



MAY 2016

# Light in the Shadows

*"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matt. 5: 16*

## Pentecost: A Season Of Discovery

*"All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." [Acts 2:4]*



It's May and the Season of Pentecost is about to begin. Pentecost (lit. "the fiftieth day") is the event of the Holy Spirit's descent upon a diverse crowd of Jews in Jerusalem who came to the temple to celebrate the Festival of Weeks known as the "Shavuot" (lit. "Weeks"). What took place that day in the temple gave rise to the Christian celebration of Pentecost also known in

Christian circles as the "birthday of the Church." On Pentecost, God came down from heaven in the form of "fiery tongues" (imagine that if you can!) and basically brought together a group of eager believers into an organized community of God, and that became the church.

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*—Rev. Heidi L. Edson*

visitors and guests think! Despite the "noisy Reading," we discovered that we could distinguish one language from

In Hawaii at our church in Kona, Pentecost Sunday highlighted the diversity among our members. In addition to those of us from European descent, members at our church were Japanese, Korean, Hawaiian, Islanders, Portuguese, and Black Cherokee. Our tradition was to come to church on Pentecost Sunday prepared to read the passage in Acts that talks about the first Pentecost. We read this in our native tongue or in a language we could read—all together and at the same time! Imagine the different sounds being heard all at once. What would our

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## Sunday After Ascension Day Traditional Shrimp Boil

When is a "coffee hour" not a "coffee hour?" Come to the 10:00 a.m. St. Luke's worship service on **Sunday, May 8th** and you will discover the answer! This year we are trying something new. There is no service being held on Ascension Day (May 5) so the worship committee decided to move our Traditional "Shrimp Boil" to the Sunday after Ascension Day (May 8th.) It's also Mother's Day that Sunday, so you Mom's are in for a special treat.

In place of a the regular coffee hour that morning, the choir has once again graciously agreed to host the Shrimp Boil following the 10:00 a.m. service. The menu includes, shrimp, three or four different dipping sauces, chicken wings (for any non-shrimp eaters), tossed green salads, French bread and desserts for a sweet ending. There is no charge but a basket for a freewill donation will be placed on each table to help offset expenses. Look for a sign-up sheet in Willard Hall so we can plan accordingly.

The Ascension Day Shrimp Boil has become a fun tradition at St. Luke's since 2009 when our former rector, Paul Brannock-Wanter, suggested holding one. It is a well-known tradition in the South that Paul remembered from his former parish in Tennessee. —**St. Luke's Choir Members**

## From the Senior Warden

### How Do We Respond To Change?



In her sermon on Sunday, April 24th, Rev. Heidi touched on the issue of change. The apostle Peter (Acts 11:1-18) is criticized by the circumcised (Jewish) believers for sitting down and eating unclean food with those who were uncircumcised (the Gentiles believers.) Peter explains about the dramatic vision he had from God (remember the sheet floating down from heaven filled with all kinds of four-legged animals, beasts, etc.?) —showing him that nothing that comes from God can be called unclean or profane. This is paraphrasing a bit but the point for me was that God challenges us to be willing to let go of some of the old ways of doing things and allow Him to work in new ways so that everyone can hear the message of hope and salvation.

This got me thinking about a recent change we have been experimenting with at St. Luke's. We have designed and implemented what we are calling, a "User-Friendly" Sunday Bulletin, that will make it easier for guests and newcomers unfamiliar with the Episcopal liturgy to be able to follow along with the service. An additional benefit is that we do not have to print a new Sunday Bulletin each week, saving printing costs and creating less paper waste. We introduced this to the congregation during Pentecost in 2015 and continued it throughout the Lenten Season in 2016. [During Advent & Easter we went back to using the traditional weekly format, due to some time restraints.] We've had mixed reactions to this change. Some think it's been a good thing (both newcomers and old-timers) Others find it not so helpful and perhaps a little confusing. (See some of the comments under the "Worship Committee Report" on page 5.) What has been your experience? Do you have suggestions on how we might improve it? I invite you to share your own experience with Rev. Heidi, myself, or any of the worship committee members.

I think we can all agree that our goal for anyone who worships among us at St. Luke's is, that they feel welcome, hear God's message of love and hope, and experience the presence of the Holy Spirit—without the distraction or confusion of trying to find the correct page or having to juggle too many books.

