Elves - Paula Huisman and Sandy Gilbert

ECW News continued....

woman and have my photo in the 2013 ECW calendar. I enjoy being active in the ECW and I look forward to the annual retreat. Join us for our local meeting, the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30 a.m. We have a short business meeting followed by a covered dish lunch social. We are presently planning 2013 outreach projects. All ladies of St. Luke's are welcome to join us.

Stewardship Sunday Nov 11th

Financial commitment packets have been mailed. Please bring your card on Sunday, November 11th.

If you are interested in sharing your time & talent with stewardship or hospitality please see Father Link. These two ministries are in need of volunteers.

UTO In-Gathering November 4, 2012

The United Thank Offering Mission: Put gifts into the Blue Box with thanksgiving, prayer and generosity. Take blessings out of the box for grants to expand the church's faithfulness to God's mission.

Envelopes are also available in each pew or in the parish hall, in the UTO basket. Should you have any questions about this ministry see St. Luke's UTO chair person, Jan Seay.

Blessing of the Pets continued...

The Blessing of the Pets, open to the community, was well attended. Many beautiful animals were brought by their owners to be blessed. The S.P.C.A. of Polk County brought several animals for blessings, looking to be adopted. The youth group helped with S.P.C.A. animals and with refreshments. Justin Potter assisted Rev. Susan with the service. As a result of the combined effort, one dog was adopted on site, and a couple of cats were adopted the following week. Looking for a new pet? Visit the S.P.C.A. They have many cats & dogs that are just waiting for that loving home.

Welcome back Thelma



My last blood work shows all my numbers are down, a good sign, I guess my kidneys have kicked in! Thank you for all the prayers. I am grateful. Prayer works! Love, Thelma

We'll come to you!

Lay Eucharist Visitation

If you are unable to attend church and would like Holy Eucharist brought to you, contact the church office. Visitation is being done each Sunday. You will receive a call in advance of a visit.

Episcopal Shield car decals available



Episcopal Shield car decals are available free of cost. Pick up your decal at the Church Mouse, in the Parish hall.

Here's your sign

God wants full custody, not just a weekend visit!

Calendar

Click Calendar link above to see full calendar of events online.

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