

Church Calendar Week of September 8th

WEDNESDAY

10am: Morning Mass with Healing Service [church]

SATURDAY

10am-1pm: Rummage Sale donation drop-off [parish hall]

SUNDAY (SEPTEMBER 15)

During the 10:30am service, Lucia Coffey, Senior Community Engagement Office, will make a brief presentation about Forestdale, Inc., the 2024 Outreach grant recipient. Since 1854 Forestdale's missions is to ensure kid & families have the fundamentals needed to thrive and live independently.

12:30-2:30pm: Rummage Sale donation drop-off [parish hall]

RUMMAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

We are looking for volunteers to help accept donations on 9/14 and 9/15, as well as to sort through the donations. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the sale on October 4th and 5th. **High school students are eligible to earn volunteer hours!** If you are available to help, please contact Paul Dinas (dinas.paul@gmail.com).

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS (OCTOBER 6)

We are holding our annual Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 6th following the 10:30am service. More details to follow soon!



The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Eucharist, Rite II
September 8, 2024 10:30AM

Donate to St. Luke's



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The First Reading

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Psalm 125

1. Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, *
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
2. The hills stand about Jerusalem; *
so does the Lord stand round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.
3. The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the
land allotted to the just, *
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
4. Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good *
and to those who are true of heart.
5. As for those who turn aside to crooked way,
the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; *
but peace be upon Israel.

The Second Reading

James 2:1-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement.

The Second Reading

James 2:1-17

(continued)

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 7:24-37

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Serving Today

Crucifer & Second Chalice Bearer	Paul Dinas
Acolyte	Br. Bill Paine, FCC
Lector	Volunteer
Organist	Philip LoPinto
Choirmaster	Olivia Grugan
St. Luke's Choir	
Ushers	Eve Sundberg & Curtis Frank
Bellringer	Barbara Glick
Nursery Care	Susan Civita
Altar Guild	Jean Tessier
Hospitality	Choir Potluck

Activities Today

10:15am: Church School [gray classroom under the nave]

11:30am: Potluck Fellowship Hour with a jar to support our 2024 Outreach Grant recipient, Forestdale Inc. [parish hall]

12:30-2:30pm: Rummage Sale Collection [parish hall]

Open Dates for Flowers & Sanctuary Lamp

Saint Luke's Flower Society encourages dedications of altar flowers (\$55) and sanctuary candles (\$12) in thanks for birthdays, anniversaries, or other blessings from God, or in remembrance of departed family & friends. Sunday Altar Flowers beautify our worship and offer a visual sense of praise and thanksgivings. The seven-day candles for the Sanctuary Lamp allow prayer intentions to stand in the presence of the consecrated bread and wine throughout the week.

Final Open Dates for 2024!

Altar Flowers: October 13

Sanctuary Lamp: September 15, 22

<https://onrealm.org/stlukesforesthills/give/altarflowers>

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CHURCH SCHOOL

at St. Luke's Episcopal Church

**Selected Sundays
September-June
2024-2025
10:15-11:00 AM
For kids ages 4-12**

Join us Sunday mornings to learn Bible stories in a welcoming and inclusive environment! This Spring we'll explore the Gospels through a variety of age appropriate activities, including crafts, games and music. Each lesson is self-contained, so come to every class or simply drop in when you can.

- September 8th and 15th
- October 6th and 20th
- November 10th and 17th
- December 8th and 15th
- January 5th and 12th
- February 2nd and 9th
- March 2nd and 9th
- April 6th and 27th
- May 4th and 18th
- June 1st and 8th

For questions, more information, and to register (if you are new to St. Luke's) contact Emily Taylor at erwtaylor@gmail.com



* Please note that parents and guardians must stay on the premises while class is in session. Adults are encouraged to join the 10:30 worship service and are also welcome to sit in on the class.

OCT 4 & 5

FRIDAY EARLY ACCESS 6-8:30 PM
TIX \$20 ONLINE/\$25 DOOR
WINE + BITES+ RAFFLE

SATURDAY PUBLIC ACCESS 10-5
VINTAGE + JEWELRY + BOUTIQUE
CLOTHING + LINENS + BOOKS + VINYL
MEDIA + SNACKBAR & MORE

DROP-OFF

Saturday, September 7: 10 AM -1 PM
Sunday, September 8: 12:30 PM- 2 PM
Saturday, September 14: 10 AM -1 PM
Sunday, September 15: 12:30 PM- 2 PM

PLEASE NO furniture, sports/exercise equipment,
electronics, board games, men's shoes or
undergarments, dinnerware, mugs, or holiday
decorations

RUMMAGE '24



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<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Louise Foisy	Paul Dinas	Jyri Laatikainen
Jeanine McPartlin	Jane Kettlewell	Robert Lin
Jennifer Hudson-Phillips	Christopher Nyberg	Jonathan Wallin

Sunday Worship Hours:
10:30am [church/Zoom]

Meeting ID: 897 4444 1960 Passcode: STLWORSHIP

Church school: 10:15am on 1st & 2nd/3rd Sun, Sept-June
Nursery care is available for children under 4