Your sister in Christ,  
**Pat Fromberger**

## Pentecost: A Season Of Discovery

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another as they all were being read and quite enjoyed it ('Maybe something to try here at St. Luke's!')

This Season of Pentecost provides us with a wonderful opportunity to discover how we as St. Luke's community of faith can grow in greater love and appreciation for the diversity that is all around us. We may not be as racially or ethnically diverse as the people of Hawaii, yet we are, nonetheless diverse. The more we get to know each other through worship, prayer and outreach, the more it is that the Spirit shows us just how unique each one of us really is. Now imagine all of us as unique individuals coming together to raise our voices as one to proclaim in worship and deed the Good News of God's love for everyone in our communities and world who just might be listening. Will we be listening to their voices, too?

*In Christ together,  
Heidi +*



### A Hymn For Pentecost

Eighteenth-century brothers John and Charles Wesley, co-founders of the Methodist Church, were prolific hymn writers. At one point, they made a concerted effort to increase the number of Pentecost-related hymns available to worshippers.

Use Charles Wesley's hymn "O Thou Who Camest From Above" as a prayer that the Holy Spirit will burn brightly in your heart and life today:

O Thou who camest from above,  
the pure celestial fire to impart,  
kindle a flame of sacred love  
upon the mean altar of my heart.



There let it for thy glory burn  
with inextinguishable blaze,  
and trembling to its source return  
in humble prayer and fervent praise.



Jesus, confirm my heart's desire  
to work and speak and think for Thee;  
still let me guard the holy fire,  
and still stir up thy gift in me.

"The greatest gift we can give back to our great God is to let his love make us glad." —Ann Voskamp, *The Greatest Gift*





## Church School Lessons: Planting Seeds & Feeding Lambs

On Sunday, April 10, the children attending St. Luke's church school had a busy morning with fun activities and scripture lessons. Bonnie Watters was the guest teacher and she talked about the old days when there were 22 children in church school and how we might get more children to come again. She helped the children create cards they could hand to friends who used to attend. They also planted marigold seeds with a prayer that new children will grow in faith with us.

Then the lambs appeared! Everyone put on their coats and trooped out of Willard Hall to the parking lot where Sean Whalen had two of his lambs housed in a wooden pen in the back of his car. This presented the children with a literally "hands on" experience of feeding and tending God's sheep. Sean shared this passage from scripture that he read to the children:

"When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?'" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." (John 21.)

As you can see by the photo taken by Lew Watters, the children (and the lambs) really enjoyed this activity.



## Consider The Ushering Team

I had hoped to do a profile of the Altar Guild but it is a little slow coming. What is not slow are the summer and fall worship services, so we are putting in a plug for the need for more ushers. I fondly remember the late Peter Pill who jokingly "charged" for the bulletins at the eight o'clock service! Men need not be the only ones to apply. There is an added duty to the slate of greeting the visitor, handing out the bulletins, counting the communicants, delivering the elements and collecting with the plates. Manager of the announcement microphone has become a new duty. Red, John, Andrew and Lew do a grand job, with Doug stepping up to help often, but need new volunteers are needed. Speak to any one of the current ushers.

—*Bonnie Watters*

"If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. But if you look at Christ, you'll be at rest." —*Corrie ten Boom*

## Newcomers...Progress We Did!

In spite of a couple last minute disappointments, the new members of the St. Luke's family flowed with us old timers from Red & Adelaide Johnson's in Andover to the Windham Wonders, first Eileen Widger's abode on Popple Dungeon Road for a delicious ham dinner. The finale was the warm love felt at the Hoover's where delicious desserts filled Sally's kitchen. To these generous hosts, a huge thank you. To those who added to the menu with salads, vegetables and treats to go with the beverages and hospitality on Hill Top, you are all a blessing. Glad that Heidi and Doug came along with Kathryn, Marti, and Marcia and three other couples. For newcomers we had David & Pat Cherry and Ashley & Brian Paine, Walter & Elsie Sharon caught up with us at Eileen's. Lesley Koenig had to work at the last minute, Christine Burchstead had to work, Beth Salisbury was cleaning and simply forgot. James had to work, so we will catch these new treasures in the fall. Let's keep this going strong. Twenty-three in all. —*Bonnie Watters*

## April Vestry Meeting Highlights

St. Luke's Vestry held their regular monthly meeting on Monday in April 18th. All but two members were present and the discussions were lively and productive. The following is a brief summary.

