



History of St. Luke's



Susan & Cy

Kudos to Susan Tullos & Cy Turner for their presentation on 'The History of St. Luke's - Past, Present, & Future'. Interesting and historical facts were learned by the group by these two 'historians'. The first building, its origin, moving from a mission to a parish, and much more was presented. A salad bar dinner was enjoyed by all, hosted by the ECW.

St. Luke's 60th anniversary is just over a year away (Oct 2013). There is much planning to be done & a 60th anniversary committee is needed. More on this coming soon!

Busy agenda for ECW

It was a fun & busy summer for sure, starting in June with Ladies Night (attended by over 70 ladies) and ending in August with the *History of St. Luke's* presentation & salad bar. And a few meet and eat gatherings to boot!

The calendar is already getting busy for Fall, and Fall Bazaar preparations are underway.

Sep 8 - First meeting - 10:30 a.m.
(Parish Hall - covered dish lunch)
Sep 21 - Spaghetti Dinner

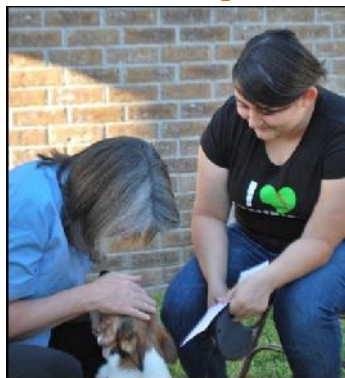
Knock, Knock... ...Who's there?

You may not have had a knock at your door or heard a whisper calling you by name, but let me say ***you are called***. As Disciples of Christ he has called each of us to Glorify of His name. Too busy? Yeah, me too. Hey, God, are you too busy for me? No, never.

Last month seven parishioners were trained and licensed for **LEV**. Lay Eucharistic visitors are lay people who have been trained to give the Holy Eucharist to shut-ins and other people who are unable to attend Eucharist services.

There are still ministry's with needs, Hospitality & Ushers to name a few, Visit with Rev. Susan to learn where you can share your time & talents.

Blessing of the Pets & SPCA Pet Adoption



Rev. Susan blesses Hope's dog (2011)

Everyone knows that people love their pets! St. Luke's Episcopal Church invites you to bring your pet and join us for our 4th

Youth Group News



Summer started with fun on Lake Livingston at the Boudreaux's and winds down with more water fun at SplashTown. Joining with other groups from our San Jacinto convocation the group enjoyed the wet rides on a very hot day, great for cooling off.

While in Houston, the group went by to visit with Thelma, recuperating nearby, and on to dinner at The Potatoe Patch where their catching was tested as the waiter 'tossed' rolls & muffins.

The first EYC meeting is Wednesday, September 5th with new hours of 4 - 6 PM. We welcome youth grades 6 - 12th to join us as we continue to explore who we are, who God wants us to be, and how we are empowered to make a difference in our church, community, and the world.

The Polk County SPA will be our community outreach project this year. Once they relocate, the youth will visit every third Wednesday, assisting with bathing & grooming pets.

DONATIONS - *you can help!* The SPCA is in need of pet food & kitty litter. Drop-off to parish hall.

Oct 19 & 20 - [ECW Annual Retreat](#)

@ Camp Allen (click link for details)

Oct 19 - Spaghetti Dinner

Nov 3 - Fall Holiday Craft Bazaar

Instructional Eucharist

The Reverend Susan Gerding

On Sunday, September 16th, as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist we are going to examine the different parts of the service and explain them as we go along. The purpose is to help us better understand the worship and help us to participate more fully in the Holy Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is the principle act of Christian worship.

As we proceed, we will pause for explanation of why we are doing what we are doing. There will be some historic and some theological explanations. This is a departure from our usual worship but hopefully it will help us all better appreciate and understand the richness of our liturgy.

annual Blessing of the Pets, celebrating the Feast of St. Francis, on the lawn beside the church.

Looking for a new pet? In connection with the blessing, the SPCA will bring pets to be blessed that are looking for new homes.

The Blessing of the Pets will begin at 5:30 pm. All creatures great and small welcome! Treats will be on hand for pets & owners. Donations, money and/or pet food, are welcome and will benefit the Polk County SPCA.

Heaven's Sense

The church is a gift from God. Some assembly required

Calendar

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

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