- **Financials.** Treasurer Kathryn Wright reported that the Diocese of Vermont Unit Fund, which holds the money the church received from selling the rectory and which regularly provides over \$1000 per quarter in interest to St. Luke's, as of April is totally invested in socially responsible companies. The Diocese's official report of the replacement cost of the church for insurance coverage came in at \$1,357,500—a figure all thought too low in today's market.
- **Rock Point Camp Scholarships.** In 2015 the Diocese had asked that every Vermont church fund one nonmember camp scholarship, so St. Luke's allocated \$410 in the 2016 budget for that purpose. The only camp applications this year came from two nonmember sisters. The Vestry voted to approve those two scholarships from the Camp Scholarship Fund. Kathryn Wright was asked to research the interest derived from this fund to determine what the yearly interest income could support. The Vestry will discuss establishing a future policy for special funds at the November meeting.
- **Focus: Fellowship.** Bonnie Watters read her report for 2015-2016. The August Supper and Christmas Tea were welcoming highlights, as well as good fundraisers. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper had two new “flippers”: Joe Fromberger and Norm Wright. After an extraordinary number of years as Committee Chair, Bonnie is officially retiring, but will continue on the committee. Thank you, Bonnie, for all those years of devoted leadership!
- **Worship:** Rev. Heidi will be offering Morning Prayer at 9:30 a.m. (in place of the mid-week Eucharist) on Wednesdays in May, followed by the adult study group at 10:30 a.m.. The Worship Committee met on April 16. [Read the full report on page 5.] Those making announcements in church will be asked to use the microphone and face the congregation so all can hear.
- **Pastoral Care.** A committee comprised of Marti Assenza, Janet Hunter, Kathryn Wright, and Pat Fromberger, with Heidi as advisor, will get together to define pastoral aims and opportunities, and will invite members of the congregation to become involved in this ministry. The Diocese is offering a three-session Pastoral Care Training this fall at a cost of \$100 per parish. Marti and Janet will participate. Those trained are expected to train others in the parish after taking training themselves.
- **Construction and Restoration Projects.** The back steps and entry to Willard Hall have been prepared and await

final work. Blacktop there will be applied when the ramp is constructed out front.



Grading work in progress at the entrance to Willard Hall.

- **Celebration of Chester's 250th Anniversary.** All churches have been asked to be open on Saturday, July 15 and to give tours of their buildings featuring their history and importance to Chester. The Vestry is looking for persons who could provide information to add to the basic history of the church with the Chester connection in mind—such as information about the Fullertons who gave the altar windows. We also would like volunteers to be trained and commit to serve a shift as docents on that day. This desirable information and volunteers willing to deliver it will provide opportunities for future open houses to attract newcomers to the church. Please contact Pat Fromberger if you have information and are interested in helping.
- **The 2016 Vestry Retreat:** Friday and Saturday May 20 and 21 at the Willisies. Next regular Vestry meeting will be Monday, June 6, FOCUS: Christian Education.

—Lillian Willis, Secretary/Clerk

## Always With Us

Forty days after Easter, we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. This occurred 10 days before Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus' followers, as he had promised.

Jesus' ascension reminds Christians that although his body couldn't remain present everywhere, we can universally experience his spiritual presence. In fact, Jesus' final words to his disciples—and to us—contain this key promise: “I am with you always, to the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20, ESV).

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## Worship Committee Meeting Report From April 16

The Worship Committee met on Saturday, April 16 to discuss various issues regarding worship at St. Luke's and to plan for the upcoming Pentecost Season. Those in attendance were: Rev. Heidi L. Edson, John & Sally Hoover, Jean Hancock, Marti Assenza, Lew & Bonnie Watters, and Pat Fromberger.

The following topics were discussed:

**1. Supply Priest:** Heidi reported that the overall comments she heard were favorable. Rev. Bruce MacDuffie was well-liked, warm, and had a good sense of humor. Microphone was an issue on the first Sunday, (during the Rite II service only; volume was too loud and had to be turned off) despite the fact John DesLauriers & Lew Watters checked them out before each service. Heidi reiterated the need to always have a person assigned to greet future supply priests prior to each service and make sure they know how the mike works, etc. During the two Sundays when Rev. MacDuffie supplied, St. Luke's congregants were introduced to the "Enriching Our Worship" (EOW) liturgy. The responses were mixed:

- "When we hear words differently it causes us to pay more attention thus enriching our experience. Nudges us a bit out of our comfort zone; stretches us and causes us to grow."
- "I oppose changing the Rite II worship."
- Not that different.
- Does not like having to keep looking down to follow along with the worship.

Rev. Heidi suggested that we use the EOW liturgy once a month or perhaps for a span of time so that everyone will become more familiar with it. It was agreed to try this during part of the Pentecost Season, which begins in May.

### Other comment about the Eucharist in general:

Lew has liked being exposed to the different forms of the Eucharist (e.g., Eucharistic Prayer C & D and as well as the EOW Prayer 3 Eucharist.) He feels it broadened his appreciation of the liturgy offered in the BCP as well as enhancing his worship experience.

**2. User-Friendly Bulletin Format** was discussed briefly with comments were as follows:

- Felt it was less than "user-friendly."
- Felt it is was very helpful for someone not as familiar with our worship and liturgy. (This comment came from a relatively newcomer.)
- Thought the Hymn numbers are difficult to locate. (Not everyone can see Hymn board.) Listing them on the "Announcement Insert" hasn't worked for some.

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- It was suggested that Heidi in her "Welcome," instruct where the Hymn numbers can be found.
- Suggested considering another format. John shared a 3-fold, single sheet, 11x17 bulletin sample that had the complete service written out.

**3. New Acolyte Vestments:** After much discussion, it was agreed new vestments are needed for the acolytes to replace our current worn-out ones—vestments that are more comfortable to wear and that are specifically designed for this use. There are funds in budget for this kind of use, but we will double check with Kathryn Wright. Rev. Heidi will meet with some of the acolytes to make a final choice on style/color/number of vestments to purchase.

### Upcoming Worship Plans:

• **Ascension Day:** Will be celebrated on May 8 (Sunday after Ascension Day.) Choir will organize a "Shrimp Boil" in place of the coffee hour that day. Heidi will consider having only one service that Sunday so the 8:00 a.m. worshippers can enjoy the Shrimp Boil as well.

• **Announcements:** We have a number of parishioners who are hearing impaired. Lew Watters suggested that anyone making announcements needs to step up front, face the congregation and use the mike. [Heidi, when she invites announcements, will take the microphone from the lectern podium and hand it to the person.] Having the ushers do this hasn't worked.

• **Easter Season:** Heidi reminded everyone that Easter runs through May 15th (Day of Pentecost) and we will continue using Eucharistic Prayer II for the 8:00 a.m. service and Eucharistic Prayer D for 10:00 a.m.. Liturgical color is Red on Pentecost Day.

• **Trinity Sunday** (May 22) Eucharistic Prayer C at 10:00 a.m. service. Liturgical color is White.

**Next Workshop Committee Meeting:** Saturday, October 15, 10:00 a.m. in Willard Hall.

—Pat Fromberger, Recorder



## A Taste Of God's Love

In *Lost in Wonder, Love and Praise* (Abingdon Press), John Killinger describes a mother's love—and how it offers a tiny foretaste of God's love:

"It is stronger than steel, softer than down and more resilient than a green sapling on the hillside. It closes wounds, melts disappointments and enables the weakest child to stand tall and straight in the fields of adversity. I believe that this love, even at its best, is only a shadow of the love of God, a dark reflection of all that we can expect of him, both in this life and the next."



## The Outreach Corner

### PINS Outreach Happenings

**I**n April the PINS (Partners in Service) received a request from Robbie Wierzbicki, our liaison person at the Springfield office of the Department of Child and Family Services. In their caseload there was a family in need of \$130.00 for a train ticket for a handicapped boy to travel to live with his father. The members of the committee all agreed to donate \$130 to the family.

PINS at St. Luke's is always "on call" to be contacted with specific requests on an on going "as needed" basis when individual needs and emergencies arise. The mission of PINS is to be a vehicle for putting faith in action.—*Marcia Clinton*

### Operation Christmas Child

**T**hank you so much for saving all of the recyclable materials to make games and toys with. I really appreciate it. We are in need of any kind, color, and shape of covers and lids. Especially needed are laundry detergent, mouthwash, and other covers of that sort for a certain game we are making. Any kind of coffee, oatmeal, and yogurt covers are useful as they can be made into crocheted rings for the shoeboxes.

We will be having an **Operation Christmas Child Workshop** on Sunday, **May 22** in Willard Hall after the 10:00 a.m. church service. Please come and help us to decorate empty toilet paper rolls that will be used to hold the paper together. We will also be working on tops, and other toys made out of recyclable materials. Thank you!—*Cindy*

### Notes To Soldiers

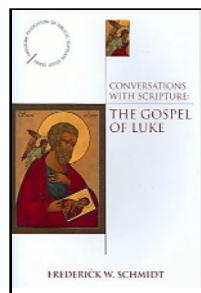
**W**e have several soldiers we are supporting and will be receiving more names at the beginning of May. Please take some time to write a short note to one of them every week. There is always a basket of note cards available on the table in Willard Hall for this specific purpose. The ones we are supporting get no mail at. Even just a card that says we are thinking of you or have a GREAT day mean so much to them. Many thanks!

## Mid-Week Worship To Offer Morning Prayer

**F**or a little over a year now, St. Luke's has been offering a mid-week Eucharist service in Willard Hall. We have a small but faithful group who regularly participate in this service and who find it to be a good spiritual "pick me up" during the week.

Beginning later on in this month (18th of May), Our mid-week worship will change from the Eucharist to Morning Prayer II from the Book of Common Prayer. We'll be reciting Morning Prayer through the month of June after which date we will consider together our way forward with mid-week worship.

I am excited to be offering the Morning Prayer service. The Daily Offices provided me with a spiritual anchor that carried me all three years of my seminary training. Morning Prayer in particular was a meaningful service with its many Canticles, Collects and Prayers recited by everyone. I also appreciated the longer Scripture Readings from the Hebrew Bible and from the Gospel that often provided a continuity in our faith narrative. We students served as either Officiant or Lector for both Morning and Evening Prayer every day of the week.



Weather permitting, we will be holding Morning Prayer in the chapel area of the Sanctuary at the same time (9:30am). Our **Mid-Week Study** of Luke's Gospel will continue in Willard Hall beginning 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. As always, everyone (including you!) are welcome to attend either Morning Prayer or the study or, better yet: Why not make a morning of it and plan to come to both and why not invite a friend or two to come with you!—*Heidi+*

## As A Mother

**J**esus, as a mother you gather your people to you; you are gentle with us as a mother with her children. Often you weep over our sins and our pride; tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment. You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds; in sickness you nurse us, and with pure milk you feed us.

Jesus, by your dying we are born to new life; by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy. Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; through your gentleness we find comfort in fear. Your warmth gives life to the dead; your touch makes sinners righteous.

Lord Jesus, in your mercy heal us; in your love and tenderness remake us. In your compassion, bring grace and forgiveness; for the beauty of heaven may your love prepare us. —*Anselm of Canterbury (1033-1109)*

Prayer establishes or expresses a relationship between the pray-er and the prayed for. How prayer works is a mystery, but it is one way God invites us to take part in the great works of healing and saving God's people.

—*Forward Day By Day, May 25, 2015*

## Annual Vestry Retreat, May 20-21

*“St. Luke’s is an intentional Christian community deepening faith and broadening love.”*

The Vestry of St. Luke’s will be holding its annual retreat later this month, the 20th and 21st of May. Lillian Willis has graciously opened up their beautiful home in Chester for us for our time together. The theme of the mini-retreat will be to take a closer and more careful look at St. Luke’s *Statement of Purpose*. Through Scriptural reflection and conversation, we hope to come together in mind and purpose on how St. Luke’s more specifically can grow in our intention to “deepen faith” and “broaden love.” The plan is to examine these principles of faith and love by identifying one or two specific goals and objectives of St. Luke’s for 2016.

Although we will be spending some time “working”, there will be plenty of time for some fun, some great food, and for recreation. After all, it is a retreat!

—Heidi+

## August Supper...Plan Ahead

Last night after I had gone to bed at 7:45 p.m. after a crazy St. Luke’s filled weekend, I heard the phone ring but didn’t rise. This morning I learned it was doll and St. Luke’s fan, Barbara Dougherty from NJ, calling to confirm the date of this year’s **August Supper**. She had it right—**first Saturday, in August, the sixth**. Tell your friends to mark their calendars! —Bonnie Watters

### St. Luke’s Financial Information

	<u>Mar. 2016</u>	<u>Mar. Budget</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>% Monthly Budget</u>
<b>Pledge/Plate Income</b>	\$ 5,613	\$ 7,660	\$ 91,920	73.2%
<b>Other Oper. Income</b>	\$ 1,628	\$ <u>1,734</u>	\$ <u>26,707</u>	93.8%
<b>Restricted Income</b>	\$ <u>4004</u>			
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$ 11,245	\$ 9,394	\$ 118,627	119.7%
<b>Regular Expense</b>	\$ 11,459	\$ 12,508	\$ 133,400	91.6%
<b>Restricted Expense</b>	\$ <u>2,529</u>		\$ <u>11,000</u>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$ 13,988	\$ 12,508	\$ 144,400	111.8%
<b>NET INCOME/(LOSS)</b>	(\$ 2,743)	(\$ 3,114)	(\$ 25,773)	168.0%

Pledge & Plate Income lagged substantially behind budget projections for March, nearly \$2,000. We realized \$1,371 from the PINS Maple Fest Dinner, but these are Outreach funds that go directly to “Partners in Service”, who serve children in the foster care system. We received our quarterly interest payment - \$687 — from the sale of the rectory. Income from the Lego Contest was not tallied and deposited until April. We purchased a top-of-the-line Kenmore vacuum cleaner for the church, but remaining expenses were below budget for the month, resulting in a moderate, less-than-projected deficit of \$2,743 for March.

—Kathryn Wright, Treasurer



## Meetings & Events

### WEEKLY

#### • **Adult Formation Study:**

Sundays, following the 10:00AM worship service each week from **11:35AM-12:30PM** in the Rector’s Study. We will continue our study on Henri Nouwen’s book, “Can You Drink the Cup.” All are welcome to join us.

#### • **Lunch Bunch Book Study:**

Mondays, **Noon-1:15PM** in Willard Hall for a bag lunch, discussion & prayer. We are reading “*The World’s Religions*,” by Huston Smith. All are welcome to join us.

#### • **Mid-Week Eucharist/Adult Study:**

Wednesdays in Willard Hall: 9:30AM for informal Eucharist; 10:30AM, for study.\* We have begun a new Easter Season study—on the Gospel of Luke and reading “Conversations with Scripture: The Gospel of Luke” written by the Rev. Dr. Frederick W. Schmidt. All are welcome to join us. Speak to Heidi if you have an interest and need a book.

#### • **Mid-Week Morning Prayer/Study:**

Wednesdays in Willard Hall: 9:30AM starting on **May 18th**. See article on page 6.; 10:30AM, Adult Study will continue as noted above.\*

#### • **St. Luke’s Choir Rehearsals:**

Sundays at **9:00AM** for warm-up & rehearsal in the church sanctuary plus special Saturday rehearsals as needed. We always welcome new members. Speak to Ashley Paine, Church Musician, if you are interested.

### LESS THAN WEEKLY

#### • **Ascension Day Shrimp Boil:**

Sunday, **May 8, 11:30AM**, in Willard Hall following the 10AM service that morning. See details on page 1. No charge; freewill offering.

#### • **Vestry Annual Retreat:**

Friday, **May 20, 6:00PM**, at the **Willises** in Chester; **Saturday, May 21, 8:00AM-2:00PM** at the **Willises**. There is no regular monthly meeting in May.

#### • **Operation Christmas Child Workshop:**

Sunday, **May 22, 11:30AM**, in Willard Hall following the 10AM service that morning. We will be making toys for the shoeboxes. See details on page 6.



# MAY CELEBRATIONS



## Birthdays:

7 Sara E. Thiebaud	24 Anita Wright
22 Chris Meyer	25 Saul Hensel-Whalen
22 Joan Sullivan	26 Marilyn Mahusky

## Anniversaries:

17 Richard & Janet Hunter

JUNE DEADLINE:

👉 **MAY 20<sup>th</sup>**

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## ✝ WORSHIP SCHEDULE ✝

### May 1 VI EASTER (Rogation Sunday)

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### May 8 SUNDAY after ASCENSION DAY

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### May 15 DAY OF PENTECOST

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### May 22 TRINITY SUNDAY

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

### May 29 II PENTECOST

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

☛ **CHURCH SCHOOL:** Sundays, 10:00 a.m. starting in the sanctuary and recessing to Willard Hall after “The Collect.”

*Wear Red  
For  
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